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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers of the
Regional Municipality of Peel

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the debt retirement and sinking funds of the Regional Municipality of Peel, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2019, and the statements of operations, change in net financial assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies (collectively referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the debt retirement and sinking funds of the Regional Municipality of Peel as at December 31, 2019, and the results of its operations, change in net financial assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards ("Canadian GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the debt retirement and sinking funds of the Regional Municipality of Peel in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Regional Municipality of Peel's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Regional Municipality of Peel or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the debt retirement and sinking funds of the Regional Municipality of Peel's financial reporting process.

Appendix I

2019 Region of Peel Sinking Funds Financial Statements

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian GAAS, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 debt retirement and sinking funds of the Regional Municipality of Peel's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Regional Municipality of Peel's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Regional Municipality of Peel to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the debt retirement and sinking funds of the Regional Municipality of Peel to express an opinion on the financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants
Licensed Public Accountants
April 16, 2020

**The Regional Municipality of Peel
 Sinking Funds Statement of Financial Position**

For the year ended December 31, 2019

(All dollars in \$000)

	2019	2018
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 44,105	\$ 13,411
Accrued interest	871	646
Long-term investments (Note 7) (Fair value 2019 – \$301,691 ; 2018 – \$257,929)	282,454	256,089
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	327,430	270,146
LIABILITY		
Actuarial requirements for retirement of sinking fund debt (Note 2d)	321,780	265,817
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	5,650	4,329
ASSET ALLOCATION		
Region of Peel	326,408	269,879
City of Brampton	714	-
Town of Caledon	308	267
	\$ 327,430	\$ 270,146

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

The Regional Municipality of Peel
Sinking Funds Statement of Operations

For the year ended December 31, 2019

(All dollars in \$000)

	2019	2018
REVENUE		
Contributions (Note 6)	\$ 47,426	\$ 46,708
Investment income	9,858	7,793
TOTAL REVENUE	57,284	54,501
EXPENSES		
Provision for actuarial requirements	55,963	53,696
TOTAL EXPENSES	55,963	53,696
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR	1,321	805

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The Regional Municipality of Peel Sinking Funds Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended December 31, 2019

(All dollars in \$000)

	2019	2018
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 1,321	\$ 805
Change in non-cash assets and liabilities		
Accrued interest	(225)	(338)
Increase in actuarial requirements	55,963	53,696
NET CHANGE IN CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	57,059	54,163
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of investments	(26,365)	(85,632)
NET CHANGE IN CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(26,365)	(85,632)
Net change in cash	30,694	(31,469)
Cash, beginning of year	13,411	44,880
CASH, END OF YEAR	\$ 44,105	\$ 13,411

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The Regional Municipality of Peel Sinking Funds Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets

For the year ended December 31, 2019

(All dollars in \$000)

	2019	2018
Excess of revenues over expenses for the year	\$ 1,321	\$ 805
Net financial assets, beginning of year	4,329	3,524
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 5,650	\$ 4,329

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

The Regional Municipality of Peel Sinking Funds

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended December 31, 2019

(All dollars in \$000)

1. Purpose of Funds

The Region of Peel Sinking Funds are separate funds maintained for the purpose of providing periodic repayments for debt to be retired by means of sinking funds.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

These financial statements are the representation of management and are prepared by management in accordance Canadian public sector accounting standards, as recommended by Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") of Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada ("CPA Canada"). The significant accounting policies are summarized below:

(a) **Basis of Accounting**

The Region of Peel Sinking Funds follow the accrual method of accounting for revenues and expenditures.

(b) **Revenue Recognition**

Contributions are recognized in the year receivable. Investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

(c) **Investments**

Investments are recorded at amortized cost. The discounts or premiums on investments are amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the investment.

Investment purchases are accounted for on the settlement date. There are no transaction costs incurred in the purchase of investments.

(d) **Provision for Actuarial Requirements**

The provision for actuarial requirements for the Sinking Funds represents the amounts required which, together with interest compounded annually, will be sufficient to retire the related debt at maturity, based on contributions to the Sinking Funds to date. The actuarial requirements were calculated using a rate of 4 per cent per annum on debt issued in 2010 and 2 per cent, 2.5 per cent, 3.25 per cent or 4 per cent per annum on debt issued in 2011 and thereafter. The excess or deficiency of financial assets over these requirements is included in the fund balance.

3. Allocation of Series DQ Debenture Repayment

The Town of Caledon continues to pay \$433 in Series DQ debt that was spent on projects unrelated to the arterial road transferred to the Region of Peel in 2014. The interest expense and sinking fund payments related to that portion of debt will be paid annually by the Town of Caledon to the Region of Peel.

4. Allocation of Series EC Debenture Repayment

The Region of Peel, on behalf of the City of Brampton issued \$23,000 in debt through a re-opening of the existing 2042 Series EC debenture. The \$23,000 re-open is an addition to the \$300,000 Series EC debentures previously outstanding. The City of Brampton will contribute annually, required amounts to the Sinking Fund. Any surplus/deficit will be managed and calculated independent of the existing Series EC Sinking Fund attributable to the Region of Peel.

5. Allocation of Surplus

In 2019, there was no surplus declared payable to the Region by the Sinking Fund Committee (2018 – \$nil).

The following is the apportionment of the Sinking Fund balance.

Sinking Fund Surplus / (Deficit)

	2019	2018	Town of	City of	Region of
	Total	Total	Caledon	Brampton	Peel
	\$	\$	%	%	%
Series DQ	115	311	0.09	-	99.01
Series EB	1,067	864	0.32	-	99.68
Series EC - Region	3,361	2,560	-	-	100
Series EC - Brampton	1	-	-	100	-
Series EP	(18)	(22)	-	-	100
Series EQ	614	428	-	-	100
Series FX	510	188	-	-	100
	5,650	4,329	-	-	-

6. Contributions

In 2019, contributions to the Sinking Funds were \$47,426 (2018 – \$46,708).

7. Financial Instruments

The Sinking Funds are subject to market risk and interest rate price risk with respect to the investment portfolio.

8. Principal Repayment

Principal repayments issued on behalf of the Town of Caledon and City of Brampton are due as follows:

	Town of Caledon	City of Brampton
	\$	\$
2031	641	-
2040	433	-
2042	-	23,000
Total	1,074	23,000

9. Investment Portfolio

Investments consist of provincial, municipal and bank bonds bearing yield rates from 2.07 to 4.5 per cent, maturing from June 2021 to January 2053.