

City of Riverside Public Utilities

Financial Statements

Ready for...

the Future

2002-2003

Mission

Riverside Public Utilities is committed to the highest quality water and electric services at the lowest possible rates to benefit the community.

Vision

Riverside Public Utilities will be recognized as a community treasure with a national reputation for excellence.

Core Values

(not in priority order)

- ~Safety
- ~Honesty and Integrity
- ~Teamwork
- ~Professionalism
- ~Quality Service
- ~Creativity and Innovation
- ~Inclusiveness and Mutual Respect
- ~Community Involvement

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Board of Public Utilities and Administration

Board of Public Utilities



Lalit N. Acharya
2002-2003 Board Chairman
Occupation: President, Non-Profit Foundation
Riverside Resident: 13 years
Years of Service: 5

The Board of Public Utilities is composed of seven citizens appointed to four-year terms by City Council to govern utility policies and represent the community. Citizens serve on a voluntary basis without compensation. Applications for new members are solicited annually by the City of Riverside. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and reside within the City of Riverside in order to be eligible to serve on the board.

The Board of Public Utilities meets at 8:15 a.m. on the first and third Fridays of each month in the Art Pick City Council Chamber at City Hall, 3900 Main Street, Riverside. Board meetings are open to the public.



Dee Gipson
Occupation: Director of Human Resources
Riverside Resident: 33 years
Years of Service: 3



Peter C. Hubbard
Occupation: Director Medical Services
Riverside Resident: lifetime
Years of Service: 5



Joe Tavaglione
Occupation: President of
Construction & Development Co.
Riverside Resident: lifetime
Years of Service: 3



Conrad Newberry Jr.
Occupation: Registered Mechanical Engineer
Riverside Resident: 9 years
Years of Service: 6



Art Gage
Occupation: President of
Executive Recruiting Firm
Riverside Resident: 46 years
Years of Service: 2



James W. Anderson
Occupation: Retired Attorney,
Environmental and Administrative Law
Riverside Resident: 31 years
Years of Service: 4

Public Utilities Administration



Thomas P. Evans
Director

David H. Wright
Deputy Director
Marketing & Customer Service

Donna I. Stevener
Assistant Director, Finance/Resources

Dieter P. Wirtzfeld
Assistant Director, Water

Stephen H. Badgett
Assistant Director, Energy Delivery

Fiscal Message

For generations, the people and businesses that comprise the City of Riverside have depended on Riverside Public Utilities to deliver high quality water and reliable electric services at the lowest possible rates. Our 400+ dedicated employees and the Board of Public Utilities are challenged continually to find new ways to do more for our customers and to make sure Riverside is ready for the future.

In the wake of California's energy crisis, increasing our ability to supply our own electrical power from a diverse energy portfolio was among our top priorities. Dedication of the 40 megawatt (MW) Springs Substation power plant in July 2002 within the Utility's grid enhances our power source diversity and our system reliability. Planning is underway for another 99 MW plant in 2005.

Adding to diversity, our use of renewable Green Power energy resources increased to 13 percent of our power supply portfolio – which, at the time, was one-third greater than the percent average for California.

We fulfilled a key performance/success indicator towards the utility's specific goal to obtain 25 megawatts of power from renewable resources by 2004. Three contracts were secured this year for 20 MW of geothermal power, 5 MW of biomass power, and 1 MW of wind power.

Evidence of our commitment to safeguard our water supply was marked by completion of the largest water treatment facility in our system - The North Riverside Water Supply Project. It restored the use of four wells that were shut down 13 years ago after agricultural pesticide contamination was detected. The wells can provide 20 percent of Riverside's daily demand for potable water. The restoration project was primarily funded by companies that were the source of the problem.

In contrast to some of California's large, investor-owned utilities, we have significantly strengthened our utility's financial position. Over the last two years the Utility has realized \$24 million of net present value savings from refinancing outstanding debt – which equates to approximately \$1.6 million per year over the term of the debt, increased operating cash reserves from \$28 million to \$38 million, and signed 12 new economic development customers resulting in \$5 million of additional revenues per year.

The utility was able to increase rates for water and power, yet still offer appreciably lower rates to our residential, commercial, and industrial customers than other Southern California electric and water utilities. This is a major factor that attracts new businesses and retains existing businesses.

Each year, the utility transfers a portion of all utility revenues/income to the City of Riverside's General Fund to be used for essential city services. In 2003, it amounted to \$18.5 million, which represents 13 percent of the City's General Fund revenues that are used to maintain police, fire, library, parks and recreation and other vital services. Over the past five years, \$88.7 million has been transferred to support these vital city functions.

As a municipal utility, Riverside Public Utilities is able to deliver each month to our customers a "direct dividend" of high quality water and reliable electricity service at much lower rates than surrounding communities charge.

As it has for over 100 years, Riverside Public Utilities continues to meet the challenge of securing water and energy so the City of Riverside is ready for the future.

Donna I. Stevener
Assistant Director, Finance/Resources

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Honorable City Council and Board of Public Utilities City of Riverside, California

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the City of Riverside Electric Utility as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Electric Utility's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of the City of Riverside Electric Utility for the year ended June 30, 2002, were audited by other auditors whose report, dated September 30, 2002, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

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

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the City of Riverside Electric Utility are intended to present the financial position and the changes in financial position and cash flows for the City of Riverside Electric Utility and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Riverside, California, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the 2003 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City of Riverside Electric Utility as of June 30, 2003, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consist primarily of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit this information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that comprise the City of Riverside Electric Utility's basic financial statements. The supplementary information entitled Electric Statistics, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Electric Utility. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

McGladrey & Pullen, LLP

Riverside, California
September 30, 2003

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Riverside Public Utilities (a department of the City of Riverside), we offer the readers of the City of Riverside Electric Utility financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Electric Utility (Utility) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information furnished in our fiscal message on page 2 of this report. All amounts, unless otherwise indicated, are expressed in thousands of dollars.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The assets of the Electric Utility exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$164,754 (equity). Of this amount, \$89,665 may be used to meet the Utility's ongoing obligations to creditors and customers.

The Utility's total equity increased by \$12,382 from the prior fiscal year, primarily due to an additional \$8.4 million in net transmission revenue received as the result of becoming a Participating Transmission Owner (PTO) with the California Independent System Operator (ISO) as of January 1, 2003 and contributions from developers totaling \$4.4 million.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unrestricted equity represented over 51 percent of annual operating expenses.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City of Riverside Electric Utility financial statements. The Electric Utility is a department of the City of Riverside, and its activities are recorded in a separate enterprise fund. These financial statements include only the activities for the City of Riverside Electric Utility and provide comparative information for the last two fiscal years. Information on city-wide financial results is available in the City of Riverside Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The City of Riverside Electric Utility's financial statements comprise two components: 1) financial statements and 2) notes to the financial statements. In addition, this report also contains other supplementary information to provide the reader additional information about the Electric Utility, including sales statistics and other relevant data.

Included as part of the financial statements are three separate statements.

The *Balance Sheets* present information on assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as equity. Over time, increases or decreases in equity may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial condition of the utility is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity* present information showing how the Utility's equity changed during the most recent two fiscal years. Results of operations are reported as underlying events occur, regardless of the timing of cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in these statements for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods, i.e. accounts payable and accounts receivable. This is called the accrual basis of accounting and is more fully described in the accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements.

The *Statements of Cash Flows* present the cash flow changes occurring during the last two fiscal years in highly liquid cash and cash equivalents, including certain restricted assets.

The *Notes to the Financial Statements* provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 13 to 22 of this report.

Utility Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, equity (also called net assets) may serve over time as a useful indicator of the fund's financial position. In the case of Riverside's Electric Utility, assets exceeded liabilities by \$164,754 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

A portion of the Utility's net assets (30 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets, such as production, transmission, and distribution facilities, less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The Electric Utility uses these capital assets to provide services to customers; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Resources needed to repay the outstanding debt shown on the balance sheet must come from other sources such as operations, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these long-term liabilities.

The unrestricted portion of the Utility's net assets (54 percent) may be used to meet the Utility's ongoing obligations to creditors and customers.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

City of Riverside Electric Utility's Equity (Net Assets)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current and other assets | \$ 186,932 | \$ 186,583 |
| Capital assets | 272,319 | 264,309 |
| Total assets | 459,251 | 450,892 |
| Long-term debt outstanding | 221,921 | 232,684 |
| Other liabilities | 72,576 | 65,836 |
| Total liabilities | 294,497 | 298,520 |
| Equity (net assets): | | |
| Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | 49,303 | 44,615 |
| Restricted | 25,786 | 23,723 |
| Unrestricted | 89,665 | 84,034 |
| Total equity (net assets) | \$ 164,754 | \$ 152,372 |

An additional portion of the Electric Utility's equity (16 percent) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. These are reserved for items such as debt repayment and other legally restricted assets.

The Electric Utility's equity increased by \$12,382 during the current fiscal year. The increase can primarily be attributed to an additional \$8.4 million in net transmission revenue received as the result of becoming a PTO with the ISO as of January 1, 2003, and contributions from developers totaling \$4.4 million.

Key elements of the increase in equity are as follows:

City of Riverside Electric Utility's Changes in Equity (Net Assets)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Revenues: | | |
| Retail sales | \$ 175,622 | \$ 166,171 |
| Wholesale sales | 17,806 | 47,885 |
| Transmission revenue | 8,661 | 273 |
| Investment income | 4,286 | 6,670 |
| Other | 3,402 | 3,021 |
| Total revenues before (reserve)/ recovery | 209,777 | 224,020 |
| Less reserve for bad debt, net of recoveries | (1,218) | 1,635 |
| Total revenues before capital contributions | 208,559 | 225,655 |
| Capital contributions | 4,360 | 5,485 |
| Total revenues and capital contributions | 212,919 | 231,140 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Production | 116,159 | 150,893 |
| Transmission | 21,538 | 18,748 |
| Distribution | 22,554 | 20,798 |
| Depreciation | 13,516 | 12,787 |
| Interest expense | 11,437 | 10,306 |
| Total expenses | 185,204 | 213,532 |
| Contributions to the City's general fund | 15,333 | 15,324 |
| Total expenses and contributions to the City's general fund | 200,537 | 228,856 |
| Increase in equity (net assets) | 12,382 | 2,284 |
| Equity, beginning of year | 152,372 | 150,088 |
| Equity, end of year | \$ 164,754 | \$ 152,372 |

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Retail sales (residential, commercial, industrial and other sales) continue to be the primary revenue source for the Electric Utility making up 83 percent of total revenue. Retail sales showed an increase of 5.7 percent from the prior year due to a 3.4 percent overall rate increase that became effective November 1, 2002, and 3.5% load growth.

Wholesale sales decreased 63 percent below the prior year levels. The decrease from the prior year is due to a 31 percent decrease in the volume of excess power sales, as well as lower prices received for excess power.

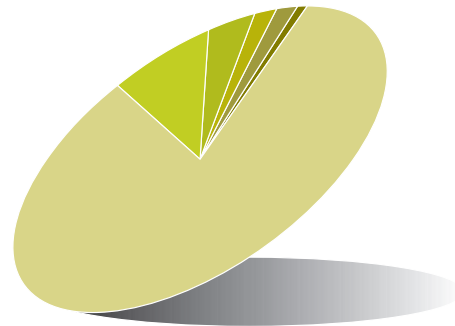
On January 1, 2003, the City turned over operational control of its transmission facilities and became a Participating Transmission Owner (PTO) with the California Independent System Operator (ISO). As a PTO, the City is entitled to and is receiving compensation for use of its transmission facilities committed to the ISO's operational control. The compensation is based upon the City's Transmission Revenue Requirement (TRR) as approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The California Investor Owned Utilities (IOUs), the California Department of Water Resources (CDWR), and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), among others, objected to various aspects of the City's TRR at the FERC. The City and the objecting parties submitted a settlement agreement to the FERC in July 2003, and if accepted by the FERC, TRR refunds of \$1.1 million will be made to the ISO for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. This amount has not been included in income and amounts collected are properly reflected in accounts payable in the Balance Sheets at June 30, 2003.

The settlement agreement disposes of all City TRR issues except for CDWR and the CPUC's contention that the City is not entitled to its TRR for the majority of the transmission facilities committed to the ISO's operational control. Although the City believes it will ultimately prevail and will vigorously defend its position, an adverse ruling on this issue could require the City to refund up to an additional \$5.3 million of revenues earned during the year ended June 30, 2003. As TRR amounts are received from the ISO, the City will set these amounts aside in an internally restricted reserve account until this issue is resolved at the FERC. It is not expected that this issue will be resolved until sometime in 2004. From January 1, 2003 to June 30, 2003 the City recorded \$8.4 million of transmission revenue due to its PTO status.

Investment income decreased by \$2,384, or 36 percent over prior year levels. The decrease is related to an overall decrease in the Utility's cash and investments due to construction activity and market conditions that continue to be poor, which have resulted in lower earnings for the Utility's investment portfolio.

Capital contributions decreased 21 percent from prior year levels. While the level of projects remained consistent with the prior year, the types of projects constructed in the current year contained more internally funded system improvements rather than those which are customer funded through developer fees.

Revenues by Sources - Electric Utility



- Retail Sales (83%)
- Wholesale Sales (8%)
- Transmission Revenue (4%)
- Investment Income (2%)
- Capital Contributions (2%)
- Other (1%)

Management’s Discussion and Analysis

Total expenses for the Electric Utility decreased by 13 percent from last fiscal year. Although the Utility experienced increases in certain operating expenses in the current year (negotiated salary increases with various unions as well as general cost of living type increases for other cost categories), these were more than offset by an overall decrease in power production costs. Power production costs were lower mainly due to a more stable power market and the expiration of short term purchased power contracts, entered into during the power crisis, at prices substantially higher than those experienced in the current year.

Transmission expenses increased by 15 percent. The increase is due to existing transmission contracts that expired as of December 31, 2002, which resulted in an additional \$2.2 million in transmission costs for the period of January 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003. These contracts had five-year fixed prices and had previously protected the Utility from expensive high voltage access charges by the ISO.

Distribution costs increased 8 percent from last fiscal year. The increase as compared to prior year is mostly due to negotiated salary increases, including related benefits, and increased information technology staffing needs.

Contributions to the City’s general fund are based on a formula using operating revenues from the prior fiscal year. This amount also increased by 9 or .1 percent.

Expenses by Sources - Electric Utility



- Production (58%)
- Distribution (11%)
- Transmission (11%)
- Contributions to City’s General Fund (8%)
- Depreciation (7%)
- Interest Expense (5%)

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

The Electric Utility’s investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2003 amounts to \$272,319 (net of accumulated depreciation). This includes investments in production, transmission, and distribution related facilities, as well as general items such as office equipment, furniture, etc. This fiscal year showed a 3 percent increase in capital assets over the prior year.

