

In the opinion of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, under existing law and assuming continued compliance with certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), (1) the interest on the Series 2015 Bonds (including any original issue discount properly allocable to an owner thereof) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations, (2) the interest on the Series 2015 Bonds is exempt from Nebraska income taxation by the State of Nebraska and (3) the Bonds have not been designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. See "TAX MATTERS" in this Official Statement.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT
\$5,520,000
THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REVENUE BONDS
SERIES 2015

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: August 1, as set forth on the inside cover

The Series 2015 Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and, when initially issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository for the Series 2015 Bonds. Purchases of the Series 2015 Bonds will originally be made in book-entry form only, in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, through brokers and dealers who are, or who act through, DTC participants. Beneficial owners of the Series 2015 Bonds will not receive physical delivery of bond certificates so long as DTC or a successor securities depository acts as the securities depository with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Series 2015 Bonds, payments of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2015 Bonds will be made directly to DTC. Disbursement of such payments to DTC participants is the responsibility of DTC and disbursement of such payments to the beneficial owners is the responsibility of DTC participants. Interest is payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, beginning February 1, 2016. Union Bank and Trust Company, Lincoln, Nebraska is bond registrar and paying agent for the Series 2015 Bonds (the "**Registrar**"). For terms relating to principal and interest payments made to DTC or its nominee or in the event that the use of book-entry form is discontinued, see "**THE SERIES 2015 BONDS - Book-Entry System.**"

The Series 2015 Bonds maturing on or after August 1, 2026 are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity at any time on or after August 1, 2025 as set forth herein. See "**THE SERIES 2015 BONDS - Optional Redemption.**"

The Series 2015 Bonds are being issued for the purpose of (a) paying the costs of extensions, enlargements, and improvements to the City's municipally owned and operated solid waste management facilities (the "**Enterprise**"), (b) funding the 2015 Account in the Reserve Fund established with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds, and (c) paying costs of issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds. See "**THE PROJECT**" The Series 2015 Bonds, together with all additional bonds (collectively, the "**Bonds**") presently issued and outstanding and hereafter issued pursuant to Ordinance No. 18774 of the City (as amended and supplemented from time to time, the "**Ordinance**"), are payable solely from and are secured by a pledge of the net revenues (gross revenues less operating and maintenance expenses plus depreciation) of the Enterprise and money, if any, from time to time on deposit in certain funds and accounts created by the Ordinance. See "**INTRODUCTION,**" "**SECURITY,**" and "**APPENDIX D - SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE.**"

This cover page contains certain information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of this issue. Investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

THE SERIES 2015 BONDS ARE NOT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY AND NEITHER THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE CITY OR THE STATE OF NEBRASKA (THE "STATE"), NOR ANY FUNDS DERIVED BY THE CITY FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED HEREIN, ARE PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT THEREOF. THE SERIES 2015 BONDS ARE SPECIAL, LIMITED REVENUE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY AND THE PRINCIPAL OR REDEMPTION PRICE THEREOF AND INTEREST THEREON DO NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT OR LIABILITY OF THE CITY, THE STATE OR ANY OF ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND NEITHER THE STATE NOR ANY OF ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IS LIABLE THEREON. THE SERIES 2015 BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY DEBT LIMITATION UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE. THE SERIES 2015 BONDS AND THE INTEREST THEREON DO NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OBLIGATE THE CITY, THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF TO LEVY ANY FORM OF TAXATION THEREFOR OR TO MAKE ANY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THEIR PAYMENT, AND THE SERIES 2015 BONDS DO NOT NOW AND SHALL NEVER CONSTITUTE A CHARGE AGAINST THE GENERAL CREDIT OR TAXING POWERS OF THE CITY, THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF.

MATURITY SCHEDULE – SEE INSIDE COVER

The Series 2015 Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued, subject to the approval of legality by Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Lincoln, Nebraska, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed on by Jeffery R. Kirkpatrick, City Attorney. It is expected that the Series 2015 Bonds will be available for delivery through DTC on or about July 23, 2015.

JANNEY MONTGOMERY SCOTT LLC

AMERITAS INVESTMENT CORP.

has acted as Financial Advisor with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds

The Official Statement is dated July 8, 2015

MATURITY SCHEDULE

\$5,520,000

**THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REVENUE BONDS
SERIES 2015**

<u>Maturity (August 1,)</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Rate of Interest</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Price</u>
2016	\$220,000	2.000%	0.380%	101.651%
2017	225,000	3.000	0.700	104.610
2018	230,000	4.000	1.020	108.846
2019	235,000	5.000	1.260	114.623
2020	240,000	5.000	1.500	116.870
2021	-	-	-	-
2022	245,000	5.000	2.020	119.418
2023	255,000	5.000	2.170	120.733
2024	260,000	5.000	2.300	121.885
2025	270,000	5.000	2.430	122.738
2026	280,000	3.000	2.710*	102.529
2027	290,000	3.000	2.920*	100.690
2028	300,000	3.000	3.070	99.252
2029	310,000	3.000	3.150	98.309
2030	325,000	3.125	3.220	98.875
2031	340,000	3.125	3.280	98.079
2032	350,000	3.250	3.330	98.966
2033	365,000	3.250	3.370	98.388
2034	380,000	3.375	3.410	99.512
2035	400,000	3.375	3.450	98.921

* Yield to first optional call date of August 1, 2025.

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REGARDING USE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

AUTHORIZED INFORMATION AND REPRESENTATIONS

No dealer, broker, sales representative or other person has been authorized by The City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the “**City**”) to give any information or to make any representations, other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by any of the foregoing. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Series 2015 Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. The information set forth herein has been furnished by the City and other sources which are believed to be reliable, but such information is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness, and is not to be construed as a representation, by the Underwriter. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstance, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the City since the date hereof.

The Underwriter intends to offer the Series 2015 Bonds initially at the offering prices set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement, which may subsequently change without any requirement of prior notice.

REGISTRATION EXEMPTION

The Series 2015 Bonds have not been registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), in reliance upon an exemption contained in the Securities Act. In making an investment decision, investors must rely upon their own examination of the City, the City’s solid waste management facilities and the terms of the offering, including the merits and risks involved. No federal or state securities commission or regulatory authority has recommended the Series 2015 Bonds. Moreover, none of the foregoing authorities has confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of this Official Statement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Official Statement contains “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of federal securities laws. These forward-looking statements include statements about the City’s future plans and strategies, and other statements that are not historical in nature. These forward-looking statements are based on the current expectations of the City. When used in this Official Statement, the words “plan,” “expect,” “estimate,” “budget,” “intend,” “anticipate,” “should,” “will,” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve future risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and experience to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed in forward-looking statements. These future risks and uncertainties include those discussed in the “**BONDHOLDERS’ RISKS**” section of this Official Statement. The City undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this Official Statement to reflect future events or developments.

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IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITER MAY OVERALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE SERIES 2015 BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

\$5,520,000
THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REVENUE BONDS
SERIES 2015

INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement is provided by The City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the “**City**”) to furnish information about the City, its municipally owned and operated solid waste management facilities (the “**Enterprise**”), and its \$5,520,000 Solid Waste Management Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 (the “**Series 2015 Bonds**”). The Series 2015 Bonds are being issued pursuant to Ordinance No. 18774 duly passed by the Council on July 31, 2006 and approved by the Mayor on August 2, 2006, as amended and supplemented from time to time including, but not limited to, Ordinance No. 20163, passed by the Council on March 2, 2015 and approved by the Mayor on March 5, 2015 (collectively, the “**Ordinance**”). The Series 2015 Bonds, together with the City’s \$7,315,000 outstanding principal amount of Solid Waste Management Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (the “**Outstanding Parity Bonds**”) and all additional solid waste management revenue or revenue refunding bonds hereinafter issued by the City pursuant to the Ordinance and outstanding thereunder, are secured by a first lien on and payable solely from the Net Revenues (hereinafter defined) of the Enterprise, which have been pledged to the payment of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2015 Bonds and the Outstanding Parity Bonds pursuant to the Ordinance.

The City will use the proceeds of the Series 2015 Bonds, together with other legally available funds of the City, to (a) pay the costs of extensions, enlargements and improvements to the Enterprise, (b) make a deposit into the 2015 Account in the reserve fund established for the Series 2015 Bonds, and (c) pay costs of issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds.

Any descriptions of and references to the Series 2015 Bonds, the Ordinance, related transaction documents and other matters do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the complete texts thereof, copies of which are available for inspection at the offices of the Financial Advisor in Lincoln, Nebraska. Definitions of initially capitalized terms used in this Official Statement and a summary of the Ordinance may be found in “**APPENDIX D - SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE.**”

AUTHORITY

The Series 2015 Bonds are authorized pursuant to the provisions of Sections 15-244 and 18-1803 to 18-1805, inclusive, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, Article IX, Section 44, of the City’s Home-Rule Charter and the Ordinance. The Ordinance permits the issuance of solid waste management revenue refunding bonds (the “**Refunding Bonds**”) and additional solid waste management revenue bonds (the “**Additional Bonds**”) on a parity with the Series 2015 Bonds and the Outstanding Parity Bonds. See “**APPENDIX D - SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE - Additional Bonds.**”

SECURITY

The Series 2015 Bonds, together with the Outstanding Parity Bonds, any Refunding Bonds and Additional Bonds hereinafter issued by the City in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance (collectively, the “**Bonds**”), are payable solely from and secured by a pledge of the Net Revenues. The Ordinance defines (a) “**Net Revenues**” as Revenues less Operation and Maintenance Expenses plus

Depreciation, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise; (b) **“Revenues”** as (1) all income and revenues derived from the use or operation of the Enterprise, including investment and rental income, sale of useable materials and any net proceeds from business interruption insurance, plus (2) the proceeds of the occupation tax imposed by Section 8.32.150 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, plus (3) such other revenues and income as shall be determined to be appropriate in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise, but excluding any amounts received from the sale of assets of the Enterprise; (c) **“Operation and Maintenance Expenses”** as the necessary expenditures for operating and maintaining the Enterprise and shall include expenditures generally classified as operating expenses in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise; and (d) **“Depreciation”** as depreciation and amortization expenses with respect to the Enterprise, classified as such in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise. **Upon the issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds, the Series 2015 Bonds and the Outstanding Parity Bonds will be the only outstanding indebtedness payable from and secured by a lien on the Net Revenues. The full faith and credit of the City is not pledged to the payment of the Bonds.**

The Ordinance establishes a 2015 Reserve Account for the Series 2015 Bonds and requires the deposit therein of an amount equal to the Reserve Requirement for the Series 2015 Bonds. The **“Reserve Requirement”** with respect to a Series of Bonds is defined to be the lower of (a) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements on such Series of Bonds or (b) 125% of the average annual principal and interest requirements on such Series of Bonds; provided that the amount required to be deposited into a Reserve Account in the Reserve Fund in connection with the issuance of any Series of Bonds shall not exceed 10% of the original principal amount of such Series of Bonds (adjusted as required by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the **“Code”**) for any original issue discount or original issue premium). If the aggregate initial offering price of the Series 2015 Bonds to the public is less than 98% or more than 102% of par, such offering price shall be used in clause (a) in lieu of the stated principal amount. A separate reserve account has been established for the Outstanding Parity Bonds and the Ordinance requires the creation of similar reserve accounts for Additional Bonds and Refunding Bonds hereinafter issued pursuant to the Ordinance.

