



**uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd**  
**Annual Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended 30 June 2020**

I am responsible for the preparation of these annual financial statements which are set out on pages 3 to 62, in terms of section 126 (2) of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003 and the Companies Act, 71 of 2008 and which I have signed on behalf of the company.

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Date

Chief Financial Officer

29 October 2020

Date

Chairman

Date

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Province: Kwazulu-Natal

AFS rounding: SA Rand only, no cents.

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### **General Information**

#### **Legal form of business**

uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd is an interim Water Service Provider operating under Provincial Council authority dated 6 June 2012, and via a water services provider agreement signed with the Shareholder municipalities of; Newcastle, Umzinyathi and Amajuba Districts, in accordance with the provisions of section 78 of the Municipal Systems Act 32/2000, for the purposes of providing Bulk water services to these municipalities.

The National Water Minister of Water Affairs and Sanitation via government gazette number 39491 dated 15 December 2015 determined that the Entity will be incorporated into a new single Water Board proposed for the whole of KwaZulu Natal.

The entity operates as a Bulk water services provider to its controlling Shareholders, and performs no other functions outside the scope of the draft agreement between the parties.

The entity is governed by the provisions of the Companies Act 71/2008, Municipal Finance Management Act 56/2003, Municipal Systems Act 32/2000, Water services Act 108/1997 and the Public Audit Service Act 25/2004.

### **Members of the Board**

Mr. PS Naidoo (Chairman of the Board)

Mr. A Evetts (COGTA representative)

Mr. M Msiwa (Independent non-executive Director)

Mrs. A Masefield (Department of Water and Sanitation representative)

The three Municipal Managers of the Shareholder municipalities.

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## DIRECTORS REPORT

In terms of the Companies Act, 71/2008, as amended, and read with the Municipal Systems Act 32/2000, as amended, the Board of uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd, is the accounting authority and the bulk water services provider to the municipalities of Newcastle, Amajuba and Umzinyathi District, and the Directors have pleasure in presenting their report for the year ended 30 June 2020.

### **Nature of business**

uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd, is an interim multijurisdictional water entity, originally established in 2003 to provide the whole spectrum of water and sanitation services, and then subsequently with effect from the 1 July 2013, was re-constituted to supply only potable bulk water to its parent municipalities. The activities of uThukela Water are in line with the provisions of the Water Act, Act 108/1997.

The primary activities in terms of section 29 of the Act are:

- (a) To treat raw water and to distribute the treated water via its infrastructure to its Shareholder municipalities.
- (b) To provide Bulk water quality assurance to its Shareholders via its laboratory analyses and measurement in terms of National Water Standards.

In terms of section 30 of the Act, uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd also engages in other services that complement bulk water services such as laboratory services, water quality monitoring and environmental management within the water reticulation systems of the Shareholders, and also acts as an implementing agent for any sphere of government for projects related to water service delivery.

The services are provided on behalf of the following parent municipalities who are also the Water Service Authorities for their respective jurisdictions:

Amajuba District Municipality  
Newcastle Municipality  
Umzinyathi District Municipality

### **Compliance with legislation**

The annual financial statements are prepared in accordance with the South African Statements of Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (GAAP) including any interpretations of such accounts issued by the Accounting Practices Board, with the effective standards of Generally Recognized Accounting Practices (GRAP) issued by the Accounting Standards Board replacing the equivalent GAAP statements as indicated

in the accounting policies of the Board. The requirements of the following relevant statutes were also taken into account when preparing the annual financial statements:

- (a) Water Services Act 108/1997,
- (b) Municipal Finance Management Act 56/2003,
- (c) Municipal Systems Act 32/2000,
- (d) Companies Act 71/2008 and
- (e) Public Audit Service Act 25/2004.

These acts require preparation of the financial information to be in compliance with the Companies Act 71/2008, as amended.

### **Corporate governance and risk management**

The Board supports the principles of the code of Corporate Practices and Conduct as set out in the King III report. The organizations policies, procedures and processes are continuously reviewed to align with King III and the Board provides the required oversight and is pleased with the commitment that prevails at all spheres of the organization in as far as compliance with King III is concerned.

The Board is responsible for monitoring the risk management process.

### **Share capital and Director's interests**

The share capital of the Company has been issued in one hundred (100) ordinary shares, and is valued at R100.

The authorized number of ordinary shares is 10 000, with a par value of R 1 per share.

The parent municipalities (Water Service Authorities) are the sole Shareholders of the company, and their individual shareholding is as follows;

Amajuba District Municipality; 33%  
Newcastle Municipality; 34%  
Umzinyathi District Municipality; 33%

The details of the shares, and share certificates, are recorded in the Register of Shareholders of the Company, in terms of the provisions of the Companies Act 71/2008, as amended.

The MEC responsible for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, The Honorable N. Dube, on the 18 June 2012, released a decision of the Provincial Executive Committee taken at a Cabinet meeting held on the 25 April 2012, wherein it was resolved that;

- (a) The section 139 (1) (b) of the Constitution of the RSA, Act 108/1996, intervention institute by the Provincial Executive was terminated with immediate effect, and that the Water Service Authorities would immediately resume and be accountable for water service functions previously assumed by the Provincial Executive of the Province of KZN together with the rights and obligations pertaining to uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd.
- (b) The Directive also governed that in relation to the delivery of water services operated by uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd, that in terms of section 139 (1) (a) of the Constitution, the following orders, amongst others things to be done, would be implemented;

- All retail/reticulation water service functions would be de-centralized and returned to the respective municipalities.
- Bulk water services would be regionalized.
- uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd would continue to provide water services as the Bulk water service provider until such time that the National Minister for Water Affairs makes a decision concerning the future composition of the new or reconstituted Regional Bulk water service authority.
- That uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd would be de-registered in terms of the Companies Act once the Minister of Water Affairs had made a decision regarding the new or reconstituted water service authority.
- That uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd, in the interim, be served by a Transitional Board constituted of the following members;

**Mr. D. Naidoo**, Executive, Umgeni Water Board, and, who shall remain as the independent Chairperson of the Board.

**Mr. B. Ndlovu**, the CFO of COGTA.

**Mr. M. Msiwa**, an independent Board member,

**Mr. A. Evetts**, Manager: Municipal Infrastructure of COGTA, as a Board member.

**Mrs A. Masefield**, Acting Provincial Head of the Department of Water Affairs, appointed as an observer.

**The Municipal Managers** of the three Shareholder municipalities of Newcastle, and the Amajuba and Umzinyathi District municipalities, serving as Board members.

During the financial year, no contracts were entered into in which Directors or Officers of the Company had an interest and which significantly affected the business of the Company.

No special resolutions, the nature of which might be significant to the Shareholder in their appreciation of the state of affairs of the Company, were made by the Company during the period covered by this report.

### **The future dispensation of the Company**

The Minister of Water Affairs and Sanitation has by Government Gazette number 39491 dated the 10 December 2015, declared that in terms of the provisions of the Water Services Act 108/1997, that the extension of the water services will be incorporated into a single water functionary. The mechanism and new functionary has not yet been finalized and determined by the Minister.

### **Financial performance**

The Company balance sheet reflects a net asset worth of R 639 215 358 (2019: R 721 488 332) and is made up as follows;

Share Capital	R	100
Accumulated surplus	R	5 754 250
Asset revaluation Reserve	R	633 461 008

The total net shareholder contributions paid to uThukela Water to date is reflected at R 165 735 184 (2019: R 174 159 523), and is made up of capital contributions to water infrastructure development projects, and excludes bulk water billing payments which are appropriated to accumulated surpluses. The details hereof are reflected in note 13 to the annual financial statements.

There was a net increase in cash and cash equivalents to R 20 070 160 from R 14 066 598. Cash receipts, shareholder contributions and accumulated funds assisted the Company to invest R 1 648 854 (2019: R 18 661 411) into property, plant, infrastructure and equipment during the year. The total net capital investment in bulk water service infrastructure, and in respect of property plant and equipment is R 867 454 343 (2019: R 936 160 385)

### **Statement of Financial Performance, June 2020.**

The Statement of Financial Performance for the year under review reflects a trading deficit of R 91 828 627 for the year (2019: R 85 854 860). However, it should be noted that the deficit is mainly attributable to the raising of depreciation charges amounting to R 79 910 549, which amount is written back via the accumulated surplus account as a result of the municipalities not providing for or paying for these



depreciation charges. The Water Service Authorities only provide and pay for cash items in their operational budgets and do not contribute towards any of the non-cash items accounted for.

### **Statement of Financial Position, June 2020.**

The Statement of Financial Position reflects positively and generally indicates that the Board is trading in solvent circumstances, except for the negative asset ratio test, which is directly as a result of the non-payment of the raw water charges billed by the Department of Water Affairs and consequently raised by the Entity, but not paid to the Department, as a result of non-payment by the shareholder municipalities.

The recovery and/or write off of these raw water charges is receiving attention at the highest level.

There were no external borrowings in the year under review.

### **Capital expenditure and commitments**

Capital expenditure for the year including amounts disbursed directly by the shareholders and utilized from accumulated funds and brought into account in the water services balance sheet amounting to R 1 648 854 (2019: R 18 661 411) for property, plant and equipment.

The Companies contractual capital commitments are disclosed in note 31 of the financial statements.

### **Materiality framework**

Management for the purposes of materiality works within the framework of acceptable levels of materiality and significance set and established by the Office of the Auditor General.

### **Fruitless and wasteful expenditure**

There was R 22 022 422 of fruitless and wasteful expenditure comprising mainly of interest raised by the Department of Water and Sanitation on outstanding accounts during the year. See note 28.

### **Irregular expenditure**

Irregular expenditure was reported during the year under review resulting from non-compliance with the supply chain management policy. These instances will be investigated and reported to the Board. See note 28.

**Fraud and financial misconduct**

There were no instances of fraud and financial misconduct in the current financial year. Internal controls are reviewed and improved on continuously.

**Performance against financial targets**

The performance of uThukela Water against key financial indicators as agreed in the Shareholders compact is illustrated in the performance management scorecards which are reported in the annual report.

The Company scorecard reflects that the Company has performed within targets and objectives as set out in the Business plans and budgets, albeit it under difficult and restrained circumstances.

**Events after the reporting period**

No material events have taken place after the reporting period and as at the date of this report.

## **Going concern**

The going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the financial statements. The Directors considered the following factors in reaching this opinion:

- The assumption that the shareholders will pay their monthly bulk water service invoices in accordance with their signed agreements and as directed by the Provincial Council in its instruction dated 7 June 2012.
- The entity continues to deliver on its mandates to its shareholders in all respects and in full compliance with all legislation as evidenced by good audit outcomes.
- Stable key executive management incumbents have been, and are in place, albeit in some cases in Acting capacities, providing; expertise, stability, industry know how and guidance in all aspects of effective and efficient water service management to the Board and its shareholders.
- Annually approved MTREF business plans, operational and capital budgets, tariff model, performance management and risk assessment plans are in place and monitored and reported on regularly to the Board and its shareholders.

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**CHAIRMAN – UTHUKELA WATER (PTY) LTD**

# ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## 1. Presentation of Annual Financial Statements

The annual financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the effective Standards of Generally Recognized Accounting Practice (GRAP) including any interpretations, guidelines and directives issued by the Accounting Standards Board and The Companies Act, 2008 (Act 71 of 2008) and the MFMA.

These annual financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting and are in accordance with the historical cost convention unless specified otherwise. They are presented in South African Rands.

Unless otherwise stated, all figures have been rounded to the nearest rand.

A summary of the significant accounting policies, which have been consistently applied, are disclosed below. These accounting policies are consistent with the previous period.

### Municipal Standard Chart of Accounts

The Entity operates its accounts on the Municipal Standard Chart of Accounts as required by National Treasury, and in line with the shareholder municipalities.

#### 1.1 Significant judgments and sources of estimation uncertainty

In preparing the annual financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts represented in the annual financial statements and related disclosures. Use of available information and the application of judgments are inherent in the formation of estimates. Actual results in the future could differ from these estimates which may be material to the annual financial statements. Significant judgments include:

##### Trade receivables

The entity assesses its trade receivables for impairment at the end of each reporting period. In determining whether an impairment loss should be recorded in surplus or deficit, the entity makes judgments as to whether there is observable data indicating a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from a financial asset.

The impairment for trade receivables is calculated on a portfolio basis, based on historical loss ratios, adjusted for national and industry-specific economic conditions and other indicators present at the reporting date that correlate with defaults on the portfolio. These annual loss ratios are applied to loan balances in the portfolio and scaled to the estimated loss emergence period.

## **1.1 Significant judgments and sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)**

### **Impairment testing**

The recoverable amounts of cash-generating, non-cash generating units and individual assets have been determined based on the higher of value-in-use calculations and fair values less costs to sell.

These calculations require the use of estimates and assumptions. It is reasonably possible that the useful life and market value assumptions may change which may then impact our estimations and may then require a material adjustment to the carrying value of tangible assets.

The entity reviews and tests the carrying value of assets when events or changes in circumstances suggest that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Assets are grouped at the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of cash flows of other assets and liabilities. If there are indications that impairment may have occurred, estimates are prepared of expected future cash flows for each group of assets. Expected future cash flows used to determine the value in use of tangible assets are inherently uncertain and could materially change over time. They are significantly affected by a number of factors including technological obsolescence, together with economic factors such as interest and inflation rates.

### **Provisions**

Provisions were raised and management determined an estimate based on the information available.

### **Post-retirement benefits**

The present value of the post retirement obligation depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a number of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions will impact on the carrying amount of post retirement obligations.

The entity determines the appropriate discount rate at the end of each year. This is the interest rate that should be used to determine the present value of estimated future cash outflows expected to be required to settle the pension obligations. In determining the appropriate discount rate, the entity considers the interest rates of high-quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and that have terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related pension liability.

Other key assumptions for pension obligations are based on current market conditions. Additional information is disclosed in note 10 - Employee benefit obligations.

### **Effective interest rate**

The entity used the prime interest rate to discount future cash flows adjusted for risks specific to the related item.

## **1.1 Significant judgments and sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)**

### **Allowance for doubtful debts**

On receivables an impairment loss is recognized in surplus and deficit when there is objective evidence that it is impaired. The impairment is measured as the difference between the receivables carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate, computed at initial recognition.

