

# Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority

Financial Statements as of and for  
the Year Ended  
December 31, 2013 and  
Independent Auditors' Reports

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Directors of  
Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority:

### *Report on the Financial Statements*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### *Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### *Auditors' Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these 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 financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### *Opinion*

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Authority, as of December 31, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### ***Emphasis of a Matter***

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, in 2013, the Authority adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Authority is a public benefit corporation that has material transactions with the County of Nassau (the “County”). The County is under a control period as imposed by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority.

As discussed in Note 7, subsequent to the Authority’s year-end, the County entered into a contract with a third party to operate and maintain the system.

### ***Other Matters***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management’s Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 8 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board which considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management’s responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### ***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 9, 2014 on our consideration of the Authority’s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

September 9, 2014

**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
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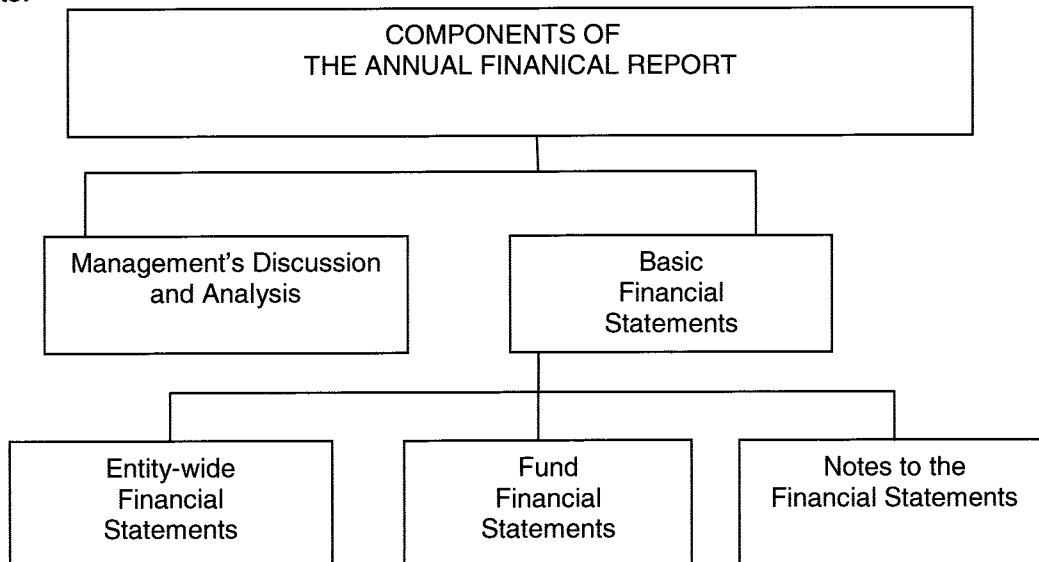
As management of the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority, we offer readers of the financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of our financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2013. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the financial statements.

The Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority (the "Authority") was established in 2003 by the State of New York (the "State") under the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority Act, codified as Title 10-D of Article 5 of the Public Authorities Law of the State, as a public benefit corporation. The Authority was established primarily to refinance outstanding sewer and storm water resources debt issued by or on behalf of Nassau County (the "County") and the financing of future County sewer and storm water resources projects.

The Authority has acquired all of the sewer and storm water resources infrastructure, buildings, equipment and related assets, other than land, (the "System") of the County pursuant to a financing and acquisition agreement dated March 1, 2004, by and between the Authority and the County (the "Agreement"). The Authority is paying for the System in installments equal to the debt service requirements on outstanding bonds issued by or on behalf of the County (including bonds issued by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority ("NIFA") on behalf of the County), originally issued to finance the System ("County Bonds"). In addition, as part of such purchase price, the Authority may, at the request of the County, refinance the County Bonds. Most of the Authority's revenues are derived through the imposition, by the County, of assessments for sewer and storm water resources services. The County has directed each city and town receiver of taxes to remit all such assessments directly to the Trustee for the Authority's bonds. The Authority receives sufficient funds to service all debt, including County Bonds, pay its operating expenses and remit the remaining funds to the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Resources District (the "District"). The District is responsible for paying all of the operational costs of the County's sewer and storm water resources services, including repairs and maintenance on the System. This includes the repairs needed at the facilities damaged by Superstorm Sandy. See note 7 for discussion of future repairs and maintenance related to the new operation and maintenance agreement.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority's basic financial statements are comprised of the following components: 1) entity-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to basic financial statements.