Major capital assets constructed during the current fiscal year included:

- Various capital additions at the City’s San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) equal to \$482
- Capital infrastructure additions to serve existing customers and connect new customers to the system totaled \$10,500
- Capital additions to maintain the obligation to serve and improve community relations totaled \$8,400 (Projects include Springs Generation and the overhead-to-underground program).

City of Riverside Electric Utility’s Capital Assets (Net of depreciation)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Production | \$ 86,473 | \$ 45,710 |
| Transmission | 6,584 | 6,938 |
| Distribution | 148,058 | 144,934 |
| General | 13,742 | 14,474 |
| Construction in progress | 16,335 | 50,856 |
| Nuclear fuel, at amortized costs | 1,127 | 1,397 |
| Total | \$ 272,319 | \$ 264,309 |

Additional information regarding capital assets can be found in Note 1 on page 13 and in Note 3 on Page 16 of this report.

Management’s Discussion and Analysis

Long-term Debt

At the end of the current fiscal year, the City of Riverside’s Electric Utility had long-term debt outstanding of \$221,921. This debt is backed by the revenue of the utility (revenue bonds).

City of Riverside Electric Utility’s Outstanding Debt (Revenue Bonds and Capital Lease Obligation)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Revenue bonds | \$ 230,635 | \$ 238,475 |
| Capital lease obligation | 0 | 11 |
| Less: Current portions | (10,780) | (7,851) |
| Unamortized premium | 2,066 | 2,049 |
| Total | \$ 221,921 | \$ 232,684 |

The Electric Utility maintains an “A+” rating from Standard & Poor’s and Fitch Inc. for its revenue bonds.

Additional information on the Electric Utility’s long-term debt can be found in Note 4 on pages 17 and 18 of this report.

Economic Factors and Rates

Although inflationary trends in the Riverside region continue to compare favorably to the national indices, history has shown that certain costs such as purchased power during the California energy crisis can exponentially exceed inflation. The FERC imposed a

price cap on purchased power in June 2001 and is still in effect, which continues to help stabilize power prices. Prior to the price cap, when the FERC refused to intervene and help stabilize the market, Californians did not see a resolution to the high power prices. As a hedge against the unreasonably high power prices, the Utility entered into short term agreements to purchase power at costs in excess of historic market levels. The last of those agreements for high cost power is reflected in the current year financial statements as production costs. The forward price curves have stabilized; however, regulatory actions and other factors could impact them.

The City Council has approved Electric rate increases for three consecutive years. These increases are an overall 3.4 percent, 3.1 percent, and 2.2 percent effective November 1, 2002, 2003, and 2004, respectively, and will help strengthen the Utility’s financial stability by meeting the expected increased costs to operate the Utility, improve system reliability, and increase cash reserve levels.

In addition to inflation, management continually plans for and identifies issues or potential contingencies that could impact future rates, such as system expansion, infrastructure needs, accelerated debt payments, future supply costs, regulatory changes, and others.

The Board of Public Utilities has a goal of having rate increases not to exceed 5 percent per year. This requires proper planning as well as building reserves to handle system emergencies or disasters, as well as certain other one-time costs.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Riverside Electric Utility’s finances. Questions concerning any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Assistant Director Finance/Resources, City of Riverside Public Utilities, 3900 Main Street, 4th floor, Riverside, CA 92522.

CITY OF RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Balance Sheets

| ASSETS | JUNE 30 2003 | JUNE 30 2002 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| UTILITY PLANT: | | |
| Production | \$ 174,035 | \$ 128,009 |
| Transmission | 15,043 | 15,025 |
| Distribution | 241,531 | 232,056 |
| General | 25,190 | 24,626 |
| | 455,799 | 399,716 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (200,942) | (187,660) |
| | 254,857 | 212,056 |
| Construction in progress | 16,335 | 50,856 |
| Nuclear fuel, at amortized cost | 1,127 | 1,397 |
| Total utility plant (Note 3) | 272,319 | 264,309 |
| RESTRICTED ASSETS: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2) | 29,186 | 38,515 |
| Investments (Note 2) | 43,230 | 39,995 |
| Public benefit programs receivable | 620 | 826 |
| Total restricted assets | 73,036 | 79,336 |
| OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS: | | |
| Unamortized purchased power (Note 8) | 21,715 | 25,056 |
| Unamortized bond issuance costs | 2,360 | 2,517 |
| Unamortized bond refunding costs | 3,629 | 3,784 |
| Total other non-current assets | 27,704 | 31,357 |
| Total non-current assets | 373,059 | 375,002 |
| CURRENT ASSETS: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2) | 47,244 | 45,030 |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts | | |
| 2003 \$263; 2002 \$239 | 20,891 | 19,022 |
| Accounts receivable other utilities, less allowance for doubtful accounts | | |
| 2003 \$2,262; 2002 \$8,783 | 11,016 | 5,768 |
| Accrued interest receivable | 613 | 602 |
| Prepaid expenses | 5,278 | 4,371 |
| Nuclear materials inventory | 1,150 | 1,097 |
| Total current assets | 86,192 | 75,890 |
| Total assets | \$ 459,251 | \$ 450,892 |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

CITY OF RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Balance Sheets

| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | JUNE 30 2003 | JUNE 30 2002 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| EQUITY: | | |
| Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | \$ 49,303 | \$ 44,615 |
| Restricted for debt service (Note 5) | 25,786 | 23,723 |
| Unrestricted | 89,665 | 84,034 |
| Total equity | 164,754 | 152,372 |
| LONG-TERM DEBT, LESS CURRENT PORTION (NOTES 4 AND 10): | 221,921 | 232,684 |
| OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES: | | |
| Nuclear decommissioning liability (Notes 1 and 4) | 38,144 | 34,855 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES PAYABLE FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS: | | |
| Accrued interest payable | 2,808 | 2,906 |
| Deferred revenue, public benefit programs | 3,630 | 4,291 |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Notes 4 and 10) | 10,780 | 7,840 |
| Total current liabilities payable from restricted assets | 17,218 | 15,037 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES: | | |
| Accounts payable | 9,736 | 8,136 |
| Accrued liabilities | 4,608 | 4,684 |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Notes 4 and 10) | 0 | 11 |
| Customer deposits (Note 1) | 2,870 | 3,113 |
| Total current liabilities | 17,214 | 15,944 |
| Total liabilities | 294,497 | 298,520 |
| COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (NOTES 8 AND 9) | | |
| Total equity and liabilities | \$ 459,251 | \$ 450,892 |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS
ENDED JUNE 30
2003 2002
(in thousands)

| | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| OPERATING REVENUES: | | |
| Residential sales | \$ 68,649 | \$ 64,625 |
| Commercial sales | 48,974 | 46,265 |
| Industrial sales | 52,380 | 49,487 |
| Other sales | 5,619 | 5,794 |
| Wholesale sales | 17,806 | 47,885 |
| Transmission revenue | 8,661 | 273 |
| Other operating revenue | 2,230 | 1,777 |
| Total operating revenues before (reserve)/recovery | 204,319 | 216,106 |
| Reserve for uncollectible | (1,257) | (1,129) |
| Bad debt recovery | 39 | 2,764 |
| Total operating revenues, net of (reserve)/recovery | 203,101 | 217,741 |
| OPERATING EXPENSES: | | |
| Production | 116,159 | 150,893 |
| Transmission | 21,538 | 18,748 |
| Distribution | 22,554 | 20,798 |
| Depreciation | 13,516 | 12,787 |
| Total operating expenses | 173,767 | 203,226 |
| Operating income | 29,334 | 14,515 |
| NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES): | | |
| Investment income | 4,286 | 6,670 |
| Interest expense | (11,437) | (10,306) |
| Gain on retirement of utility plant | 387 | 223 |
| Other | 785 | 1,021 |
| Total non-operating revenues (expenses) | (5,979) | (2,392) |
| Income before capital contributions and transfers | 23,355 | 12,123 |
| Capital contributions | 4,360 | 5,485 |
| Transfers out - contributions to the City's general fund | (15,333) | (15,324) |
| Total capital contributions and transfers out | (10,973) | (9,839) |
| Increase in equity | 12,382 | 2,284 |
| EQUITY, BEGINNING OF YEAR | 152,372 | 150,088 |
| EQUITY, END OF YEAR | \$ 164,754 | \$ 152,372 |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

CITY OF RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Statements of Cash Flows

For the Fiscal Years
Ended June 30
2003 2002
(in thousands)

| | | |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Cash received from customers and users | \$ 195,946 | \$ 220,959 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | (152,545) | (191,039) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 43,401 | 29,920 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Transfers out - contributions to the City's general fund | (15,333) | (15,324) |
| Other non-operating revenue | 785 | 1,021 |
| Net cash used by non-capital financing activities | (14,548) | (14,303) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Purchase of utility plant | (19,870) | (51,276) |
| Purchase of nuclear fuel | (903) | (944) |
| Proceeds from the sale of utility plant | 567 | 285 |
| Proceeds from sale of revenue bonds, net of premium | 0 | 48,617 |
| Principal paid on long-term debt | (7,850) | (7,395) |
| Interest paid on long-term debt | (11,206) | (10,166) |
| Capital contributions | 2,254 | 2,498 |
| Net cash used by capital and related financing activities | (37,008) | (18,381) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Purchase of investment securities | (3,235) | (8,114) |
| Income from investments | 4,275 | 6,996 |
| Net cash provided (used) by investing activities | 1,040 | (1,118) |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (7,115) | (3,882) |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR¹ | 83,545 | 87,427 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR¹ | \$ 76,430 | \$ 83,545 |
| RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Operating income | \$ 29,334 | \$ 14,515 |
| Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation expense | 13,516 | 12,787 |
| Amortization/burn of nuclear fuel | 4,514 | 1,612 |
| Decrease in allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable | (6,497) | (2,309) |
| Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable | (415) | 4,517 |
| Increase in prepaid expenses | (907) | (183) |
| Increase in nuclear materials inventory | (53) | (73) |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable | 1,600 | (906) |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities | (76) | 64 |
| Decrease in public benefit program deferred revenue | (661) | (4,442) |
| Increase (decrease) in customer deposits | (243) | 1,010 |
| Increase in nuclear decommissioning liability | 3,289 | 3,328 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 43,401 | \$ 29,920 |
| SCHEDULE OF NON-CASH INVESTING, CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Capital contributions | \$ 2,106 | \$ 2,987 |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

¹ Cash and cash equivalents also include cash and cash equivalents in restricted assets.

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Electric Utility exists under, and by virtue of, the City Charter enacted in 1883. The Electric Utility is responsible for the generation, transmission and distribution of electric power for sale in the City.

■ **Basis of Accounting** The accounting records of the Electric Utility are in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments and substantially in conformity with the Uniform System of Accounts prescribed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The Electric Utility is not subject to the regulations of the FERC. The Electric Utility is not required to and does not elect to implement the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued after November 1989.

■ **Revenue Recognition** The Electric Utility uses the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Electric Utility customers are billed monthly. Unbilled electric service charges are recorded at year-end and are included in accounts receivable. Unbilled accounts receivable totaled \$9,282,000 at June 30, 2003, and \$8,149,000 at June 30, 2002.

An allowance for doubtful accounts is maintained for utility and miscellaneous accounts receivable. The balance in this account is adjusted at fiscal year-end to approximate the amount anticipated to be uncollectible. The significant decrease in the allowance for fiscal year 2003 is related to settlement of a dispute with Southern California Edison and the write-off of amounts previously considered uncollectible.

■ **Utility Plant and Depreciation** Utility plant assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Costs include labor; materials; interest during construction; allocated indirect charges such as engineering, supervision, construction and transportation equipment; retirement plan contributions and other fringe benefits; and certain administrative and general expenses. Contributed plant assets are valued at estimated fair market value on the date contributed. The cost of relatively minor replacements is included in maintenance expense.

Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the related assets using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Production plant | 9-30 years |
| Transmission and distribution plant | 20-50 years |
| General plant and equipment | 3-15 years |

■ **Nuclear Fuel** The Electric Utility amortizes the cost of nuclear fuel to expense using the "as burned" method. In accordance with the Nuclear Waste Disposal Act of 1982, the Electric Utility is charged one mill per kilowatt-hour of energy generated by the City's share of San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station's Units 2 and 3 to provide for estimated future storage and disposal of spent nuclear fuel. The Electric Utility pays this fee to its operating agent, Southern California Edison Co (SCE), on a quarterly basis (see Note 7).

■ **Restricted Assets** Proceeds of revenue bonds yet to be used for capital projects, as well as certain resources set aside for debt service, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. Funds set aside for the nuclear decommissioning reserve are also classified as restricted assets because their use is legally restricted to a specific purpose.

In January 1998, the Electric Utility began collecting a surcharge for public benefit programs on customer utility bills. This surcharge is mandated by state legislation included in Assembly Bill 1890 and is restricted to various socially beneficial programs and services. The programs and services include cost effective demand-side management services to promote energy efficiency and conservation and related education and information; ongoing support and new investments in renewable resource technologies; energy research and development; and programs and services for low-income electric customers. The activity associated with the surcharge for public benefit programs is reflected in the accompanying financial statements as a restricted asset and deferred revenue.

■ **Cash and Investments** The City follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds except for funds required to be held by outside fiscal agents under the provisions of bond indentures and certain trust agreements. Cash accounts for all City funds are pooled for investment purposes to enhance safety and liquidity while maximizing interest earnings. Interest income earned on pooled cash is allocated monthly to the various funds of the City based on the month-end cash balances. Cash and investments held by fiscal agents are credited directly to the related accounts.

The Utility values its cash and investments in accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and External Investment Pools (GASB 31), which requires governmental entities, including governmental external investment pools, to report certain investments at fair value in the balance sheet

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

and recognize the corresponding change in the fair value of investments in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity in the year in which the change occurred. Fair value is determined using quoted market prices.

All highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash and investments held on behalf of the Electric Utility by the City Treasurer are considered highly liquid and are classified as cash equivalents for the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows.

■ **Bond Discounts and Issuance Costs** Bond premiums, discounts, and issuance costs are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount, whereas issuance costs are recorded as other assets.

■ **Nuclear Decommissioning Liability** Federal regulations require the Electric Utility to provide for the future decommissioning of its ownership share of the nuclear units at San Onofre. The Electric Utility has established a trust account to accumulate resources for the decommissioning of the nuclear power plant and restoration of the beachfront at San Onofre. Based on the most recent cost estimate completed by ABZ Incorporated, the Electric Utility plans to set aside approximately \$1.6 million per year to fund this obligation. The funding will occur over the useful life of the generating plant or until the account is fully funded.