### **1.2 Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are tangible non-current assets (including infrastructure assets) that are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, rental to others, or for administrative purposes, and are expected to be used during more than one period.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognized as an asset when:

- It is probable that future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to the company;
- The cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is the purchase price and other costs attributable to bring the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Trade discounts and rebates are deducted in arriving at the cost.

Where an asset is acquired at no cost, or for a nominal cost, its cost is its fair value as at date of acquisition.

Where an item of property, plant and equipment is acquired in exchange for a non-monetary asset or monetary assets, or a combination of monetary and non-monetary assets, the asset acquired is initially measured at fair value (the cost). If the acquired item's fair value was not determinable, it's deemed cost is the carrying amount of the asset(s) given up.

When significant components of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Costs include costs incurred initially to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment and costs incurred subsequently to add to, replace part of, or service it. If a replacement cost is recognized in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment, the carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognized.

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated on the straight line basis over their expected useful lives to their estimated residual value. Depreciation begins when the assets are available for use and ceases

## 1.2 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

at the earlier of the date that the assets are classified as held for sale and the date on which the assets are derecognized.

After recognition as an asset, an item of property, plant and equipment whose fair value can be measured reliably shall be carried at a revalued amount, being its fair value at the date of the revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

The useful lives of items of property, plant and equipment have been assessed as follows:

Item	Useful life
Buildings	50 years
Water infrastructure	5 to 50 years
IT equipment	3 to 10 years
<b>Leasehold property</b>	
Leasehold improvements	5 years over the period of lease
<b>Plant and machinery</b>	
Grass-cutting Equipment	7 to 10 years
Minor plant	5 to 50 years
Mobile plant	7 to 10 years
<b>Office equipment</b>	
Furniture & fittings	7 to 10 years
Other office equipment	3 to 10 years

The residual value, and the useful life and depreciation method of each asset are reviewed at the end of each reporting date. If the expectations differ from previous estimates, the change is accounted for as a change in accounting estimate.

The depreciation charge for each period is recognized in surplus or deficit unless it is included in the carrying amount of another asset.

## **1.2 Property, plant and equipment (continued)**

Items of property, plant and equipment are derecognized when the asset is disposed of or when there are no further economic benefits or service potential expected from the use of the asset.

The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of an item of property, plant and equipment is included in surplus or deficit when the item is derecognized. The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any, and the carrying amount of the item.

Assets which the entity holds for rentals to others and subsequently routinely sell as part of the ordinary course of activities are transferred to inventories when the rentals end and the assets are available-for-sale. These assets are not accounted for as non-current assets held for sale. Proceeds from sales of these assets are recognized as revenue. All cash flows on these assets are included in cash flows from operating activities in the cash flow statement.

## **1.3 Intangible assets**

An asset is identified as an intangible asset when it:

- is capable of being separated or divided from an entity and sold, transferred, licensed, rented or exchanged, either individually or together with a related contract, assets or liability; or
- arises from contractual rights or other legal rights, regardless whether those rights are transferable or separate from the company or from other rights and obligations.

An intangible asset is recognized when:

- it is probable that the expected future economic benefits or service potential that are attributable to the asset will flow to the entity; and
- the cost or fair value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Intangible assets are initially recognized at cost.

When an intangible asset is acquired at no or nominal cost, the cost shall be its fair value as at the date of acquisition.

An intangible asset shall be derecognized on disposal or when no future economic benefits or service potential are expected from its use or disposal.

The gain or loss arising from the derecognition of an intangible asset shall be determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any, and the carrying amount of the asset. It shall be recognized in surplus or deficit when the asset is derecognized.

Intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and any impairment losses.



### 1.3 Intangible assets (continued)

An intangible asset is regarded as having an indefinite useful life when, based on all relevant factors, there is no foreseeable limit to the period over which the asset is expected to generate net cash inflows or service potential. Amortization is not provided for these intangible assets, but they are tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired. For all other intangible assets amortization is provided on a straight line basis over their useful lives.

The amortization period and the amortization method for intangible assets are reviewed at each reporting date. Amortization begins when the assets are available for use and ceases at the earlier of the date that the assets are classified as held for sale and the date on which the assets are derecognized.

The amortization charge for each period shall be recognized in surplus or deficit unless it is permitted or required to be included in the carrying amount of another asset.

Amortization is provided to write down the intangible assets, on a straight line basis, to their residual values as follows:

Item	Useful life
Computer software	3 to 5 years

### 1.4 Financial instruments

#### Classification

The entity classifies financial assets and financial liabilities into the following categories:

- Loans and receivables
- Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost

Classification depends on the purpose for which the financial instruments were obtained / incurred and takes place at initial recognition. Classification is re-assessed on an annual basis, except for derivatives and financial assets designated as at fair value through surplus or deficit, which shall not be classified out of the fair value through surplus or deficit category.

Financial assets classified as at fair value through surplus or deficit which are no longer held for the purposes of selling or repurchasing in the near term may be reclassified out of that category:

- If the asset met the definition of loans and receivables and the entity has the intention and ability to hold the asset for the foreseeable future or until maturity.

No other reclassifications may be made into or out of the fair value through surplus or deficit category.

#### **1.4 Financial instruments (continued)**

A financial asset classified as available-for-sale that would have met the definition of loans and receivables may be reclassified to loans and receivables if the entity has the intention and ability to hold the asset for the foreseeable future or until maturity.

##### **Initial recognition and measurement**

Financial instruments are recognized initially when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

The entity classifies financial instruments, or their component parts, on initial recognition as a financial asset, a financial liability or an equity instrument in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement.

Financial instruments are measured initially at fair value, except for equity investments for which a fair value is not determinable, which are measured at cost and are classified as available-for-sale financial assets.

For financial instruments which are not at fair value through surplus or deficit, transaction costs are included in the initial measurement of the instrument.

Transaction costs on financial instruments at fair value through surplus or deficit are recognized in surplus or deficit. Regular way purchases of financial assets are accounted for at trade date.

##### **Subsequent measurement**

Loans and receivables are subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest method, less accumulated impairment losses.

Financial liabilities at amortized cost are subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest method.

##### **Fair value determination**

The fair values of quoted investments are based on current bid prices. If the market for a financial asset is not active (and for unlisted securities), the entity establishes fair value by using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and option pricing models making maximum use of market inputs and relying as little as possible on entity-specific inputs.

##### **Impairment of financial assets**

At each end of the reporting period the entity assesses all financial assets, other than those at fair value through surplus or deficit, to determine whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets has been impaired.

## **1.4 Financial instruments (continued)**

For amounts due to the entity, significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy and default of payments are all considered indicators of impairment.

**Impairment losses are recognized in surplus or deficit.**

Impairment losses are reversed when an increase in the financial asset's recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, subject to the restriction that the carrying amount of the financial asset at the date that the impairment is reversed shall not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not been recognized.

Reversals of impairment losses are recognized in surplus or deficit except for equity investments classified as available-for-sale.

Impairment losses are also not subsequently reversed for available-for-sale equity investments which are held at cost because the fair value was not determinable.

Where financial assets are impaired through use of an allowance account, the amount of the loss is recognized in surplus or deficit within operating expenses. When such assets are written off, the write off is made against the relevant allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against operating expenses.

### **Loans to/from economic entities**

These include loans to and from controlling entities, fellow controlled entities, joint ventures and associates and are recognized initially at fair value plus direct transaction costs.

Loans to economic entities are classified as loans and receivables.

Loans from economic entities are classified as financial liabilities measured at amortized cost.

### **Trade and other receivables**

Trade receivables are measured at initial recognition at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Appropriate allowances for estimated irrecoverable amounts are recognized in surplus or deficit when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganization, and default or delinquency in payments (more than 30 days overdue) are considered indicators that the trade receivable is impaired. The allowance recognized is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition.

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account, and the amount of the deficit is recognized in surplus or deficit within operating expenses.

## **1.4 Financial instruments (continued)**

When a trade receivable is uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account for trade receivables. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against operating expenses in surplus or deficit.

Trade and other receivables are classified as loans and receivables.

### **Trade and other payables**

Trade payables are initially measured at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest rate method.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, demand deposits and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. These are initially measured at fair value and are subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest rate method.

### **Bank overdraft and borrowings**

Bank overdrafts and borrowings are initially measured at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest rate method. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the settlement or redemption of borrowings is recognized over the term of the borrowings in accordance with the entity's accounting policy for borrowing costs.

### **Financial liabilities and equity instruments**

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of contractual agreements entered into. Trade and other payables are stated at their nominal value. Equity instruments are recorded at the amount received, net of direct issue costs.

### **Gains and losses**

A gain or loss arising from a change in a financial asset or financial liability is recognized as follows:

- A gain or loss on a financial asset or financial liability classified as at fair value through surplus or deficit is recognized in surplus or deficit;
- A gain or loss on an available-for-sale financial asset is recognized directly in net assets, through the statement of changes in net assets, until the financial asset is derecognized, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in net assets is recognized in surplus or deficit; and
- For financial assets and financial liabilities carried at amortized cost, a gain or loss is recognized in surplus or deficit when the financial asset or financial liability is derecognized or impaired, and through the amortization process.

## **1.4 Financial instruments (continued)**

### **Derecognition**

#### **Financial assets**

A financial asset (or, where applicable a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognized where:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired;
- the entity retains the right to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; or
- the entity has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset and either has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or
- has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

Financial assets are derecognized using trade settlement date accounting.

Where the entity has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognized to the extent of the entity's continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the entity could be required to repay. Where continuing involvement takes the form of a written and/or purchased option (including a cash-settled option or similar provision) on the transferred asset, the extent of the entity's continuing involvement is the amount of the transferred asset that the entity may repurchase, except that in the case of a written put option (including a cash-settled option or similar provision) on an asset measured at fair value, the extent of the entity's continuing involvement is limited to the lower of the fair value of the transferred asset and the option exercise price.

#### **Financial liabilities**

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires. Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized in surplus or deficit.

## **1.4 Financial instruments (continued)**

### **1.5 Leases**

A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership.

#### **Finance leases - lessee**

Finance leases are recognized as assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position at amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or, if lower, the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation.

The discount rate used in calculating the present value of the minimum lease payments is the interest rate implicit in the lease.

Minimum lease payments are apportioned between the finance charge and reduction of the outstanding liability. The finance charge is allocated to each period during the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of return on the remaining balance of the liability.

Any contingent rents are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

#### **Operating leases - lessee**

Operating lease payments are recognized as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The difference between the amounts recognized as an expense and the contractual payments are recognized as an operating lease asset or liability.

### **1.6 Inventories**

Inventories are initially measured at cost except where inventories are acquired at no cost, or for nominal consideration, then their costs are their fair value as at the date of acquisition.

Subsequently inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and current replacement cost where they are held for;

- distribution at no charge or for a nominal charge; or
- consumption in the production process of goods to be distributed at no charge or for a nominal charge.

Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of operations less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale, exchange or distribution.

Current replacement cost is the cost the entity will incur to acquire the asset on the reporting date.

## **1.6 Inventories (continued)**

The cost of inventories comprises of all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

The cost of inventories of items that are not ordinarily interchangeable and goods or services produced and segregated for specific projects is assigned using specific identification of the individual costs.

The cost of inventories is assigned using the weighted average cost formula. The same cost formula is used for all inventories having a similar nature and use to the entity.

When inventories are sold, the carrying amounts of those inventories are recognized as an expense in the period in which the related revenue is recognized. If there is no related revenue, the expenses are recognized when the goods are distributed, or related services are rendered. The amount of any write-down of inventories to net realizable value and all losses of inventories are recognized as an expense in the period the write-down or loss occurs. The amount of any reversal of any write-down of inventories, arising from an increase in net realizable value, are recognized as a reduction in the amount of inventories recognized as an expense in the period in which the reversal occurs.

## **1.7 Impairment of cash-generating assets**

Cash-generating assets are those assets held by the company with the primary objective of generating a commercial return. When an asset is deployed in a manner consistent with that adopted by a profit-orientated entity, it generates a commercial return.

Impairment is a loss in the future economic benefits or service potential of an asset, over and above the systematic recognition of the loss of the asset's future economic benefits or service potential through depreciation/amortization.

Carrying amount is the amount at which an asset is recognized in the statement of financial position after deducting any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses thereon.

A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets held with the primary objective of generating a commercial return that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

Costs of disposal are incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset, excluding finance costs and income tax expense,

Depreciation/amortization is the systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful life.

## **1.7 Impairment of cash-generating assets (continued)**

Fair value less costs to sell is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less the costs of disposal.

The recoverable amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit is the higher its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

### **Identification**

When the carrying amount of a cash-generating asset exceeds its recoverable amount, it is impaired.

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that a cash-generating asset may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable amount of the asset.

Irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment, the entity also tests a cash-generating intangible asset with an indefinite useful life or a cash-generating intangible asset not yet available for use for impairment annually by comparing its carrying amount with its recoverable amount. This impairment test is performed at the same time every year. If an intangible asset was initially recognized during the current reporting period, that intangible asset was tested for impairment before the end of the current reporting period.

### **Value in use**

Value in use of a cash-generating asset is the present value of the estimated future cash flows expected to be derived from the continuing use of an asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life.

When estimating the value in use of an asset, the entity estimates the future cash inflows and outflows to be derived from continuing use of the asset and from its ultimate disposal and the entity applies the appropriate discount rate to those future cash flows.

### **Basis for estimates of future cash flows**

In measuring value in use the entity:

- base cash flow projections on reasonable and supportable assumptions that represent management's best estimate of the range of economic conditions that will exist over the remaining useful life of the asset. Greater weight is given to external evidence;
- base cash flow projections on the most recent approved financial budgets/forecasts, but excludes any estimated future cash inflows or outflows expected to arise from future restructuring's or from improving or enhancing the asset's performance. Projections based on these budgets/forecasts covers a maximum period of five years, unless a longer period can be justified; and



## **1.7 Impairment of cash-generating assets (continued)**

- estimate cash flow projections beyond the period covered by the most recent budgets/forecasts by extrapolating the projections based on the budgets/forecasts using a steady or declining growth rate for subsequent years, unless an increasing rate can be justified. This growth rate does not exceed the long-term average growth rate for the products, industries, or country or countries in which the entity operates, or for the market in which the asset is used, unless a higher rate can be justified.

### **Discount rate**

The discount rate is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money, represented by the current risk-free rate of interest and the risks specific to the asset for which the future cash flow estimates have not been adjusted.

### **Recognition and measurement (individual asset)**

If the recoverable amount of a cash-generating asset is less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. This reduction is an impairment loss.