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**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** (continued)

**Entity-wide Financial Statements**

The entity-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position reports all of the Authority's assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources and net position. This combines and consolidates the Authority's current financial resources with capital assets and long-term obligations. The purpose of this statement is to give the reader an understanding of the Authority's total net worth.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Authority's net position changed during the most recent year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods. This method is known as the accrual basis of accounting and is different from the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the Authority's fund financial statements.

The intent of the entity-wide financial statements is to give the reader a long-term view of the Authority's financial condition.

**Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements focus on current available resources and are organized and operated on the basis of funds, each of which is defined as an accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts established for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. The Authority, like other governmental entities, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the entity-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the entity-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term effect of the Authority's near term financial decisions. In addition to these two statements, the financial statements include reconciliations between the entity-wide and governmental fund statements.

The Authority maintains two individual governmental funds, the general fund and the debt service fund, both of which are reported as major funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for each fund.

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the entity-wide and fund financial statements.

**ENTITY-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The statement of net position details the assets, liabilities and deferred outflows/inflows of resources of the Authority based on their liquidity, utilizing current and noncurrent categories. The resulting net position, in this statement, is displayed as either net investment in capital assets, restricted or unrestricted. The Authority's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$463,307 (net position) at the close of the most recent year.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
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**ENTITY-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS** (continued)

Our analysis below focuses on the net position and changes in net position of the Authority's governmental activities.

**Condensed Statement of Net Position**  
**As of December 31, 2013 and 2012**

<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current and other assets	\$ 8,389	\$ 34,520
Capital assets	952,759	997,828
Total Assets	<u>961,148</u>	<u>1,032,348</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current	32,985	55,487
Non-current	464,856	395,439
Total Liabilities	<u>497,841</u>	<u>450,926</u>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	458,748	578,379
Restricted	1,108	-
Unrestricted	3,451	3,043
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 463,307</u>	<u>\$ 581,422</u>

**Condensed Statement of Activities**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2013 and 2012**

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Property taxes (sewer assessments)	\$ 117,275	\$ 117,282
Less: Transfer to the District	(73,790)	(87,300)
Debt payments made directly by NIFA	5,223	5,824
Federal aid	1,108	-
Investment income, net and amortization of premiums	150	164
Total Revenues, net	<u>49,966</u>	<u>35,970</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
General government support	171	227
Depreciation	46,371	47,027
Interest expense	20,051	19,645
Amortization of bond issuance costs	-	282
Impairment loss on capital assets	-	20,989
Total Expenses	<u>66,593</u>	<u>88,170</u>
<b>Transfer from (to) the County</b>	<u>(97,255)</u>	<u>20,948</u>
<b>Decrease in Net Position</b>	(113,882)	(31,252)
<b>Net Position at Beginning of Year</b>	581,422	612,674
<b>Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle</b>	(4,233)	-
<b>Net Position, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 463,307</u>	<u>\$ 581,422</u>

Capital assets decreased by \$45,069 during 2013; this was due to depreciation exceeding additions during the year.

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**ENTITY-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS** (continued)

Total liabilities increased by \$46,915 during 2013, primarily due to increases for County Bonds issuances of \$99,074, less scheduled principal payments totaling \$28,745, and decreases for amounts due to the County of \$24,000.

Net position decreased by \$113,882 resulting in a net position at December 31, 2013 of \$463,307. The decrease in net position is primarily due to the increase in amounts transferred to the County and expenses exceeding revenues. See note 2 for further explanation. The Authority received a grant recovery through the County from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency totaling \$1,108, the monies of which are restricted to capital improvements or debt service requirements.

Property taxes (sewer assessments) totaled \$117,275 for 2013, a decrease of \$7 from the prior year.

Depreciation and interest expense are the most significant ordinary expenses of the Authority. Depreciation decreased \$656 from the prior year due to prior year capital asset deletions. Interest expense increased by \$406 from the prior year due to increases in debt.

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The focus of the Authority's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Authority's financing requirements. In particular, spendable fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

The Authority does not have a legally adopted budget as per the definition provided by the GASB Comprehensive Implementation Guide.

**General Fund**

At the end of 2013, the total fund balance of the general fund was \$8,389, increasing \$2,102 from the prior year. Of the \$117,275 of sewer assessments collected, 62.92% or \$73,790 was transferred to the District; the remaining amount was transferred to the debt service fund or used to pay for the operations of the Authority.