Increases to the trusts are from amounts set aside and investment earnings. The investment earnings are included in investment income in the Utility's financial statements. These amounts, as well as amounts set aside, are contributed to the trusts and reflected as decommissioning expense, which are considered part of power supply costs. The total amounts held in the trust accounts are classified as restricted assets and other non-current liability in the accompanying balance sheet. To date, the Electric Utility has set aside \$38,144,000 in cash investments with the trustee as Riverside's estimated share of the decommissioning cost of San Onofre. The plant site easement at San Onofre terminates May 2050. The plant must be decommissioned and the site restored by the time the easement terminates.

■ **Competitive Transition Account** A Competitive Transition Account (CTA) was established in June 1998 after approval by the Board

of Public Utilities and the City Council. This new account was funded by a transfer of \$23.5 million from a rate stabilization account and \$10 million from an operating cash reserve account. The CTA is an internally restricted asset and the Board and City Council will approve usage of funds on an annual or as-needed basis for purposes of handling competitive financial issues. This account was established for a short-term period (five years) during the anticipated phase-in of retail competition in the electric utility industry. Possible fund uses include early pay down of generation-related debt or long-term contracts, rate stabilization or other competitive purposes. The balance in the CTA at June 30, 2003 and 2002, was \$29.0 and \$27.9 million, respectively, and is reflected as a current asset in the accompanying financial statements as part of cash and cash equivalents.

Effective July 1, 2003, the City Council approved the dissolution of the Competitive Transition Account. The funds from the Competitive Transition Account are to be used for establishing a Regulatory Risk Reserve Account for \$4.0 million, an Energy Risk Management Reserve Account for \$11.0 million and transferring the remaining balance of \$14.0 million to the Operating Reserve Account, all of which are considered internally restricted assets.

■ **Customer Deposits** The City holds customer deposits as security for the payment of utility bills. The Electric Utility's portion of these deposits as of June 30, 2003 and 2002, was \$2,870,000 and \$3,113,000, respectively.

■ **Compensated Absences** The accompanying financial statements include accruals for salaries, fringe benefits and compensated absences due employees at June 30, 2003 and 2002. The Electric Utility treats compensated absences due employees as a current liability. The amount accrued for compensated absences was \$4,115,000 at June 30, 2003, and \$4,317,000 at June 30, 2002, and is included in accrued liabilities in the accompanying balance sheets.

Employees receive 10 to 25 vacation days per year based upon length of service. A maximum of two years vacation may be accumulated and unused vacation is paid in cash upon separation.

Employees primarily receive one day of sick leave for each month of employment with unlimited accumulation. Upon retirement or death only, a percentage of unused sick leave is paid to certain employees or their estates in a lump sum based on longevity.

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

■ **Self-Insurance Program** The Electric Utility participates in a self-insurance program for workers' compensation and general liability coverage that is administered by the City. The Electric Utility pays an amount to the City representing an estimate of amounts to be paid for reported claims incurred and incurred but unreported claims based upon past experience, modified for current trends and information.

Although the ultimate amount of losses incurred through June 30, 2003, is dependent upon future developments, management believes that amounts paid to the City are sufficient to cover such losses. Premiums paid to the City by the Electric Utility were \$385,000 and \$306,000 for the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002. Any losses above the City's reserves would be covered through increased rates charged to the Electric Utility in future years.

■ **Employee Retirement Plan** The City contributes to the California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agency for participating public entities within the state of California.

All permanent full-time and selected part-time employees are eligible for participation in PERS. Benefits vest after five years of service and are determined by a formula that considers the employee's age, years of service and salary. Employees may retire at age 55 and receive 2.7 percent of their highest average annual salary for each year of service completed. PERS also provides death and disability

benefits. These benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by state statute and City ordinance.

Employee contributions are 7 percent of their annual covered salary. The Electric Utility is required to contribute the remaining amounts necessary to fund the benefits for its employees using the actuarial basis recommended by the PERS actuaries and actuarial consultants and adopted by the PERS Board of Administration. The Electric Utility pays both the employee and employer contributions.

Citywide information concerning elements of the unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, contributions to PERS for the year ended June 30, 2003, and recent trend information may be found in the notes of the City's "Comprehensive Annual Financial Report" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003.

■ **Contributions to the City's General Fund** Pursuant to the City Charter, the Electric Utility may transfer up to 11.5 percent of its prior year's gross operating revenues to the City's general fund. In fiscal years 2002-03 and 2001-02, the Electric Utility transferred approximately 9.0 percent of gross operating revenues, or \$15,333,000 and \$15,324,000, respectively.

■ **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** The Electric Utility presents, and the City Council adopts, an annual budget. The proposed budget includes estimated expenses and forecasted revenues. The City Council adopts the Electric Utility's budget in June each year via a resolution.

■ **Reclassifications** Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year's financial statements to conform with the current year's presentation.

NOTE 2. Cash and Investments

Cash and investments at June 30, 2003 and 2002, consist of the following (in thousands):

| | June 30, 2003 | June 30, 2002 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| | Fair Value | |
| Deposits with City Treasurer's investment pool | \$ 70,954 | \$ 67,078 |
| Cash and investments at fiscal agent | 48,706 | 56,462 |
| | \$119,660 | \$123,540 |

The amounts above are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as:

| | June 30, 2003 | June 30, 2002 |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 47,244 | \$ 45,030 |
| Restricted assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 29,186 | 38,515 |
| Investments | 43,230 | 39,995 |
| | 72,416 | 78,510 |
| | \$ 119,660 | \$ 123,540 |

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 2. Cash and Investments (Continued)

■ **Authorized Investments** Under provisions of the City's investment policy and in accordance with California Government Code Section 53601, the City Treasurer may invest or deposit in the following types of investments:

- Securities of the U.S. government, or its agencies
- Local agency investment fund (state pool) deposits
- Small Business Administration loans
- Passbook savings account demand deposits
- Negotiable certificates of deposits
- Repurchase agreements
- Banker's acceptances
- Mutual funds
- Commercial paper of "prime" quality
- Medium-term corporate notes

■ **Credit Risk, Carrying Amount and Market Value of Deposits and Investments** Cash and non-negotiable certificates of deposit are classified in three categories of custodial credit risk as follows: Category 1 — insured or collateralized with securities held by the City or its agent in the City's name; Category 2 — collateralized with securities held by the

pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the City's name; Category 3 — uncollateralized.

Investments are also classified in three categories of custodial credit risk as follows: Category 1 — insured or registered, or securities held by the City or its agent in the City's name; Category 2 — uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the City's name; Category 3 — uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the City's name. Investments in pools managed by other governments or in mutual funds are not required to be categorized.

The Electric Utility's share of the City's investment pool at June 30, 2003, represents approximately 32 percent or \$119,660,000 of the City's total cash and investments of \$379,318,000. Information concerning credit risk and fair value of the City's deposits and investments may be found in the notes of the City's "Comprehensive Annual Financial Report" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. Cash and investments at fiscal agent are insured or registered, or held in the name of the Electric Utility or its agent (category 1), or are not subject to risk categorization.

NOTE 3. Utility Plant

The following is a summary of changes in utility plant during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003 and 2002 (in thousands):

| | Balance, As of 7/1/2001 | Additions | Deletions/ Transfers | Balance, As of 6/30/2002 | Additions | Deletions/ Transfers | Balance, As of 6/30/2003 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Production | \$127,482 | \$ 527 | \$ 0 | \$128,009 | \$ 46,026 | \$ 0 | \$174,035 |
| Transmission | 15,032 | 6 | (13) | 15,025 | 18 | 0 | 15,043 |
| Distribution | 212,340 | 19,941 | (225) | 232,056 | 9,790 | (315) | 241,531 |
| General | 24,549 | 520 | (443) | 24,626 | 664 | (100) | 25,190 |
| Construction in progress | 17,589 | 54,280 | (21,013) | 50,856 | 19,870 | (54,391) | 16,335 |
| Nuclear fuel | 2,065 | 944 | (1,612) | 1,397 | 903 | (1,173) | 1,127 |
| Subtotal | 399,057 | 76,218 | (23,306) | 451,969 | 77,271 | (55,979) | 473,261 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (175,494) | (12,786) | 620 | (187,660) | (13,516) | 234 | (200,942) |
| Total utility plant | \$223,563 | \$ 63,432 | (\$22,686) | \$264,309 | \$ 63,755 | (\$55,745) | \$ 272,319 |

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 4. Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002 (in thousands):

| | Balance, As of 7/1/2001 | Additions | Reductions | Balance, As of 6/30/2002 | Additions | Reductions | Balance, As of 6/30/2003 |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| Revenue bonds | \$ 199,263 | \$ 48,618 | (\$7,357) | \$ 240,524 | \$ 0 | (\$7,823) | \$ 232,701 |
| Capital leases | 22 | 0 | (11) | 11 | 0 | (11) | 0 |
| Nuclear decommissioning liability (Note 1) | 31,527 | 3,328 | 0 | 34,855 | 3,289 | 0 | 38,144 |
| Total long-term obligations | \$ 230,812 | \$ 51,946 | (\$7,368) | \$ 275,390 | \$ 3,289 | (\$7,834) | \$ 270,845 |

Long-term debt consist of the following (in thousands):

■ Capital Lease

Equipment Purchased Through Capital Lease:

\$54,339 capital lease due in monthly installments of \$1,115 through December 31, 2002, interest at 8.5 percent

Total capital lease

June 30, 2003 June 30, 2002

| | |
|------|-------|
| \$ 0 | \$ 11 |
| 0 | 11 |

■ Revenue Bonds Payable

\$68,175,000 1991 Electric Revenue Bonds: Final payment on unrefunded portion was paid October 1, 2002

0 1,955

\$118,550,000 1993 Electric Refunding Revenue Bonds: \$92,245,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$5,970,000 to \$8,005,000 through October 1, 2010, interest from 4.7 percent to 5.3 percent; \$26,305,000 term bonds due October 1, 2013, interest at 5.0 percent (Note 10)

81,380 87,115

\$4,100,000 1994 FARECal Electric Revenue Bonds: \$2,105,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$160,000 to \$220,000 through July 1, 2010, interest from 5.4 percent to 5.9 percent; \$1,995,000 term bonds due July 1, 2017, interest at 6.0 percent (Note 10)

3,310 3,460

\$98,730,000 1998 Electric Refunding/Revenue Bonds: \$63,165,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$4,650,000 to \$7,085,000 through October 1, 2013, interest from 4.25 percent to 5.38 percent; \$21,595,000 term bonds due October 1, 2018, interest at 5.0 percent; \$13,970,000 term bonds due October 1, 2022, interest at 5.0 percent

98,730 98,730

\$47,215,000 2001 Electric Revenue Bonds: \$47,215,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$2,855,000 to \$4,750,000 through October 1, 2016, interest from 2.9 percent to 5.25 percent

47,215 47,215

Total electric revenue bonds payable

230,635 238,475

Total debt

230,635 238,486

Unamortized bond premium (discount)

2,066 2,049

Total long-term debt, net of bond premium (discount)

232,701 240,535

Less: current portion

(10,780) (7,851)

Total long-term debt

\$ 221,921 \$ 232,684

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 4. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity, excluding amounts for nuclear decommissioning liability, as of June 30, 2003, are as follows (in thousands):

| | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009-2013 | 2014-2018 | 2019-2023 | Total |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Principal | \$ 10,780 | \$ 14,140 | \$ 14,775 | \$ 15,475 | \$ 16,225 | \$ 89,715 | \$ 52,475 | \$ 17,050 | \$230,635 |
| Interest | 11,123 | 10,579 | 9,940 | 9,241 | 8,496 | 29,379 | 9,187 | 2,216 | 90,161 |
| Unamortized bond (discount) premium | 84 | 143 | 144 | 145 | 146 | 725 | 570 | 109 | 2,066 |
| Total | \$ 21,987 | \$ 24,862 | \$ 24,859 | \$ 24,861 | \$ 24,867 | \$ 119,819 | \$ 62,232 | \$ 19,375 | \$322,862 |

■ **Debt Service Coverage Ratio** The Electric Utility's bond indentures require the Electric Utility to maintain a minimum debt service coverage ratio, as defined by the bond covenants, of 1.25. The Electric Utility's debt service coverage ratio was 2.91 at June 30, 2003, and 2.27 at June 30, 2002.

NOTE 5. Restricted Equity

Pursuant to applicable bond indentures, a reserve for debt service has been established by restricting assets and reserving a portion of equity. Bond indentures for Riverside's electric revenue and refunding bonds require reserves that equate to the maximum annual debt service required in future years plus three months interest and nine months principal due in the next fiscal year. The reserve for Riverside's portion of FARECal revenue bonds is equal to 10 percent of the program agreement amounts. Additional reserves for the 1998 and 1991 revenue bonds are not required due to the purchase of surety bonds to cover the required reserve requirements.

NOTE 6. Jointly-Governed Organizations

■ **Southern California Public Power Authority** On November 1, 1980, the City of Riverside joined with the Imperial Irrigation District and the cities of Los Angeles, Anaheim, Vernon, Azusa, Banning, Colton, Burbank, Glendale and Pasadena to create the Southern California Public Power Authority (SCPPA) by a Joint Powers Agreement under the laws of the state of California. As of July 2001, the cities of Cerritos and San Marcos were admitted as members of SCPPA. In August 2003, the Authority rescinded the membership of the City of San Marcos, as the City no longer met the criteria for membership. The primary purpose of SCPPA is to

plan, finance, develop, acquire, construct, operate and maintain projects for the generation and transmission of electric energy for sale to its participants. SCPPA is governed by a Board of Directors, which consists of one representative for each of the members. During the 2002-03 and 2001-02 fiscal years, the Electric Utility paid approximately \$20,324,000 and \$20,700,000, respectively, to SCPPA under various take-or-pay contracts that are described in greater detail in Note 8. These payments are reflected as a component of production expense in the financial statements.

■ **Power Agency of California** On July 1, 1990, the City of Riverside joined with the cities of Azusa, Banning and Colton to create the Power Agency of California (PAC) by a Joint Powers Agreement under the laws of the state of California. The City of Anaheim joined PAC on July 1, 1996. The primary purpose of PAC is to take advantage of synergies and economies of scale as a result of the five cities acting in concert. PAC has the ability to plan, finance, develop, acquire, construct, operate and maintain projects for the generation and transmission of electric energy for sale to its participants. PAC is governed by a Board of Directors, which consists of one representative for each of the members. The term of the Joint Powers Agreement is 50 years. Effective June 30, 2001, PAC was placed in an inactive status by the Board of Directors. The Agency can only be reactivated by authorization of the Agency Board.