**An impairment loss is recognized immediately in surplus or deficit.**

Any impairment loss of a revalued cash-generating asset is treated as a revaluation decrease.

When the amount estimated for an impairment loss is greater than the carrying amount of the cash-generating asset to which it relates, the entity recognizes a liability only to the extent that is a requirement in the Standard of GRAP.

After the recognition of an impairment loss, the depreciation (amortization) charge for the cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

### **Cash-generating units**

If there is any indication that an asset may be impaired, the recoverable amount is estimated for the individual asset. If it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of the individual asset, the entity determines the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs (the asset's cash-generating unit).

If an active market exists for the output produced by an asset or group of assets, that asset or group of assets is identified as a cash-generating unit, even if some or all of the output is used internally. If the cash inflows generated by any asset or cash-generating unit are affected by internal transfer pricing, the entity use management's best estimate of future price(s) that could be achieved in arm's length transactions in estimating:

- the future cash inflows used to determine the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use; and

## **1.7 Impairment of cash-generating assets (continued)**

- the future cash outflows used to determine the value in use of any other assets or cash-generating units that are affected by the internal transfer pricing.

Cash-generating units are identified consistently from period to period for the same asset or types of assets, unless a change is justified.

The carrying amount of a cash-generating unit is determined on a basis consistent with the way the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is determined.

An impairment loss is recognized for a cash-generating unit if the recoverable amount of the unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit. The impairment is allocated to reduce the carrying amount of the cash-generating assets of the unit on a pro rata basis, based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. These reductions in carrying amounts are treated as impairment losses on individual assets.

In allocating an impairment loss, the entity does not reduce the carrying amount of an asset below the highest of:

- its fair value less costs to sell (if determinable);
- its value in use (if determinable); and
- zero.

The amount of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated pro rata to the other cash-generating assets of the unit.

Where a non-cash-generating asset contributes to a cash-generating unit, a proportion of the carrying amount of that non-cash-generating asset is allocated to the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit prior to estimation of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit.

### **Reversal of impairment loss**

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognized in prior periods for a cash-generating asset may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable amount of that asset.

An impairment loss recognized in prior periods for a cash-generating asset is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. The carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. The increase is a reversal of an impairment loss. The increased carrying amount of an asset attributable to a reversal of an impairment loss does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of depreciation or amortization) had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior periods

### **1.7 Impairment of cash-generating assets (continued)**

A reversal of an impairment loss for a cash-generating asset is recognized immediately in surplus or deficit. Any reversal of an impairment loss of a revalued cash-generating asset is treated as a revaluation increase.

After a reversal of an impairment loss is recognized, the depreciation (amortization) charge for the cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

A reversal of an impairment loss for a cash-generating unit is allocated to the cash-generating assets of the unit pro rata with the carrying amounts of those assets. These increases in carrying amounts are treated as reversals of impairment losses for individual assets. No part of the amount of such a reversal is allocated to a non-cash-generating asset contributing service potential to a cash-generating unit.

In allocating a reversal of an impairment loss for a cash-generating unit, the carrying amount of an asset is not increased above the lower of:

- its recoverable amount (if determinable); and
- the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortization or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior periods.

The amount of the reversal of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated pro rata to the other assets of the unit.

### **1.8 Impairment of non-cash-generating assets**

Cash-generating assets are those assets held by the entity with the primary objective of generating a commercial return. When an asset is deployed in a manner consistent with that adopted by a profit-orientated entity, it generates a commercial return.

Non-cash-generating assets are assets other than cash-generating assets.

Impairment is a loss in the future economic benefits or service potential of an asset, over and above the systematic recognition of the loss of the asset's future economic benefits or service potential through depreciation (amortization).

Carrying amount is the amount at which an asset is recognized in the statement of financial position after deducting any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses thereon.

A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets held with the primary objective of generating a commercial return that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

Costs of disposal are incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset, excluding finance costs and income tax expense

## **1.8 Impairment of non-cash-generating assets (continued)**

Depreciation/amortization is the systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful life.

Fair value less costs to sell is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less the costs of disposal.

Recoverable service amount is the higher of a non-cash-generating asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

### **Identification**

When the carrying amount of a non-cash-generating asset exceeds its recoverable service amount, it is impaired.

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that a non-cash-generating asset may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable service amount of the asset.

Irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment, the entity also tests a non-cash-generating intangible asset with an indefinite useful life or a non-cash-generating intangible asset not yet available for use for impairment annually by comparing its carrying amount with its recoverable service amount. This impairment test is performed at the same time every year. If an intangible asset was initially recognized during the current reporting period, that intangible asset was tested for impairment before the end of the current reporting period.

### **Value in use**

Value in use of an asset is the present value of the asset's remaining service potential.

The present value of the remaining service potential of an asset is determined using the following approach:

#### **Depreciated replacement cost approach**

The present value of the remaining service potential of a non-cash-generating asset is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of the asset. The replacement cost of an asset is the cost to replace the asset's gross service potential. This cost is depreciated to reflect the asset in its used condition. An asset may be replaced either through reproduction (replication) of the existing asset or through replacement of its gross service potential. The depreciated replacement cost is measured as the reproduction or replacement cost of the asset, whichever is lower, less accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost, to reflect the already consumed or expired service potential of the asset.

## **1.8 Impairment of non-cash-generating assets (continued)**

The replacement cost and reproduction cost of an asset is determined on an “optimized” basis. The rationale is that the entity would not replace or reproduce the asset with a like asset if the asset to be replaced or reproduced is an overdesigned or overcapacity asset. Overdesigned assets contain features which are unnecessary for the goods or services the asset provides. Overcapacity assets are assets that have a greater capacity than is necessary to meet the demand for goods or services the asset provides. The determination of the replacement cost or reproduction cost of an asset on an optimized basis thus reflects the service potential required of the asset.

### **Recognition and measurement**

If the recoverable service amount of a non-cash-generating asset is less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable service amount. This reduction is an impairment loss.

An impairment loss is recognized immediately in surplus or deficit.

Any impairment loss of a revalued non-cash-generating asset is treated as a revaluation decrease.

When the amount estimated for an impairment loss is greater than the carrying amount of the non-cash-generating asset to which it relates, the entity recognizes a liability only to the extent that is a requirement in the Standards of GRAP.

After the recognition of an impairment loss, the depreciation (amortization) charge for the non-cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the non-cash-generating asset’s revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

### **Reversal of an impairment loss**

The entity assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognized in prior periods for a non-cash-generating asset may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the entity estimates the recoverable service amount of that asset.

An impairment loss recognized in prior periods for a non-cash-generating asset is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset’s recoverable service amount since the last impairment loss was recognized. The carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable service amount. The increase is a reversal of an impairment loss. The increased carrying amount of an asset attributable to a reversal of an impairment loss does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of depreciation or amortization) had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior periods.

A reversal of an impairment loss for a non-cash-generating asset is recognized immediately in surplus or deficit. Any reversal of an impairment loss of a revalued non-cash-generating asset is treated as a revaluation increase.

### **1.8 Impairment of non-cash-generating assets (continued)**

After a reversal of an impairment loss is recognized, the depreciation (amortization) charge for the non-cash-generating asset is adjusted in future periods to allocate the non-cash-generating asset's revised carrying amount, less its residual value (if any), on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

### **1.9 Shareholder's loan on incorporation**

A residual interest is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Shareholder's loan on incorporation is treated as residual interest.

### **1.10 Employee benefits**

#### **Short-term employee benefits**

The cost of short term employee benefits (those payable within 12 months after the service is rendered, such as paid vacation leave and sick leave, bonuses and non-monetary benefits such as medical care), are recognized in the period in which the service is rendered and are not discounted.

The expected cost of compensated absences is recognized as an expense as the employees render services that increase their entitlement or, in the case of non-accumulating absences, when the absence occurs.

The expected cost of bonus payments is recognized as an expense when there is a legal or constructive obligation to make such payments as a result of past performance.

#### **Defined contribution plans**

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are charged as an expense as they fall due.

Payments made to industry-managed (or state plans) retirement benefit schemes are dealt with as defined contribution plans where the company's obligation under the schemes is equivalent to those arising in a defined contribution retirement benefit plan.

#### **Defined benefit plans**

For defined benefit plans the cost of providing the benefits is determined using the projected unit credit method. Actuarial valuations are conducted on an annual basis by independent actuaries separately for each plan. Consideration is given to any event that could impact the funds up to the end of the reporting period where the interim valuation is performed at an earlier date.

Past service costs are recognized immediately to the extent that the benefits are already vested, and are otherwise amortized on a straight line basis over the average period until the amended benefits become vested.

### **1.10 Employee benefits (continued)**

To the extent that, at the beginning of the financial period, any cumulative unrecognized actuarial gain or loss exceeds ten percent of the greater of the present value of the projected benefit obligation and the fair value of the plan assets (the corridor), that portion is recognized in surplus or deficit over the expected average remaining service lives of participating employees. Actuarial gains or losses within the corridor are not recognized.

Gains or losses on the curtailment or settlement of a defined benefit plan are recognized when the company is demonstrably committed to curtailment or settlement.

When it is virtually certain that another party will reimburse some or all of the expenditure required to settle a defined benefit obligation, the right to reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset. The asset is measured at fair value. In all other respects, the asset is treated in the same way as plan assets. In surplus or deficit, the expense relating to a defined benefit plan is presented as the net of the amount recognized for a reimbursement.

The amount recognized in the statement of financial position represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as adjusted for unrecognized actuarial gains and losses and unrecognized past service costs, and reduced by the fair value of plan assets.

Any asset is limited to unrecognized actuarial losses and past service costs, plus the present value of available refunds and reduction in future contributions to the plan.

#### **Other post retirement obligations**

The entity provides post-retirement health care benefits, housing subsidies and gratuities upon retirement to some retirees.

The entitlement to post-retirement health care benefits is based on the employee remaining in service up to retirement age and the completion of a minimum service period. The expected costs of these benefits are accrued over the period of employment. Independent qualified actuaries carry out valuations of these obligations. The entity also provides a gratuity and housing subsidy on retirement to certain employees. An annual charge to income is made to cover both these liabilities.

### 1.11 Provisions and contingencies

Provisions are recognized when:

- the entity has a present obligation as a result of a past event;
- it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle the obligation; and
- a reliable estimate can be made of the obligation.

The amount of a provision is the best estimate of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date.

Where the effect of time value of money is material, the amount of a provision is the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation.

The discount rate is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

Where some or all of the expenditure required to settle a provision is expected to be reimbursed by another party, the reimbursement is recognized when, and only when, it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received if the company settles the obligation. The reimbursement is treated as a separate asset. The amount recognized for the reimbursement does not exceed the amount of the provision.

Provisions are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate. Provisions are reversed if it is no longer probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits or service potential will be required, to settle the obligation.

Where discounting is used, the carrying amount of a provision increases in each period to reflect the passage of time. This increase is recognized as an interest expense.

A provision is used only for expenditures for which the provision was originally recognized. Provisions are not recognized for future operating deficits.

If the entity has a contract that is onerous, the present obligation (net of recoveries) under the contract is recognized and measured as a provision.

A constructive obligation to restructure arises only when the entity:

- has a detailed formal plan for the restructuring, identifying at least:
- the activity/operating unit or part of an activity/operating unit concerned;
- the principal locations affected;



### **1.11 Provisions and contingencies (continued)**

- the expenditures that will be undertaken; and when the plan will be implemented; and
- has raised a valid expectation in those affected that it will carry out the restructuring by starting to implement that plan or announcing its main features to those affected by it.

A restructuring provision includes only the direct expenditures arising from the restructuring, which are those that are both:

- necessarily entailed by the restructuring; and
- not associated with the ongoing activities of the entity

No obligation arises as a consequence of the sale or transfer of an operation until the entity is committed to the sale or transfer, that is, there is a binding agreement.

After their initial recognition contingent liabilities recognized in business combinations that are recognized separately are subsequently measured at the higher of:

- the amount that would be recognized as a provision; and
- the amount initially recognized less cumulative amortization.

A contingent liability is a present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognized because it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle the obligation or the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with certainty.

Contingent assets and contingent liabilities are not recognized, but disclosed.

### **1.12 Revenue from exchange transactions**

Revenue is the gross inflow of economic benefits or service potential during the reporting period when those inflows result in an increase in net assets, other than increases relating to contributions from owners.

An exchange transaction is one in which the entity receives assets or services, or has liabilities extinguished, and directly gives approximately equal value (primarily in the form of goods, services or use of assets) to the other party in exchange.

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

Revenue is recognized when it is probable that future economic benefits or service potential will flow to the entity and these benefits can be measured reliably.

## **1.12 Revenue from exchange transactions (continued)**

### **Measurement**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of trade discounts and volume rebates.

### **Rendering of services**

When the outcome of a transaction involving the rendering of services can be estimated reliably, revenue associated with the transaction is recognized by reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. The outcome of a transaction can be estimated reliably when all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the entity;
- the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date can be measured reliably; and
- the costs incurred for the transaction and the costs to complete the transaction can be measured reliably.

When services are performed by an indeterminate number of acts over a specified time frame, revenue is recognized on a straight line basis over the specified time frame unless there is evidence that some other method better represents the stage of completion. When a specific act is much more significant than any other acts, the recognition of revenue is postponed until the significant act is executed.

When the outcome of the transaction involving the rendering of services cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognized only to the extent of the expenses recognized that are recoverable.

Service revenue is recognized by reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. Stage of completion is determined by services performed to date as a percentage of total services to be performed.

### **Interest, royalties and dividends**

Revenue arising from the use by others of entity assets yielding interest, royalties and dividends is recognized when:

- it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the company, and
- the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably.

Interest is recognized, in surplus or deficit, using the effective interest rate method.

Royalties are recognized as they are earned in accordance with the substance of the relevant agreements.

### **1.12 Revenue from exchange transactions (continued)**

Dividends or their equivalents are recognized, in surplus or deficit, when the entity's right to receive payment has been established.

Service fees included in the price of the product are recognized as revenue over the period during which the service is performed.

### **1.13 Revenue from non-exchange transactions**

Water Service Authority shortfall contributions are recognized when all conditions associated with the contribution has been met in terms of the WSP agreement and is transferred directly to the Statement of Financial Performance.