Pursuant to the Ordinance, the City has also agreed that it will include in the resolution approving the City’s annual budget pursuant to its Charter, a designation and appropriation of General Fund cash balances to pay Operation and Maintenance Expenses in an amount sufficient to produce Net Revenues equal to 110% of the annual Debt Service due and payable in such Fiscal Year if and to the extent the Net Revenues in such Fiscal Year are less than 125% of the annual Debt Service due and payable in such Fiscal Year and to the extent that such General Fund cash balances are available. The City has historically included such appropriation language in its budget resolution.

The foregoing and other material covenants of the City, including, provisions as to rates and charges for solid waste management provided through the Enterprise, the issuance of Additional Bonds or Refunding Bonds, annual independent audits of records, and disposition of properties of the Enterprise, as contained in the Ordinance for the security of the registered owners of the Bonds, are set forth in **“APPENDIX D - SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE.”**

ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

Sources of Funds:

Principal Amount of Series 2015 Bonds	\$5,520,000.00
Plus Net Original Issue Premium	<u>303,674.65</u>
Total Sources:	\$5,823,674.65

Uses of Funds:

2015 Construction Fund	\$5,270,350.89
2015 Account in Reserve Fund	421,943.76
Underwriter's Discount	55,200.00
Costs of Issuance	<u>76,180.00</u>
Total Uses:	\$5,823,674.65

THE PROJECT

The proceeds of the Series 2015 Bonds will be used to (a) finance the costs of (1) improvements, additions and replacements to the City's Bluff Road Landfill facility, including maintenance building, leachate facilities, liner/leachate improvements and roadways, (2) the City's 48th Street Landfill facility, including final cover and end use determination projects and (3) waste diversion projects including compost site improvements, recycling drop off sites, household hazardous waste facilities and related improvements (collectively, the "**2015 Project**"), (b) fund the 2015 Account in the Reserve Fund, and (c) pay the costs of issuing the Series 2015 Bonds. Accumulated Revenues from the Enterprise will be used to pay remaining costs of the 2015 Project, if any.

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DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The following table sets forth the debt service requirements for the Series 2015 Bonds and Outstanding Parity Bonds for each of the years ending August 31:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Outstanding Parity Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2015 Bonds</u>		<u>Total</u>
		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2015	\$746,202	-	-	\$ 746,202
2016	745,702	\$220,000	\$205,818	1,171,520
2017	755,152	225,000	196,944	1,177,096
2018	756,602	230,000	190,194	1,176,796
2019	742,902	235,000	180,994	1,158,896
2020	747,840	240,000	169,244	1,157,084
2021	996,040	-	157,244	1,153,284
2022	442,040	245,000	157,244	844,284
2023	443,840	255,000	144,994	843,834
2024	445,040	260,000	132,244	837,284
2025	445,640	270,000	119,244	834,884
2026	445,640	280,000	105,744	831,384
2027	445,500	290,000	97,344	832,844
2028	444,500	300,000	88,644	833,144
2029	442,900	310,000	79,644	832,544
2030	-	325,000	70,344	395,344
2031	-	340,000	60,188	400,188
2032	-	350,000	49,563	399,563
2033	-	365,000	38,188	403,188
2034	-	380,000	26,325	406,325
2035	-	400,000	13,500	413,500
TOTALS	<u>\$9,045,540</u>	<u>\$5,520,000</u>	<u>\$2,283,648</u>	<u>\$16,849,188</u>

THE ENTERPRISE

Introduction

The Enterprise provides comprehensive integrated solid waste management programs for residents of the City and Lancaster County, Nebraska (the “**County**”). The City does not own or operate any refuse hauling trucks nor has the City entered into any contracts with private-sector haulers as a means of controlling or stabilizing the City’s waste stream. Forty-one refuse haulers currently have licenses to operate in the City. The ten largest refuse haulers accounted for 54% of the Enterprise’s total receipts in fiscal year 2013-2014 and 59% of the Enterprise’s total receipts in fiscal year 2012-2013. The City’s corporate limits encompass approximately 80 square miles and the land area in the County totals approximately 840 square miles. The Enterprise’s solid waste management programs also serve the communities of Bennet, Davey, Denton, Firth, Hickman, Hallam, Malcolm, Panama, Raymond, Roca, Sprague and Waverly, all of which are located within the County. The City’s population increased an estimated 6.4% between the years 2009 and 2014, from 256,333 in 2009 to 272,823 in 2014. The County’s population increased an estimated 6.6% over the same time period, from 283,097 in 2009 to 301,795 in 2014.

Solid Waste Management Plan 2040

The development of a Solid Waste Management Plan for the City and Lancaster County (the “**Solid Waste Plan 2040**”) began mid-year 2012 and was completed in November of 2013. This Plan was developed with the assistance of a 20 member Advisory Committee. The Solid Waste Plan 2040 provides a guide for policy decisions regarding solid waste management systems, facilities and programs for approximately the next 25 years. The development of a comprehensive, integrated solid waste management plan was identified as a key strategy in the Lincoln-Lancaster County 2040 Comprehensive Plan (LPlan 2040), adopted in October 2011. A Needs Assessment was completed to establish a basis for the development of the long-term, comprehensive, integrated solid waste management plan. The Needs Assessment is available on the City’s website at <http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/waste/sldwaste/solidwasteplan2040/documents.htm>.

Strategies for solid waste management include (a) developing standards for future commercial and industrial development to ensure proper space for separation and handling of recyclables and solid waste and amending zoning ordinances to encourage new commercial centers to provide space for recycling drop-off facilities, (b) reducing urban acreage developments which could impact future landfill and electric system operations, (c) implement initiatives based on Solid Waste Plan 2040 for the City and County, (d) creating a County-wide, integrated, environmentally safe and conservation-oriented recycling and waste management system, (e) minimizing the use of energy in solid waste management processes, and (f) continuing the development of the City’s Landfill Gas Collection and Control Project.

Enterprise Components

The Enterprise includes a permitted municipal solid waste landfill (including an active landfill gas collection system), a permitted construction and demolition waste landfill, a small vehicle transfer station, a yard waste composting facility, and a recycling drop-off program, each of which are discussed below.

Municipal Solid Waste Landfill. The Enterprise’s permitted municipal solid waste landfill is located at 6001 Bluff Road and operates as the “Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill” under NDEQ Permit NE0120995. The permit is effective from May 16, 2013 to May 15, 2018. A total of 171 acres are permitted for the disposal of solid waste. The capacity of the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill is 25,201,000 cubic yards, excluding liner and final cover systems. The Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill began operation in October, 1988 and, as of August 31, 2014, had an estimated remaining capacity of 46%, which is equivalent to an estimated remaining life of approximately 23 years. The Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill received 284,152 tons of solid waste in fiscal year 2013-2014. Construction of Phase 1 of an active gas collection system was completed in September 2011 and Phase 2 was completed in June 2014. On November 8, 2011 the City and Lincoln Electric System (“LES”) entered into an agreement by Executive Order #84554 whereby LES will pay the City \$1.10/MMBTU (adjusted annually) for the landfill gas. The minimum delivery and purchase obligations began in September 2013. The term of the agreement is 20 years, with an option to renew for an additional 15 years.

Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill. The Enterprise’s permitted construction and demolition waste landfill is located at 5101 North 48th Street and operates as the “North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill” under NDEQ Permit NE0203921. The permit is effective from July 14, 2013 to July 13, 2018. A total of 121 acres are permitted for disposal of construction and demolition waste and the capacity of the site is 2,259,000 cubic yards, excluding the final cover system. The North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill began operation in 1986 and, as of August 31, 2014 had an estimated remaining capacity of 42%, which is equivalent to an estimated remaining life of approximately 15 years. The North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill received 101,993 tons of material in fiscal year 2013-2014.

Small Vehicle Transfer Station. The Enterprise's small vehicle transfer station also exists at 5101 North 48th Street. It does not require a permit to operate. The small vehicle transfer station began operation in 1990. The small vehicle transfer station accepts all vehicles having a one-ton rating (cars, passenger vehicles, or cargo vehicles) or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less; and trailers with a flatbed carrying size of 60 square feet or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less; or any combination of acceptable vehicles and trailers. The small vehicle transfer station accepted 6,960 tons of waste from approximately 21,500 vehicles (excluding wood waste and yard waste also collected at the facility) in fiscal year 2013-2014.

Yard Waste Composting Facility. The Enterprise composts yard waste at 6001 Bluff Road in addition to operating the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill. The yard waste composting facility does not require a permit to operate. The composting of yard waste began in October, 1992 in response to the requirements imposed by the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act (Chapter 13, Article 20, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended). The yard waste composting operation processed 20,808 tons of material (including wood waste) in fiscal year 2013-2014.

Recycling Drop-Off Program. The Enterprise includes recycling drop-offs at 30 locations within the County, 22 of which are located within the City limits. Multiple materials are collected at 28 of the locations and two of the locations collect only newspapers, all of which are located within the City limits. The materials collected through the recycling drop-off program include aluminum cans, tin cans, cardboard, glass, mixed paper, newspaper and #1 through #5 plastics. A total of 5,273 tons of material was collected and recycled through the recycling drop-off program in fiscal year 2013-2014.

Collection of Banned Materials

Separate collection areas exist at both the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill and the Small Vehicle Transfer Station for items that are banned from land disposal. Those collection areas accept scrap tires, waste appliances, scrap metals, used oils and discarded lead-acid batteries. In fiscal year 2013-2014, 51 tons of scrap tires, 192 tons of waste appliances and scrap metals, and approximately 4,000 gallons of used oils were accepted and processed through contracted recyclers and a local metal recycler. Freon was removed from 127 waste appliances during this same period.

Licensure Requirements

Waste haulers collecting and conveying certain types of solid wastes and operating within the corporate limits of the City are required by Section 8.32 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to obtain a license from the Director of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department on an annual basis. All waste hauler licenses expire on May 31st of each calendar year. There are currently 41 waste haulers who have licenses to operate in the City. The ten licensed waste haulers recording the largest amount of activity in fiscal year 2013-2014 with the Enterprise's disposal facilities accounted for 54% of the total financial transactions in fiscal year 2013-2014 and 59% of the total financial transactions in fiscal year 2012-2013.