**Debt Service Fund**

During the year, the debt service fund received \$42,428 from the general fund which was used to fund debt service requirements, (including Authority and County Bonds) and Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) fees.

**CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital improvements are made by the County throughout the course of the year and are primarily funded by the issuance of long-term debt. In 2013, the Authority added approximately \$1,302 in capital assets. On October 29, 2012, Superstorm Sandy, a Category 1 post-tropical cyclone, struck the southern Atlantic coast of Nassau County, New York and caused destruction across the County.

Sandy's impact on land during high tide, together with the tidal surges and strong winds, caused unprecedented flooding levels. As a result of the impact of the storm, the Authority suffered physical damage to buildings, infrastructure and equipment. The cost associated with the repairs, replacement, required mitigation and compliance with current codes and standards with respect to these assets is estimated to be in excess of \$1 billion.



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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
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**CAPITAL ASSETS** (continued)

The County is still in the process of requesting funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") to repair or replace the assets that were impaired. As of September 9, 2014, FEMA has approved several projects for the temporary and permanent repairs needed to restore the facilities. The total approved cost is currently \$831,265. In accordance with an order by President Obama on May 23, 2013, FEMA will reimburse 90% of all eligible costs. The County has requested that the State provide the 10% match through the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Grant, authorized through the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013. Repairs are expected to take approximately 5 years.

**OTHER EVENTS**

On July 18, 2014 the Nassau County Legislature approved an Agreement for the Operation and Maintenance of the Nassau County Sewer System by and between United Water Long Island Inc. ("United Water") and The County of Nassau, New York (the "O&M Agreement"). The O&M Agreement provides for the operation and maintenance of the System by United Water, with an initial term of twenty years, which may be renewed for an additional term as permitted by applicable law by mutual agreement of the parties. The County's rights and obligations with respect to the Authority under the Financing and Acquisition Agreement remain in place and have not been assigned to United Water. The Authority continues to own the System.

**DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

At the end of 2013, the Authority had total bonded debt outstanding of \$140,558 (including premiums). Additionally, the Authority is contractually obligated to pay \$353,453 of County Bonds.

A summary of activity for the year ended December 31, 2013 is as follows:

**Outstanding Debt**

	Balance 1/1/13	Additions/ Reallocations	Reductions	Balance 12/31/13
Revenue bonds payable:				
Series 2008A	\$ 127,585	\$ -	\$ (6,745)	\$ 120,840
Series 2004B	19,210		(1,210)	18,000
Subtotal	146,795	-	(7,955)	138,840
Premiums	1,861		(143)	1,718
Total bonds payable	148,656	-	(8,098)	140,558
Due to the County for acquisition of the System	275,026	99,074	(20,647)	353,453
	<u>\$ 423,682</u>	<u>\$ 99,074</u>	<u>\$ (28,745)</u>	<u>\$ 494,011</u>

At the end of 2013, the Authority's 2008A bonds were rated AA+ (insured), AA+ (uninsured) by Standard & Poor's, Aa1(insured), Aa3 (uninsured) by Moody's and AA- by Fitch. At the end of 2013, the 2004B bonds were rated A+ by Standard & Poor's, Aa3 by Moody's and AA- by Fitch.

Additional information on the Authority's indebtedness is shown in the notes to the financial statements.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
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**CONTACTING THE AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide the Authority's interested parties with an overview of the Authority's financial operations and financial condition. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority, 1 West Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Mineola, New York 11501.

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
December 31, 2013  
(Dollars in Thousands)

**Assets**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	8,389
Capital assets - net of depreciation		<u>952,759</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u>961,148</u>

**Liabilities**

Accrued expenses		32
Accrued interest on Authority Bonds		1,234
Bonds payable:		
Due within one year		8,568
Due in more than one year		131,990
Due to County:		
Due within one year		20,587
Due in more than one year		332,866
Accrued interest payable		<u>2,564</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<u>497,841</u>

**Net Position**

Net Investment in capital assets		458,748
Restricted		1,108
Unrestricted		<u>3,451</u>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$</b>	<u><u>463,307</u></u>

See notes to the financial statements.