Capital grant reimbursements are claimed from the Shareholders who hold all Government grant receipts, and these receipts, are only recognized for payment purposes when actually received by the entity, and are accounted for in the Statement of Financial Performance.

Revenue comprises gross inflows of economic benefits or service potential received and receivable by an entity, which represents an increase in net assets, other than increases relating to contributions from owners.

Conditions on transferred assets are stipulations that specify that the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset is required to be consumed by the recipient as specified or future economic benefits or service potential must be returned to the transferor.

Control of an asset arise when the entity can use or otherwise benefit from the asset in pursuit of its objectives and can exclude or otherwise regulate the access of others to that benefit.

Exchange transactions are transactions in which one entity receives assets or services, or has liabilities extinguished, and directly gives approximately equal value (primarily in the form of cash, goods, services, or use of assets) to another entity in exchange.

Non-exchange transactions are transactions that are not exchange transactions. In a non-exchange transaction, an entity either receives value from another entity without directly giving approximately equal value in exchange, or gives value to another entity without directly receiving approximately equal value in exchange.

Restrictions on transferred assets are stipulations that limit or direct the purposes for which a transferred asset may be used, but do not specify that future economic benefits or service potential is required to be returned to the transferor if not deployed as specified.

Stipulations on transferred assets are terms in laws or regulation, or a binding arrangement, imposed upon the use of a transferred asset by entities external to the reporting entity.

### **1.13 Revenue from non-exchange transactions (continued)**

Tax expenditures are preferential provisions of the tax law that provide certain taxpayers with concessions that are not available to others.

The taxable event is the event that the government, legislature or other authority has determined will be subject to taxation.

Taxes are economic benefits or service potential compulsorily paid or payable to entities, in accordance with laws and or regulations, established to provide revenue to government. Taxes do not include fines or other penalties imposed for breaches of the law.

Transfers are inflows of future economic benefits or service potential from non-exchange transactions, other than taxes.

The Entity is exempt from the payment of Income Tax

#### **Recognition**

An inflow of resources from a non-exchange transaction recognized as an asset is recognized as revenue, except to the extent that a liability is also recognized in respect of the same inflow.

As the entity satisfies a present obligation recognized as a liability in respect of an inflow of resources from a non-exchange transaction recognized as an asset, it reduces the carrying amount of the liability recognized and recognizes an amount of revenue equal to that reduction.

#### **Measurement**

Revenue from a non-exchange transaction is measured at the amount of the increase in net assets recognized by the entity.

When, as a result of a non-exchange transaction, the entity recognizes an asset, it also recognizes revenue equivalent to the amount of the asset measured at its fair value as at the date of acquisition, unless it is also required to recognize a liability. Where a liability is required to be recognized it will be measured as the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date, and the amount of the increase in net assets, if any, recognized as revenue. When a liability is subsequently reduced, because the taxable event occurs or a condition is satisfied, the amount of the reduction in the liability is recognized as revenue.

### **1.14 Cost of sales**

When inventories are sold, exchanged or distributed the carrying amount of those inventories is recognized as an expense in the period in which the related revenue is recognized. If there is related revenue, the expense is recognized when the goods are distributed, or related service is rendered. The amount of any write-down of inventories to net realizable value or current replacement cost and all deficits of inventories are recognized as an expense in the period the write-down or loss

### **1.14 Cost of sales (continued)**

occurs. The amount of any reversal of any write-down of inventories, arising from an increase in net realizable value or current replacement cost, is recognized as a reduction in the amount of inventories recognized as an expense in the period in which the reversal occurs.

The related cost of providing services recognized as revenue in the current period is included in cost of sales.

### **1.15 Investment income**

Investment income is recognized on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method.

### **1.16 Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalized as part of the cost of that asset until such time as the asset is ready for its intended use. The amount of borrowing costs eligible for capitalization is determined as follows:

- Actual borrowing costs on funds specifically borrowed for the purpose of obtaining a qualifying asset less any investment income on the temporary investment of those borrowings.
- Weighted average of the borrowing costs applicable to the entity on funds generally borrowed for the purpose of obtaining a qualifying asset. The borrowing costs capitalized do not exceed the total borrowing costs incurred.

The capitalization of borrowing costs commences when all the following conditions have been met:

- expenditures for the asset have been incurred;
- borrowing costs have been incurred; and
- activities that are necessary to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are undertaken.

When the carrying amount or the expected ultimate cost of the qualifying asset exceeds its recoverable amount or recoverable service amount or net realizable value, the carrying amount is written down or written off in accordance with the accounting policy on Impairment of Assets as per accounting policy number 1.7 and 1.8. In certain circumstances, the amount of the write-down or write-off is written back in accordance with the same accounting policy.

Capitalization is suspended during extended periods in which active development is interrupted.

Capitalization ceases when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are complete.

When the entity completes the construction of a qualifying asset in parts and each part is capable of being used while construction continues on other parts, the entity ceases capitalizing borrowing costs when it completes substantially all the activities necessary to prepare that part for its intended use or sale.

### **1.16 Borrowing costs (continued)**

All other borrowing costs are recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

### **1.17 Comparative figures**

Where necessary, comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to changes in presentation in the current year.

### **1.18 Unauthorized expenditure**

Unauthorized expenditure means:

- overspending of a vote or a main division within a vote; and
- expenditure not in accordance with the purpose of a vote or, in the case of a main division, not in accordance with the purpose of the main division.

All expenditure relating to unauthorized expenditure is recognized as an expense in the statement of financial performance in the year that the expenditure was incurred. The expenditure is classified in accordance with the nature of the expense, and where recovered, it is subsequently accounted for as revenue in the statement of financial performance.

### **1.19 Fruitless and wasteful expenditure**

Fruitless expenditure means expenditure which was made in vain and would have been avoided had reasonable care been exercised.

All expenditure relating to fruitless and wasteful expenditure is recognized as an expense in the statement of financial performance in the year that the expenditure was incurred. The expenditure is classified in accordance with the nature of the expense, and where recovered, it is subsequently accounted for as revenue in the statement of financial performance.

### **1.20 Irregular expenditure**

Irregular expenditure is expenditure that is contrary to the Municipal Finance Management Act (Act No.56 of 2003), the Municipal Systems Act (Act No.32 of 2000), and the Public Office Bearers Act (Act No. 20 of 1998) or is in contravention of the economic entity's supply chain management policy. Irregular expenditure excludes unauthorized expenditure. Irregular expenditure is accounted for as expenditure in the Statement of Financial Performance and where recovered, it is subsequently accounted for as revenue in the Statement of Financial Performance.

### **1.21 Offsetting**

Assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses have not been offset except when offsetting is required or permitted by a Standard of GRAP.

### **1.22 Gratuities**

The entity provides gratuities for qualifying staff members in terms of the relevant conditions of employment. The expenditure is recognized in the statement of financial performance when the gratuity is paid.

### **1.23 Conditional grants and receipts**

Revenue received from conditional grants, donations and funding are recognized as revenue to the extent that the entity has complied with any of the criteria, conditions or obligations embodied in the agreement. To the extent that the criteria, conditions or obligations have not been met a liability is recognized.

#### **Partners contributions (Grants)**

Water Service Authority contributions (Grants) utilized to fund assets is accounted for in the Statement of Financial Performance and transferred to the Accumulated Funds.

Water Service Authority contributions (Grants/shortfall contributions) utilized to fund operational expenditures and are accounted for in the Statement of Financial Performance.

### **1.24 Budget information**

The entity is typically subject to budgetary limits in the form of appropriations or budget authorizations (or equivalent), which is given effect through authorizing legislation, appropriation or similar.

The annual financial statements and the budget are on the same basis of accounting therefore a comparison with the budgeted amounts for the reporting period have been included in the annual financial statements as an annexure.

### **1.25 Related parties**

A related party is a person or entity that is related to the entity.

(a) A person or a close member of that person's family is related to the entity if that person:

- (i) has control or joint control over the entity;
- (ii) has significant influence over the entity; or
- (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the entity or of a parent of the entity.

(b) An entity is related to the entity if any of the following conditions applies:

- (i) the entity and the company are members of the same group.
- (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member).

### **1.25 Related parties (continued)**

(iii) both entities are joint ventures of a third party.

(iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third party.

(v) the entity is a post-employment defined benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the reporting entity or an entity related to the entity. If the entity is itself such a plan, the sponsoring employers are also related to the entity.

(vi) The entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a).

(vii) A person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of the parent of the entity).

Transactions with related parties are entered into and disclosed at arm's length.

Related party relationships where control exists are disclosed irrespective of whether there have been transactions between the related parties.

In respect of transactions between related parties other than transactions that would occur within normal supplier or client/recipient relationship on terms and conditions no more or less favorable than those which it is reasonable to expect the entity would have adopted if dealing with that individual or entity at an arm's length in the same circumstances, the entity discloses (a) the nature of the related party relationship, (b) the type of transaction that have occurred and (c) the elements of the transactions necessary to clarify the significance of these transactions to its operations and sufficient to enable the financial statements to provide relevant and reliable information for decision making and accountability purposes.

### **1.26 Foreign exchange gains and losses**

#### **Initial measurement**

All transactions that are undertaken in a foreign currency are translated into South African rands. A foreign currency transaction is recorded on initial recognition in rands by applying to the foreign currency amount the spot exchange rate between the rands and the foreign currency at the date of the transaction. The date of transaction is the date on which the transaction first qualifies for recognition.

#### **Subsequent measurement**

#### **Subsequent Treatment of Monetary Items:**

Monetary items held in a foreign currency shall be translated into the functional currency in the Statement of Financial Position at the closing rate. In instances where a monetary asset or liability has a rate of exchange that is fixed under the terms of the relevant contract, it cannot be used to translate the monetary assets and liabilities as this is a form of hedge accounting.



## **1.26 Foreign exchange gains and losses (continued)**

### **Subsequent Treatment of Non-Monetary Items:**

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency shall be translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency shall be translated using the exchange rate at the date when the fair value was determined.

### **Recognition of Foreign Exchange Differences**

Foreign exchange gains and losses arising from the settlement of such transactions or from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance.

When a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized directly in equity, any exchange rate component of that gain or loss shall be recognized directly in equity. Conversely, when a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance, any exchange rate component of that gain or loss shall also be recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance.

## **2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

### **2.1 Credit risk**

Potential credit risk mainly consists of short-term investments, cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. The risk from short-term investments and other cash items is restricted by transacting only with financial institutions with high credit ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies. Credit risk with respect to trade receivables is limited to the Shareholders and their municipality's ability to meet their capital grant and trade Bulk water purchase annual Budget commitments to the entity.

### **2.2 Liquidity risk**

uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd manages liquidity risk through proper management of working capital, capital expenditure and actual versus forecasted cash flows.

## **3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS**

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

### **3.1 Impairment of consumer and other debtors**

Impairment of receivables is established if there is objective evidence that the company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. Accordingly, management's assessment of the recoverability is reflected through the creation of a provision for doubtful debts as reflected in the notes to the financial statements.

## **4. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION**

Segmental information in respect of property, plant and equipment is disclosed in Appendix B to the annual financial statements attached.

**UTHUKELA WATER (PTY) LTD**

**Report of the Auditor General**

Auditor-General of South Africa

uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd

Audit report 2019-20

# Report of the auditor-general to the KwaZulu Natal Provincial Legislature and the Council on uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd

## Report on the audit of the financial statements

### Opinion

1. I have audited the financial statements of the uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd set out on pages xx to xx which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, statement of financial performance, statement of changes in net assets, and cash flow statement for the year then ended, as well as the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.
2. In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the uThukela Water (Pty) Ltd as at 30 June 2020, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with South African Standards of Generally Recognised Accounting Practice (SA Standards of GRAP) and the requirements of the Municipal Finance Management Act of South Africa, 2003 (Act No. 56 of 2003) (MFMA) and the Companies Act of South Africa, 2008 (Act No. 71 of 2008) (the Companies Act).

### Basis for opinion

3. I conducted my audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor-general's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of this auditor's report.
4. I am independent of the municipal entity in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International code of ethics for professional accountants (including International Independence Standards)* (IESBA code) as well as other ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit in South Africa. I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA code.
5. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

### Emphasis of matter

6. I draw attention to the matter below. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter

### Water losses

7. As disclosed in note 43 to the financial statements, material water losses of R3.2 million (2018-19: R2.0 million) was incurred. Technical losses amounted to 10.76% (2018-19: 9.12%) were incurred and this was due to the condition and ageing of infrastructure as well as lack of capital infrastructure investment.

## **Other matter**

8. I draw attention to the matter below. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

### **Unaudited supplementary schedules**

9. The supplementary information set out on pages xx to xx does not form part of the financial statements and is presented as additional information. I have not audited these schedules and, accordingly, I do not express an opinion on them.

## **Responsibilities of the accounting authority for the financial statements**

10. The accounting authority is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the SA Standards of GRAP and the requirements of the MFMA and the Companies Act, and for such internal control as the accounting authority determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
11. In preparing the financial statements, the accounting authority is responsible for assessing the municipal entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the appropriate governance structure either intends to liquidate the municipal entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

## **Auditor-general's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

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

## **Report on the audit of the annual performance report**

### **Introduction and scope**

14. In accordance with the Public Audit Act 25 of 2004 (PAA) and the general notice issued in terms thereof, I have a responsibility to report on the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information against predetermined objectives for the selected objective presented in the annual performance report. I performed procedures to identify material findings but not to gather evidence to express assurance.

15. My procedures address the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information, which must be based on the municipal entity's approved performance planning documents. I have not evaluated the completeness and appropriateness of the performance indicators included in the planning documents. My procedures do not examine whether the actions taken by the municipal entity enabled service delivery. My procedures also do not extend to any disclosures or assertions relating to planned performance strategies and information in respect of future periods that may be included as part of the reported performance information. Accordingly, my findings do not extend to these matters.
16. I evaluated the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information in accordance with the criteria developed from the performance management and reporting framework, as defined in the general notice, for objective 5: improve service delivery as presented in the municipal entity's annual performance report for the year ended 30 June 2020:
17. I performed procedures to determine whether the reported performance information was consistent with the approved performance planning documents. I performed further procedures to determine whether the indicators and related targets were measurable and relevant, and assessed the reliability of the reported performance information to determine whether it was valid, accurate and complete.
18. I did not raise any material findings on the usefulness and reliability of the reported performance information for the selected objective.

#### **Other matter**

19. I draw attention to the matter below.

#### **Achievement of planned targets**

20. Refer to the annual performance report on pages xx to xx for information on the achievement of planned targets for the year.