Special Programs and Activities

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department conducts several solid waste related programs and activities. These programs include nuisance complaint (related to solid waste) investigation, special waste permitting, household hazardous waste and conditionally exempt small quantity generator collection events and public education, cleanup of emergency response incidents, and neighborhood clean-ups and illegal dumping prevention. The funding for these programs is derived, in part, from the Solid Waste Management Revenue Fund, which is an enterprise fund comprised of revenue generated from (a) a per ton tipping fee on all refuse disposed of in the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill,

(b) the Occupation Tax (hereinafter defined), (c) other fees authorized by the City Council, and (d) revenue received from the sale of landfill gas, the sale of materials and disposal of assets.

Rates and Charges

The current rates, fees and charges for the Enterprise were imposed by Resolution No. A-86945, passed by the City Council on August 8, 2012 and approved by the Mayor on August 10, 2012. A rate increase imposed by Resolution No. A-88489, passed by the City Council on August 18, 2014 and approved by the Mayor on August 21, 2014, will be effective September 1, 2015 and will increase the per ton rate at the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill from \$16.00 per ton to \$17.75 per ton (from \$5.20 per cubic yard to \$5.85 per cubic yard). Current rates (in accordance with A-86945) fees and charges are as follows:

SCHEDULE A -- Small Vehicle Transfer Station

FLAT FEE SCHEDULE

The following rates shall be applied to all vehicles having a one-ton rating or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less; and trailers with a flatbed carrying size of 60 square feet or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less using the Small Vehicle Transfer Station:

Cars per vehicle trip	\$3.00
Passenger Vehicles per vehicle trip	\$6.00
Cargo Vehicles per vehicle trip	\$11.00
Trailers per vehicle trip	\$11.00
Any above vehicle and trailer per vehicle trip	\$14.00

Any uncovered load will be assessed an additional amount equal to 50% of the charge for such load.

SCHEDULE B – Municipal Solid Waste Landfill

COMPUTED (WEIGHED) RATE SCHEDULE

The following rate shall be applied to all vehicles greater than a one-ton rating, trailers with a flatbed carrying size of greater than 60 square feet, and all vehicles and trailers regardless of weight or size with a cargo height of greater than 5 feet using the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill on a load weight basis as follows:

\$16.00 Per Ton

The minimum charge shall be equal to the per ton rate of \$16.00. For periods that the scale is inoperative, the rate charged shall be \$5.20 per cubic yard. Any uncovered load will be assessed an additional amount equal to 50% of the computed charge for such load. The minimum fee for uncovered loads shall be \$50.00.

SCHEDULE C – Compost Facility

FLAT FEE SCHEDULE

The following rates shall be applied to all vehicles having a one-ton rating or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less; and trailers with a flatbed carrying size of 60 square feet or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less using the Compost Facility:

Cars per vehicle trip	\$3.00
Passenger Vehicles per vehicle trip	\$6.00
Cargo Vehicles per vehicle trip	\$11.00
Trailers per vehicle trip	\$11.00
Any above vehicle and trailer per vehicle trip	\$14.00

Any uncovered load will be assessed an additional amount equal to 50% of the charge for such a load.

COMPUTED (WEIGHED) RATE SCHEDULE

The following rate shall be applied to all vehicles greater than a one-ton rating, trailers with a flatbed carrying size of greater than 60 square feet and all vehicles and trailers regardless of weight or size with a cargo height of greater than 5 feet using the Compost Facility on a load weight basis as follows:

\$15.75 Per Ton

The minimum charge shall be equal to the per ton rate of \$15.75. For periods that the scale is inoperative, the rate charged shall be \$8.00 per cubic yard. Any uncovered load will be assessed an additional amount equal to 50% of the computed charge for such load. The minimum fee for uncovered loads shall be \$50.00.

SCHEDULE D – Construction and Demolition Debris Landfill

FLAT RATE SCHEDULE

The following rates shall be applied to all vehicles having a one-ton rating or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less; and trailers with a flatbed carrying size of 60 square feet or less, with a cargo height of 5 feet or less using the Construction and Demolition Debris Landfill:

Cars per vehicle trip	\$4.00
Passenger Vehicles per vehicle trip	\$4.00
Cargo Vehicles per vehicle trip	\$4.00
Trailers per vehicle trip	\$4.00
Any above vehicle and trailer per vehicle trip	\$4.00

COMPUTED (WEIGHED) RATE SCHEDULE

The following rate shall be applied to all vehicles greater than a one-ton rating, trailers with a flatbed carrying size of greater than 60 square feet, all vehicles and trailers regardless of weight or size with a cargo height of greater than 5 feet using the Construction and Demolition Debris Landfill on a load weight basis:

\$4.00 Per Ton

The minimum charge shall be equal to the per ton rate of \$4.00. For periods that the scale is inoperative, the rate charged shall be \$4.00 per cubic yard.

SCHEDULE E – Special Wastes

- 1. Special Wastes as defined by Municipal Code 8.32.080
 - 1a. Special Wastes landfilled directly with other refuse at time of disposalSchedule B per ton rate plus \$5.00 per permit administrative fee

Minimum Charge (1 ton rate plus \$5.00)..... 21.00
 - 1b. Special Wastes requiring segregation from other refuse at time of disposal (including, but not limited to, asbestos containing materials).....Schedule B per ton rate plus \$25.00 per load special handling fee

Minimum Charge (1 ton rate plus \$25.00)..... 41.00
 - 1c. Cars, Passenger Vehicles, Cargo Vehicles and Trailers as defined in Schedule A with Special Wastes..... Applicable Schedule A fee plus \$5.00 per permit administrative fee

SCHEDULE F - Special Fees

- 1. All whole and processed tires (portions of tires)
 - 1a. Car passenger tire or light truck tire.....\$3.00 each plus applicable Schedule A or Schedule B fees
 - 1b. Heavy (over-the-road) truck tire\$6.50 each plus applicable Schedule A or Schedule B fees
 - 1c. Farm or industrial (off-road) tire.....\$11.50 each plus applicable Schedule A or Schedule B fees
- 2. All appliances prohibited from land disposal.

Appliances.....\$5.00 each plus applicable Schedule A or Schedule B fees
- 3. The following fee shall be assessed for wastes which are unacceptable, including but not limited to out of county wastes, or prohibited from land disposal, if they are found to exist in a load and the vehicle driver refuses to remove the waste or place the waste in designated areas.

Unacceptable waste loads rejected..... \$50.00 per occurrence

Occupation Tax

Section 8.32.150 of the Lincoln Municipal Code generally imposes (a) an occupation tax of \$9.00 on each ton of refuse collected by a refuse hauler within Lancaster County, Nebraska but outside the corporate limits of the City and which is deposited in the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill and (b) an occupation tax of \$9.00 on each ton of refuse collected by a refuse hauler within the corporate limits of the City, regardless of where it is deposited ((a) and (b) collectively, the “**Occupation Tax**”). The

Occupation Tax, however, may not be imposed upon (1) refuse destined for deposit at any location outside the State of Nebraska, (2) building rubbish or demolition debris lawfully being deposited into the North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill, or (3) liquid waste, as defined in Section 8.32.040 of the Lincoln Municipal Code. Section 8.32.150 of the Lincoln Municipal Code requires that all revenue derived from the Occupation Tax be used exclusively for funding solid waste management programs, including the payment of principal and interest on solid waste management revenue bonds issued by the City. In *Waste Connections of Nebraska, Inc. v. City of Lincoln, Nebraska*, 269 Neb. 855, 697 N.W.2d 256 (2005), the Nebraska Supreme Court unanimously affirmed the City's authority to levy the Occupation Tax.

Ordinance 20082 passed by City Council on August 18, 2014 and approved by the Mayor on August 21, 2014 will increase the Occupation Tax rate from \$9.00 per ton to \$11.00 per ton effective September 1, 2015.

Closure and Post-Closure Activities

State and federal laws require the City to close its permitted landfills once their capacity has been reached. The City is required to monitor and maintain the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill for 30 years subsequent to its closure and monitor and maintain the North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill for 5 years subsequent to its closure. Although certain closure and post-closure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that each landfill stops accepting waste, the City reports a portion of these costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each balance sheet date. The City, in a review conducted by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) in 2014, was demonstrated to be in compliance with the financial assurance requirements specified in NDEQ Title 132, *Integrated Solid Waste Management Regulations*, for calendar year 2014, through application of the Local Government Financial Test.

As of August 31, 2014, the City had incurred a liability of approximately \$11,900,000 for the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill, which represents the total closure and post-closure care costs reported to date therefor based on the use of an estimated 54% of the total landfill capacity thereof. The remaining estimated liability for the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill is approximately \$10,000,000, which will be recognized as the remaining capacity (estimated to be 23 years) of the Bluff Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill is used.

As of August 31, 2014 the City had incurred a liability of approximately \$593,000 for the North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill, which represents the total closure and post-closure care costs reported to date therefor based on the use of an estimated 58% of the total landfill capacity. The remaining estimated liability for the North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill is approximately \$432,000, which will be recognized as the remaining capacity (estimated to be 15 years) of the North 48th Street Construction and Demolition Waste Landfill is used.

The estimated costs of closure and post-closure care are subject to change based on the effects of inflation, revisions to applicable laws, changes in technology, the sequence of landfill development and closure and other variables. In addition to constructing engineered capping and cover systems, other activities that are required to continue during closure and post-closure periods include, without limitation, landfill gas monitoring and control, groundwater monitoring, and management of leachate and storm water. Site security is also maintained and acceptable vegetation is maintained through mowing and weed control efforts. A Remedial Action Plan is in place to address environmental concerns that occur during the closure and post-closure periods.

The City owns a solid waste disposal area which discontinued operations in 1990. Although exempt from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency *Solid Waste Disposal Facility Criteria* issued October 9, 1991,

the City adheres to certain closure and post-closure care requirements under prior legislation, including the construction and maintenance of final cover, monitoring of ground water quality and landfill gas migration and general site maintenance. As of August 31, 2014, a liability for closure and post-closure care costs was reported for the discontinued landfill in the amount of approximately \$4,213,000. As with the permitted landfills, these closure and post-closure costs were reported as an operating expense in each financial reporting period.

Employee Information

The Enterprise has 35.47 employees as of the date of this Official Statement. All employees, with the exception of one manager who is not represented by any bargaining unit, are represented by the Public Association of Governmental Employees (PAGE), the Lincoln City Employees Association (LCEA) or the Lincoln "M" Class Employees Association (LMCEA). In addition to Social Security, the City has a contributory retirement plan for its employees, including employees of the Enterprise. The plan is a straight money purchase plan. Employee forfeitures are used to reduce the employer's contribution. All past service costs and vested benefits are fully funded. The total retirement expense for employees of the Enterprise, including Social Security, was \$326,960 for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014.