**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
Year Ended December 31, 2013  
(Dollars in Thousands)

**Revenues**

Property taxes (sewer assessments)	\$ 117,275
Less: transfer to the District	(73,790)
Debt payments made directly by NIFA	5,223
Investment Income, net and amortization of premiums	150
Federal aid	<u>1,108</u>
<b>Total Revenues, net</b>	<u><b>49,966</b></u>

**Expenses:**

General government support	171
Depreciation	46,371
Interest expense:	
Authority Bonds	7,246
County Bonds	<u>12,805</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u><b>66,593</b></u>

Transfer to the County	<u>(97,255)</u>
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Changes in Net Position	<u>(113,882)</u>
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<b>Net Position at Beginning of Year</b>	581,422
<b>Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle</b>	<u>(4,233)</u>
<b>Net Position at Beginning of Year, as restated</b>	<u>577,189</u>
<b>Net Position - End of Year</b>	<u><u><b>\$ 463,307</b></u></u>

See notes to the financial statements.

**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
December 31, 2013  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	General	Debt Service	Total (Governmental Funds)
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,389	\$ -	\$ 8,389
Total Assets	\$ 8,389	\$ -	\$ 8,389
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>			
Restricted	\$ 1,108	\$ -	\$ 1,108
Unassigned	7,281	-	7,281
Total Fund Balances	8,389	-	8,389
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 8,389	\$ -	\$ 8,389

See notes to the financial statements.

**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**RECONCILIATION OF BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
December 31, 2013  
(Dollars in Thousands)

**Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds** \$ 8,389

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds:

Capital assets, depreciable	1,346,347
Accumulated depreciation	(393,588)

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported in the funds:

Authority bonds payable	(140,558)
Due to the County	(353,453)
Accrued interest	(3,798)
Accrued expenses	(32)

<b>Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	\$ 463,307
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See notes to the financial statements.

**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
Year Ended December 31, 2013  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	General	Debt Service	Total (Governmental Funds)
<b>Revenues</b>			
Property taxes (sewer assessments)	\$ 117,275	\$ -	\$ 117,275
Federal aid	1,108		1,108
Investment Income, net	7	-	7
Total Revenues	118,390	-	118,390
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>			
Operating transfer in	-	42,428	42,428
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	118,390	42,428	160,818
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Current			
General government support	70	101	171
Debt service			
Principal	-	7,955	7,955
Interest	-	7,310	7,310
Total Expenditures	70	15,366	15,436
<b>Other Financing Uses</b>			
Transfer to debt service fund	42,428	-	42,428
Transfer to District	73,790	-	73,790
Transfer to District - County debt principal	-	16,644	16,644
Transfer to District - County debt interest	-	10,418	10,418
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	116,288	42,428	158,716
<b>Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</b>			
	2,102	-	2,102
<b>Fund Balances - Beginning of year</b>	6,287	-	6,287
<b>Fund Balances - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 8,389</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 8,389</b>

See notes to the financial statements.



**NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY**  
**RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND**  
**BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
Year Ended December 31, 2013  
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<b>Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,102</b>
<p>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:</p> <p>The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal of bonded debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds:</p>		
Payments to paying agents for bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the payment reduced long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.		24,599
Principal payments made directly by NIFA are reported in the statement of activities as revenue and as a reduction in the obligations to NIFA in the statement of net position; this transaction is not included in the governmental funds statements.		3,486
Interest payments made directly by NIFA are reported in the statements of activities as revenue and an expense; this transaction is not included in the governmental funds statements.		1,737
Governmental funds report premium on debt issued as revenue. However, in the statement of activities, the premium on debt issued is amortized over the lives of the related debt.		143
Interest expense on Authority Bonds and County Bonds (due to County) is reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds when it is paid, and in the statement of activities when it is accrued.		(2,324)
The assumption of new debt or transfer in of capital assets, net of related debt, in the statement of activities does not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, is not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.		(97,255)
Certain expenses are reported in the statement of activities but do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.		
Depreciation expense		<u>(46,371)</u>
<b>Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>(113,882)</u></b>

See notes to the financial statements.

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# NASSAU COUNTY SEWER AND STORM WATER FINANCE AUTHORITY

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2013

(Dollars in Thousands)

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority (the "Authority") is a public benefit corporation created by the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority Act, codified as Title 10-D of Article 5 of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York (the "Act") in 2003. Although legally separate and independent of Nassau County (the "County"), the Authority is a component unit of the County and, accordingly, is included in the County's financial statements. Additional information regarding the County can be found in the County's CAFR, which can be obtained by contacting the Nassau County Comptroller's Office at 240 Old Country Road, Mineola, NY 11501.

The Authority is governed by seven board members, each appointed by the County Executive of the County with confirmation by the County legislature. Each member serves a three-year term without compensation.

The Authority was established to finance future county sewer and storm water resources projects, as well as to refinance outstanding sewer and storm water resources debt issued by or on behalf of the County, up to \$350,000.