### **Report on the audit of compliance with legislation**

#### **Introduction and scope**

21. In accordance with the PAA and the general notice issued in terms thereof, I have a responsibility to report material findings on the municipal entity's compliance with specific matters in key legislation. I performed procedures to identify findings but not to gather evidence to express assurance.
22. The material findings on compliance with specific matters in key legislation are as follows:

#### **Consequence management**

23. Some of the irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure incurred by the municipal entity was not investigated to determine if any person was liable for the expenditure, as required by section 32(2)(b) of the MFMA and municipal budget and reporting regulations 75(1).

## Expenditure management

24. Reasonable steps were not taken to prevent fruitless and wasteful expenditure amounting to R22, 2 million as disclosed in note 28.2 to the financial statements, in contravention of section 95(d) of the MFMA. The majority of the fruitless and wasteful expenditure was caused by non-payments for the services charges from the Department of Water and Sanitation.
25. Reasonable steps were not taken to prevent irregular expenditure amounting to R5, 4 million as disclosed in note 28.3 to the financial statements, as required by section 95(d) of the MFMA. The majority of the irregular expenditure was as a result of a competitive bidding process not having been followed.

## Other information

26. The accounting authority is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, which includes the directors' report, the audit committee's report and, as required by the Companies Act 71 of 2008. The other information does not include the financial statements, the auditor's report and the selected objective presented in the annual performance report that have been specifically reported in this auditor's report.
27. My opinion on the financial statements and findings on the reported performance information and compliance with legislation do not cover the other information and I do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion on it.
28. In connection with my audit, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements and the selected objective presented in the annual performance report, or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.
29. I did not receive the other information prior to the date of this auditor's report. When I do receive and read this information, if I conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, I am required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and request that the other information be corrected. If the other information is not corrected, I may have to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report as appropriate. However, if it is corrected this will not be necessary.

## Internal control deficiencies

30. I considered internal control relevant to my audit of the financial statements, reported performance information and compliance with applicable legislation; however, my objective was not to express any form of assurance on it. The matters reported below are limited to the significant internal control deficiencies that resulted in the findings on compliance with legislation included in this report.



31. The board of directors did not investigate the prior year irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure. In addition, the board did not exercise oversight to ensure that the municipal entity implements its supply chain management policy (SCM) in procuring the consulting services from one of the suppliers that was identified as appointed without following the SCM processes in the prior years, thus resulting in the entity re-incurring irregular expenditure in the current year.

#### Other reports

32. I draw attention to the following engagements conducted by various parties which had, or could have, an impact on the matters reported in the municipal entity's financial statements, reported performance information, compliance with applicable legislation and other related matters. This report did not form part of my opinion on the financial statements or my findings on the reported performance information or compliance with legislation.
33. During the 2019/20 financial year, the Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) in KwaZulu-Natal concluded an investigation into various allegations levelled against the officials of the municipal entity. As at the date of this report, the recommendations of the investigation were awaiting implementation by shareholders of the municipal entity.

*Auditor General*

Pietermaritzburg

28 February 2021



AUDITOR-GENERAL  
SOUTH AFRICA

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## **Annexure – Auditor-general’s responsibility for the audit**

1. As part of an audit in accordance with the ISAs, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout my audit of the financial statements and the procedures performed on reported performance information for the selected objective and on the municipal entity’s compliance with respect to the selected subject matters.

### **Financial statements**

2. In addition to my responsibility for the audit of the financial statements as described in this auditor’s report, I also:
  - identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error; design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks; and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.
  - obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the municipal entity’s internal control.
  - evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the accounting authority.
  - conclude on the appropriateness of the accounting authority’s use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements. I also conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists relating to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the municipal entities to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor’s report to the related disclosures in the financial statements about the material uncertainty or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion on the financial statements. My conclusions are based on the information available to me at the date of this auditor’s report. However, future events or conditions may cause a municipal entity to cease operating as a going concern.
  - evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and determine whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

### **Communication with those charged with governance**

3. I communicate with the accounting authority regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.
4. I also confirm to the accounting authority that I have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and communicate all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to have a bearing on my independence and, where applicable, the actions taken to eliminate threats or the safeguards applied.

**UTHUKELA WATER (PTY) LTD**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	2020	2019
		R	R
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>		151 757 865	111 934 609
Inventory	6	175 829	121 988
VAT receivable	11	19 847 670	19 554 618
WSA debtors	4	-	-
Other receivables from non-exchange transactions	3	2 564 772	3 941 458
Trade and other receivables from exchange transactions	2	109 099 435	74 249 946
Cash and cash equivalents	1	20 070 160	14 066 598
<b>Non-current assets</b>		867 454 343	936 160 385
Property, plant and equipment	7	866 281 998	934 558 652
Intangible assets	8	1 172 345	1 601 732
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>1 019 212 208</b>	<b>1 048 094 994</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>		370 175 393	316 414 535
Trade and other payables	9	363 162 868	309 896 476
Unspent conditional grants and receipts	9A	460 961	683 333
Current portion of staff benefit obligations	10	6 551 564	5 834 726
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		9 821 457	10 192 126
Service related staff benefit obligations	10	9 821 457	10 192 126
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>379 996 850</b>	<b>326 606 661</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>639 215 358</b>	<b>721 488 332</b>
Share capital	12	100	100
Accumulated funds	13	639 215 258	721 488 232
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>639 215 358</b>	<b>721 488 332</b>

**UTHUKELA WATER (PTY) LTD.**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	Budget 2020 R	Actual 2020 R	Budget 2019 R	Actual 2019 R
<b>REVENUE</b>					
<b>Revenue from exchange transactions</b>					
Service charges	14	155 395 451	148 550 115	117 431 972	128 439 901
<b>Revenue from non-exchange transactions</b>					
Interest earned - external investments	15	100 000	1 488 275	100 000	2 159 286
Penalties received		-	-	-	80 000
Shareholder project contributions	16.1, 44	-	222 372	-	13 598 135
Other receipts		-	293 479	740 000	341 802
<b>Total revenue</b>		<b>155 495 451</b>	<b>150 554 241</b>	<b>118 271 972</b>	<b>144 619 124</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Employee related costs	17	(50 605 435)	(52 754 301)	(44 297 776)	(48 940 715)
Contribution to provision for bad debts	2,3,4	-	-	-	(790 873)
Depreciation and amortisation	18	(1 670 117)	(79 910 549)	(1 560 857)	(77 996 183)
Repairs and maintenance	18a	(13 669 753)	(3 106 037)	(13 121 041)	(4 082 027)
Bulk water purchases	19	(27 494 532)	(27 749 518)	(26 460 239)	(25 804 976)
Interest paid/accrued	19a	-	(22 022 422)	-	(19 092 155)
Contracted services	20	(4 246 335)	(3 894 144)	(2 268 478)	(4 269 223)
Inventory adjustment	6	-	53 841	-	(12 675)
Operating expenses	21	(56 529 979)	(52 999 739)	(51 487 913)	(49 485 157)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>(154 216 151)</b>	<b>(242 382 869)</b>	<b>(139 196 304)</b>	<b>(230 473 984)</b>
<b>Surplus(deficit) before taxation</b>		<b>1 279 300</b>	<b>(91 828 627)</b>	<b>(20 924 332)</b>	<b>(85 854 860)</b>
<b>Taxation</b>	38	-	-	-	-
<b>Surplus(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>1 279 300</b>	<b>(91 828 627)</b>	<b>(20 924 332)</b>	<b>(85 854 860)</b>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

Description, Nature and Purpose of Reserve	Note	Share capital invested in Entity by Shareholders in terms of Company Memorandum of Association	Partner capital grant/own funds transferred to Entity for projects implemented by the Entity			Bulk water billing accrual for water services rendered by the Entity to the Shareholders			Asset Revaluation Reserve, reflects assets at fair value, measured reliably, and carried at revalued amounts	Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit) reflects accumulated surplus or deficit of the Entity	Total Net Assets reflects net income retained, no dividends are paid
			Umzinyathi	Amajuba	Newcastle	Umzinyathi	Amajuba	Newcastle			
		R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
<b>Balance at 30 June 2018</b>		100	95 903 906	10 066 345	91 998 613	0	0	0	735 630 570	(157 640 598)	775 958 936
Operating (surplus)/deficit - including shareholders contributions			-	-	-	-	-	-			
Revaluation surplus			-	-	-	-	-	-		(85 854 860)	(85 854 860)
Acquired assets through partners contribution			378 000	-	1 555 000	-	-	-	29 450 342		29 450 342
Off- setting depreciation	13		(3 784 937)	(1 251 444)	(4 491 492)	-	-	-	(65 371 583)	74 899 457	1 933 000.00
<b>Balance at 30 June 2019</b>		100	92 496 969	8 814 902	89 062 121	-	-	-	699 709 328	(168 596 001)	721 487 418
Operating (surplus)/deficit - including shareholders contributions			-	-	-	-	-	-			
Acquired assets through partners contribution			-	-	-	-	-	-		(91 828 627)	(91 828 627)
Off- setting depreciation	13		(3 722 395)	(1 093 649)	(3 608 294)	-	-	-	(66 248 321)	74 672 660	9 555 653
<b>Balance at 30 June 2020</b>		100	88 774 573	7 721 253	95 009 479	-	-	-	633 461 008	(185 751 969)	639 214 444

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	2020	2019
		R	R
<b>CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Receipts</b>		116 271 826	104 783 338
Sales of goods and services		113 706 848	92 747 383
Shareholder contributions		0	10 106 394
Interest received		1 571 610	2 116 232
Other receipts		993 368	-186 671
<b>Payments</b>		(108 619 411)	(102 749 934)
Employee costs		(51 388 126)	(48 313 853)
Suppliers		(57 117 499)	(54 319 561)
Other payments		(113 786)	(116 521)
<b>NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	24	<u>7 652 415</u>	<u>2 033 404</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	7&8	<u>(1 648 854)</u>	<u>(16 778 498)</u>
<b>NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		<u>(1 648 854)</u>	<u>(16 778 498)</u>
<b>NET INCREASE/ (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		<u>6 003 561</u>	<u>(14 745 093)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		14 066 598	28 811 692
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	1	<u>20 070 160</u>	<u>14 066 598</u>
		<u>(6 003 561)</u>	<u>14 745 093</u>

# UTHUKELA WATER (PTY) LTD.

## NOTES TO THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

	2020	2019
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### A PREAMBLE - CHANGE OF FUNCTIONS, GOING CONCERN AND DEVELOPMENTAL OBJECTIVES

**Bulk water service functions** - The entity, consequent to a Provincially instituted section 78 (MSA32/2000) water services assessment conducted for the region, and in terms of a COGTA Provincial Directive dated 7 June 2012, operates as an interim bulk water services provider to the municipalities of Newcastle, Amajuba and Umzinyathi Districts, pending a final decision by the Minister of Water Affairs regarding the future dispensation of water services in the region. The matter has been referred to the National Cabinet for review and a final decision in this regard.

**Going concern** - The Board provides bulk water services to the municipalities on the assumption that it will be paid for the services rendered in accordance with the WSP/WSA signed water services agreements in place, and also as instructed by the Provincial Council in its directive dated 7 June 2012. The agreements regulate the bulk water business operations, functions, obligations and objectives to be carried out by the Board on behalf of the shareholder municipalities. Annual business plans, operational and capital budgets, tariff model, Performance Management objectives/Targets and risk assessment plans are formulated jointly by all parties and agreed to upfront. The entity reports regularly (monthly and quarterly) to the municipalities and they in turn monitor, evaluate and manage the entities progress accordingly.

**Developmental objectives** - The Board annually submits its capital and developmental requirements to the municipalities and it is of great concern that the municipalities do not approve a funded capital budget for the Board to implement. The bulk water infrastructures are very old and outdated and require regular and constant refurbishment and replacement. This lapse in adequate funding is a high risk to the sustainability and future of bulk water services in the region. The Board has provided the municipalities with possible funding models to give emphases to its funding options, but unfortunately, these have not been approved. The municipalities also do not pay the annual capital infrastructure depreciation charges to the entity.

### 1 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consist of the following:

Cash on hand	8 713	12 993
Cash at bank	2 111 315	1 058 488
Cash on call and short notice deposits	17 950 132	12 995 118
	<u>20 070 160</u>	<u>14 066 598</u>

uThukela Water (pty) Ltd has the following bank accounts:

Account Number - Bank -Account Description	Cash Book Balance 30 06 2020	Bank Statement Balance 30 06 2020	Cash Book Balance 30 06 2019	Bank Statement Balance 30 06 2019
<b>Cash at bank</b>				
4059636838 - Absa	213 895	213 895	96 754	96 754
4060280600 - Absa - Customer Care	20 572	20 572	90 015	90 015
061938939 - Standard Bank - Primary Current Account	1 876 847	1 876 847	871 719	871 719
	<u>2 111 315</u>	<u>2 111 315</u>	<u>1 058 488</u>	<u>1 058 488</u>
<b>Cash on call and short notice deposits</b>				
268586055-015 - Standard Notice Deposit	10 246 984	10 246 984	6 748 420	6 748 420
268586055-002 - Standard Notice call Account	6 012 591	6 012 591	4 460 527	4 460 527
92 5753 8348 - Absa - Deposit	1 690 557	1 690 557	1 786 170	1 786 170
	<u>17 950 132</u>	<u>17 950 132</u>	<u>12 995 118</u>	<u>12 995 118</u>
<b>Petty cash</b>	8 713		12 993	
<b>Total Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<u>20 070 160</u>	<u>20 061 447</u>	<u>14 066 598</u>	<u>14 053 606</u>

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, the cash and cash equivalents comprise the total cash and cash equivalents as disclosed above.