Those employees of the City charged with the management functions of the Enterprise, their areas of responsibility and related experience are as follows:

Miki Esposito	Director of Public Works & Utilities		
		Years of Related Experience:	3
		Years with City of Lincoln:	5
Donna Garden	Assistant Director of Public Works & Utilities		
		Years of Related Experience:	12
		Years with City of Lincoln	1
Fran Mejer	Public Works & Utilities Business Manager		
		Years of Related Experience:	23
		Years with City of Lincoln:	23
Karla Welding	Superintendent of Solid Waste Operations		
		Years of Related Experience:	20
		Years with City of Lincoln:	29

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FIVE-YEAR STATEMENT OF HISTORICAL OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth the historical operations of the Enterprise for each of the fiscal years ended August 31:

Fiscal Year Ended <u>August 31</u>	Annual Solid Waste in Tons	Revenues ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Average Revenue Per Ton	Net Operating Costs ⁽³⁾	Net Operating Revenue	Debt Service Requirement	Debt Service Coverage
2010	352,089	\$7,377,385	\$20.95	\$5,768,077	\$1,609,308	\$340,425	4.7
2011	383,040	7,615,130	19.88	6,253,133	1,361,997	342,425	3.9
2012	404,953	7,745,565	19.13	6,376,120	1,369,445	344,025	3.9
2013	446,497	7,933,037	17.77	7,087,935	845,102	608,463	1.4
2014	406,953	9,132,756	22.44	7,319,215	1,813,541	748,128	2.4

- (1) Revenues are: (a) total operating revenues, including tipping fees; plus (b) total non-operating revenues, including occupation taxes and investment income but excluding gains or losses realized from the disposal of capital assets; plus (c) such other revenues and income as are determined to be appropriate in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise.
- (2) Includes occupation taxes imposed upon refuse haulers who collected refuse within the corporate limits of the City but disposed of such refuse at landfills not owned by the City and averaged \$135,942 from 2010 to 2014.
- (3) Depreciation, closure and post closure care costs, and capital contributions not included.

PROJECTED OPERATING RESULTS AND DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE

Fiscal Year Ending <u>August 31</u>	Annual Solid Waste in Tons	Revenues ⁽¹⁾	Revenue Per Ton	Net Operating Costs ⁽²⁾	Net Operating Revenue	Debt Service Requirement ⁽³⁾	Debt Service Coverage
2015	406,953	\$ 9,112,128	\$22.39	\$7,526,375	\$1,585,753	\$ 788,185	2.0
2016	406,953	10,205,950 ^(a)	25.07	7,857,821	2,348,129	1,159,470 ^(e)	2.0
2017	406,953	11,301,927 ^(b)	27.72	8,192,581	3,109,346	1,362,741 ^(f)	2.3
2018	406,953	12,452,634 ^(c)	30.60	8,541,091	3,911,543	1,784,640 ^(g)	2.2
2019	406,953	13,636,966 ^(d)	33.50	8,907,208	4,729,758	1,949,793 ^(h)	2.4

- (1) Revenues are: (a) total operating revenues, including tipping fees; plus (b) total non-operating revenues, including occupation taxes and investment income but excluding gains or losses realized from the disposal of capital assets; plus (c) such other revenues and income as are determined to be appropriate in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise.
- (2) Depreciation, closure and post closure care costs, and capital contributions not included.
- (3) Component for Series 2015 Bonds, proposed Series 2017 Bonds, Series 2018 Bonds and Series 2019 Bonds based on preliminary estimates of rates and maturities.
- (a) \$1.75/ton tipping fee increase and a \$2.00/ton occupation tax increase for the fiscal year ending 2016. This increase has been approved by City Council.
- (b) \$2.00/ton tipping fee increase and a \$2.00/ton occupation tax increase proposed for the fiscal year ending 2017.
- (c) \$2.00/ton tipping fee increase and a \$2.00/ton occupation tax increase proposed for the fiscal year ending 2018.
- (d) \$2.00/ton tipping fee increase and a \$2.00/ton occupation tax increase proposed for the fiscal year ending 2019.
- (e) Increase due to issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds.
- (f) Increase due to \$1,800,000 bond issue proposed in the fiscal year ending 2017.
- (g) Increase due to \$4,000,000 bond issue proposed in the fiscal year ending 2018.
- (h) Increase due to \$1,600,000 bond issue proposed in the fiscal year ending 2019.

The foregoing projections have been prepared by the business office of the Public Works and Utilities Department. The proposed rate increase for fiscal year ending 2016 has been approved by the City

Council. The proposed rate increases and bond issues for fiscal years ending 2017, 2018, and 2019 have not been approved by City Council. The City currently anticipates that such proposed bond issues will be used for the purposes of providing for extensions, enlargements and improvements to the Enterprise.

There can be no assurance that the financial results achieved by the City in the future will be similar to historical and projected results contained herein. See “FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS” and “BONDHOLDERS’ RISKS – Summary Financial Information” elsewhere in this Official Statement.

BONDHOLDERS’ RISKS

This section provides a general overview of certain risk factors which should be considered, in addition to the other matters set forth in this Official Statement, in evaluating an investment in the Series 2015 Bonds. This section is provided for convenience and is not meant to be a comprehensive or definitive discussion of the risks associated with an investment in the Series 2015 Bonds, and the order in which this information is presented does not necessarily reflect the relative importance of various risks.

Prospective purchasers of the Series 2015 Bonds are advised to consider the following factors, among others, and to review this entire Official Statement, including the appendices hereto, to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision. Any one or more of the risk factors discussed below, among others, could lead to a decrease in the market value and/or in the marketability of the Series 2015 Bonds or adversely affect the ability of the City to make timely payments of principal of or interest on the Series 2015 Bonds. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to the City or that the City currently believes are immaterial may also impair its operations or financial condition.

General

The Series 2015 Bonds are revenue obligations of the City secured by a first lien on and payable solely from the Net Revenues of the Enterprise. No representation or assurance can be given that the City will realize Net Revenues in amounts sufficient to pay the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2015 Bonds. The realization of future Net Revenues is dependent upon, among other things, the capabilities of the management of the Enterprise, competition from other refuse haulers, and future changes in economic and other conditions that are unpredictable and cannot be determined at this time.

Summary Financial Information

Certain summarized historical and projected financial information of the Enterprise is summarized in this Official Statement, including **Appendix A** hereto. There can be no assurance that the financial results achieved by the City in the future will be similar to historical or projected results contained therein. Such future results will vary from historical and projected results, and actual variations may be material. Therefore, the historical and projected operating results of the Enterprise contained in this Official Statement cannot be viewed as a representation that the City will be able to generate sufficient revenues in the future to make timely payment of principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on its debt obligations, including the Series 2015 Bonds.

Factors Affecting the Net Revenues of the Enterprise

One or more of the following factors or events, or the occurrence of other unanticipated factors or events, could adversely affect the Net Revenues of the Enterprise to an extent that cannot be determined at this time:

Competition and Demand for Services. The City does not own or operate any refuse hauling trucks nor has the City entered into any contracts with private-sector haulers as a means of controlling or stabilizing the City's waste stream. Forty-one refuse haulers currently have licenses to operate in the City. The ten largest refuse haulers accounted for 54% of the Enterprise's total receipts in fiscal year 2013-2014 and 59% of the Enterprise's total receipts in fiscal year 2012-2013. For the fiscal years ended August 31, 2014 and 2013, approximately 3% and 2%, respectively, of the refuse collected in the City was transported to facilities other than the City's and the City collected no tipping fee. Because tipping fees accounted for approximately 50% of the Enterprise's revenues for the year ended August 31, 2014, a substantial percentage increase in refuse transported to facilities not owned by the City could have a detrimental impact on the financial status of the Enterprise. However, because all refuse haulers collecting refuse within the corporate limits of the City are subject to the Occupation Tax regardless of where such refuse is transported, the Occupation Tax can be used to stabilize the Revenues of the Enterprise.

The nearest competitor for the City's landfill is a privately-owned landfill in Milford Nebraska. It is located approximately 25 miles from the City of Lincoln. The Milford operation charges \$45 per ton (Municipal Solid Waste), compared with the City's current charge of \$16 per ton. Any refuse collected within the corporate limits of the City but disposed of in Milford is subject to an occupation tax paid to the City of Lincoln. For fiscal year ended 2014, approximately 12 tons of trash was transported to the Milford landfill, generating approximately \$108,000 in occupation tax for the City. From fiscal years 2010 to 2014, the average refuse hauled to the Milford landfill was approximately 15 tons of refuse, generating approximately \$109,000 in average annual occupation tax for the City.

Government Regulation. Various health and safety regulations and standards apply to the Enterprise and are enforced by various state and local departments and agencies. Violations of certain health and safety standards could result in closure of some or all of the facilities comprising the Enterprise. The Enterprise is currently in compliance with all existing health and safety regulations; however, it is possible that such standards may change and the City cannot guarantee that the facilities comprising the Enterprise will meet any such changed standards or that the City will not be required to expend significant sums in order to comply with such changed standards.

Environmental Regulation. The Enterprise is subject to continuing environmental regulation. Federal, state and local standards and procedures that regulate the environmental impact of solid waste management facilities are subject to change. These changes may arise from continuing legislative, regulatory and judicial action regarding such standards and procedures. Consequently, there is no assurance that facilities in operation will remain subject to the regulations currently in effect, will always be in compliance with further regulations or will always be able to obtain all required operating permits. An inability to comply with environmental standards could result in reduced operating levels or the complete shutdown of some or all of the facilities comprising the Enterprise. See "**THE ENTERPRISE – Closure and Post-Closure Activities.**"

Waste Diversion Efforts. A significant rise in waste diversion efforts, including waste reduction, recycling and composting could reduce demand for the City's landfills which could materially adversely affect the Net Revenues.

Absence of Credit Enhancement

No form of credit enhancement will be or has been obtained in connection with the Series 2015 Bonds. No form of revenues other than the Net Revenues derived by the City from the Enterprise will be available for the payment of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2015 Bonds.

Enforcement of Remedies

Enforcement of the remedies under the Ordinance may be limited or restricted by state and federal laws relating to bankruptcy, fraudulent conveyances, and rights of creditors and by application of general principles of equity affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights and liens securing such rights, and the exercise of judicial authority by state or federal courts, and may be subject to discretion and delay in the event of litigation or statutory remedy procedures. The legal opinion to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2015 Bonds will be qualified as to the enforceability of the Ordinance by limitations imposed by state and federal laws, rulings and decisions affecting remedies, and by general principles of equity and by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors. In the event of a default, no assurance can be given that the exercise of remedies provided in the Ordinance will provide proceeds sufficient to make timely payments of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2015 Bonds.