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■ Financing Authority for Resource Efficiency of California On July 1, 1993, the City of Riverside joined with the cities of Anaheim, Colton, Compton, Healdsburg, Los Angeles, Palo Alto, Pasadena, Redding, the North Marin Water District, the Northern California Power Agency, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, and Turlock Irrigation District to create the Financing Authority for Resource Efficiency of California (FARECal). The City of Santa Cruz joined in 1994, Trinity Public Utility District joined in 1996, and the cities of Azusa and Victorville joined in 2002. The primary purpose of FARECal is to issue bonds and use the proceeds to promote, advance, encourage and participate in conservation, reclamation and other programs that are designed to utilize energy or water resources more efficiently. FARECal is administered by a Board of Directors currently represented by the cities of Anaheim, Colton, Palo Alto, Pasadena and the North Marin Water District and Trinity Public Utility District. The Electric Utility's portion of the FARECal debt and utility plant assets is recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 7. Jointly-Owned Utility Project

Pursuant to a settlement agreement with SCE, dated August 4, 1972, the City was granted the right to acquire a 1.79 percent ownership interest in San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), Units 2 and 3, equating to 19.2 MW and 19.3 MW respectively, of the available capacity. In the settlement agreement, SCE agreed to provide the necessary transmission service to deliver the output of SONGS to Riverside. SCE and the City entered into the SONGS Participation Agreement that sets forth the terms and conditions under which the City, through the Electric Utility, participates in the ownership and output of SONGS. Other participants in this project include SCE, 75.05 percent; San Diego Gas & Electric Company, 20.00 percent; and the city of Anaheim, 3.16 percent. Maintenance and operation of SONGS remain the responsibility of SCE, as operating agent for the City.

The original operating license for SONGS units 2 and 3 was set to expire in 2013; however, this was subsequently extended due to a construction recapture provision, and now expires February 16, 2022 and November 15, 2022 for units 2 and 3 respectively. At this time, the owners of the plant have not agreed to extend operations until 2022.

There are no separate financial statements for the jointly-owned utility plant since each participant's

interests in the utility plant and operating expenses are included in their respective financial statements. The Electric Utility's 1.79 percent share of the capitalized construction costs for SONGS totaled \$128,483,000 and \$128,009,000 for fiscal years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively. Acquisition of assets are depreciated through 2013, the original license expiration date. The accumulated depreciation amounted to \$87,309,000 and \$82,300,000 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The Electric Utility made provisions during fiscal years 2002-03 and 2001-02 for nuclear fuel burn of \$1,173,000 and \$1,612,000, respectively, and for future decommissioning costs of \$1,581,000 for 2002-03 and 2001-02 fiscal years (see Note 1). The Electric Utility's portion of current and long-term debt associated with SONGS is included in the accompanying financial statements.

As a participant in SONGS, the Electric Utility could be subject to assessment of retrospective insurance premiums in the event of a nuclear incident at San Onofre or any other licensed reactor in the United States.

NOTE 8. Commitments

■ Take-or-Pay Contracts The Electric Utility has entered into a power purchase contract with Intermountain Power Agency (IPA) for the delivery of electric power. The Electric Utility's share of IPA power is equal to 7.6 percent, or approximately 133.7 MW, of the generation output of IPA's 1,755 megawatt coal-fueled generating station located in central Utah. The contract expires in 2027 and the debt fully matures in 2024.

The contract constitutes an obligation of the Electric Utility to make payments solely from operating revenues. The power purchase contract requires the Electric Utility to pay certain minimum charges that are based on debt service requirements. Such payments are considered a cost of production.

The Electric Utility is a member of the Southern California Public Power Authority (SCPPA), a joint powers agency (see Note 6). SCPPA provides for the financing and construction of electric generating and transmission projects for participation by some or all of its members. To the extent the Electric Utility participates in projects developed by SCPPA, the Electric Utility will be obligated for its proportionate share of the project cost.

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 8. Commitments (Continued)

The projects and the Electric Utility's proportionate share of SCPPA's obligations, including final maturities and contract expirations are as follows:

| PROJECT | PERCENT SHARE | ENTITLEMENT | FINAL MATURITY | CONTRACT EXPIRATION |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station | 5.4 percent | 11.7 MW | 2017 | 2030 |
| Southern Transmission System | 10.2 percent | 195 MW | 2023 | 2027 |
| Hoover Dam Uprating | 31.9 percent | 30 MW | 2018 | 2017 |
| Mead-Phoenix Transmission | 4.0 percent | 12 MW | 2020 | 2030 |
| Mead-Adelanto Transmission | 13.5 percent | 118 MW | 2020 | 2030 |

As part of the take-or-pay commitments with IPA and SCPPA, the Electric Utility has agreed to pay its share of current and long-term obligations. Management intends to pay these obligations from operating revenues received during the year that payment is due. A long-term obligation has not been recorded on the accompanying financial statements for these commitments. Take-or-pay commitments terminate upon the later of contract expiration or final maturity of outstanding bonds for each project.

Interest rates on the outstanding debt associated with the take-or-pay obligations range from 4.1 percent to 5.7 percent. The schedule below details the amount of principal and interest that is due and payable by the Electric Utility as part of the take-or-pay contract for each project in the fiscal year indicated.

| DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS (In thousands) Year Ending June 30 | IPA | | SCPPA | | | | TOTAL |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Intermountain Power Project | Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station | Southern Transmission System | Hoover Dam Uprating | Mead- Phoenix Transmission | Mead- Adelanto Transmission | All Projects |
| 2004 | \$ 6,093 | \$ 4,320 | \$ 6,907 | \$ 708 | \$ 156 | \$ 1,651 | \$ 19,835 |
| 2005 | 25,443 | 4,332 | 6,724 | 708 | 156 | 1,651 | 39,014 |
| 2006 | 25,941 | 1,535 | 6,968 | 708 | 156 | 1,651 | 36,959 |
| 2007 | 25,931 | 1,535 | 7,192 | 704 | 272 | 2,956 | 38,590 |
| 2008 | 25,594 | 1,535 | 6,693 | 704 | 271 | 2,951 | 37,748 |
| 2009-2013 | 128,549 | 13,392 | 33,723 | 3,507 | 1,438 | 14,693 | 195,302 |
| 2014-2018 | 119,134 | 35,709 | 35,683 | 3,469 | 1,324 | 14,604 | 209,923 |
| 2019-2023 | 91,115 | 0 | 36,994 | 0 | 771 | 8,704 | 137,584 |
| 2024-2028 | 7,080 | 0 | 7,091 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14,171 |
| Total | \$454,880 | \$ 62,358 | \$ 147,975 | \$ 10,508 | \$ 4,544 | \$ 48,861 | \$ 729,126 |

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 8. Commitments (Continued)

In addition to debt service, Riverside’s entitlements require the payment of fuel costs, operating and maintenance, administrative and general and other miscellaneous costs associated with the generation and transmission facilities discussed above. These costs do not have a similar structured payment schedule as debt service and vary each year. The costs incurred for the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002, are as follows:

| Fiscal Year | Inter- mountain Power Project | Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station | Southern Transmission System | Mead- Adelanto Transmission | Mead- Phoenix Transmission | Hoover Dam Upgrading | Total |
|-------------|--|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| 2003 | \$18,819 | \$2,355 | \$1,320 | \$157 | \$44 | \$87 | \$22,782 |
| 2002 | \$17,832 | \$2,040 | \$1,607 | \$209 | \$45 | \$99 | \$21,832 |

These costs are included in production expense on the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity.

Power Purchase Agreements The Electric Utility has executed five firm power purchase agreements. The agreements are with Deseret Generation and Transmission Cooperative (Deseret) of Murray, Utah; California Department of Water Resources (CDWR); and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). The minimum annual obligations under each of these contracts are shown in the table below.

Minimum Obligations 2003-2004 (in thousands)

| SUPPLIER | CAPACITY | ENERGY | TOTAL |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Deseret | \$3,463 | \$ 1,811 | \$ 5,274 |
| CDWR III | 505 | 0 | 505 |
| CDWR IV | 658 | 0 | 658 |
| BPA (two agreements) | 1,865 | 0 | 1,865 |
| Total | \$6,491 | \$ 1,811 | \$ 8,302 |

The agreement with Deseret is for five megawatts of capacity and associated energy from January 1, 1992, through December 31, 1994, then increasing to 52 megawatts of capacity and associated energy through December 31, 2009. A notice of termination of the power purchase agreement was provided to Deseret effective March 31, 1998, resulting in litigation which was settled on July 31, 1999. Under the terms of the settlement agreement, the notice of termination was rescinded and the power purchase agreement was amended to reflect substantial price reductions after fiscal year 2002 through the term of the agreement in 2009. In exchange, Riverside Public Utilities paid Deseret \$25 million from Electric fund reserves, which is reflected on the Balance Sheet as Unamortized purchased power. On July 1, 2002, the Electric Utility began to amortize the related price reductions, and will continue to amortize over the remaining term of the agreement using the straight-line method. As of

June 30, 2003 and 2002, unamortized purchased power was \$21,715,000 and \$25,056,000, respectively, and the Utility had recorded amortization of \$3,341,000 and \$0, respectively.

There are two separate agreements with CDWR. CDWR III is for the purchase of 23 megawatts of capacity from May through October of each year beginning June 1, 1996, for 15 years. CDWR IV is for the purchase of 30 megawatts of capacity from May through October beginning June 1, 1996, for 15 years, subject to early termination.

The first agreement with BPA is for the purchase of firm capacity (23 megawatts in the summer months and 16 megawatts in the winter months) beginning February 1, 1991, for a period of 20 years. The second BPA agreement is for the purchase of capacity (50 megawatts during the summer months and 13 megawatts during the winter months) beginning April 30, 1996, for 20 years. Effective May 1, 1998, these summer and winter capacity amounts increased to 60 megawatts and 15 megawatts, respectively, for the remainder of the second agreement.

Renewable Portfolio Standard On July 8, 2003, and June 6, 2003, the City Council and Public Utilities Board, respectively, adopted a Renewable Portfolio Standard to increase procurement of renewable resources to reach a target of 20 percent of the Utility’s energy from renewable resources by 2015. The contracts in the following table were executed as part of compliance with this standard. The Utility also has agreements with the Automated Power Exchange and Bonneville Power Administration for the purchase of energy credits that add to the total renewable portfolio. In the current year, renewable resources provided 13 percent of retail energy requirements, approximately 10% of total power supply.

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 8. Commitments (Continued)

Long-term renewable power purchase agreements (in thousands):

| SUPPLIER | TYPE | MAXIMUM CONTRACT | CONTRACT EXPIRATION | ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST FOR 2004 (in thousands) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------|---|
| Milliken Genco | Landfill Gas | 2.5 MW | 12/31/2007 | \$ 1,044 |
| Mid Valley Genco | Landfill Gas | 2.5 MW | 12/31/2007 | 1,089 |
| Riverside County (Badlands Landfill) | Landfill Gas | 1.2 MW | 10/10/2003 | 386 |
| Wintec | Wind | 1.3 MW | 4/30/2018 | 77 |
| Salton Sea | Geothermal | 20.0 MW | 5/31/2013 | 10,153 |
| Total: | | 27.5 MW | | \$ 12,749 |

All contracts are contingent on energy production from specific related generating facilities. Riverside has no commitment to pay any amounts except for energy produced on a monthly basis from these facilities.

■ **Construction Commitments** As of June 30, 2003, the Electric Utility had major commitments of approximately \$3,680,000, with respect to unfinished capital projects, of which \$1.5 million is expected to be funded by others, \$1.1 million by bonds and \$1.1 million by rates.

NOTE 9. Litigation

The City continues to participate in key FERC dockets impacting the City's Electric Utility, such as the Market Design and Western Markets refunding dockets.

On January 1, 2003, the City became a PTO with the ISO, entitling the City to receive compensation for use of its transmission facilities committed to the ISO's operational control. The compensation is based upon the City's TRR as approved by the FERC. The California Investor Owned Utilities (IOU's), the CDWR, and the CPUC, among others, objected to various aspects of the City's TRR at the FERC. The City and the objecting parties submitted a settlement agreement to the FERC in July 2003, subject to the FERC's acceptance of this settlement agreement for filing. The settlement agreement disposes of all City TRR issues except for CDWR's and CPUC's contention that the City is not entitled to its TRR for the majority of the transmission facilities committed to the ISO's control. These TRR issues are not expected to be resolved until 2004.

If the City does not prevail in this litigation, up to \$5.3 million of transmission revenue may have to be refunded to the ISO for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003.

On April 6, 2001, Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) filed for voluntary protection under Chapter 11 of the federal Bankruptcy Code. The bankruptcy proceedings (PG&E Bankruptcy) are pending in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in San Francisco, California. During the PG&E Bankruptcy, PG&E's operations are expected to continue under current management, while the Bankruptcy Court decides on the allocation of PG&E's available cash flow and assets among its various

creditors. PG&E was the largest purchaser of electricity from the Independent System Operator (ISO) and the Power Exchange (PX), and is therefore the largest creditor to the ISO and PX. Riverside is owed approximately \$1 million by the PX and approximately \$300,000 by the ISO, primarily related to PG&E. This amount was fully reserved with an allowance for potentially uncollectible receivables in fiscal year 2001, and any amounts subsequently collected will be included in earnings in the period collected. The various creditors' classes recently voted on plans of reorganization prepared by PG&E and by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). To settle disputes arising out of proposed competing plans of reorganization, a Settlement Plan of reorganization negotiated by CPUC and PG&E staff, and the Creditor's Committee has been presented to creditors for their vote. The Settlement Plan provides for 100% payment to all of PG&E's existing creditors in the same class as the City. A Bankruptcy Court hearing to consider the Settlement Plan and any objections is scheduled November 3, 2003.

The Electric Utility is a defendant in various lawsuits arising in the normal course of business. Present lawsuits and other claims against the Electric Utility are incidental to the ordinary course of operations of the Electric Utility and are largely covered by the City's self-insurance program. In the opinion of management and the city attorney, such claims and litigation will not have a materially adverse effect upon the financial position or results of operation of the Electric Utility.

NOTE 10. Subsequent Events

On July 31, 2003, the Electric Utility issued the 2003 Electric Refunding Revenue Bonds totaling \$75,405,000 to advance refund \$75,410,000 of the 1993 Electric Refunding Revenue Bonds and \$3,310,000 of the 1994 FARECal Bonds. The refunding was completed to take advantage of improved interest rates and realize debt service savings. Annual principle payments range from \$1,035,000 to \$8,535,000 through October 2013, with interest from 2% to 5%. The all-in true interest cost for this issue is 3.41%. The net present value cost savings exceeded \$5.4 million.