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### 2 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES FROM EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

	Gross Balances R	Provision for Doubtful Debts R	Net Balance R	Gross Balances R	Provision for Doubtful Debts R
<b>2.1 Trade receivables</b>					
<b>as at 30 June 2020</b>					
Service debtors					
Water	242 145	(81 003)	161 142	140 218	(80 753)
<b>Total</b>	<b>242 145</b>	<b>(81 003)</b>	<b>161 142</b>	<b>140 218</b>	<b>(80 753)</b>
<b>as at 30 June 2019</b>					
Service debtors					
Water	140 218	(80 753)	59 464	355 818	(108 648)
<b>Total</b>	<b>140 218</b>	<b>(80 753)</b>	<b>59 464</b>	<b>355 818</b>	<b>(108 648)</b>
<b>Water : Ageing</b>					
Current (0 – 30 days)	150 718		231 398		
31 - 60 Days	-41		9 791		
61 - 90 Days	6 228		2 969		
+ 91 Days	85 241		111 660		
<b>Total</b>	<b>242 145</b>		<b>355 818</b>		
<b>Summary of Debtors by Customer Classification</b>	<b>Consumers</b>	<b>Industrial / Commercial</b>	<b>National and Provincial Government</b>		
	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>		
<b>as at 30 June 2020</b>					
Current (0 – 30 days)	150 718	-	-		
31 - 60 Days	(41)	-	-		
61 - 90 Days	6 228	-	-		
91 and over	85 241	-	-		
Sub-total	242 145	-	-		
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	(81 003)	-	-		
<b>Total debtors by customer classification</b>	<b>161 142</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>		
Output Vat of R 21 018,48 is included in the debtor balances - see also note 11 below.					
<b>as at 30 June 2019</b>					
Current (0 – 30 days)	49 169				
31 - 60 Days	10 164				
61 - 90 Days	94				
91 and over	80 792				
Sub-total	140 218	-	-		
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	(80 753)	-	-		
<b>Total debtors by customer classification</b>	<b>59 464</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>		
<b>Reconciliation of the doubtful debt provision</b>					
Balance at beginning of the year	80 753			108 648	
Provision/( Reversal)	250			(27 894)	
<b>Balance at end of year</b>	<b>81 003</b>			<b>80 753</b>	
<b>2.2 Trade receivables - Bulk Supplies</b>					
Umzinyathi District Municipality	5 416 863			2 689 410	
Newcastle Municipality	85 470 038			61 896 146	
Amajuba District Municipality	18 056 196			9 609 729	
Sub-total	108 943 096			74 195 286	
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	-			-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>108 943 096</b>			<b>74 195 286</b>	
<b>Reconciliation of the doubtful debt provision</b>					
Balance at beginning of the year	4 803			4 803	
<b>Balance at end of year</b>	<b>4 803</b>			<b>4 803</b>	
<b>Total Trade Receivables - Bulk Supplies</b>	<b>109 099 435</b>			<b>74 249 946</b>	
Output Vat of R 14 209 342,57 is included in the debtor balances - see also note 11 below.					

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### 3 OTHER RECEIVABLES FROM NON-EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Other debtors	1 087 680	2 592 929
Deposits with suppliers	2 538 151	2 424 365
Total other debtors	<u>3 625 831</u>	<u>5 017 294</u>
Less: Provision for bad debts		
Balance at beginning of the year	1 075 836	263 680
Contributions to provision	-14 776	818 767
Doubtful debts written off against provision	-	(6 611)
Reversal of provision		
Balance at end of year	<u>1 061 060</u>	<u>1 075 836</u>
	<u>2 564 772</u>	<u>3 941 458</u>

Output Vat of R 182.12 is included in the debtor balances - see also note 11 below.

### 4 WSA DEBTORS

<b>Assets Funding</b>	316 676	316 676
Umzinyathi District Municipality	<u>316 676</u>	<u>316 676</u>
Newcastle Municipality	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Revenue Funding</b>	82 763 673	82 763 673
Umzinyathi District Municipality	<u>64 191 401</u>	<u>64 191 401</u>
Amajuba District Municipality	<u>18 572 273</u>	<u>18 572 273</u>
<b>Total WSA Debtors</b>	<u>83 080 349</u>	<u>83 080 349</u>

There is a Provincial Executive Committee directive that the WSA's in arrears with their shortfall payments must make these good. See also note under

Less: Provision for bad debts

Balance at beginning of the year	83 080 349	83 080 349
Doubtful debts written off against provision		
Provision/( Reversal)		
Balance at end of year	<u>83 080 349</u>	<u>83 080 349</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

### 6 INVENTORIES

Water	<u>175 829</u>	<u>121 988</u>
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Inventories are measured at the cost of production and subsequent net realisable value utilizing the cost of production, and represents the fair value of the inventory at 30 June 2020.

The total carrying amount of inventory in classification appropriate to the Entity is: Potable; 47,9 Ml at R3,46 per Kl and Raw water; 16,45 Ml at R0,601 and 5.88 Ml at R0.0298 per kl	175 829	121 988
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The total carry amount of inventory at fair Value

Less cost to sell : Already accounted for

The amount of inventory recognized as an expense during the period ended 30 June 2020	-53 841	12 675
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No inventory or carrying amounts of inventory were pledged as security

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### 7 PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

<u>Assets at 30 June 2020</u>	Balance at 30-Jun-20	Additions	Transfers	Re-Valuations	Balance at 30-Jun-19
Water Infrastructure	1 361 490 952	283 582	3 964 501	-	1 357 242 869
Vehicles	5 489 827	-	-	-	5 489 827
Plant & Equipment	68 093 661	1 198 861	-	-	61 303 649
Furniture, Equipment and Fittings	3 485 162	166 411	-	-	3 318 751
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1 438 559 602</b>	<b>1 648 854</b>	<b>3 964 501</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 427 355 095</b>

<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	Balance at 30-Jun-20	Additions			Balance at 30-Jun-19
Water Infrastructure	531 476 984	72 289 379			459 187 605
Vehicles	3 355 307	676 660			2 678 647
Plant & Equipment	34 976 876	6 239 222			28 737 654
Furniture, Equipment and Fittings	2 468 438	275 902			2 192 536
<b>Totals</b>	<b>572 277 604</b>	<b>79 481 163</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>492 796 442</b>

<u>Carrying Values at Year End</u>	Balance at 30-Jun-20	Movement			Balance at 30-Jun-19
Water Infrastructure	830 013 968	(72 005 797)	3 964 501		898 055 263
Vehicles	2 134 520	(676 660)	-		2 811 180
Plant & Equipment	33 116 786	(5 040 361)	-		32 565 995
Furniture, Equipment and Fittings	1 016 724	(109 490)	-		1 126 214
<b>Totals</b>	<b>866 281 998</b>	<b>(77 832 308)</b>	<b>3 964 501</b>		<b>934 558 653</b>

<u>Assets at 30 June 2019</u>	Balance at 30-Jun-19	Additions	Re-Valuations	Balance at 30-Jun-18
Water Infrastructure	1 357 242 869	13 922 220	22 851 405	1 320 469 244
Vehicles	5 489 827	950 558	1 055 001	3 484 268
Plant & Equipment	61 303 649	3 617 239	5 015 848	52 670 562
Furniture, Equipment and Fittings	3 318 751	171 395	521 800	2 625 556
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1 427 355 095</b>	<b>18 661 411</b>	<b>29 444 054</b>	<b>1 379 249 630</b>

<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	Balance at 30-Jun-19	Additions		Balance at 30-Jun-18
Water Infrastructure	459 187 605	71 448 231	-	387 739 375
Vehicles	2 678 647	544 955	-	2 133 691
Plant & Equipment	28 737 654	5 031 640	-	23 690 958
Furniture, Equipment and Fittings	2 192 536	300 945	-	1 887 880
<b>Totals</b>	<b>492 796 442</b>	<b>77 325 771</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>415 451 904</b>

<u>Carrying Values at Year End</u>	Balance at 30-Jun-19	Additions	Re-Valuations	Balance at 30-Jun-18
Water Infrastructure	898 055 263	(57 526 011)	22 851 405	932 729 869
Vehicles	2 811 180	405 602	1 055 001	1 350 577
Plant & Equipment	32 565 995	(1 414 401)	5 015 848	28 979 605
Furniture, Equipment and Fittings	1 126 214	(129 551)	521 800	737 676
<b>Totals</b>	<b>934 558 653</b>	<b>(58 664 361)</b>	<b>29 444 054</b>	<b>963 797 727</b>

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### 8 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

#### Assets at 30 June 2020

	Balance at 30-Jun-20	Movement	Disposals	Balance at 30-Jun-19
Software	5 014 600	-	-	5 014 600
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 014 600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5 014 600</b>
<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>				
Software	3 842 255	429 387		3 412 868
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3 842 255</b>	<b>429 387</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 412 868</b>
<u>Carrying Values at Year End</u>				
Software	1 172 345	(429 387)	-	1 601 732
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1 172 345</b>	<b>(429 387)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 601 732</b>

#### Assets at 30 June 2019

	Balance at 30-Jun-19	Movement	Disposals	Balance at 30-Jun-18
Software	5 014 600	56 375	-	4 958 225
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5 014 600</b>	<b>56 375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4 958 225</b>
<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>				
Software	3 412 868	670 413	-	2 755 469
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3 412 868</b>	<b>670 413</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 755 469</b>
<u>Carrying Values at Year End</u>				
Software	1 601 732	(614 038)	-	2 202 756
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1 601 732</b>	<b>(614 038)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 202 756</b>

Intangible assets comprise of computer software programmes

### 9 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES FROM EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Trade creditors	355 321 004	302 043 056
Consumer Debtors - Payments in advance	13 780	7 383
Other creditors	4 720 721	4 738 748
Unallocated Receipts	3 107 364	3 107 289
<b>Total Creditors</b>	<b>363 162 868</b>	<b>309 896 476</b>
<u>Total Creditors 2020 - Ageing</u>		
	<b>Current Period</b>	<b>31 - 60 Days</b>
	30 679 505	2 815 979
		<b>61 - 90 Days</b>
		2 864 638
		<b>91 - 120 Days</b>
		2 584 191
		<b>121 and Over</b>
		324 218 553

Include in the above trade creditors figure is an amount of R 348 292 357.17 raised in respect of bulk raw water charges owed to the Department of Water and Sanitation. This amount is subject to the payment by the Water Service Authorities of their bulk water accounts and raw water budgeted costs. Negotiations are currently taking place between uThukela Water, the WSA's the Department to resolve this matter.

Input Vat of R 33 739 502.02 is included in the Trade Creditor balances - see also note 11 below.

The fair value of trade and other payables approximates their carrying amounts.

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### 9A UNSPENT CONDITIONAL GRANTS AND RECEIPTS

Newcastle	388 455	610 827
Umzinyathi	72 506	72 506
	<u>460 961</u>	<u>683 333</u>

Refer to Note 44

### 10 SERVICE RELATED STAFF OBLIGATIONS

#### Non Current

Long Service Awards	2 028 359	1 764 879
Post-employment medical benefits	7 793 098	8 427 247
	<u>9 821 457</u>	<u>10 192 126</u>

#### Current

Leave pay accrual	6 096 815	4 779 091
Long Service Awards	177 104	809 128
Post-employment medical benefits	277 645	246 507
	<u>6 551 564</u>	<u>5 834 726</u>

Total Provisions	<u>16 373 021</u>	<u>16 026 852</u>
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The movement in Leave provisions is reconciled as follows: -

Balance B/fwd	4 779 091	4 152 229
Increase in provision	1 785 349	1 621 004
Expenditure incurred	(467 624)	(994 142)
as at 30 June	<u>6 096 815</u>	<u>4 779 091</u>

#### Leave pay accrual

Leave pay accrual is based on the number of hours accruing to the employee at balance sheet date multiplied by the employee's hourly rate of pay. The accrual includes the liability in respect of accumulated leave due to employees previously in the employ of the WSA's prior to transfer to the company which has not yet been paid over to the company.

#### Long Service Awards

uThukela offers employees LSA for every five years of service completed, starting from five years of service calculated as follows:

Long Service Awards for levels of past service		
Completed Service (in years)	Long Service Bonuses(% of Annual Salary)	Description
5	2.0%	5/ 249 x annual salary
10	4.0%	10/ 249 x annual salary
15	6.0%	20/ 249 x annual salary
Every five years thereafter	8.0%	30/ 249 x annual salary

In the month that each "Completed Service" milestone is reached, the employee is granted a LSA.

Working days awarded are valued at 1/249th of annual salary per day

An actuarial valuation of the future liability for this benefit has been undertaken by an independent firm of Actuaries with the following results

	Year ending 2019-06-30	Year ending 2020-06-30	Year ending 2021-06-30
Opening Accrued Liability	2 529 666	2 574 007	2 205 463
Current-service Cost	302 466	223 878	190 067
Interest Cost	204 355	167 481	147 337
Benefit payments	(276 618)	49 225	-
Total Annual Expense	230 203	440 584	337 404
Past Service Cost	-185 862	-809 128	-177 104.00
Actuarial Loss / (Gain)	-	-	-
Closing Accrued Liability	<u>2 574 007</u>	<u>2 205 463</u>	<u>2 365 763</u>

#### Key Financial Assumptions

	2020-06-30		2019-06-30	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
Discount rate	6.96%		7.72%	
General salary inflation	3.33%		5.15%	
Net effective discount rate	3.51%		2.44%	
Average retirement age	63	58	63	58
Mortality during employment	SA85-90		SA85-90	

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### In service members withdrawing before retirement

	Males	Females
Age 20	16%	24%
Age 30	12%	18%
Age 40	8%	10%
Age 50	4%	4%
Age 55	2%	2%

### Post-employment medical benefits

#### *Medical Scheme Arrangements*

The Employer offers employees and continuation members the opportunity of belonging to one of several medical aid schemes, most of which offer a range of options pertaining to levels of cover.

#### *Membership Eligibility*

Upon retirement, an employee may continue membership of the medical scheme. Upon a member's death-in-service or death-in-retirement, the surviving dependants may continue membership of the medical scheme.

#### *Contribution Rate Structure*

Members contribute according to tables of contribution rates which differentiate between them on the type and number of dependants. Some options also differentiate on the basis of income.

#### *Subsidy Policy*

In-service members will receive a post-employment subsidy of 60% of the contribution payable. All continuation members receive a 60% subsidy. Widow(er)s and orphans of eligible in-service members are entitled to receive this same subsidy on and after the death in-service of an employee.

Upon a member's death-in-service or death-in-retirement, the surviving dependants will continue to receive the same 60% subsidy.