Secondary Market

There can be no guarantee that there will be a secondary market for the Series 2015 Bonds or, if a secondary market exists, that the Series 2015 Bonds can be sold for any particular price. Occasionally, because of general market conditions or because of adverse history or economic prospects connected with a particular issue, secondary marketing practices in connection with a particular issue are suspended or terminated. Additionally, prices of issues for which a market is being made will depend upon then-prevailing circumstances. Such prices could be substantially different from the original purchase price.

THE SERIES 2015 BONDS

General

The Series 2015 Bonds will initially be issued in fully registered, book-entry form only (see **"Book-Entry System"** under this heading) in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof; be dated the date of delivery (the **"Date of Original Issue"**); bear interest from the Date of Original Issue payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing February 1, 2016; mature on August 1 in the years and in the principal amounts and bear interest at the rates (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve, 30-day months) set forth on the inside cover of this Official Statement. Each installment of interest shall be payable by check or draft mailed by Union Bank and Trust Company, the bond registrar and paying agent for the Series 2015 Bonds (the **"Registrar"**), on the due date thereof (or on the next business day if such due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or bank holiday applicable to the Registrar) to the registered owner of a Series 2015 Bond as shown on the bond registration records maintained by the Registrar as of the Record Date (hereinafter defined). The principal of each Series 2015 Bond is payable only upon the surrender of such Series 2015 Bond to the Registrar. The **"Record Date"** for each installment of interest shall be the 15th day (whether a business day or not) of the calendar month next preceding the interest payment date.

Book-Entry System

General. The Depository Trust Company (**"DTC"**), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Series 2015 Bonds. The ownership of one fully registered Series 2015 Bond for each maturity, as set forth on the inside cover of this Official Statement, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee for DTC. Ownership interests in the Series 2015 Bonds will be available to purchasers only through a book-entry system maintained by DTC (the **"Book-Entry System"**). A description of DTC, the Book-Entry System and

definitions of initially capitalized terms used herein are found in “**APPENDIX F - BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM.**”

Risk Factors. Beneficial Owners of the Series 2015 Bonds may experience some delay in their receipt of distributions of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2015 Bonds because such distributions will be forwarded by the Registrar to DTC, credited by DTC to its Direct Participants, and then credited to the accounts of the Beneficial Owners either directly or indirectly through Indirect Participants.

Because transactions in the Series 2015 Bonds can only be effected through DTC, DTC Participants and certain banks, the ability of a Beneficial Owner to pledge Series 2015 Bonds to persons or entities that do not participate in the Book-Entry System, or otherwise to take actions in respect of such Series 2015 Bonds, may be limited due to the lack of physical certificates. Beneficial Owners will not be recognized by the Registrar as registered owners for purposes of the Ordinance, and Beneficial Owners will be permitted to exercise the rights of registered owners only indirectly through DTC and DTC Participants.

Optional Redemption

Series 2015 Bonds maturing on or prior to August 1, 2025 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. Series 2015 Bonds maturing on or after August 1, 2026 are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the City in whole or in part, at any time on or after August 1, 2025 in such principal amounts and from such maturity or maturities as the City shall specify and by lot in integral multiples of \$5,000 within a maturity at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount then being redeemed, together with accrued interest on such principal amount to the date fixed for redemption.

Notice and Effect of Call for Redemption

Notice of redemption will be mailed by first class mail by the Registrar no fewer than 30 days prior to the redemption date to the registered owner of each Series 2015 Bonds, all or a portion of which is called for redemption. Each notice of redemption shall designate the Series 2015 Bonds to which such notice relates, the Date of Original Issue of such Series 2015 Bonds, the redemption date, the redemption price, the place or places of redemption (including the name and address of the Registrar), the CUSIP number (if any) of the maturity, and, if less than all of such maturity, the distinctive certificate numbers of the Series 2015 Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed and, in the case of any Series 2015 Bonds to be redeemed in part only, the respective portions of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. Each such notice shall also state that on the redemption date there will become due and payable on each of such Series 2015 Bonds, or portions thereof, the redemption price thereof, together with interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption, and that from and after such redemption date, interest thereon shall cease to accrue, and shall require that such Series 2015 Bonds be then surrendered at the address of the Registrar specified in the redemption notice. Failure of any owner to receive notice or any defect in any such notice shall not affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for redemption.

So long as DTC is effecting book-entry transfers of the Series 2015 Bonds, the Registrar will provide the notices of Series 2015 Bonds to be redeemed to DTC. It is expected that DTC will, in turn, notify the DTC Participants and that the DTC Participants, in turn, will notify or cause notification to be given to the Beneficial Owners. Any failure on the part of DTC or a DTC Participant, or failure on the part of a nominee of a Beneficial Owner of a Bond (having been mailed notice from the Registrar, a DTC Participant or otherwise) to notify the Beneficial Owner of the Bond so affected, will not affect the validity of the redemption of such Bond.

Interchangeability and Transfer

The Series 2015 Bonds, upon surrender thereof to the Registrar with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by the registered owner or its duly authorized attorney, may, at the option of the registered owner thereof, be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of Series 2015 Bonds in registered form of the same series, rate of interest, maturity and of any authorized denomination.

In all cases in which the privilege of exchanging or transferring the Series 2015 Bonds is exercised, the City shall execute and the Registrar shall deliver the Series 2015 Bonds in accordance with the Ordinance. For every such transfer or exchange of Series 2015 Bonds, the Registrar shall require the payment by the registered owner requesting such transfer or exchange of any tax or other governmental charges payable with respect thereto, and may charge a sum not exceeding the actual cost for each new Bond.

Neither the City nor the Registrar is required to make any such exchange or registration of transfer of Series 2015 Bonds during the period between a Record Date and the next succeeding interest payment date or, in the case of any proposed redemption of Series 2015 Bonds, after notice of the redemption of such Series 2015 Bonds or any portion thereof shall have been given pursuant to the Ordinance.

The foregoing procedures do not apply to Beneficial Owners, whose transfer and exchange privileges will be governed by the procedures described under **“THE SERIES 2015 BONDS - Book-Entry System”** herein so long as the Series 2015 Bonds are held in book-entry format.

RATINGS

Moody’s Investors Service has assigned the Series 2015 Bonds the rating of “Aa2” and Standard & Poor’s has assigned the Series 2015 Bonds the rating of “AA+.” Such ratings reflect only the views of such organizations, and an explanation of the significance of such ratings may be obtained from Moody’s Investors Service, 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007, telephone (212) 553-0300, and Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, 55 Water Street, New York, New York, 10041, telephone (212) 438-2124.

Generally, rating agencies base their ratings on such information and materials and investigations, studies and assumptions furnished to and obtained and made by the rating agencies. The debt ratings are not a recommendation to purchase, sell or hold a security, inasmuch as they do not comment as to market price or suitability for a particular investor. There can be no assurance that the above ratings will remain for any given period of time or that they may not be lowered, suspended or withdrawn entirely by either or both rating services if they deem circumstances are appropriate. Any downward change in, suspension or withdrawal of either or both ratings may have a material adverse effect on the market price of the Series 2015 Bonds.

TAX MATTERS

The following is a summary of the material federal and State of Nebraska income tax consequences of holding and disposing of the Series 2015 Bonds. This summary is based upon laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions now in effect, all of which are subject to change (possibly on a retroactive basis). This summary does not discuss all aspects of federal income taxation that may be relevant to investors in light of their personal investment circumstances or describe the tax consequences to certain types of owners subject to special treatment under the federal income tax laws (for example, dealers in securities or other persons who do not hold the Series 2015 Bonds as a capital asset, tax-exempt organizations,

individual retirement accounts and other tax deferred accounts, and foreign taxpayers), and, except for the income tax laws of the State of Nebraska, does not discuss the consequences to an owner under any state, local or foreign tax laws. The summary does not deal with the tax treatment of persons who purchase the Series 2015 Bonds in the secondary market. Prospective investors are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding federal, state, local and other tax considerations of holding and disposing of the Series 2015 Bonds.

Opinion of Bond Counsel

In the opinion of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Lincoln, Nebraska, Bond Counsel, under the law existing as of the issue date of the Series 2015 Bonds:

Federal and Nebraska Tax Exemption. The interest on the Series 2015 Bonds (including any original issue discount properly allocable to an owner thereof) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is exempt from income taxation by the State of Nebraska.

Alternative Minimum Tax. Interest on the Series 2015 Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations, but is taken into account in determining adjusted current earnings for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations.

Bank Qualification. The Series 2015 Bonds have not been designated as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” for purposes of Section 265(b) of the Code.

Bond counsel’s opinions are provided as of the date of the original issue of the Series 2015 Bonds, subject to the condition that the City comply with all requirements of the Code that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds in order that interest thereon be, or continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The City has covenanted to comply with all such requirements. Failure to comply with certain of such requirements may cause the inclusion of interest on the Series 2015 Bonds in gross income for federal and the State of Nebraska income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds. Bond Counsel is expressing no opinion regarding other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds but has reviewed the discussion under the heading “**TAX MATTERS.**”

Other Tax Consequences

Original Issue Discount. For federal income tax purposes, original issue discount (“**OID**”) is the excess of the stated redemption price at maturity of a Series 2015 Bond over its issue price. The issue price of a Series 2015 Bond is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Series 2015 Bonds of that maturity have been sold (ignoring sales to bond houses, brokers, or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents, or wholesalers). Under Section 1288 of the Code, OID on tax-exempt bonds accrues on a compound basis. The amount of OID that accrues to an owner of a Series 2015 Bond during any accrual period generally equals (1) the issue price of that Series 2015 Bond, plus the amount of OID accrued in all prior accrual periods, multiplied by (2) the yield to maturity on that Series 2015 Bond (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period), minus (3) any interest payable on that Series 2015 Bond during that accrual period. The amount of OID accrued in a particular accrual period will be considered to be received ratably on each day of the accrual period, will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and will increase the owner’s tax basis in that Series 2015 Bond. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the calculation and accrual of OID.

Original Issue Premium. If a Series 2015 Bond is issued at a price that exceeds the stated redemption price at maturity of the Series 2015 Bond, the excess of the purchase price over the stated redemption price at maturity constitutes “premium” on that Series 2015 Bond. Under Section 171 of the Code, the purchaser of that Series 2015 Bond must amortize the premium over the term of the Series 2015 Bond using constant yield principles, based on the purchaser’s yield to maturity. As premium is amortized, the owner’s basis in the Series 2015 Bond and the amount of tax-exempt interest received will be reduced by the amount of amortizable premium properly allocable to the owner. This will result in an increase in the gain (or decrease in the loss) to be recognized for federal income tax purposes on sale or disposition of the Series 2015 Bond prior to its maturity. Even though the owner’s basis is reduced, no federal income tax deduction is allowed. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the calculation and accrual of bond premium.