Pursuant to a Financing and Acquisition Agreement dated as of March 1, 2004 (the "Agreement"), the County sold and transferred to the Authority the County's sewer and storm water resources facilities, buildings, equipment and related assets other than land (the "System"). The Authority is paying for the System in installments equal to the County's debt service requirements on the bonds then outstanding issued for the System, including bonds issued by the County and the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority ("NIFA") on behalf of the County ("County Bonds") (see note 6). The payments are made at the time bonds are issued to refund County Bonds, and as necessary for purposes of permitting the County to satisfy debt service on such County Bonds payable until so refunded, or if not refunded, until maturity. Although the System was transferred to the Authority, responsibility for paying for the operations of the System rests with the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Resources District (the "District").

NIFA has certain limited authority under Title 1 of Article 10-D of the N.Y. Public Authorities Law (the "NIFA Act") to monitor and oversee the finances of the County and covered organizations such as the Authority, and upon the declaration of a "control period" as defined in the NIFA Act, additional oversight authority.

Additionally, pursuant to the Agreement, the County agreed to transfer and the Authority agreed to acquire, any additional System facilities, which became part of the System (at the time the project is completed), including those facilities financed by obligations of the County or NIFA after the closing date; and, the Authority shall pay debt service on such new County Bonds in the same manner and time set forth above for the payment of County Bonds. Additionally, the County agrees that, during the term of the Agreement, it will not sell, lease mortgage or otherwise give up or encumber the real property upon which the facilities are situated.

Revenues of the Authority ("Revenues") primarily consist of property taxes (sewer assessments) and investment earnings on deposits in various Authority accounts. The County has directed each city and town receiver of taxes to remit all such assessments collected directly to the Authority's trustee for its bonds. The Authority retains sufficient funds to service all debt, including amounts due for County Bonds, and to pay its expenses. Excess funds are remitted to the District to pay for the operations of the System. Sewer assessments are determined annually during the County's budget process. During this process, the County ensures that assessments include sufficient funds to cover the required debt service and operating costs of the Authority and the District.

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

The basic financial statements of the Authority have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

**A. ENTITY-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Authority's basic financial statements include both the entity-wide (reporting the Authority as a whole) and the fund financial statements (reporting the Authority's major funds).

**Entity-Wide Financial Statements**

The entity-wide financial statements of the Authority, which include the statement of net position and the statement of activities, are presented to display information about the reporting entity as a whole. The entity-wide statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are otherwise supported first by program income, if any, and then by general government revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function.

**Fund Financial Statements**

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The accounts of the Authority are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, fund balances, revenues, and expenditures, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. The focus of the governmental funds financial statements is on the major funds.

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus of the governmental funds is on the financial position and changes in financial position.

The Authority uses the following governmental funds to report its financial position and the results of operations:

- The general fund accounts for sewer assessments and other revenues received by the Authority and for its general operating expenses and transfers to the District.
- The debt service fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest, and for financial resources that are being accumulated for principal and interest in future years.

The Authority does not have a legally adopted budget as per the definition provided by the GASB Comprehensive Implementation Guide.

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

**B. MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION**

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured whereas the basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The entity-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Authority considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of year end. Revenue susceptible to accrual generally includes investment income. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest are recognized as expenditures when due.

Because governmental fund statements are presented using a measurement focus and basis of accounting different from that used in the government-wide statements' governmental activities column, a reconciliation is presented that briefly explains the adjustments necessary to reconcile ending net position and the changes in net position.

**C. ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, AND FUND EQUITY**

**1. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments**

The Authority invests in accordance with the applicable law, authorizing resolutions, and the Authority's Investment Guidelines. As of December 31, 2013, the Authority held cash and money market accounts. All bank deposits of the Authority are required to be fully collateralized or insured. The money market accounts are recorded at cost, which approximates fair value.

The Authority considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Investments are recorded at fair value, which includes accrued interest receivable. Revenue and losses related to investments, including interest earned, changes in fair values and realized gains and losses are reported in the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances. Fair value is determined using quoted market values at December 31, 2013. There are no investments at December 31, 2013.

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**C. ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, AND FUND EQUITY (continued)**

**2. Capital Assets**

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost exceeding certain thresholds, established by the County, are reported at historical costs or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are reported at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets transferred from the County are reported at the County's cost, which approximates fair value.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Infrastructure	15 - 40
Buildings	40
Equipment	5

On October 29, 2012, Superstorm Sandy, a Category 1 post-tropical cyclone, struck the southern Atlantic coast of Nassau County, New York and caused destruction across the County.