An actuarial valuation of the future liability for this benefit has been undertaken by an independent firm of Actuaries with the following results

	Year ending 2019-06-30	Year ending 2020-06-30	Year ending 2021-06-30
Opening Accrued Liability	8 396 642	8 673 753	8 070 742
Current-service Cost	501 915	349 858	327 067
Interest Cost	796 911	914 049	1 024 804
Benefit payments	(248 407)	(246 507)	(277 645)
Total Annual Expense	1 050 419	1 017 400	1 074 226
Actuarial Loss / (Gain)	(773 308)	-1 620 411	-
Closing Accrued Liability	8 673 753	8 070 742	9 144 968

### Key Financial Assumptions

	2020-06-30		2019-06-30	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
Discount rate		12.92%		10.69%
Health care cost inflation rate		8.70%		7.99%
Net effective discount rate		3.88%		2.50%
Average retirement age	63	58	63	58
Proportion continuing membership at retirement		100.00%		100.00%
Proportion of retiring members who are married		90.00%		90.00%
Proportion of eligible current non-member employees joining the scheme by retirement		10.00%		10.00%
Mortality during employment		SA85-90		SA85-90
Mortality post retirement		PA(90)-1		PA(90)-1

### In service members withdrawing before retirement

	Males	Females
Age 20	12%	24%
Age 30	5%	15%
Age 40	3%	6%
Age 50	1%	2%
Age 55	1%	1%

### 11 VAT

	2020	2019
Debtors Vat Raised - Not Yet Due	(14 230 543)	(9 684 748)
Creditors Invoices Vat Raised - Not Yet Claimed	33 739 502	28 516 743
VAT receivable/(payable)	338 712	722 623
Total VAT receivable/(payable)	19 847 670	19 554 618

VAT is currently paid and claimed on the receipts and payments basis. Only once payment is received from debtors or made to creditors is VAT paid/claimed to/from SARS - See also notes 2, 3, 4 & 9 above.

As the impairment provision for unpaid debtors includes VAT, the amount provided for debtors - vat raised not yet due - excludes the impaired debtors in the provision above.

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### 12 SHARE CAPITAL

Issued ordinary shares	100	100
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The authorised number of ordinary shares is 10 000 with a par value of R 1 per share. The company has issued 100 ordinary shares.

### 13 ACCUMULATED FUNDS

#### Accumulated Funds Surplus(Deficit)

Balance Beginning Year - Surplus(Deficit)	21 778 904	40 328 266
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	(91 828 627)	(85 854 860)
Off Setting Depreciation /Partners Cont/Reval Reserve	75 803 974	67 305 498

Balance Year End	5 754 250	21 778 904
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#### Asset Revaluation Reserve

699 709 328	735 630 570
Less: Off Setting Depreciation	(35 921 242)
Balance Year End	699 709 328

<u>Total Accumulated Funds</u>	<u>639 215 258</u>	<u>721 488 232</u>
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#### Shareholder Contributions

Shareholder Contributions - Beginning Year	174 159 523	183 687 396
Increase in Shareholder contributions	-	-
Less: Revenue Funding Incl in Accumulated Funds	-	-
Reduction in Shareholder Contributions - Project Debtors	-	-
Less: Off Setting Depreciation	(8 424 339)	(9 527 873)
Balance Year End	165 735 184	174 159 523

<u>Accumulated Funds Surplus/(Deficit)</u>	<u>5 754 250</u>	<u>21 778 904</u>
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#### Shareholder Contributions - Projects

176 185 951	175 054 637
Umzinyathi District Municipality	85 965 783
Amajuba District Municipality	8 814 902
Newcastle Municipality	80 273 952

#### Accumulated Funds Surplus(Deficit) -Excluding

<u>Shareholder Contributions - Projects</u>	<u>(170 431 700)</u>	<u>(153 275 733)</u>
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### 14 SERVICE CHARGES

Sale of water	148 550 115	128 439 901
Total Service Charges	148 550 115	128 439 901

### 15 INTEREST EARNED - EXTERNAL INVESTMENTS

Banks	1 374 489	2 037 765
Deposits Made with Suppliers	113 786	121 521
Total Interest	1 488 275	2 159 286

### 16 GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES

#### 16.1 Project funding

Umzinyathi District Municipality	-	5 533 121
Newcastle Municipality	222 372	8 065 014
	222 372	13 598 135

Refer to Note 44

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<b>17 EMPLOYEE RELATED COSTS</b>		
Salaries and Wages	33 918 062	30 728 361
UIF, Medical, Pension and Provident Fund	6 504 375	6 919 808
Leave pay	1 785 349	1 621 004
Bonuses	2 899 273	2 388 678
Housing benefits and allowances	2 141 090	2 186 715
Overtime payments	4 666 341	3 683 409
Other	839 812	1 412 740
Long Service and Medical Aid Commitments	-	-
	<b>52 754 301</b>	<b>48 940 715</b>
<b>Included in the employee related costs are the following:</b>		
<b>Managing Director</b>		
Annual Remuneration	-	-
Travel, motor car, accommodation, subsistence and other allowances	-	-
Contributions to UIF, Medical and Pension Funds	-	-
Accumulated Leave	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Chief Financial Officer</b>		
Annual Remuneration	1 146 899	1 203 702
Travel, motor car, accommodation, subsistence and other allowances	63 168	90 497
Contributions to UIF, Medical and Pension Funds	134 780	110 221
Accumulated Leave	187 883	126 595
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 532 730</b>	<b>1 531 015</b>
<b>Heads of Departments</b>		
<b>Operations/Engineering</b>		
Annual Remuneration	1 375 968	1 380 791
Travel, motor car, accommodation, subsistence and other allowances	114 220	96 353
Contributions to UIF, Medical and Pension Funds	184 694	164 674
Accumulated Leave	300 526	250 925
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 975 408</b>	<b>1 892 744</b>
<b>Human Resources Manager</b>		
Annual Remuneration	1 357 347	1 206 328
Travel, motor car, accommodation, subsistence and other allowances	157 764	159 774
Contributions to UIF, Medical and Pension Funds	262 477	244 289
Accumulated Leave	207 297	259 526
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 984 885</b>	<b>1 869 918</b>
<b>Remuneration of directors</b>		
Chairman	-	-
Deputy Chairman	-	-
Other board members	-	-
<b>Total Director's Remuneration</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>18 DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION EXPENSE</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	79 481 162	77 325 770
Intangible assets	429 387	670 413
<b>Total Depreciation and Amortisation</b>	<b>79 910 549</b>	<b>77 996 183</b>



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### 18a REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE ON PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Expended	3 106 037	4 082 027
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The amounts reflected for the respective financial years indicate the amounts spent by the entity to repair and maintain PPE, and include costs of maintenance, preservation, monitoring, repair, refurbishment, renovation, materials, service provider and if applicable direct employee costs.

### 19 BULK PURCHASES

Water	23 302 590	21 748 791
Water services and management levy	4 446 928	4 056 185
	<u>27 749 518</u>	<u>25 804 976</u>

### 19a INTEREST PAID/ACCRUED

Overdue accounts	22 022 422	19 092 155
Refer to Note 28.2	<u>22 022 422</u>	<u>19 092 155</u>

### 20 CONTRACTED SERVICES

Professional fees and consultant costs	3 865 644	4 064 937
Legal expenses	28 500	204 286
	<u>3 894 144</u>	<u>4 269 223</u>

### 21 OPERATING EXPENSES

Included in operating expenses are the following:-

Advertising	10 000	93 282
Bank charges	80 290	81 781
Board meeting and Chairman's discretionary	38 874	188 070
Chemicals	6 293 529	7 415 020
Communications costs	837 839	917 048
Conferences and seminars	36 241	130 278
Consumables and stores	98 489	167 636
Covid-19 expenses	193 862	0
Electricity	37 924 168	31 793 389
Fuel and Oil	779 217	852 744
Forfeited Deposits	-	5 000
Insurance	817 683	781 692
Licensing of Motor Vehicles & Trailers	205 836	214 859
Membership fees	34 491	35 648
Municipal services	202 729	167 670
Postage and courier services	12 373	15 145
Printing and stationery	72 213	111 699
Protective clothing	170 086	261 783
Rental	1 325 968	1 288 081
Safety and security	754 240	623 535
Scada and telemetric costs	-	53 020
Software Licenses	625 162	640 962
Staff and other meeting costs	1 258	6 003
Staff Emergency Rations	7 088	23 270
Staff recruitment and relocation costs	11 589	30 667
Subsistence and travel	236 356	365 841
Tools and equipment	7 152	445
Training	165 707	735 748
Water analysis	2 057 300	2 484 842
	<u>52 999 739</u>	<u>49 485 157</u>

### 24 CASH GENERATED BY OPERATIONS

Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(91 828 627)	(85 854 860)
Adjustment for:-		
Provision Adjustment		914
Depreciation	79 910 549	77 996 183
Contribution to bad debt provision	(14 526)	790 873
Contribution to staff benefits provision	<u>346 169</u>	<u>948 314</u>
Operating surplus before working capital Amendments	<u>(11 586 436)</u>	<u>(6 118 575)</u>
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(53 841)	12 675
Decrease/(Increase) in consumer and other debtors	(33 458 276)	(26 353 353)
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	53 266 392	49 927 694
(Decrease)/Increase in provisions		(6 611)
(Decrease)/Increase in VAT	(293 052)	(1 830 290)
(Decrease)/Increase in Unspent Capital Grants	(222 372)	(13 598 135)
Cash generated by operations	<u>7 652 415</u>	<u>2 033 404</u>

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### 25 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents included in the cash flow

Bank balances and cash	2 120 028	1 071 481
Cash on call and short notice deposits	17 950 132	12 995 118
Net cash and cash equivalents (net of bank overdrafts)	<u>20 070 160</u>	<u>14 066 598</u>

### 26 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICY

No change in accounting policies during the year

### 28 UNAUTHORISED, IRREGULAR, FRUITLESS AND WASTEFUL EXPENDITURE DISALLOWED

#### 28.1 Unauthorised expenditure

Reconciliation of unauthorised expenditure

Opening balance	-	-
Unauthorised expenditure current year	-	-
Unauthorised expenditure awaiting authorisation	-	-

#### 28.2 Fruitless and wasteful expenditure

Reconciliation of fruitless and wasteful expenditure

Opening balance as previously reported	65 739 096	-
Correction of prior period error	-	-
Opening balance as restated	65 739 096	-
Add: Fruitless and wasteful - current	22 022 422	19 092 155
Add: Fruitless and wasteful - prior period identified in	-	46 646 941
Less: Amount recoverable - current	-	-
Less: Amount recoverable - prior period	-	-
Less: Amounts written-off - current	-	-
Less: Amounts written-off - prior period	-	-
Closing balance	<u>87 761 518</u>	<u>65 739 096</u>

R87 761 518 comprises of interest raised by the Department of Water and Sanitation on outstanding accounts. Negotiations are currently taking place between uThukela Water, the WSA's and the Department to resolve this matter.

#### 28.3 Irregular expenditure

Opening balance as previously reported	57 402 597	17 925 475
Correction of prior period error	-	-
Opening balance as restated	57 402 597	17 925 475
Add: Irregular expenditure - current	5 404 973	11 351 821
Add: Irregular expenditure - prior period identified in	-	28 125 301
Less: Amount recoverable - current	-	-
Less: Amount recoverable - prior period	-	-
Less: Amounts written-off - current	-	-
Less: Amounts written-off - prior period	-	-
Closing balance	<u>62 807 570</u>	<u>57 402 597</u>

Irregular expenditure consists of:

Expenditure of R 4 769 398 incurred by the Board relating to the consulting services of LL Cunha and Associates was considered to be irregular by the Auditor General, citing that the Board had not followed a SCM process in this regard.

Expenditure of R 635 576 relating to the SCM policy whereby suppliers did not submit MBD4 [declaration of interest] forms annually for the current year.

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### 29 ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES IN TERMS OF MUNICIPAL SECTION 27 FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT

#### 29.1 Contributions to organised local government

Opening balance		
Council subscriptions	-	-
Amount paid - current	-	-
Amount paid - previous years	-	-
Balance unpaid (included in payables)	-	-

#### 29.2 Audit fees

Audit fees paid during the year	2 097 645	1 620 384
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#### 29.3 VAT

VAT input - receivables and VAT output - payables are shown in note 11. During the year all VAT returns were submitted by the due date.

#### 29.4 PAYE

Opening Balance	-	-
Current year payroll deductions	9 639 745	8 100 348
Amount paid - current year	(9 639 745)	(8 100 348)
Balance unpaid at year end included in creditors	-	-

#### 29.5 UIF

Opening Balance	-	-
Current year payroll deductions	303 096	299 915
Amount paid - current year	(303 096)	(299 915)
Balance unpaid at year end included in creditors	-	-

#### 29.6 Medical aid

Opening Balance	-	-
Current year payroll deductions	3 061 560	2 755 786
Amount paid - current year	(3 061 560)	(2 755 786)
Balance unpaid at year end included in creditors	-	-

#### 29.7 Pension and provident fund contributions

Opening Balance	-	-
Current year payroll deductions	7 666 302	6 840 569
Amount paid - current year	(7 666 302)	(6 840 569)
Balance unpaid at year end included in creditors	-	-

### 30 COUNCILLOR'S ARREAR CONSUMER ACCOUNTS

The following Councillors had arrear accounts outstanding for more than 90 days as at: -

	Total	Outstanding less than 90 days	Outstanding more than 90 days
	R	R	R

as at 30 June 2020

Total Councillor Arrear Consumer Accounts	Nil	-	-
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as at 30 June 2019

Total Councillor Arrear Consumer Accounts	Nil	-	-
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### 31 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

Commitments in respect of capital expenditure

- Approved and contracted for Infrastructure	-	683 333
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- Approved but not yet contracted for Infrastructure	-
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Total	-	683 333
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### 32 OPERATING LEASES

At the reporting date the entity has outstanding

#### Operating leases - lessee

Within one year	(1 499 469)	(1 289 701)
In the second to fifth year inclusive	(45 091)	
After five years		
<b>Total</b>	<b>(1 544 560)</b>	<b>(1 289 701)</b>

Operating Leases consists of the following:

Operating lease payments represent rentals payable by the municipality for its head office property at Lot 600 Newcastle. The current lease expires on 31 July 2021. As well as payments payable to ITEC for rental of printers the contract of which expires on the 31/08/2022

### 33 RETIREMENT PLANS

#### 33.1 Defined contribution plans

During the year contributions were made to the following are defined contribution plans: Natal Joint Municipal Pension Fund - Provident Funds SALA pension fund. These contributions have been expensed.