Sale, Exchange or Retirement of Series 2015 Bonds. Upon the sale, exchange or retirement (including redemption) of a Series 2015 Bond, an owner of the Series 2015 Bond generally will recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of cash and the fair market value of any property received on the sale, exchange or retirement of the Series 2015 Bond (other than in respect of accrued and unpaid interest) and such owner’s adjusted tax basis in the Series 2015 Bond. To the extent a Series 2015 Bond is held as a capital asset, such gain or loss will be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Series 2015 Bond has been held for more than 12 months at the time of sale, exchange or retirement.

Reporting Requirements. In general, information reporting requirements will apply to certain payments of principal, interest and premium paid on the Series 2015 Bonds, and to the proceeds paid on the sale of the Series 2015 Bonds, other than certain exempt recipients (such as corporations and foreign entities). A backup withholding tax will apply to such payments if the owner fails to provide a taxpayer identification number or certification of foreign or other exempt status or fails to report in full dividend and interest income. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to an owner will be allowed as a credit against the owner’s federal income tax liability.

Collateral Federal Income Tax Consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2015 Bonds should be aware that ownership of the Series 2015 Bonds may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, certain S corporations with “excess net passive income,” foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax, life insurance companies, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry or have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to the Series 2015 Bonds. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding these tax consequences. Purchasers of Series 2015 Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to the applicability of these tax consequences and other federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Series 2015 Bonds, including the possible application of state, local, foreign and other tax laws.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The City has entered into an undertaking (the “**Undertaking**”) for the benefit of the holders of the Series 2015 Bonds to provide certain financial information and operating data to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“**MSRB**”) annually and to provide notice to the MSRB of certain events, in order to assist the Underwriter with complying with its obligations under Rule 15c2-12 (“**Rule**”) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. See “**APPENDIX E—FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING.**”

A failure by the City to comply with the Undertaking will not constitute an event of default with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds, although any holder would have any available remedy at law or in equity, including seeking specific performance by court order, to cause the City to comply with its obligations under the Undertaking. Any such failure must be reported in accordance with the Rule and must be considered by any broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer before recommending the purchase or sale of the Series 2015 Bonds in the secondary market. Consequently, such a failure may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Series 2015 Bonds and their market price. The City believes it has complied, in all material respects, with its previous undertakings under the Rule in the past five years.

LITIGATION

There is not now pending any litigation restraining or enjoining the issuance or delivery of the Series 2015 Bonds or questioning or affecting the validity of the Series 2015 Bonds or the proceedings and authority under which they are to be issued. None of the creation, organization or existence of the City or the title of the members of the Council or other officers of the City to their respective offices is being contested or questioned.

There is no litigation pending that in any manner questions the right of the City to pass the Ordinance pursuant to which the Series 2015 Bonds are being issued.

LEGAL MATTERS

All legal matters incident to the authorization and issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds are subject to the approval of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed on by Jeffery R. Kirkpatrick, City Attorney. Certain of the fees of Bond Counsel are contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Series 2015 Bonds.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The financial statements and schedules of (a) the Enterprise for the years ended August 31, 2014 and 2013, included in “**APPENDIX B – SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**,” and (b) the City for the year ended August 31, 2014 with summarized financial information as of August 31, 2013, included in “**APPENDIX C – CITY OF LINCOLN GENERAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**” to this Official Statement have been audited by BKD LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report appearing herein. Neither the Enterprise nor the City have requested BKD LLP to perform any updating procedures subsequent to the date of its independent auditors report on the Enterprise’s 2014 and 2013 financial statements, and the City’s 2014 financial statements.

UNDERWRITING

The Series 2015 Bonds are being purchased by Janney Montgomery Scott LLC (the “**Underwriter**”). The Underwriter has agreed, subject to certain conditions, to purchase the Series 2015 Bonds from the City at a price of \$5,768,474.65, which is the \$5,520,000.00 aggregate principal amount of the Series 2015 Bonds plus a net original issue premium of \$303,674.65 and less an underwriting discount of \$55,200.00 for its services in underwriting the Series 2015 Bonds. The Series 2015 Bonds may be offered and sold to certain dealers (including underwriters and other dealers depositing such Bonds into investment trusts) at prices lower than such public offering prices.

MISCELLANEOUS

All estimates and assumptions herein have been made on the basis of the best information available and are believed to be reliable, but no representations whatsoever are made that such estimates or assumptions

are current or will be realized. So far as any statements herein involve matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, they are intended merely as such and not as representations of fact.

The information set forth in this Official Statement should not be construed as representing all of the conditions affecting the City or the Series 2015 Bonds.

This Official Statement is issued by the City.

THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

APPENDIX A

THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

THE CITY OF LINCOLN

General

Lincoln, the capital of Nebraska, is located in southeastern Nebraska near the center of population of the state. The City was originally incorporated in 1869. It is approximately midway between Chicago and Denver. It has an area of 92.82 square miles, and in its growth and development has annexed five other municipalities so that the City includes most of the urban area of Lancaster County. It enjoys a unique position in Nebraska as the center of the state governmental and educational activities.

Population

The 1980 population of the City was 171,932; the 1990 population was 191,972; the 2000 population was 225,588; and the 2010 population was 258,379, a 14.5 percent increase over the 2000 count. The 2010 count represents 90.5 percent of the population of Lancaster County, the county in which the City is located. The estimated 2014 population is 268,738.

City Government

The City, operating under a home rule charter, has a mayor-council form of government with an elected full-time chief executive, the Mayor, and an elected legislative body, the Council, composed of seven members. Three are elected at large and four by district on a nonpartisan basis for a term of four years. The administration of City government is performed under the direction of the Mayor by administrative departments.

City government has a broad range of responsibilities, including electric, water, and sanitary sewer systems, and an impressive park and playground system of over 6,557 acres maintained for public use, nine public swimming pools, and five public golf courses. The City has cooperated actively with the county government in several joint governmental buildings, and in other specific areas of responsibility, including health, planning, civil defense, data processing, tax collection, parks, and jail facilities. There are cooperative agreements with the United States government on parks and flood control, with the University of Nebraska on planning and property transfer, with the area Watershed District on flood control, and with the Lincoln School District on recreation.

Transportation

The Lincoln metropolitan area is served by Interstate 80, and U.S. Highways 2, 6, 34, and 77.

Lincoln is served by two commercial airports with daily shuttle service available between locations. The Lincoln Municipal Airport is located less than 10 minutes from downtown and has daily departures to Chicago, Denver, Minneapolis and Atlanta. Eppley Airfield, located in east Omaha, is 65 minutes from downtown Lincoln and offers service from numerous airlines. Together the two airports offer more than 100 arrivals and departures daily. The Lincoln Municipal Airport also offers General Aviation services. The General Aviation runway is 8,649 feet long, and the runway is lit dusk to dawn.

Railroad transportation facilities include those of Burlington Northern/Santa Fe and Union Pacific, both maintaining yards in Lincoln. AMTRAK provides daily passenger and package express services. Ground transportation is furnished by Greyhound/Black Hills Stage Lines, multiple taxi companies and local StarTran bus services.

The average commute in Lincoln is 19 minutes and nearly 18 percent of area commuters spend less than 10 minutes on the road.

Government Center

The State Capitol, an architectural achievement located in Lincoln, is considered one of the most impressive in all the 50 states. Other state governmental facilities in the City include the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications facility, the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission headquarters, the Lincoln Regional Center (state hospital), and the Nebraska Penal Complex.

Federal agencies in Lincoln include regional offices of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (Mid-West Regional Technical Service Center), the Immigration & Naturalization Service and the Veterans Administration, as well as the state offices of other federal agencies. There is also a U.S. Veterans Medical Facility.

Lancaster County offices are also located in Lincoln, the county seat.

Education

The University of Nebraska, with approximately 24,207 students, Nebraska Wesleyan University, with approximately 2,065 students, Union College, with approximately 881 students, Kaplan University, with approximately 462 students, Bryan LGH College of Health Sciences with approximately 714 students, and Southeast Community College, with approximately 10,168 students and with a number of facilities for both full-time and part-time occupational training, are located in the City of Lincoln. The City's modern and progressive school system, with an enrollment of over 39,066 is served by 6 high schools, 11 middle schools, and 38 elementary schools. Lincoln is home to over 30 private and parochial schools. Lincoln's private school offerings range from pre-K to high school institutions. Affiliations include Roman Catholic, Lutheran, SDA, and nondenominational Christians.

Building Permits and Property Values

LAST TEN YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	COMMERCIAL 1 CONSTRUCTION		RESIDENTIAL 1 CONSTRUCTION		PROPERTY VALUE 2		TOTALS
	# PERMITS	VALUE	# PERMITS	VALUE	COMMERCIAL	RESIDENTIAL	
2014	1,197	\$ 264,070,303	2,300	\$ 249,343,435	\$ 4,962,314,863	\$ 11,403,992,418	\$ 16,366,307,281
2013	1,341	484,317,980	2,323	250,266,476	4,787,396,700	11,181,988,692	15,969,385,392
2012	1,372	338,918,061	2,319	186,712,560	4,476,953,562	10,745,000,908	15,221,954,470
2011	1,320	223,215,672	2,336	155,181,140	4,477,256,519	10,648,151,681	15,125,408,200
2010	1,234	241,509,266	2,225	116,914,465	4,438,463,100	10,546,474,527	14,984,937,627
2009	1,196	199,331,086	1,794	104,316,385	4,382,749,195	10,839,440,027	15,222,189,222
2008	1,064	274,267,477	2,261	149,678,215	4,246,365,596	10,723,170,809	14,969,536,405
2007	994	293,968,408	2,820	202,786,768	4,236,340,817	10,402,515,684	14,638,856,501
2006	1,088	263,006,153	3,150	195,885,622	3,814,534,869	9,083,290,211	12,897,825,080
2005	1,092	204,677,969	3,387	277,158,200	3,694,097,147	8,727,702,573	12,421,799,720

¹ City of Lincoln, Building and Safety Department.

² Lancaster County Assessor.

Police and Fire Protection

Lincoln has fourteen fire stations manned by 282 firefighters and three police stations with 319 police officers.