Sandy's impact on land during high tide, together with the tidal surges and strong winds caused unprecedented flooding levels. As a result of the impact of the storm, the Authority suffered physical damage to buildings, infrastructure and equipment. The cost associated with the repairs, replacement, required mitigation and compliance with current codes and standards with respect to these assets is estimated to be in excess of \$1 billion. The County is still in the process of requesting funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") to repair or replace the assets that were impaired. As of September 9, 2014, FEMA has approved several projects for the temporary and permanent repairs needed to restore the facilities. The total approved cost is currently \$831,265. In accordance with an order by President Obama on May 23, 2013, FEMA will reimburse 90% of all eligible costs. The County has requested that the State provide the 10% match through the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Grant, authorized through the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013. Repairs are expected to take approximately 5 years.

**3. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflow of resources, represents a consumption of net position that is applicable to future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until that time. The Authority did not have any items qualifying for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and therefore will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenues) until that time. The Authority did not have any items qualifying for reporting in this category.

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**C. ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, AND FUND EQUITY** (continued)

**4. Long-Term Obligations**

In the entity-wide financial statements, liabilities for long-term obligations consisting of amounts due for the Authority's revenue bonds and amounts due to the County for County Bonds, are reported in the entity-wide financial statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are capitalized and amortized over the lives of the related debt issues using the straight-line method in the entity-wide financial statements, and netted with long-term debt in the entity-wide financial statements. Unamortized debt issuance costs were recognized as an expense and were charged against the beginning balance of net position during the current year.

In the fund financial statements governmental funds recognize bond premiums and discounts during the current period. The face amount of the debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

**5. Interfund Transactions**

Interfund transactions and balances have been eliminated from the entity-wide financial statements. In the funds statements, interfund transactions consist of operating transfers and primarily represent payments to the debt service fund from the general fund to finance the required debt service costs.

**6. Net Position and Fund Equity Classifications**

The entity-wide financial statements, net position are displayed in three components:

- a) Net investment in capital assets — consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, due to County, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b) Restricted net position — consists of net position with constraints placed on the use of such, either by: (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors or contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c) Unrestricted net position — all other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

In the fund financials statements, governmental funds report aggregate amounts for five classifications of fund balances based on the constraints imposed on the use of these resources; they are: 1) nonspendable, 2) restricted, 3) committed, 4) assigned, or 5) unassigned.

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

**C. ASSETS, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, AND FUND EQUITY** (continued)

**6. Net Position and Fund Equity Classifications** (continued)

- 1) Nonspendable fund balance includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either: (a) not in spendable form (i.e. prepaid items or inventories), (b) will not convert to cash within the current period (i.e. long term receivables and financial assets held for resale), or (c) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact (i.e. the principal of a permanent fund).

The spendable portion of the fund balance comprises the remaining four classifications: restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

- 2) Restricted fund balance reflects the constraints imposed on resources either: (a) externally by creditors, grantors or contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3) Committed fund balance reflects amounts that can only be used for specific purposes by a government using its highest and most binding level of decision making authority. The Authority is not empowered to establish law; accordingly the Authority will not have committed fund balances.
- 4) Assigned fund balance reflects the amounts constrained by the Authority's "intent" to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The members of the Authority have the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balances include all remaining amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds, other than the general fund, that are not classified as nonspendable and are not restricted.
- 5) Unassigned fund balance. This fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Authority's practice to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources – assigned and unassigned - in order, as needed.

**D. REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**

Interest expense is recognized on the accrual basis in the entity-wide financial statements. In the governmental fund statements, interest expenditures are recognized when due.

In accordance with the Agreement, property taxes (sewer assessments) are collected by various city and town receivers of taxes and the County has directed them to remit all such assessments directly to the Authority's Trustee. The Authority receives sufficient funds to service all debt, including County Bonds, and pay its operating expenses and then remits remaining funds to the District. The District is responsible for paying all of the operational costs of the System.



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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**E. USE OF ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Authority's management to make estimates and assumptions in determining the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**F. NEW ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

The Authority has adopted all of the current statements of the GASB that are applicable. Effective with the financial report for the year ended December 31, 2013, the Authority implemented GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, in fiscal year ended December 31, 2013. This statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. As of December 31, 2013, there are no items qualifying for deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources.