CITY OF RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Statistics

| POWER SUPPLY (MWH) | 2002/03 ¹ | 2001/02 ¹ | 2000/01 ¹ | 1999/00 ¹ | 1998/99 |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Nuclear | | | | | |
| San Onofre | 321,800 | 312,100 | 250,100 | 342,000 | 288,800 |
| Palo Verde | 97,200 | 94,700 | 94,800 | 97,900 | 96,500 |
| Coal | | | | | |
| Intermountain Power | 1,029,400 | 1,027,000 | 1,028,600 | 1,006,900 | 1,009,100 |
| Deseret | 404,600 | 394,700 | 418,796 | 340,505 | 223,348 |
| Hoover (Large Hydro) | 36,200 | 40,200 | 41,100 | 43,500 | 46,100 |
| Springs (Gas) | 9,800 | 1,300 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Renewable Resources | 224,700 | 109,500 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Contract purchases | 270,900 | 538,000 | 754,804 | 597,495 | 333,952 |
| Net Exchanges In/(Out) | (48,400) | (57,700) | 300 | (93,000) | (33,700) |
| Total | 2,346,200 | 2,459,800 | 2,588,500 | 2,335,300 | 1,964,100 |
| System peak (MW) | 474.2 | 446.6 | 463.8 | 473.1 | 479.2 |

¹Energy shown before losses.

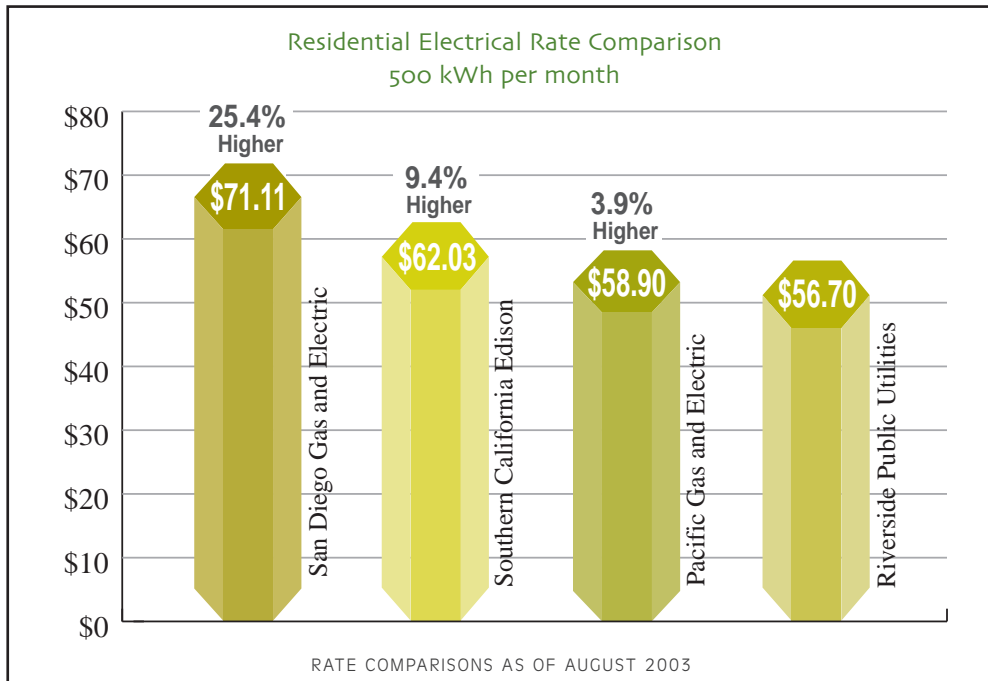
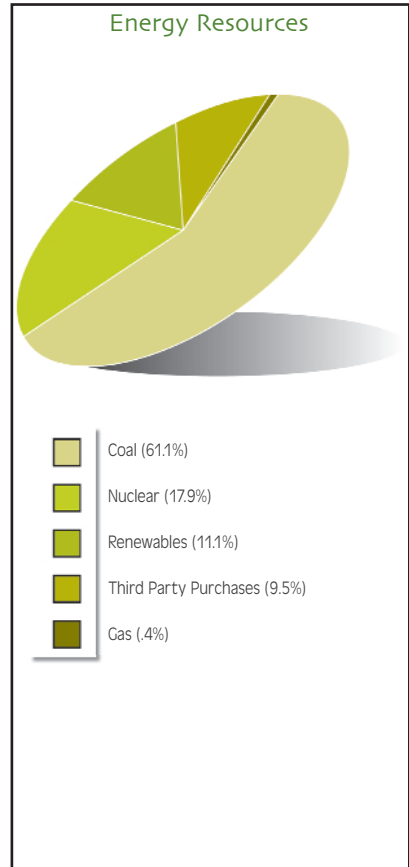
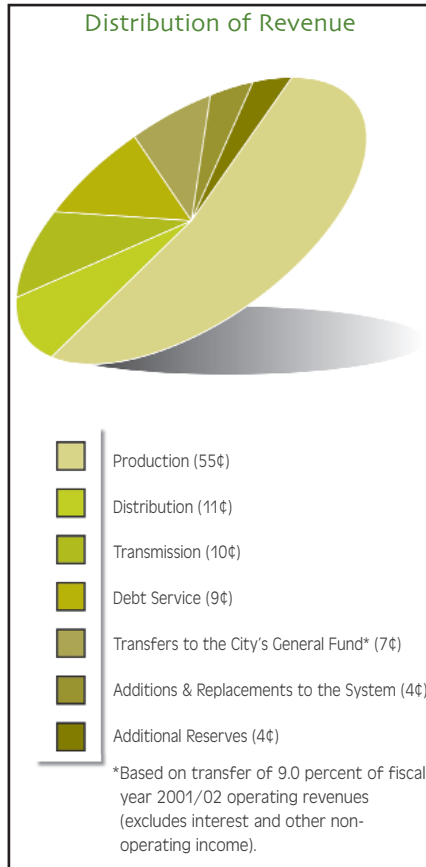
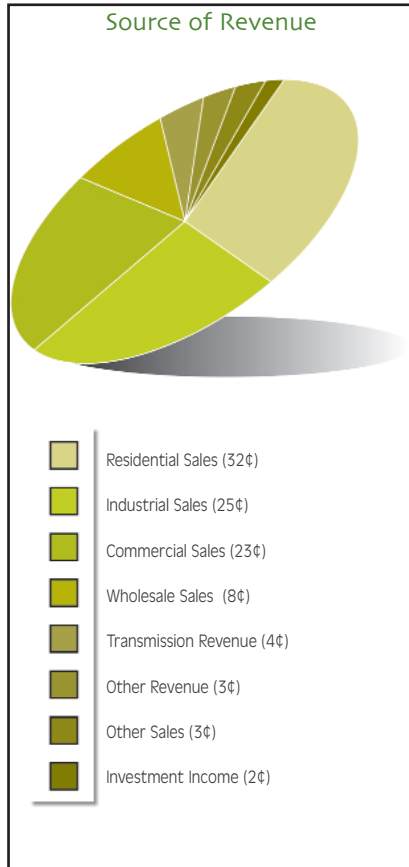
| ELECTRIC USE | 2002/03 | 2001/02 | 2000/01 | 1999/00 | 1998/99 |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Average number of customers | | | | | |
| Residential | 88,637 | 86,874 | 85,584 | 83,637 | 82,937 |
| Commercial | 9,287 | 9,092 | 9,087 | 9,050 | 8,859 |
| Industrial | 396 | 398 | 393 | 324 | 292 |
| Other | 139 | 139 | 140 | 136 | 125 |
| Total | 98,459 | 96,503 | 95,204 | 93,147 | 92,213 |
| Millions of kilowatt-hours sales | | | | | |
| Residential | 618 | 600 | 610 | 594 | 575 |
| Commercial | 451 | 434 | 432 | 436 | 406 |
| Industrial | 658 | 629 | 654 | 651 | 619 |
| Wholesale Sales | 378 | 541 | 600 | 419 | 151 |
| Other | 49 | 53 | 54 | 53 | 46 |
| Total | 2,154 | 2,257 | 2,350 | 2,153 | 1,797 |

| ELECTRIC FACTS | 2002/03 | 2001/02 | 2000/01 | 1999/00 | 1998/99 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Average annual kWh per residential customer | 6,970 | 6,905 | 7,125 | 7,105 | 6,938 |
| Average price (cents/kWh) per residential customer | 10.99 | 10.77 | 10.73 | 10.83 | 10.73 |
| Debt service coverage ratio | 2.91 | 2.27 | 2.69 | 2.76 | 2.01 |
| Operating income as a percent of operating revenues | 14.4% | 6.7% | 7.7% | 12.9% | 6.3% |
| Employees ² | 292 | 283 | 281 | 277 | 274 |

²Approved positions

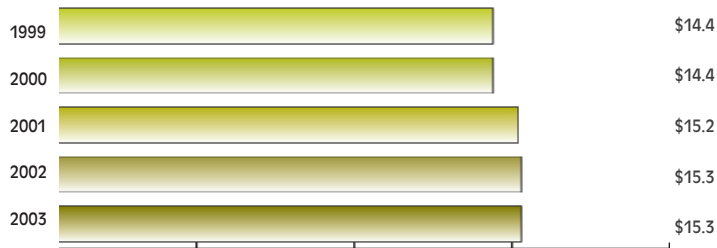
Statistics

2002/03 Electric Revenue and Resources

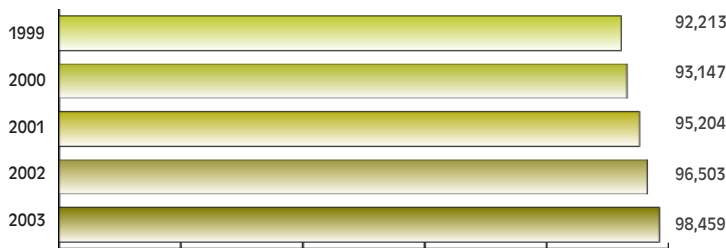


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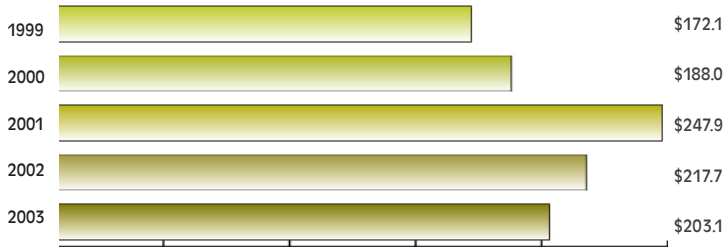
General Fund Transfer (in millions)



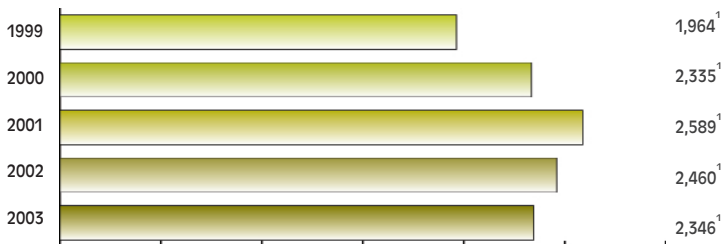
Average Number of Customers



Total Operating Revenue (in millions)

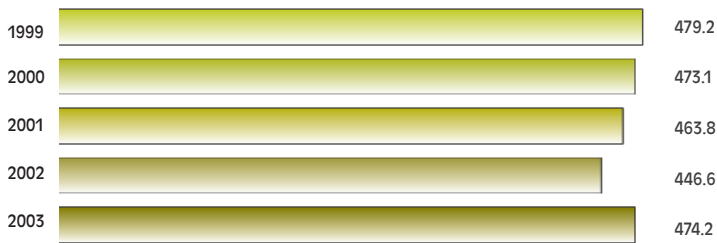


Production (in million kilowatt-hours)



¹ Energy shown before losses.

Peak Day Demand (in megawatts)



Electric Facts and System Statistics

Established: 1895

Service Area Population: 274,100

Service Area Size (square miles): 79.1

System Statistics:

Transmission lines (circuit miles): 88.02

Distribution lines (circuit miles): 1,132

Number of substations: 14

2002-03 Peak Day (megawatts): 474

Highest single hourly use:

9/03/02, 4pm, 104 degrees

Historical peak (megawatts): 479

Highest single hourly use:

8/31/98, 3pm, 107 degrees

Bond Ratings

FITCH, INC. A+

STANDARD & POOR'S A+

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Honorable City Council and Board of Public Utilities City of Riverside, California

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the City of Riverside Water Utility as of and for the year ended June 30, 2003, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Water Utility's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of the City of Riverside Water Utility for the year ended June 30, 2002, were audited by other auditors whose report, dated September 30, 2002, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

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

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the City of Riverside Water Utility are intended to present the financial position and the changes in financial position and cash flows for the City of Riverside Water Utility and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Riverside, California, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the 2003 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City of Riverside Water Utility as of June 30, 2003, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consist primarily of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit this information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that comprise the City of Riverside Water Utility's basic financial statements. The supplementary information entitled Water Statistics, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Water Utility. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

McGladrey & Pullen, LLP

Riverside, California
September 30, 2003

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Riverside Public Utilities (a department of the City of Riverside), we offer the readers of the City of Riverside Water Utility financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Water Utility (Utility) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information furnished in our fiscal message on page 2 of this report. All amounts, unless otherwise indicated, are expressed in thousands of dollars.

Financial Highlights

The assets of the Water Utility exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$181,745 (equity). Of this amount, \$20,610 may be used to meet the Utility's ongoing obligations to creditors and customers.

The Utility's total equity increased by \$7,643 from the prior fiscal year, primarily due to capital contributions from developer fees totaling \$8,405.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unrestricted equity represented over 81 percent of annual operating expenses for 2003.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the City of Riverside Water Utility financial statements. The Water Utility is a department of the City of Riverside, and its activities are recorded in a separate enterprise fund. These financial statements include only the activities for the City of Riverside Water Utility and provide comparative information for the last two fiscal years. Information on city-wide financial results is available in the City of Riverside Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The City of Riverside Water Utility's financial statements comprise two components: 1) financial statements and 2) notes to the financial statements. In addition, this report also contains other supplementary information to provide the reader additional information about the Water Utility, including sales statistics and other relevant data.

Included as part of the financial statements are three separate statements.

The *Balance Sheets* present information on assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as equity. Over time, increases or decreases in equity may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial condition of the utility is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity* present information showing how the Utility's equity changed during the most recent two fiscal years. Results of operations are reported as underlying events occur, regardless of the timing of cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in these statements for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods, i.e. accounts payable and accounts receivable. This is called the accrual basis of accounting and is more fully described in the accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements.

The *Statements of Cash Flows* present the cash flow changes occurring during the last two fiscal years in highly liquid cash and cash equivalents, including certain restricted assets.

The *Notes to the Financial Statements* provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 35 to 40 of this report.

Utility Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, equity (also called net assets) may serve over time as a useful indicator of the fund's financial position. In the case of Riverside's Water Utility, assets exceeded liabilities by \$181,745 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The largest portion of the Utility's net assets (84 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets, such as treatment, pumping, source of supply, transmission and distribution facilities, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that remains outstanding. The Utility uses these capital assets to provide services to customers; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Resources needed to repay the outstanding debt shown on the balance sheet must come from other sources such as operations, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these long-term liabilities.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

The percent of the Utility's net assets invested in capital assets increased by 5 percent or \$15,830. The increase is primarily attributable to the timing of expenditures in the Utility's capital improvement plan. Significant projects during the fiscal year included \$11.5 million to construct the North Orange and Riverside South treatment facilities, \$4.1 million for the pipeline replacement program and \$1.2 million for system expansion.