City Employee Information

For the 2014-2015 fiscal year, contracts have been signed with all but two of our unions. Unions include: the Lincoln Police Union (LPU) representing police officers; the International Association of Firefighters (IAF) representing firefighters, the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) representing transit workers, the Public Association of Government Employees (PAGE) representing labor, trades, and clerical personnel, the City Employees Association (CEA) representing supervisory, highly technical, and professional personnel, and the Lincoln M Class Employees Association (LMCEA) representing upper management, administration and professional personnel. The LPU and IAF contracts have not been negotiated and are operating under the terms of their prior year contracts. All other contracts will expire at the end of August, 2016.

Since the inception of labor contracts in 1970, the City of Lincoln has been able to handle its labor relations in such a manner as to avoid interruptions, although it has been necessary to use the facilities of the Nebraska Commission of Industrial Relations on issues involving the International Association of Firefighters, International Brotherhood of Police Officers, and the Public Association of Government Employees.

SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LINCOLN SMSA (LANCASTER COUNTY) NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

	MAY 31, 2014		NOVEMBER 30, 2014	
	Number Employed	Percent of Total	Number Employed	Percent of Total
Industry Manufacturing:				
Durable Goods	8,674	4.6	8,749	4.6
Nondurable Goods	5,149	2.7	5,182	2.7
Total Industry Manufacturing	13,823	7.3	13,931	7.3
Nonmanufacturing:				
Natural Resource & Construction	7,980	4.2	8,117	4.3
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	10,906	5.8	10,979	5.8
Wholesale Trade	4,111	2.2	4,082	2.1
Retail Trade	20,014	10.7	21,048	11.0
Information	2,491	1.3	2,651	1.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	14,510	7.7	14,719	7.7
Services (except domestic)	73,498	39.1	74,202	38.9
Government	40,849	21.7	40,888	21.5
Total Nonmanufacturing	174,359	92.7	176,686	92.7
TOTAL	188,182	100.0	190,617	100.0

Lincoln is proud to have some of the nation's leading industrial companies as local employers, including Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Burlington Northern Railroad, Archer-Daniels-Midlands Company, Kawasaki Motors Corporation USA, and Square D.

As of December 2014 the unemployment rate in Lincoln was 2.7%, notably one of the lowest unemployment rates in the United States.

LINCOLN SMSA (LANCASTER COUNTY LABOR FORCE DATA 2013-2004) (For the Calendar Year Indicated)

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Civilian Labor Force	167,515	165,931	162,266	160,154	159,634	160,601	157,841	156,204	156,033	156,100
Unemployment	5,898	5,993	6,587	6,818	6,944	4,837	4,365	4,308	5,603	5,470
Percent of Labor Force	3.5	3.6	4.1	4.3	4.3	3.0	2.8	2.8	3.6	3.5
Employment	161,617	159,938	155,679	153,336	152,690	155,764	153,476	151,896	150,430	150,630

STATE OF NEBRASKA

Percent of Labor Force										
Unemployment	3.9	4.0	4.5	4.7	4.7	3.3	3.0	3.0	3.9	3.9

Source: State of Nebraska, Department of Labor

* Labor Force Data for 2014 is unavailable at date of print

**LINCOLN PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS
CURRENT YEAR**

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Percentage of Total City Employment</u>
State of Nebraska	8,988	1	4.95 %
Lincoln Public Schools	7,975	2	4.39
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	6,179	3	3.40
BryanLGH Medical Center	3,796	4	2.09
US Government	3,206	5	1.77
City of Lincoln	2,593	6	1.43
Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center	2,350	7	1.29
Burlington Northern Railroad	2,000	8	1.10
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital	1,400	9	0.77
B&R Stores, Inc.	1,391	10	0.77
Total	39,878		21.96 %

**DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS
LAST TEN YEARS**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population 1</u>	<u>Per Capita Personal Income 2</u>	<u>School Enrollment 3</u>
2014	268,738	\$	39,066
2013	265,404	42,743	37,845
2012	262,341	41,584	36,902
2011	258,379	39,018	36,530
2010	254,001	37,231	35,896
2009	251,624	36,653	34,973
2008	248,744	38,204	34,061
2007	241,167	36,624	33,466
2006	239,213	35,251	32,934
2005	238,625	33,644	32,505

Sources:

1 Lincoln/Lancaster Planning Department.

2 U.S. Dept. of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Per Capital Income is based on Lincoln Metropolitan Statistical Area, which includes all of Lancaster and Seward Counties. Per Capita Income for 2014 is unavailable.

3 Lincoln Public Schools.

Median age from the 2010 census was 31.8. Education statistics per the 2010 Census indicate that 92.4% of the population 25 years and older has a high school degree or greater with 35.2% of the same population holding a Bachelor's degree or greater.

**LINCOLN UTILITY CUSTOMERS
LAST TEN YEARS**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Water Customers</u>	<u>Gas Customers</u>	<u>Electricity Customers</u>
2014	81,196	96,368	131,915
2013	80,418	95,480	130,537
2012	79,698	94,592	129,163
2011	79,184	94,231	128,373
2010	78,740	93,916	129,322
2009	77,973	93,679	128,115
2008	77,532	93,419	126,978
2007	76,816	93,301	124,878
2006	75,919	92,824	123,376
2005	74,649	92,152	121,508

Source: Indicated Utility Companies



SELECTED FINANCIAL STATISTICS

GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION ¹ LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Fiscal Year	General Government	Public Safety	Streets And Highways	Culture And Recreation	Economic Opportunity	Health And Welfare	Mass Transit	Debt Service	Totals
2014	\$ 51,044,096	72,833,698	21,054,394	25,172,100	13,792,741	22,097,954	14,419,436	36,449,212	256,863,631
2013	42,761,424	72,489,536	18,355,326	22,323,942	12,831,193	21,339,175	11,980,828	31,721,325	233,802,749
2012	39,048,320	70,444,362	18,471,067	22,518,532	14,673,671	22,070,619	10,288,935	31,689,831	229,205,337
2011	36,622,362	69,537,057	18,335,078	21,794,585	15,811,914	21,993,415	15,088,883	26,439,462	225,622,756
2010	35,865,006	64,679,523	19,832,223	21,483,873	15,359,628	21,652,729	12,034,413	17,032,401	207,939,796
2009	34,428,477	63,984,484	16,445,304	22,449,569	11,321,242	20,349,757	9,575,670	16,990,105	195,544,608
2008	35,278,575	61,147,903	16,482,240	21,686,564	14,685,668	21,053,132	10,707,601	14,427,795	195,469,478
2007	33,946,258	60,953,651	17,430,452	21,719,544	11,670,315	20,378,863	14,877,357	11,589,720	192,566,160
2006	34,666,641	60,064,604	16,928,575	20,938,212	12,623,307	25,566,267	8,901,327	11,016,269	190,705,202
2005	32,532,685	58,669,932	17,064,845	21,669,847	14,870,592	19,126,931	8,306,921	10,562,993	182,804,746

¹ Includes General, Special Revenue, and Debt Service Funds.

GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES BY SOURCE ¹ LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Fiscal Year	Taxes And Special Assessment	Inter-Governmental	Permits And Fees	Reimbursement For Services	Investment Earnings	Other	Totals
2014	\$ 172,251,539	79,378,553	23,794,402	14,283,172	10,571,021	10,985,173	311,263,860
2013	166,316,730	81,340,882	22,936,015	8,341,522	1,732,354	12,037,497	292,705,000
2012	161,333,989	68,267,660	20,239,031	7,850,732	4,744,887	20,209,185	282,645,484
2011	144,632,640	71,532,824	18,524,372	7,521,366	5,454,877	11,279,552	258,945,631
2010	131,562,303	61,640,301	16,432,219	7,004,334	5,197,259	6,467,138	228,303,554
2009	130,360,416	75,099,973	17,119,002	6,600,299	5,791,391	7,818,015	242,789,096
2008	130,094,818	73,830,720	18,013,104	6,511,457	6,806,258	7,667,778	242,924,135
2007	125,328,388	63,928,043	19,126,239	6,491,112	10,371,565	7,052,107	232,297,454
2006	121,857,986	60,757,501	18,423,079	7,063,192	4,082,196	7,886,377	220,070,331
2005	119,318,079	63,180,171	16,535,049	6,936,334	4,327,311	12,028,417	222,325,361

¹ Includes General, Special Revenue, and Debt Service Funds.

**SPECIAL ASSESSMENT COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN YEARS ¹**

Fiscal Year Ended <u>August 31</u>	Special Assessment Collections <u>Including Interest</u>
2014	\$ 1,577,645
2013	1,021,572
2012	1,151,931
2011	1,103,720
2010	1,136,150
2009	1,071,238
2008	1,418,936
2007	1,448,146
2006	1,667,037
2005	1,413,582

¹ Special assessment collections are not tracked by levy year, therefore the portion of collections during any year that apply to any particular levy cannot be determined.

Authority to Levy Taxes

Article IX, Section 3 of the Home Rule Charter of the City provides that the City shall have power to levy a tax each year for general revenue purposes upon all property subject to taxation; provided that the maximum amount of taxes that can be levied by the City in any one year for general revenue purposes shall not exceed an amount known as the City tax limit. The City tax limit is a tax ceiling established by using the September 1, 1966 City dollar tax limit as an initial tax limit, and increasing that tax limit each year following 1966 by 7% so that in each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the City tax limit shall be the amount of the city tax limit for the previous year, plus 7% thereof. In addition, the City also has the power to levy taxes each year sufficient to pay any judgment existing against the City and the interest on bonded debt and the principal on any bonded debt maturing during the fiscal year or within six months thereafter, as well as taxes authorized by state law. The City is also authorized to receive all taxes collected and distributed pursuant to state law and in lieu of tax payments imposed by law. The 2014 tax levy for the 2014-2015 fiscal year is \$127,141,801 below the legal limit, a tax rate per \$100 valuation of .31958. The assessed value upon which the 2014 levy is based is \$17,380,126,373. By charter, only 90% of the property tax levy may be appropriated.

For the 2014-2015 fiscal year the City is subject to a state imposed lid on the appropriation of “restricted funds”, that are revenues received from property tax, sales tax, state aid, in-lieu of tax and highway allocation fees. Bonded indebtedness, capital improvements, and costs associated with inter local agreements are exempt from the lid. For 2014-2015 the City can also use authority equal to the greater of 2.5% or the amount of real growth in the tax base that was 1.573%. An additional 1% can be authorized by a 75% vote of the City Council but was not utilized for the 2014-2015 budget. The 2014-2015 budget is \$13,339,709 below the state imposed lid limit.

**PROPERTY TAX LEVIED AND COLLECTED
LAST TEN YEARS**

The fiscal year of the City begins September 1 and ends August 31. Taxes are levied in October. First installments of real estate taxes are delinquent the following April 1, second installments delinquent August 1; personal property taxes are delinquent April 1 and August 1. Delinquent taxes bear 14 percent interest. The figures below include interest and penalties. The figures below do not include motor vehicle in lieu of ad valorem taxes.