In addition, the balance of unamortized bond issuance cost as of December 31, 2012 was fully amortized and affected the beginning net position for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Changes were implemented to reflect the effect of GASB  
Statement No. 65 - *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*.

This statement requires that bond issuance costs to be shown as  
current-period outflows of resources (expenses) \$4,233

**G. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**2. TRANSACTIONS WITH AND ON BEHALF OF RELATED ENTITIES**

Nassau County

The Act and other legal documents of the Authority establish various financial relationships between the Authority and the County, which includes the District. Pursuant to the Agreement to acquire the System, the Authority is obligated to pay debt service on County Bonds. (See note 6.)

During the year ended December 31, 2013, the Authority effectively remitted \$27,062 to the County for the installment payments due for purchase of the System by making the required debt service payments on County Bonds (excluding amounts paid by NIFA).

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**2. TRANSACTIONS WITH AND ON BEHALF OF RELATED ENTITIES (continued)**

Nassau County (continued)

The Authority reported expenses from a transfer to the County of \$97,255, consisting of capital assets transferred during the year, net of related debt. During the year ended December 31, 2013, the County transferred to the Authority \$1,302 of capital improvements made to the System. Additionally, during 2013, the County issued its 2013 Series B bonds, with which a portion of the proceeds will be used to finance sewer and storm water resources projects. Other County Bonds from prior years were refunded during 2013. These transactions resulted in an additional amount due to the County for related debt service totaling \$98,557.

Capital Assets	\$ 1,302
Due to the County for acquisition of the System	<u>(98,557)</u>
	<u>\$ (97,255)</u>

The legal documents of the Authority require revenue remaining after application of amounts needed to fund debt service requirements and operations of the Authority be remitted to the County (on behalf of the District). During the year ended December 31, 2013, the Authority remitted \$73,790 to the County (on behalf of the District).

Nassau County Interim Finance Authority

Included in the amount due to the County are bonds issued by the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority ("NIFA"), the proceeds of which were used to partially finance the System. It is the responsibility of NIFA to remit the required debt service on these bonds. The Authority recognizes revenue equal to the amount of debt service paid by NIFA related to this debt. This revenue is reported in income from debt payments made directly by NIFA in the statement of activities. During the year ended December 31, 2013, to reflect the payments made by NIFA, the Authority reduced the amount due to the County by \$3,486, reported \$5,223 of income from debt payments made directly by NIFA and reported \$1,737 of interest expense.

**3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

The following table summarizes the Authority's cash and cash equivalents held by the Authority's Trustee as of December 31, 2013:

Money Market	<u>\$ 8,389</u>
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Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits / Investments – Custodial credit risk for deposits exists when, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Authority may be unable to recover deposits, or recover collateral securities that are in possession of an outside agency. Custodial credit risk for investments exists when, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Authority will be unable to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The Authority does not participate in a multi-municipal cooperation investment pool.

Deposits are to be disclosed as exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance, and the deposits are either:

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**3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS** (continued)

- Uncollateralized, or
- Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or
- Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the Authority's name.

At December 31, 2013, the Authority's cash and cash equivalents balance was fully covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and/or collateralized.

As of December 31, 2013, the Authority did not have any investments subject to credit risk, interest-rate risk or concentration of credit risk.

All investments are held by the Authority's Trustee solely as agent of the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority.

**4. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS**

During the year ended December 31, 2013, the general fund transferred \$42,428 to the debt service fund for payment of principal and interest on debt and related operating costs.

**5. CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 are as follows:

	Balance at 1/1/13	Additions	Deletions	Balance at 12/31/13
Depreciable capital assets:				
Infrastructure	\$ 1,036,050	\$ 458	\$ -	\$ 1,036,508
Buildings	306,114			306,114
Equipment	2,881	844		3,725
Total depreciable assets	<u>1,345,045</u>	<u>1,302</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,346,347</u>
Less accumulated depreciation				
Infrastructure	271,287	37,598		308,885
Buildings	74,596	8,322		82,918
Equipment	1,334	451		1,785
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>347,217</u>	<u>46,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>393,588</u>
Total net capital assets	<u>\$ 997,828</u>	<u>\$ (45,069)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 952,759</u>

The Authority evaluates capital assets for significant events or changes in circumstances affecting capital assets to determine whether impairment of a capital asset has occurred. The Authority's practice is to record an impairment loss in the period when the Authority determines that the carrying amount of the asset will not be recoverable. Depreciation expense totaled \$46,371 for the year ending December 31, 2013.