The unrestricted portion of the Utility's net assets (11 percent) may be used to meet the Utility's ongoing obligations to creditors and customers.

City of Riverside Water Utility's Equity (Net Assets)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|------------------|-------------------|
| Current and other assets | \$ 47,463 | \$ 61,745 |
| Capital assets | 212,105 | 193,244 |
| Total assets | 259,568 | 254,989 |
| Long-term debt outstanding | 69,361 | 72,071 |
| Other liabilities | 8,462 | 8,816 |
| Total liabilities | 77,823 | 80,887 |
| Equity (net assets): | | |
| Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | 152,718 | 136,888 |
| Restricted | 8,417 | 8,375 |
| Unrestricted | 20,610 | 28,839 |
| Total equity (net assets) | \$181,745 | \$ 174,102 |

An additional portion of the Utility's equity (5 percent) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. These are reserved for items such as debt repayment and other legally restricted assets.

The Utility's equity increased by \$7,643 during the current fiscal year. This increase primarily relates to amounts received from developer fees and other capital contributions due to increased building activity in Riverside.

Key elements of the increase in equity are as follows:

City of Riverside Water Utility's Changes in Equity (Net Assets)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Revenues: | | |
| Retail sales | \$ 27,467 | \$ 27,517 |
| Wholesale sales | 560 | 663 |
| Litigation settlement | 0 | 7,900 |
| Investment income | 1,763 | 2,384 |
| Other | 2,339 | 2,439 |
| Total revenues | 32,129 | 40,903 |
| Less reserve for bad debt, net of recoveries | (130) | (79) |
| Total revenues before capital contributions | 31,999 | 40,824 |
| Capital contributions | 8,405 | 7,044 |
| Total revenues and capital contributions | 40,404 | 47,868 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Operations | 12,069 | 11,572 |
| Maintenance | 3,027 | 2,971 |
| Purchased energy | 3,619 | 3,536 |
| Purchased water | 1,077 | 1,067 |
| Depreciation | 5,554 | 5,378 |
| Interest expense | 4,233 | 4,356 |
| Total expenses | 29,579 | 28,880 |
| Contributions to the City's general fund | 3,182 | 2,974 |
| Total expenses and contributions to the City's General Fund | 32,761 | 31,854 |
| Increase in equity (net assets) | 7,643 | 16,014 |
| Equity, beginning of year | 174,102 | 158,088 |
| Equity, end of year | \$ 181,745 | \$ 174,102 |

Management’s Discussion and Analysis

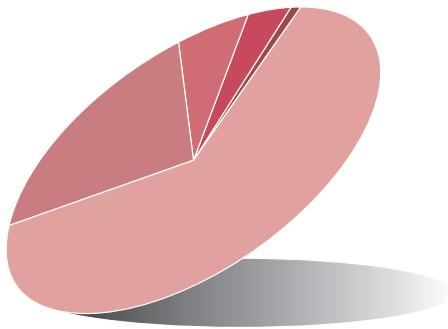
Retail sales (residential, commercial and other sales) continue to be the primary revenue source for the water utility making up 68 percent of total revenue. Retail sales decreased slightly as compared to the prior year (0.2 percent). The decrease is due to lower consumption (4.3 percent), offset by the impact of 4% and 3.9% rate increases, effective March 1, 2002, and March 1, 2003, respectively.

In the prior year, the City received \$7.9 million from Lockheed Martin to settle claims relating to TCE contamination in certain city wells (see Note 8).

Investment income decreased by \$621 (26 percent) which is due to an overall decrease in the Utility’s cash and investments and decreased return on investments for City pooled cash.

Capital contributions increased 19 percent from prior year levels. The increased amount over prior years reflects an increased level of construction projects funded by others.

Revenues by Sources - Water Utility

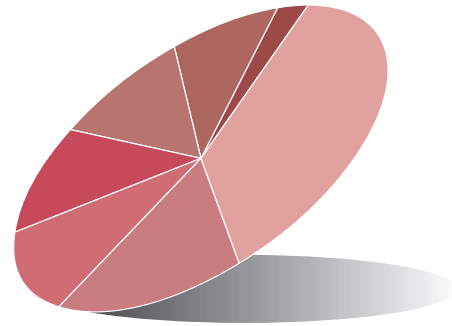


- Retail Sales (68%)
- Capital Contributions (21%)
- Other (6%)
- Investment Income (4%)
- Wholesale Sales (1%)

Total expenses show a 2 percent increase over the prior fiscal year, which is mainly due to a \$200 increase in taxes and assessments and an additional \$300 in outside legal costs resulting from the TCE litigation settlement. Also, there were increased depreciation costs due to the overall increase in capital assets.

Contributions to the City’s general fund are based on a formula using 11.5 percent of operating revenues from the prior fiscal year. This amount increased by \$208 or 7.0 percent.

Expenses - Water Utility



- Operations (37%)
- Depreciation (17%)
- Interest Expense (13%)
- Purchased Energy (11%)
- Contributions to City’s General Fund (10%)
- Maintenance (9%)
- Purchased Water (3%)

Management's Discussion and Analysis

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

The Water Utility's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2003 amounts to \$212,105 (net of accumulated depreciation). This includes investments in source of supply, pumping, treatment, transmission, and distribution related facilities, as well as general items such as office equipment, furniture, etc. This fiscal year reflects a record \$20.7 million of capital assets constructed resulting in a 10 percent increase in capital assets over the prior year. Major capital assets constructed during the current fiscal year included:

- Capital additions to serve existing customers and connect new customers to the system totaled \$1,200
- Capital additions to build a high quality infrastructure totaled \$3,100
- Capital additions for water main replacement totaled \$5,000
- Capital additions to maintain the obligation to serve totaled \$1,300
- Capital additions to safeguard the water supply totaled \$2,600

City of Riverside Water Utility's Capital Assets (Net of depreciation)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Source of supply | \$ 19,577 | \$ 18,069 |
| Pumping | 3,350 | 3,381 |
| Treatment | 12,644 | 7,951 |
| General | 1,729 | 1,770 |
| Transmission & distribution | 158,734 | 137,417 |
| Intangible | 6,269 | 6,269 |
| Construction in progress | 9,802 | 18,387 |
| Total | \$ 212,105 | \$ 193,244 |

Additional information regarding capital assets can be found in Note 1 on page 35 and Note 3 on Page 38 of this report.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Riverside Water Utility's finances. Questions concerning any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Assistant Director Finance/Resources, Riverside Public Utilities, 3900 Main Street, 4th floor, Riverside, CA 92522.

Long-term Debt

At the end of the current fiscal year, the City of Riverside's Water Utility had long-term debt of \$69,361. This debt is backed by the revenue of the utility (revenue bonds).

City of Riverside Water Utility's Outstanding Debt (Revenue Bonds and Capital Lease Obligation)

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Revenue bonds | \$ 79,070 | \$ 82,915 |
| Contracts payable/Capital lease obligation | 1,083 | 1,132 |
| Less: unamortized bond discount/capital appreciation | (6,632) | (7,970) |
| Less: current portion | (4,160) | (4,006) |
| Total | \$ 69,361 | \$ 72,071 |

The Water Utility maintains an "AA" rating from Standard & Poor's and Fitch, Inc. for its revenue bonds.

Additional information on the Water Utility's long-term debt can be found in Note 4 on page 38 through 39 of this report.

Economic Factors and Rates

Although inflationary trends in the Riverside region continue to compare favorably to the national indices, the City Council has approved an inflationary rate increase, based upon the Handy Whitman labor index, for calendar year 2002, which will provide for increased costs in all functional areas impacted by general inflation. Also approved was a one percent adder to help fund the pipeline replacement program. The inflationary increase of 2.9 percent and the one percent adder provide for a combined 3.9 percent rate increase which became effective March 1, 2003.

In addition to inflation, management continually plans for and identifies issues or potential contingencies that could impact future rates, such as reclaimed water, infrastructure needs, system growth, ground water contamination, and others. In an effort to control costs to its customers, the Utility is aggressive in pursuing outside parties, and holding them responsible for any negative effects they cause to Riverside's water quality.

The Board of Public Utilities has a goal of having rate increases not to exceed 5 percent per year unless the established index goes higher. This requires proper planning as well as building reserves to handle system emergencies or disasters, as well as certain other one-time costs.

Balance Sheets

| ASSETS | JUNE 30 2003 | JUNE 30 2002 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| UTILITY PLANT: | | |
| Source of supply | \$ 28,213 | \$ 26,389 |
| Pumping | 8,790 | 8,640 |
| Treatment | 13,438 | 8,560 |
| Transmission and distribution | 226,986 | 201,448 |
| General | 6,810 | 6,354 |
| Intangible | 6,269 | 6,269 |
| | <u>290,506</u> | <u>257,660</u> |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (88,203) | (82,803) |
| | <u>202,303</u> | <u>174,857</u> |
| Construction in progress | 9,802 | 18,387 |
| | <u>212,105</u> | <u>193,244</u> |
| RESTRICTED ASSETS: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2) | 17,365 | 22,784 |
| Investments (Note 2) | 4,161 | 4,128 |
| | <u>21,526</u> | <u>26,912</u> |
| OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS: | | |
| Unamortized bond issuance costs | 851 | 907 |
| Unamortized bond refunding costs | 554 | 578 |
| | <u>1,405</u> | <u>1,485</u> |
| Total other non-current assets | <u>1,405</u> | <u>1,485</u> |
| Total non-current assets | <u>235,036</u> | <u>221,641</u> |
| CURRENT ASSETS: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2) | 20,320 | 28,879 |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts 2003 \$141; 2002 \$70 | 3,919 | 4,050 |
| Accrued interest receivable | 231 | 335 |
| Advances to the City's general fund | 62 | 84 |
| | <u>24,532</u> | <u>33,348</u> |
| Total current assets | <u>24,532</u> | <u>33,348</u> |
| Total assets | <u>\$259,568</u> | <u>\$254,989</u> |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Balance Sheets

| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | JUNE 30 2003 | JUNE 30 2002 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| EQUITY: | | |
| Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | \$ 152,718 | \$ 136,888 |
| Restricted for debt service (Note 5) | 8,417 | 8,375 |
| Unrestricted | 20,610 | 28,839 |
| Total equity | 181,745 | 174,102 |
| LONG-TERM DEBT, LESS CURRENT PORTION (NOTE 4): | 69,361 | 72,071 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES PAYABLE FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS: | | |
| Accrued interest payable | 622 | 697 |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Note 4) | 4,010 | 3,845 |
| Total current liabilities payable from restricted assets | 4,632 | 4,542 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES: | | |
| Accounts payable | 1,296 | 1,709 |
| Accrued liabilities | 1,992 | 2,085 |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Note 4) | 150 | 161 |
| Customer deposits (Note 1) | 392 | 319 |
| Total current liabilities | 3,830 | 4,274 |
| Total liabilities | 77,823 | 80,887 |
| COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (NOTES 7 AND 9) | | |
| Total equity and liabilities | \$ 259,568 | \$ 254,989 |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Statements Of Revenues, Expenses and Changes In Equity

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS
ENDED JUNE 30
2003 2002
(in thousands)

OPERATING REVENUES:

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Residential sales | \$ 18,075 | \$ 18,144 |
| Commercial sales | 8,338 | 8,414 |
| Other sales | 1,054 | 959 |
| Wholesale sales | 560 | 663 |
| Other operating revenue | 610 | 903 |
| Total operating revenues before (reserve)/recovery | 28,637 | 29,083 |
| Reserve for uncollectible | (136) | (98) |
| Bad debt recovery | 6 | 19 |
| Total operating revenues, net of (reserve)/recovery | 28,507 | 29,004 |

OPERATING EXPENSES:

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Operations | 12,069 | 11,572 |
| Maintenance | 3,027 | 2,971 |
| Purchased energy | 3,619 | 3,536 |
| Purchased water | 1,077 | 1,067 |
| Depreciation | 5,554 | 5,378 |
| Total operating expenses | 25,346 | 24,524 |
| Operating income | 3,161 | 4,480 |

NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Investment income | 1,763 | 2,384 |
| Interest expense and fiscal charges | (4,233) | (4,356) |
| Gain (loss) on retirement of utility plant | 65 | 43 |
| Other | 1,664 | 1,493 |
| Total non-operating revenues (expenses) | (741) | (436) |

Income before capital contributions and transfers

2,420 4,044

Capital contributions

8,405 7,044

Transfers out - contributions to the City's general fund

(3,182) (2,974)

Total capital contributions and transfers out

5,223 4,070

Income before special item

7,643 8,114

SPECIAL ITEM:

Litigation settlement (Note 8)

0 7,900

Increase in equity

7,643 16,014

EQUITY, BEGINNING OF YEAR

174,102 158,088

EQUITY, END OF YEAR

\$ 181,745 \$ 174,102

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Statements Of Cash Flows

| | FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30 | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2003 | 2002 |
| | (in thousands) | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Cash received from customers and users | \$ 28,711 | \$ 29,024 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | (20,298) | (18,909) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 8,413 | 10,115 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Transfers out - contributions to the City's general fund | (3,182) | (2,974) |
| Other non-operating revenue | 1,664 | 1,493 |
| Net cash flows used by non-capital financing activities | (1,518) | (1,481) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Purchase of utility plant | (20,945) | (12,189) |
| Proceeds from the sale of utility plant | 81 | 89 |
| Principal paid on long-term debt | (3,895) | (3,306) |
| Interest paid on long-term debt | (2,889) | (3,156) |
| Proceeds from sale of revenue bonds, net of discount | 0 | 19,706 |
| Capital contributions | 4,919 | 2,336 |
| Litigation settlements | 0 | 7,900 |
| Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities | (22,729) | 11,380 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Reductions in advances to the City's general fund | 22 | 21 |
| Purchases of investment securities | (33) | (1,115) |
| Income from investments | 1,867 | 2,492 |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | 1,856 | 1,398 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (13,978) | 21,412 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR ¹ | 51,663 | 30,251 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR ¹ | \$ 37,685 | \$ 51,663 |
| RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Operating income | \$ 3,161 | \$ 4,480 |
| Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation | 5,554 | 5,378 |
| Increase (decrease) in uncollectible accounts receivable | 71 | (6) |
| Decrease in accounts receivable | 60 | 17 |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable | (413) | 45 |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities | (93) | 192 |
| Increase in customer deposits | 73 | 9 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$8,413 | \$ 10,115 |
| SCHEDULE OF NON-CASH INVESTING, CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Capital contributions | \$ 3,486 | \$ 4,708 |

¹ Cash and cash equivalents also include cash and cash equivalents in restricted assets.
See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Notes To The Financial Statements

NOTE 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Water Utility exists under, and by virtue of, the City Charter enacted in 1883. The Water Utility is responsible for the production, transmission and distribution of water for sale in the City.