#### 33.2 Defined benefit plan

The following are defined benefit plans: Natal Joint Municipal Pension Funds - Superannuation and Retirement funds and Government Employees Pension Fund. These are not treated as defined benefit plans as defined by IAS19, but are accounted for as defined contribution plans. This is in line with the exemption in IAS 19 par. 30 which states that where information required for proper defined benefit plan accounting is not available in respect of multi-employer and state plans, these should be accounted for as defined contribution plans. In respect of Natal Joint Municipal Pension Funds - Superannuation and Retirement funds regular actuarial assessments are carried out in terms of the fund rules and any actuarial deficit is recovered by a surcharge on all employer members

#### 33.3 Employees retirement funding

An amount of R5 193 081 (2019 : R4 909 959) was contributed by Council in respect of Employees retirement funding. These contributions have been expensed and are included in employee related costs for the year.

### 34 CONTINGENT LIABILITY

Claim for damages

Nil

Nil

#### 2020

There were no significant matters to report on

#### 2019

There were no significant matters to report on

### 35 CONTINGENT ASSET

#### 2020

There were no significant matters to report on

#### 2019

There were no significant matters to report on

### 36 IN-KIND DONATIONS AND ASSISTANCE

The Municipality received no in-kind donations and assistance

## NOTES TO THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

### 37 RELATED PARTIES

The nature of the relationship between the company and its shareholders, namely: the Water Service Authorities (uMzinyathi District Municipality, Amajuba District Municipality and Newcastle Municipality) is such that any transactions between the parties are related party transactions. Specific categories of such

#### Revenue Received

##### Project Contributions

Umzinyathi District Municipality  
Newcastle Municipality  
Less: Bad Debt

-
-
-
-

-
-
-
-

##### Bulk Water Services

Umzinyathi District Municipality  
Amajuba District Municipality  
Newcastle Municipality  
Less: Bad Debt

117 227 781
15 011 708
11 294 920
90 921 153
117 227 781

127 493 013
15 338 654
16 868 714
95 285 645
127 493 013

#### Year End Balances

##### Assets Funding

Umzinyathi District Municipality  
Newcastle Municipality  
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debt

316 676
316 676
-
-316 676

316 676
316 676
-
-316 676

##### Bulk Water Services

Umzinyathi District Municipality  
Amajuba District Municipality  
Newcastle Municipality  
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debt

108 943 096
5 416 863
18 056 196
85 470 038
-4 803
108 938 293

74 195 286
2 689 410
9 609 729
61 896 146
-4 803
74 190 482

##### Revenue Funding

Umzinyathi District Municipality  
Amajuba District Municipality  
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debt

82 763 673
64 191 401
18 572 273
-82 763 673

82 763 673
64 191 401
18 572 273
-82 763 673

##### Sundry (mSCOA System)

Umzinyathi District Municipality  
Amajuba District Municipality  
Newcastle Municipality  
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debt

875 503
191 303
684 200
-
-875 503

875 503
191 303
684 200
-
-875 503

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### Key Management Personnel

The nature of the related party relationship entered into by the Board and the consultancy service; LL Cunha and Associates, is detailed hereunder, and herewith this note also sets out the terms and conditions of the written agreement and subsequent written amendments, all transactions relating thereto, any commitments and outstanding balances, if any, entered between the parties.

The Consultancy service was initially introduced to the Board by Provincial Treasury in terms of a section 139 of the Constitution of SA intervention, and the objectives thereof were to provide urgently needed financial support services to the entity, including the performance by Mr LL Cunha of the Acting Chief Financial Officer duties. At the time of the engagement of the consultant, PWC SA, had issued a compilation report regarding the collapse of the financial affairs of the Board, and had proposed an urgent and immediate intervention. Financial statements had not been issued and audits had not been conducted for a period of 6 years, and the Shareholder municipalities were very concerned with the status of the entity, as it impacted quite severely on their own financial affairs. Subsequent to the recovery of the entity to unqualified audit status, and pending the establishment of a new water institution envisaged by Provincial Cabinet resolution dated 7 June 2012, the shareholder municipalities took a resolution and placed a moratorium on the appointment of any new senior management positions by the entity during the transitional phase. In October 2014 the Managing Director of the entity resigned and terminated his services with the Board, and the Board, as an interim arrangement to ensure the continuity of its operational requirements, directed the Acting CFO Mr LL Cunha, to carry the Managing Director responsibilities in addition to those of the CFO position, until otherwise directed, or pending the imminent formation of the new water institution.

Consequent to the delays with the implementation of the Provincial Cabinet decision, and the subsequent Government Gazette Notice published on the 15 December 2015 issued by the National Minister of Water Affairs and Sanitation regarding the formation of the new water institution for KZN- Natal, the Board took a decision to secure, on a relatively short term basis, the interim arrangements concerning the Acting Manager Director responsibilities, we're secured by contract terminating on the 31 March 2020. This contract was further extended, initially by 3 months to the end of June 2020, and then by 6 months to the 31 December 2020, due to the effects and prohibitions on movements imposed by the National COVID19 regulations. The leave and Performance incentives were not continued beyond the 30 June 2020 by mutual agreement due to the short term nature of the contract extensions.

No guarantees are given or provided for in the agreements except for the performance objectives required by the Board.

There are no expenses or provision created for bad or doubtful debts.

Detailed hereunder are the transactions resulting from these arrangements and contractual obligations for the period reported in the annual financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2020.

	4 769 398	5 616 283
Payments made for contracted services	3 204 538	3 356 169
Performance bonus	192 186	192 186
Payments for Ad Hoc services to LL Cunha and Associates	1 296 773	1 992 028
Payments for rental accommodation	75 900	75 900

### 38 TAXATION

The Company is exempt from the payment of income tax and duties in terms of section 10 (1) (t) (ix) of the Income Tax Act 58/1962

### 39 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

#### Change of Functions

The future of the bulk water services in the region is still being finalised by National Minister of Water Affairs

### 40 DEVIATIONS FROM SCM REGULATIONS ( SCM Regulation Number 36)

Emergency procurement	737 405	187 549
Sole supplier – Sulzer		513 217
Deviation less than R200 000.00	4 159 853	4 317 542

Supply chain deviations from SCM policy listed above were, in terms of section 36 of the municipal SCM regulations, approved by the accounting officer or officials in terms of delegated powers, and noted by the board .

The reasons for the deviations include the following: Acquisition from sole suppliers, non-responsive suppliers, supplies where mechanical units required a strip and quote, acquisitions direct from manufacturers or agents and, where in terms of Board policy, equipment was standardised. Emergency procurement and circumstances where it is impractical or not possible to follow the official procedure, are assessed in terms of the stipulated criteria by the SCM Bid Adjudication Committee.

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### 41 RISK MANAGEMENT

#### 41.1 Maximum credit risk exposure

Credit risk consists mainly of cash deposits, cash equivalents and trade debtors. The municipality only deposits cash with major banks with high quality credit. Management evaluates credit risk relating to consumer debtors and provides for impairment see note 2.

#### 41.2 Liquidity risk

The company's risk to liquidity is related to the timeous payment of bulk water accounts by its shareholding municipalities. Cash flow forecasts are prepared and adequate utilised borrowing facilities are monitored.

#### 41.3 Interest rate risk

As the company has no significant interest-bearing assets, the company's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

### 42 COMPARISON WITH THE BUDGET

The comparison of the Municipality's actual financial performance with that budgeted is set out in Appendix D.

### 43 BULK WATER LOSSES

<u>Water stock</u>	<u>2020</u> <u>ML</u>		<u>2019</u> <u>ML</u>	
Opening balance treated water	18		42	
Opening balance raw water	22		-	
Raw water purchases	50 069		48 789	
Treated water sales	42 241		42 288	
Process water in system	2 455		2 050	
Technical water loss	5 343		4 451	
Closing water stock	70		42	
<u>Water losses</u>	<u>ML</u>		<u>ML</u>	
Opening Stock Raw	22	13 222		
Opening stock Treated	18	10 818	42	26 250
Units purchased - Newcastle and Amajuba	44 593	26 800 393	43 206	27 003 750
Units purchased - Umzinyathi	5 476	163 185	5 541	141 850
Total units purchased	50 087	26 974 396	48 789	27 171 850
Units sold	42 241	146 153 860	42 288	126 864 003
Unsold process water in system	2 455	8 494 300	2 050	6 150 003
Total loss	5 391	3 239 991	4 451	2 047 460
<u>Comprising of</u>				
Technical losses	5 391	3 239 991	4 451	2 761 846
Total	5 391	3 239 991	4 451	2 761 846
Percentage loss	%		%	
Technical losses	10.76%		9.12%	
Total	10.76%		9.12%	

Bulk water losses are very carefully managed and form part of the Boards performance management monitoring program. The technical water losses of 10.76 % represents the real water losses on the bulk water supply lines from extraction to final treatment, storage and distribution. Considering the condition, age and the lack of capital infrastructure investment into these assets, the loss is considered acceptable, and within the industry norm of around 15%.

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### 44 TRANSFERS OF GRANTS AND OTHER FUNDING TO THE ENTITY TO IMPLEMENT CAPITAL PROJECTS ON BEHALF OF THE MUNICIPALITIES

The WSA's are the recipients of all government grants paid in terms of the Division of Revenue Act, and in cases where the Entity is appointed by the municipality to implement any of its capital grant projects, these are done on an implementation basis only, and the relevant municipality reflects the grants and its conditions and reports back to National or Provincial Treasury directly in relation to the requirements of the grants.

In cases where the municipality transfers its own capital funding to the Entity to implement capital projects, these are also carried out as implementing agent only, and these transfers are not conditional grants, except to say that they are for a specific purpose or project as directed by the municipality.



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APPENDIX A: ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

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**APPENDIX B: SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

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APPENDIX C: SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

2020 Actual Revenue R	2020 Actual Expenditure R	2020 Surplus/ (Deficit) R	2019 Actual Revenue R	2019 Actual Expenditure R	2019 Surplus/ (Deficit) R
-	(8 492 933)	(8 492 933)	-	(8 808 835)	(8 808 835)
-	(2 277 703)	(2 277 703)	-	(1 643 093)	(1 643 093)
-	(2 825 820)	(2 825 820)	-	(4 375 521)	(4 375 521)
2 004 126	(32 091 168)	(30 087 042)	16 179 223	(29 431 311)	(13 252 088)
-	(5 063 176)	(5 063 176)	-	(4 974 891)	(4 974 891)
-	(5 895 242)	(5 895 242)	-	(6 037 591)	(6 037 591)
-	(3 037 742)	(3 037 742)	-	(2 655 464)	(2 655 464)
-	(4 929 033)	(4 929 033)	-	(4 497 685)	(4 497 685)
148 550 115	(177 770 052)	(29 219 936)	128 439 901	(168 049 592)	(39 609 691)
150 554 241	(242 382 869)	(91 828 627)	144 619 124	(230 473 984)	(85 854 860)
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>		

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APPENDIX D: ACTUAL VERSUS BUDGET (REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments (l.t.o. s28 & s31 Of The MFMA)	Virement (l.t.o. Council Approved By- law)	2020 Final Budget	2020 Actual	Unauthorised Expenditure	2020 Variance	% Variance to Final Budget	2020 % Variance to Original Budget	Explanation for Significant Variances of more than 10% from Budget
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
<b>Financial Performance</b>										
Service charges	152 828 591	2 566 860	-	155 395 451	148 550 115	-	(6 845 336)	-4%	-3%	Conservative budget provided for Interest income due to uncertainty of payments from WSA's
Interest received	100 000	-	-	100 000	1 488 275	-	1 388 275	1388%	1388%	Other receipts are irregular receipts dependant partially on laboratory services requested by customer's
Other receipts	664 300	(664 300)	-	-	293 479	-	293 479			
<b>Total Revenue (Excluding Capital Transfers &amp; Contributions)</b>	<b>153 592 891</b>	<b>1 902 560</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>155 495 451</b>	<b>150 331 870</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(5 163 582)</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>-2%</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>										
Employee related costs	(50 605 435)	-	-	(50 605 435)	(52 754 301)		(2 148 866)	4%	4%	Provision not included in budget
Contribution to Provision for bad debts	-	-	-	-	-		-			Full effect of depreciation on assets not provided for on budget - Capital grant and revaluation depreciation off-set any not budgeted for.
Depreciation	(1 670 117)	-	-	(1 670 117)	(79 910 549)		(78 240 431)	4685%	4685%	Due to non payment from two WSA's, expenditure has been curtailed
Repairs and maintenance	(13 727 753)	58 000	-	(13 669 753)	(3 106 037)		10 563 717	-77%	-77%	Department of Water and Sanitation. Non payment of charges by WSA's and dispute with the department
Bulk water purchases	(27 494 532)	-	-	(27 494 532)	(27 749 518)		(254 986)	1%	1%	Annual adjustment not budgeted for
Interest paid/acrued	-	-	-	-	(22 022 422)	-	(22 022 422)	-8%	-7%	
Contracted services	(4 199 335)	(47 000)	-	(4 246 335)	(3 894 144)	-	352 191	-5%	-6%	
Inventory	-	-	-	-	53 841	-	53 841			
Other expenditures	(56 518 978)	(11 000)	-	(56 529 979)	(52 999 759)	-	3 530 239			
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>(154 216 151)</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(154 216 151)</b>	<b>(242 382 869)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(88 166 717)</b>	<b>(57)</b>	<b>(57)</b>	
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(623 260)</b>	<b>1 902 560</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 279 300</b>	<b>(92 050 999)</b>		<b>(93 330 299)</b>			
Partners Project Contributions					222 372		222 372	100	100	WSA capital grant projects not budgeted for
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) After Capital Transfers &amp; Contributions</b>	<b>(623 260)</b>			<b>1 279 300</b>	<b>(91 828 627)</b>		<b>(93 107 927)</b>			
<b>Capital Expenditure &amp; Funds Sources</b>										
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>										
Transfers Recognised - Capital	-	-	-	-	(1 648 854)		(1 648 854)	100	100	No Approved capital budget
Internally Generated Funds	-	-	-	-	222 372	-	222 372			
<b>Total Sources Of Capital Funds</b>					<b>1 426 482</b>		<b>1 426 482</b>			
					<b>1 648 854</b>		<b>1 648 854</b>			
<b>Cash flows</b>										
Net Cash From (Used) Operating	(623 260)	1 902 560	-	1 279 300	7 652 415					
Net Cash From (Used) Investing	-	-	-	-	(1 648 854)					
Net Cash From (Used) Financing	-	-	-	-	-					
<b>NET INCREASE/ (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(623 260)</b>	<b>1 902 560</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 279 300</b>	<b>6 003 561</b>					