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**6. LONG-TERM DEBT**

A summary of changes in long-term debt for governmental activities is as follows:

	Balance 1/1/2013	Additions/ Reallocations	Reductions	Balance 12/31/13	Due within One Year	Non-current
Revenue bonds payable:						
Series 2008A	\$ 127,585	\$ -	\$ (6,745)	\$ 120,840	\$ 6,810	\$ 114,030
Series 2004B	19,210		(1,210)	18,000	1,615	16,385
Subtotal	146,795	-	(7,955)	138,840	8,425	130,415
Premiums	1,861		(143)	1,718	143	1,575
Total bonds payable	148,656	-	(8,098)	140,558	8,568	131,990
Due to the County for acquisition of the System	275,026	99,074	(20,647)	353,453	20,587	332,866
	<u>\$ 423,682</u>	<u>\$ 99,074</u>	<u>\$ (28,745)</u>	<u>\$ 494,011</u>	<u>\$ 29,155</u>	<u>\$ 464,856</u>

**Authority Bonds**

The Authority issued revenue bonds where the Authority pledged sewer assessments and other revenues to pay debt service.

The Series 2008A revenue bonds mature at various dates through 2028 with interest rates ranging from 3.75% to 5.375%. Berkshire Hathaway Assurance Corporation has provided a financial guarantee insurance policy totaling \$120,840. This policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal and interest on bonds maturing November 1, 2014 through November 1, 2028.

The Series 2004B revenue bonds mature at various dates through 2024 at an interest rate of 5.0%. MBIA Insurance Corporation has provided a financial guarantee insurance policy which guarantees the scheduled payment of principal and interest on the Series 2004B bonds.

Aggregate debt service to maturity for Authority Bonds as of December 31, 2013, excluding premiums, is as follows:

<b>Years Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2014	\$ 8,425	\$ 6,956	\$ 15,381
2015	8,545	6,607	15,152
2016	8,980	6,252	15,232
2017	9,210	5,841	15,051
2018	9,620	5,380	15,000
2019-2023	55,040	19,115	74,155
2024-2028	39,020	6,270	45,290
	<u>\$ 138,840</u>	<u>\$ 56,421</u>	<u>\$ 195,261</u>

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**6. LONG-TERM DEBT (continued)**

Due to the County for the Acquisition of the System

Pursuant to the Agreement, in consideration for the purchase of the System, the Authority agreed to make installment payments which are calculated as the debt service payments due under the County Bonds related to the System at the time of the purchase, including bonds issued by NIFA on behalf of the System, and for additional acquisitions.

During the year ended December 31, 2013, the County issued \$99,074 of bonds for the purpose of capital improvements to the System, the total of which was effectively transferred to the Authority.

Aggregate debt service to maturity for County Bonds as of December 31, 2013, is as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	Total		Total	Payments to be made by NIFA	Cash Requirments of the Authority
	Principal	Interest			
2014	\$ 20,587	\$ 16,603	\$ 37,190	\$ (4,856)	\$ 32,334
2015	19,642	15,863	35,505	(4,386)	31,119
2016	17,932	15,034	32,966	(5,067)	27,899
2017	17,311	14,214	31,525	(4,675)	26,850
2018	17,503	13,391	30,894	(4,675)	26,219
2019-2023	90,343	53,294	143,637	(17,519)	126,118
2024-2028	57,683	33,633	91,316	(2,110)	89,206
2029-2033	47,123	21,352	68,475		68,475
2034-2038	37,778	10,488	48,266		48,266
2039-2043	27,551	2,991	30,542		30,542
	<u>\$ 353,453</u>	<u>\$ 196,863</u>	<u>\$ 550,316</u>	<u>\$ (43,288)</u>	<u>\$ 507,028</u>

**7. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

On July 18, 2014 the Nassau County Legislature approved an Agreement for the Operation and Maintenance of the Nassau County Sewer System by and between United Water Long Island Inc. ("United Water") and The County of Nassau, New York (the "O&M Agreement"). The O&M Agreement provides for the operation and maintenance of the sewer system by United Water, with an initial term of twenty years, which may be renewed for an additional term as permitted by applicable law by mutual agreement of the parties. The County's rights and obligations with respect to the Authority under the Financing and Acquisition Agreement remain in place and have not been assigned to United Water. The Authority continues to own the sewer system.



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

To the Members of the Board of Directors of  
Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority (the “Authority”), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority’s basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 9, 2014.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority’s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity’s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority’s financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, 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 or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

September 9, 2014