■ **Basis of Accounting** The accounting records of the Water Utility are in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments and substantially in conformity with the Uniform System of Accounts prescribed by the California Public Utilities Commission. The Water Utility is not subject to the regulations of the California Public Utilities Commission. The Water Utility is not required to and does not elect to implement the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued after November 1989.

■ **Revenue Recognition** The Water Utility uses the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Water Utility customers are billed monthly. Unbilled water service charges are recorded at year-end and are included in accounts receivable. Unbilled accounts receivable totaled \$1,638,000 at June 30, 2003, and \$1,578,000 at June 30, 2002.

An allowance for doubtful accounts is maintained for utility and miscellaneous accounts receivable. The balance in this account is adjusted at fiscal year-end to approximate the amount anticipated to be uncollectible.

■ **Utility Plant and Depreciation** Utility plant assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Costs include labor; materials; interest during construction; allocated indirect charges such as engineering, supervision, construction and transportation equipment, retirement plan contributions and other fringe benefits; and certain administrative and general expenses. Contributed plant assets are valued at estimated fair market value on the date contributed. The cost of relatively minor replacements is included in maintenance expense.

Depreciation is recorded over the estimated useful lives of the related assets using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Supply, pumping and treatment plant . . . | 15-50 years |
| Transmission and distribution plant. | 25-50 years |
| General plant and equipment | 3-50 years |

■ **Restricted Assets** Proceeds of revenue bonds yet to be used for capital projects, as well as certain resources set aside for debt service, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants.

■ **Cash and Investments** The City follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds except for funds required to be held by outside fiscal agents under the provisions of bond indentures and certain trust agreements. Cash accounts for all City funds are pooled for investment purposes to enhance safety and liquidity while maximizing interest earnings. Interest income earned on pooled cash is allocated monthly to the various funds of the City based on the month-end cash balances. Cash and investments held by fiscal agents are credited directly to the related accounts.

The City values its cash and investments in accordance with provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and External Investment Pools (GASB 31), which requires governmental entities, including governmental external investment pools, to report certain investments at fair value in the balance sheet and recognize the corresponding change in the fair value of investments in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity in the year in which the change occurred. Fair value is determined using quoted market prices.

All highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash and investments held on behalf of the Water Utility by the City Treasurer are considered highly liquid and are classified as cash equivalents for the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows.

■ **Bond Discounts, Capital Appreciation and Issuance Costs** Bond discounts, capital appreciation and issuance costs are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bond discounts and capital appreciation are presented as a reduction of the face amount of bonds payable, whereas issuance costs are recorded as other assets. Capital appreciation is the annual increase in the value of bonds originally issued at a discounted amount. These bonds do not pay annual interest and mature at a predetermined par value.

■ **Customer Deposits** The City holds customer deposits as security for the payment of utility bills. The Water Utility's portion of these deposits as of June 30, 2003 and 2002, was \$392,000 and \$319,000, respectively.

Notes To The Financial Statements

NOTE 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

■ **Compensated Absences** The accompanying financial statements include accruals for salaries, fringe benefits and compensated absences due employees at June 30, 2003 and 2002. The Water Utility treats compensated absences due employees as a current liability. The amount accrued for compensated absences was \$1,784,000 at June 30, 2003, and \$1,930,000 at June 30, 2002, and is included in accrued liabilities in the accompanying balance sheets.

Employees receive 10 to 25 vacation days per year based upon length of service. A maximum of two years vacation may be accumulated and unused vacation is paid in cash upon separation.

Employees primarily receive one day of sick leave for each month of employment with unlimited accumulation. Upon retirement or death only, a percentage of unused sick leave is paid to certain employees or their estates in a lump sum based on longevity.

■ **Self-Insurance Program** The Water Utility participates in a self-insurance program for worker's compensation and general liability coverage that is administered by the City. The Water Utility pays an amount to the City representing an estimate of amounts to be paid for reported claims incurred and incurred but unreported claims based upon past experience, modified for current trends and information.

Although the ultimate amount of losses incurred through June 30, 2003, is dependent upon future developments, management believes that amounts paid to the City are sufficient to cover such losses. Premiums paid to the City by the Water Utility were \$213,000 and \$179,000 for the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002. Any losses above the City's reserves would be covered through increased rates charged to the Water Utility in future years.

■ **Employee Retirement Plan** The City contributes to the California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agency for participating public entities within the state of California.

All permanent full-time and selected part-time employees are eligible for participation in PERS. Benefits vest after five years of service and are determined by a formula that considers the employee's age, years of service and salary. Employees may retire at age 55 and receive 2.7 percent of their highest average annual salary for each year of service completed. PERS also provides death and disability benefits. These benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by state statute and City ordinance.

Employee contributions are 7 percent of their annual covered salary. The Water Utility is required to contribute the remaining amounts necessary to fund the benefits for its employees using the actuarial basis recommended by the PERS actuaries and actuarial consultants and adopted by the PERS Board of Administration. The Water Utility pays both the employee and employer contributions.

Citywide information concerning elements of the unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, contributions to PERS for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, and recent trend information may be found in the notes of the City's "Comprehensive Annual Financial Report" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003.

■ **Contributions to the City's General Fund** Pursuant to the City Charter, the Water Utility may transfer up to 11.5 percent of its prior year's gross operating revenues to the City's general fund. In fiscal years 2002-03 and 2001-02, the Water Utility transferred 11.5 percent of gross operating revenues, or \$3,182,000 and \$2,974,000, respectively.

■ **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** The Water Utility presents, and the City Council adopts, an annual budget. The proposed budget includes estimated expenses and forecasted revenues. The City Council adopts the Water Utility's budget in June each year via a resolution.

■ **Reclassifications** Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year's financial statements to conform with the current year's presentation.

Notes To The Financial Statements

NOTE 2. Cash and Investments

Cash and investments at June 30, 2003 and 2002, consist of the following (in thousands):

| | June 30, 2003 | June 30, 2002 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| | Fair Value | |
| Deposits with City Treasurer's investment pool | \$24,952 | \$33,421 |
| Cash and investments at fiscal agent | 16,894 | 22,370 |
| | \$41,846 | \$55,791 |

The amounts above are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as:

| | June 30, 2003 | June 30, 2002 |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$20,320 | \$28,879 |
| Restricted assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 17,365 | 22,784 |
| Investments | 4,161 | 4,128 |
| | 21,526 | 26,912 |
| | \$41,846 | \$55,791 |

■ **Authorized Investments** Under provisions of the City's investment policy and in accordance with California Government Code Section 53601, the City Treasurer may invest or deposit in the following types of investments:

- Securities of the U.S. government, or its agencies
- Local agency investment fund (state pool) deposits
- Small Business Administration loans
- Passbook savings account demand deposits
- Negotiable certificates of deposit
- Repurchase agreements
- Banker's acceptances
- Mutual funds
- Commercial paper of "prime" quality
- Medium-term corporate notes

■ **Credit Risk, Carrying Amount and Market Value of Deposits and Investments** Cash and non-negotiable certificates of deposit are classified in three categories of custodial credit risk as follows: Category 1 — insured or collateralized with securities held by the City or its agent in the City's name; Category 2 — collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the City's name; Category 3 — uncollateralized.

Investments are also classified in three categories of custodial credit risk as follows: Category 1 — insured or registered, or securities held by the City or its agent in the City's name; Category 2 — uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the City's name; Category 3 — uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the City's name. Investments in pools managed by other governments or in mutual funds are not required to be categorized.

The Water Utility's share of the City's investment pool at June 30, 2003, represents approximately 11 percent or \$41,846,000 of the City's total cash and investments of \$379,318,000. Information concerning credit risk and fair value of the City's deposits and investments may be found in the notes of the City's "Comprehensive Annual Financial Report" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. Cash and investments at fiscal agent are insured or registered, or held in the name of the Water Utility or its agent (category 1), or are not subject to risk categorization.

Notes To The Financial Statements

NOTE 3. Utility Plant

The following is a summary of changes in utility plant during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002 (in thousands):

| | Balance, As of 7/1/2001 | Additions | Deletions/ Transfers | Balance, As of 6/30/2002 | Additions | Deletions/ Transfers | Balance, As of 6/30/2003 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Source of supply | \$ 25,784 | \$ 605 | \$ 0 | \$ 26,389 | \$ 1,824 | \$ 0 | \$ 28,213 |
| Pumping | 8,606 | 34 | 0 | 8,640 | 150 | 0 | 8,790 |
| Treatment | 8,560 | 0 | 0 | 8,560 | 4,878 | 0 | 13,438 |
| Transmission and distribution | 193,082 | 8,502 | (136) | 201,448 | 25,671 | (133) | 226,986 |
| General | 6,411 | 237 | (294) | 6,354 | 492 | (36) | 6,810 |
| Intangible | 6,152 | 117 | 0 | 6,269 | 0 | 0 | 6,269 |
| Construction in progress | 10,986 | 17,014 | (9,613) | 18,387 | 20,992 | (29,577) | 9,802 |
| Subtotal | 259,581 | 26,509 | (10,043) | 276,047 | 54,007 | (29,746) | 300,308 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (77,810) | (5,378) | 385 | (82,803) | (5,554) | 154 | (88,203) |
| Total utility plant | \$181,771 | \$ 21,131 | \$ (\$9,658) | \$ 193,244 | \$ 48,453 | (\$29,592) | \$ 212,105 |

NOTE 4. Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003 and 2002 (in thousands):

| | Balance, As of 7/1/2001 | Additions | Deletions/ Transfers | Balance, As of 6/30/2002 | Additions | Deletions/ Transfers | Balance, As of 6/30/2003 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Revenue bonds | \$ 57,206 | \$ 19,706 | (\$1,967) | \$ 74,945 | \$ 0 | (\$2,507) | \$ 72,438 |
| Capital leases | 22 | 0 | (11) | 11 | 0 | (11) | 0 |
| Water stock acquisition rights | 1,201 | 0 | (80) | 1,121 | 0 | (38) | 1,083 |
| Total long-term obligations | \$ 58,429 | \$ 19,706 | (\$2,058) | \$ 76,077 | \$ 0 | (\$2,556) | \$ 73,521 |

Notes To The Financial Statements

NOTE 4. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Long-term debt consist of the following (in thousands):

| | June 30, 2003 | June 30, 2002 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| ■ Contracts Payable/Capital Lease | | |
| Water Stock Acquisitions: Payable on demand to various water companies | \$ 1,083 | \$ 1,121 |
| Equipment Purchased Through Capital Lease: \$54,340 capital lease due in monthly installments of \$1,115 through December 31, 2002, interest at 8.5 percent | 0 | 11 |
| Total contracts payable and capital lease | 1,083 | 1,132 |
| ■ Revenue Bonds Payable | | |
| \$69,840,000 1991 Water Revenue Bonds: \$25,900,000 serial capital appreciation bonds due in annual installments from \$3,235,000 to \$3,240,000 from October 1, 2003, to October 1, 2010, interest from 6.65 percent to 7.0 percent; and \$18,890,000 term bonds due October 1, 2015, at 6.0 percent (partially advance refunded in 1998) | 25,900 | 29,000 |
| \$4,710,000 1994 FARECal Revenue Bonds: \$2,420,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$180,000 to \$255,000 through July 1, 2010, interest from 5.3 percent to 5.9 percent; \$2,290,000 term bonds due July 1, 2017, at 6.0 percent | 3,795 | 3,965 |
| \$30,965,000 1998 Water Refunding/Revenue Bonds: \$15,055,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$240,000 to \$4,055,000 through October 1, 2013, interest from 4.2 percent to 5.38 percent; \$10,155,000 term bonds due October 1, 2018, interest at 5.0 percent; \$5,755,000 term bonds due October 1, 2027, interest at 5.0 percent | 29,720 | 29,950 |
| \$20,000,000 2001 Water Revenue Bonds: \$10,070,000 serial bonds due in annual installments from \$355,000 to \$745,000 through October 1, 2021, interest from 2.6 percent to 5.0 percent; \$4,345,000 term bonds due October 1, 2026, interest at 5.0 percent; \$5,585,000 term bonds due October 1, 2031, interest at 5.0 percent | 19,655 | 20,000 |
| Total water revenue bonds payable | 79,070 | 82,915 |
| Total debt | 80,153 | 84,047 |
| Unamortized capital appreciation | (5,940) | (7,243) |
| Unamortized bond discount | (692) | (727) |
| Total debt, net of bond discount and capital appreciation | 73,521 | 76,077 |
| Less: current portion | (4,160) | (4,006) |
| Total long-term debt | \$ 69,361 | \$ 72,071 |

Annual debt service requirements to maturity, as of June 30, 2003, are as follows (in thousands):

| | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009-2013 | 2014-2018 | 2019-2023 | 2024-2028 | 2029-2033 | Total |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Principal | \$4,160 | \$4,195 | \$4,225 | \$4,265 | \$4,305 | \$22,108 | \$17,940 | \$ 6,300 | \$ 8,080 | \$4,575 | \$ 80,153 |
| Interest | 2,628 | 2,597 | 2,565 | 2,530 | 2,491 | 11,415 | 6,461 | 3,981 | 2,195 | 472 | 37,335 |
| Unamortized bond (discount) premium | (1,321) | (1,190) | (1,048) | (892) | (725) | (1,122) | (151) | (72) | (72) | (39) | (6,632) |
| Total | \$5,467 | \$5,602 | \$5,742 | \$5,903 | \$6,071 | \$32,401 | \$24,250 | \$10,209 | \$10,203 | \$5,008 | \$110,856 |

Notes To The Financial Statements

NOTE 4. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

■ **Debt Service Coverage Ratio** The Water Utility's bond indentures require the Water Utility to maintain a minimum debt service coverage ratio, as defined by the bond covenants, of 1.25. The Water Utility's debt service coverage ratio was 2.60 at June 30, 2003, and 3.89 at June 30, 2002.

NOTE 5. Restricted Equity

Pursuant to applicable bond indentures, a reserve for debt service has been established by restricting assets and reserving a portion of equity. Bond indentures for Riverside's water revenue bonds require reserves that equate to the maximum annual debt service required in future years plus three months interest and nine months principal due in the next fiscal year. The reserve for Riverside's portion of FARECal revenue bonds is equal to 10 percent of the program agreement amounts. Additional reserves for the 1998 revenue bonds are not required due to the purchase of surety bonds to cover the required reserve requirements.

NOTE 6. Jointly-Governed Organizations

On July 1, 1993, the City of Riverside joined with the cities of Anaheim, Colton, Compton, Healdsburg, Los Angeles, Palo Alto, Pasadena, Redding, the North Marin Water District, the Northern California Power Agency, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, and Turlock Irrigation District to create the Financing Authority for Resource Efficiency of California (FARECal). The City of Santa Cruz joined in 1994, Trinity Public Utility District joined in 1996, and the cities of Azusa and Victorville joined in 2002. The primary purpose of FARECal is to issue bonds and use the proceeds to promote, advance, encourage and participate in conservation, reclamation and other programs that are designed to utilize energy or water resources more efficiently. FARECal is administered by a Board of Directors currently represented by the cities of Anaheim, Colton, Palo Alto, Pasadena, the North Marin Water District, and Trinity Public Utility District. The Water Utility's portion of the FARECal debt and utility plant assets is recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 7. Litigation

The Water Utility is a defendant in various lawsuits arising in the normal course of business. Present lawsuits and other claims against the water utility are incidental to the ordinary course of operations of the water utility and are largely covered by the city's self-insurance program. In the opinion of management and the city attorney, such claims and litigation will not have a materially adverse effect upon the financial position or results of operation of the water utility.

NOTE 8. Special Item

On May 17, 2002, the City received a payment from Lockheed Martin in the amount of \$7,900,000 as partial payment for obligations owed by Lockheed Martin to the City under the 1998 settlement agreement related to TCE contamination in certain City wells. The obligation related to the construction of certain pipelines and facilities for the treatment of the contaminant. Other obligations owed by Lockheed Martin under this agreement are still ongoing.

NOTE 9. Commitments

As of June 30, 2003, the Water Utility had major commitments of approximately \$4,626,000 with respect to unfinished capital projects, of which \$1,877,000 is expected to be funded by others and \$2,749,000 is expected to be funded by bond proceeds.

Statistics

WATER SUPPLY (ACRE FEET)

| | 2002/03 | 2001/02 | 2000/01 | 1999/00 | 1998/99 |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Pumping | 70,977 | 79,937 | 74,647 | 78,639 | 74,638 |
| Purchases | 695 | 900 | 498 | 68 | 275 |
| Total | 71,672 | 80,837 | 75,145 | 78,707 | 74,913 |
| Percentage pumped | 99.0% | 98.9% | 99.3% | 99.9% | 99.6% |
| System peak day (gallons) | 101,484,000 | 102,241,000 | 99,861,000 | 101,119,000 | 101,924,000 |

WATER USE

| | 2002/03 | 2001/02 | 2000/01 | 1999/00 | 1998/99 |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Average number of customers | | | | | |
| Residential | 55,071 | 54,468 | 54,200 | 53,879 | 53,774 |
| Commercial/industrial | 4,417 | 4,356 | 4,365 | 4,355 | 4,104 |
| Other | 402 | 352 | 341 | 304 | 505 |
| Total | 59,890 | 59,176 | 58,906 | 58,538 | 58,383 |
| *CCF sales | | | | | |
| Residential | 17,824,440 | 18,653,037 | 17,517,449 | 18,708,750 | 16,778,949 |
| Commercial/industrial | 9,411,391 | 9,820,471 | 9,577,374 | 9,873,278 | 8,570,558 |
| Other | 995,815 | 945,519 | 949,425 | 702,983 | 1,428,037 |
| Total | 28,231,646 | 29,419,027 | 28,044,248 | 29,285,011 | 26,777,544 |

*(CCF equals 100 cubic feet)

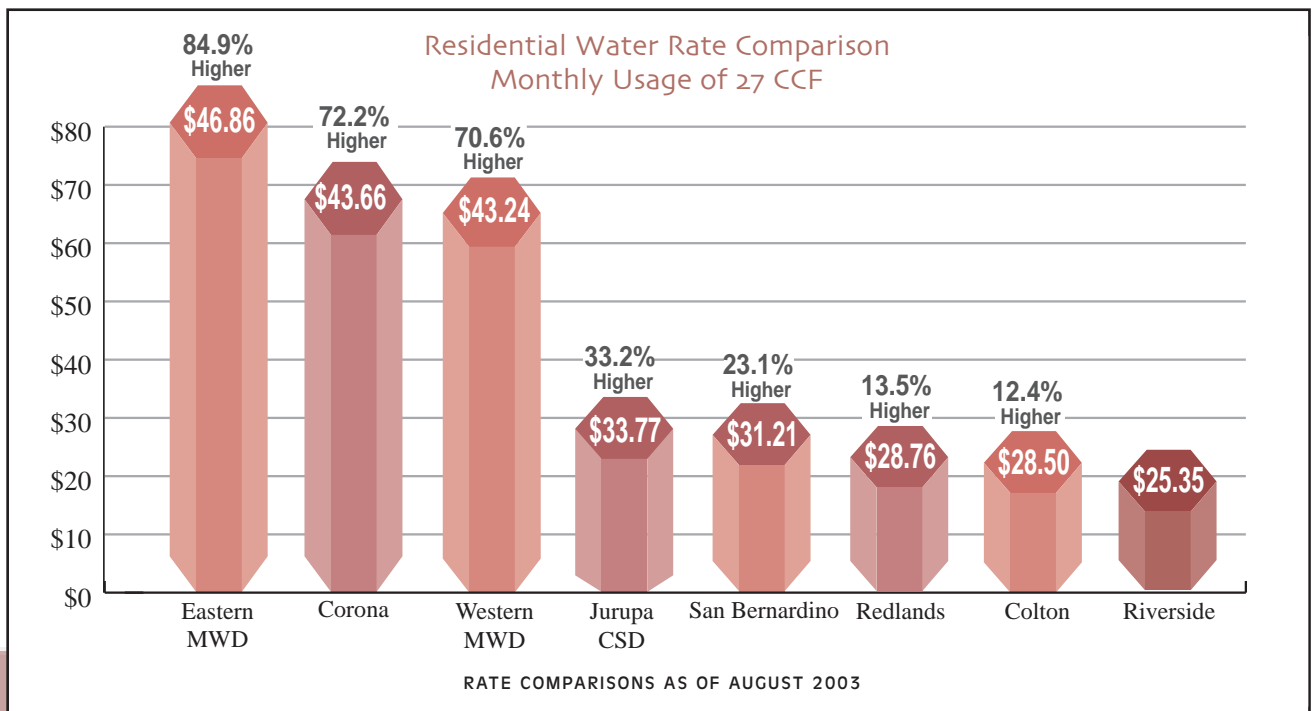
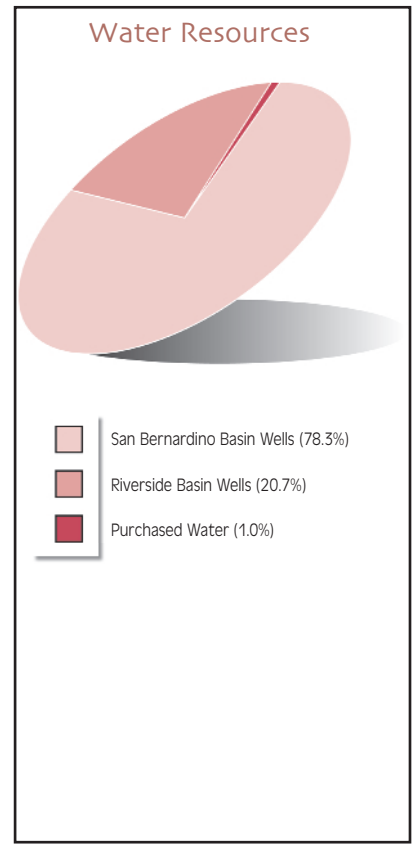
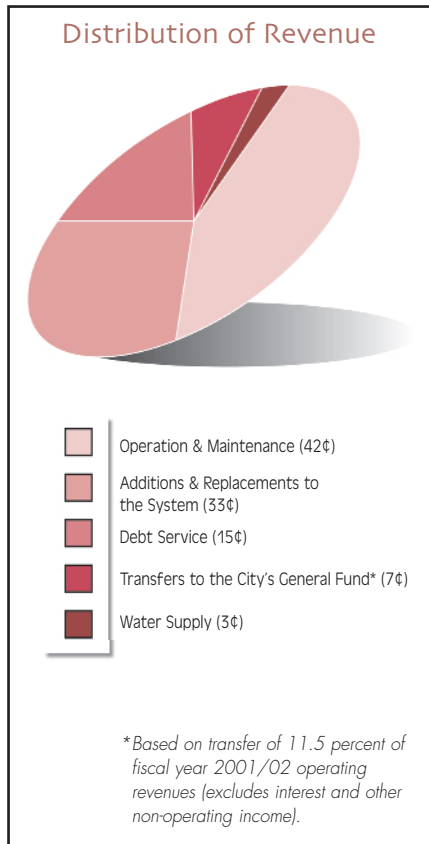
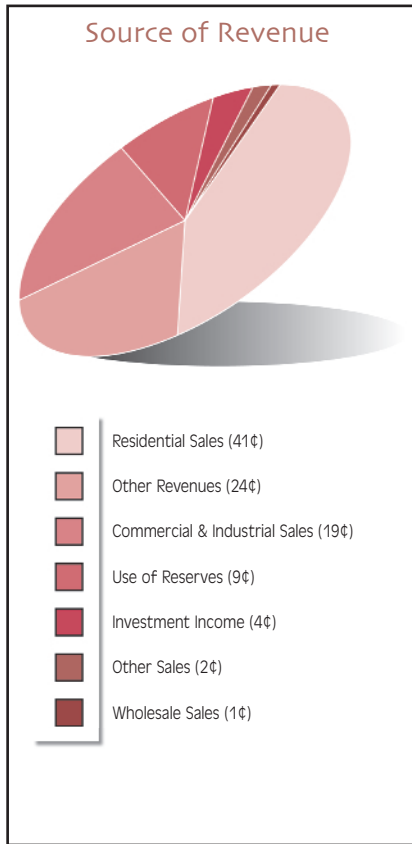
WATER FACTS

| | 2002/03 | 2001/02 | 2000/01 | 1999/00 | 1998/99 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Average annual CCF per residential customer | 324 | 343 | 323 | 347 | 312 |
| Average price (\$/CCF) per residential customer | \$ 1.01 | \$.97 | \$.94 | \$.93 | \$.93 |
| Debt service coverage ratio | 2.60 | 3.89 | 3.31 | 3.17 | 2.77 |
| Employees ¹ | 125 | 123 | 122 | 121 | 119 |

¹Approved positions

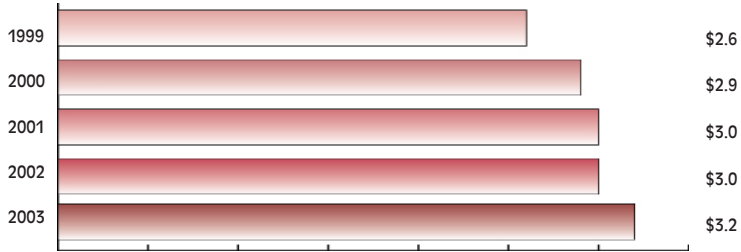
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2002/03 Water Revenue and Resources

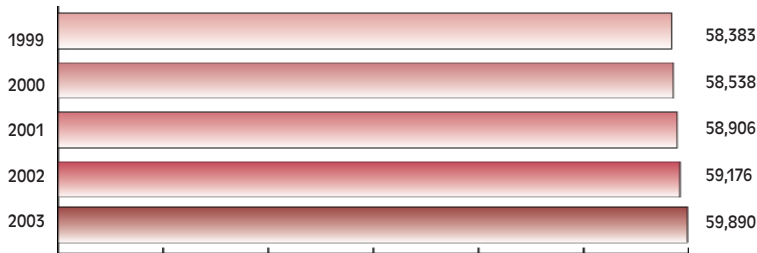


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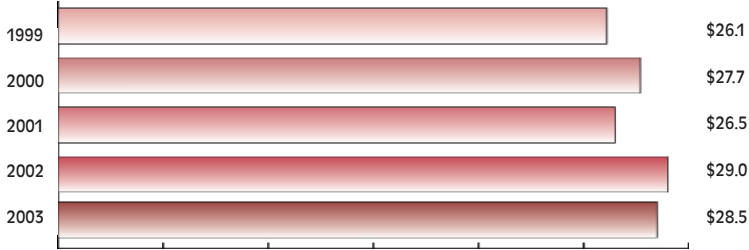
General Fund Transfer (in millions)



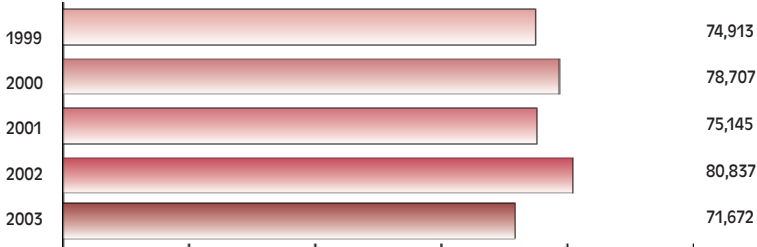
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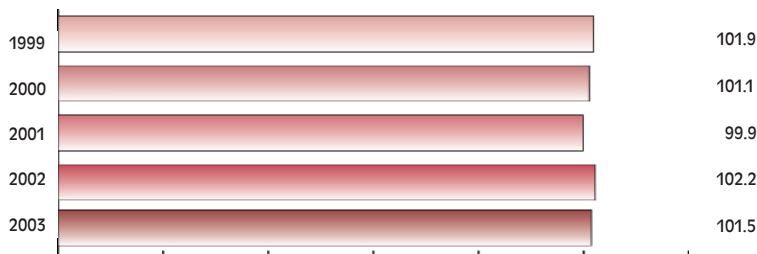
Total Operating Revenue (in millions)



Production (in acre feet)



Peak Day Demand (in million gallons)



WATER FACTS AND SYSTEM STATISTICS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Established: | 1913 |
| Service Area Population: | 274,100 |
| Service Area Size (square miles): | 73.9 |
| System Statistics: | |
| Smallest pipeline: | 1.0" |
| Largest pipeline: | 72.0" |
| Miles of pipeline: | 938 |
| Number of domestic wells: | 51 |
| Number of active reservoirs: | 16 |
| Number of treatment facilities: | 7 |
| Total reservoir capacity (gallons): | 100,400,000 |
| Total treatment capacity (gallons): | 62,400,000 |
| Miles of canal: | 12 |
| Number of fire hydrants: | 6,763 |
| Daily average production (gallons): | 63,766,700 |
| 2002-03 Peak day (gallons): | 101,484,000 |
| 7/14/02, 102 degrees | |
| Historical peak (gallons): | 102,241,000 |
| 7/2/01, 102 degrees | |

BOND RATINGS

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| FITCH, INC. | AA |
| STANDARD & POOR'S | AA |

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