Tax Year	Taxes Levied	Collected As Of August 31		Accumulated Collections As Of August 31, 2014	
		Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
2014	\$ 54,007,569	\$ 52,616,370	97.42 %	\$ 52,616,370	97.42 %
2013	52,644,511	51,226,109	97.31	52,590,023	99.90
2012	50,201,909	48,788,943	97.19	50,131,930	99.86
2011	45,620,336	44,206,917	96.90	45,565,359	99.88
2010	45,210,589	43,791,366	96.86	45,191,351	99.96
2009	45,885,354	44,385,970	96.73	45,879,271	99.99
2008	45,231,843	43,526,689	96.23	45,050,396	99.60
2007	43,339,708	41,815,295	96.48	43,314,455	99.94
2006	40,930,818	39,549,553	96.63	40,927,826	99.99
2005	38,793,370	37,488,504	96.64	38,749,283	99.89

TEN LARGEST TAXPAYERS

Listed below are the ten largest taxpayers in the City of Lincoln as reported by the County Assessor. These taxpayers each pay less than five percent of the total taxes levied.

Taxpayers	Type of Business	2014 Assessed Valuations	Percentage Of Total Assessed Valuation
B & J Partnership Ltd.	Building Management	\$ 89,450,400	0.52%
Burlington Northern	Railroad	86,184,394	0.50%
Kawasaki	Manufacturing	71,904,009	0.42%
Chateau Van Dorn LLC	Real Estate Development	63,329,443	0.37%
Nebco	Construction/Development	61,314,738	0.36%
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp	Insurance	59,539,049	0.35%
WEA Gateway LLC	Retail Management	58,201,700	0.34%
BryanLGH	Hospital	48,142,800	0.28%
Windstream	Telecommunications	46,124,247	0.27%
Assurity Life Insurance Co.	Insurance	41,180,873	0.24%
		\$ 625,371,653	3.65%

CITY SALES TAX INFORMATION

The City had a one percent (1%) sales and use tax through June 30, 1985. Effective July 1, 1985 the sales and use tax was raised to one and one half percent (1.5%). These taxes are administered and collected for the City by the State of Nebraska. The State receives three percent (3%) for their service. The City has had a sales tax since 1969.

**SALES AND USE TAX COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN YEARS**

Year Ended August 31	Amount
2014	\$ 66,393,391
2013	63,134,808
2012	61,472,342
2011	57,959,545
2010	54,925,013
2009	54,255,376
2008	55,733,297
2007	53,960,485
2006	54,270,346
2005	53,781,209

**GENERAL FUND TAX COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN YEARS**

Fiscal Year	Property and Motor Vehicle Taxes	Sales and Use Taxes	Sundry Taxes	Taxes In Lieu	Occupation Taxes	Total
2014	\$ 37,428,736	\$ 66,393,391	\$ 31,218	\$ 2,042,148	\$ 11,184,522	\$ 117,080,015
2013	34,599,257	63,134,808	28,713	1,962,330	11,741,366	111,466,474
2012	33,574,992	61,472,342	31,610	1,936,396	12,583,795	109,599,135
2011	31,449,267	57,959,545	30,957	1,755,098	11,699,691	102,894,558
2010	31,486,553	54,925,013	11,895	1,620,431	10,467,534	98,511,426
2009	33,783,984	54,255,376	8,143	1,540,752	10,071,230	99,659,485
2008	32,181,660	55,733,297	18,600	1,511,404	9,670,060	99,115,021
2007	31,454,763	53,960,485	10,492	1,399,939	9,596,588	96,422,267
2006	28,366,526	54,270,346	9,526	1,315,038	8,936,502	92,897,938
2005	26,727,618	53,781,209	12,445	1,159,742	9,169,791	90,850,805

**TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION
LAST TEN YEARS ¹**

Tax Year	Real Estate	All Other	Total
2015	\$ 16,602,382,002	\$ 777,744,371	\$ 17,380,126,373
2014	16,366,307,281	744,661,478	17,110,968,759
2013	15,969,385,392	706,811,504	16,676,196,896
2012	15,221,954,470	678,874,343	15,900,828,813
2011	15,125,408,200	755,852,220	15,881,260,420
2010	14,984,937,627	761,515,955	15,746,453,582
2009	15,222,189,222	713,383,515	15,935,572,737
2008	14,969,536,405	684,390,085	15,653,926,490
2007	14,638,856,501	703,307,287	15,342,163,788
2006	12,897,825,080	685,425,215	13,583,250,295

¹Property is assessed at actual value; therefore, the assessed values are equal to actual value.

**TOTAL PROPERTY TAX LEVIES
ALL OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS
LAST TEN YEARS ¹**

	Tax Year									
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
City of Lincoln	0.3158	0.3158	0.3158	0.2879	0.2879	0.2879	0.2879	0.2833	0.3009	0.2950
School District No. 1	1.2441	1.2447	1.2461	1.2462	1.2537	1.2668	1.2719	1.2764	1.3142	1.3141
Lancaster County	0.2813	0.2843	0.2683	0.2683	0.2683	0.2683	0.2755	0.2655	0.2841	0.2797
Educational Service Unit #18	0.0150	0.0150	0.0150	0.0145	0.0150	0.0150	0.0141	0.0141	0.0150	0.0150
Community Technical College	0.0667	0.0627	0.0627	0.0600	0.0676	0.0722	0.0689	0.0689	0.0696	0.0655
Lower Platte South Natural Res. Dist.	0.0361	0.0378	0.0398	0.0406	0.0410	0.0410	0.0418	0.0416	0.0422	0.0323
Railroad Transportation Safety Dist.	0.0130	0.0100	0.0260	0.0260	0.0260	0.0260	0.0260	0.0246	0.0260	0.0260
Lancaster County Correctional JPA City	0.0172	0.0177	0.0185	0.0189	0.0194	0.0195	-	-	-	-
Lancaster County Correctional JPA County	0.0096	0.0099	0.0105	0.0106	0.0107	0.0106	-	-	-	-
Agricultural Society of Lancaster County	0.0015	0.0015	0.0016	0.0017	0.0016	0.0015	0.0016	0.0016	0.0018	0.0020
Lancaster County Fairgrounds	0.0034	0.0037	0.0037	0.0038	0.0038	0.0038	0.0043	0.0037	0.0042	0.0042
Public Building Commission	0.0170	0.0167	0.0170	0.0170	0.0170	0.0170	0.0170	0.0170	0.0170	0.0170
	<u>2.0207</u>	<u>2.0198</u>	<u>2.0250</u>	<u>1.9955</u>	<u>2.0120</u>	<u>2.0296</u>	<u>2.0090</u>	<u>1.9967</u>	<u>2.0750</u>	<u>2.0508</u>

¹The assessment rate is 100% of market and the levy is expressed as the tax per \$100 of estimated market value.

DEBT MANAGEMENT OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS AS OF AUGUST 31, 2014

Long-term debt is comprised of the following individual issues (in thousands of dollars)

Original Amount	Issued	Issue	Interest Rate	When Due	Date Callable	Interest Date	Outstanding
General Obligation Bonds:							
General Bonds:							
9,950	06/15/05	Storm Sewer Construction	3.250 - 4.250	Serial 2006 to 2025	2015	Semiannually	6,340
8,295	06/27/07	Stormwater Drainage and Flood Mgmt	4.625 - 5.000	Serial 2008 to 2027	2017	"	6,230
8,200	02/10/11	Stormwater Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Serial 2013 to 2030	2020	"	7,470
19,290	06/21/11	Refunding	0.2000 - 5.000	Serial 2011 to 2022	2019	"	14,525
8,090	06/26/12	Refunding	1.000 - 3.000	Serial 2013 to 2023	na	"	6,310
6,385	03/20/13	Stormwater Bonds	2.000 - 4.000	Serial 2014 to 2029	2023	"	6,385
1,515	03/20/13	Stormwater Bonds	3.125	Term 2032	2023	"	1,515
Total General Bonds							\$ 48,775
Tax Allocation Bonds:							
5,500	04/21/04	Tax Allocation Bonds	3.000 - 4.800	Serial 2004 to 2015	2010	"	1,415
365	08/15/05	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.750	Serial 2006 to 2018	Anytime	"	125
288	10/01/06	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.100	Serial 2008 to 2016	Anytime	"	89
2,205	04/05/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.000 - 5.550	Serial 2009 to 2018	2012	"	1,245
601	06/01/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.240	Serial 2008 to 2018	Anytime	"	518
388	06/01/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.240	Serial 2007 to 2020	Anytime	"	220
369	06/15/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.400	Serial 2007 to 2014	Anytime	"	29
42	07/15/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.660	Serial 2009 to 2021	Anytime	"	27
71	07/15/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.660	Serial 2009 to 2017	Anytime	"	48
474	07/15/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.660	Serial 2009 to 2022	Anytime	"	168
547	08/01/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.610	Serial 2009 to 2022	Anytime	"	362
200	08/01/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.610	Serial 2009 to 2022	Anytime	"	130
611	06/30/09	Tax Allocation Bonds	7.00	Serial 2011 to 2023	Anytime	"	544
3,375	07/28/09	Tax Allocation Bonds	2.500 - 6.400	Serial 2011 to 2023	Anytime	"	2,760
263	04/01/11	Tax Allocation Bonds	3.990	Serial 2011 to 2022	Anytime	"	204
103	04/15/13	Tax Allocation Bonds	2.370	Serial 2013 to 2025	Anytime	"	92
Total Tax Allocation Bonds							\$ 7,976
Tax Supported Bonds:							
27,000	12/05/06	Highway Allocation Fund	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2008 to 2027	2016	Semiannually	19,865
28,095	06/06/12	Highway Allocation Fund	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2012 to 2023	na	"	25,110
16,515	07/23/13	Limited Tax Arena Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Serial 2016 to 2031	2023	"	16,515
2,635	07/23/13	Limited Tax Arena Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Term 2035	2023	"	2,635
5,850	07/23/13	Limited Tax Arena Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Term 2037	2023	"	5,850
Total Tax Supported Bonds							\$ 69,975
Special Assessment Bonds:							
825	8/18/11	Special Assessment	0.400 - 3.700	Serial 2012 to 2026		Semiannually	675
375	8/18/11	Special Assessment	4.200	Term 2031		"	375
3,000	11/23/11	Special Assessment	2.000 - 3.500	Serial 2012 to 2031		"	2,615
Total Special Assessment Bonds							\$ 3,665
West Haymarket Joint Public Agency							
31,515	9/8/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	3.500 - 4.45	Serial 2020 to 2030	Anytime	Semiannually	31,515
68,485	9/8/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	4.750 / 5.000	Term 2035 & 2045	Anytime	"	68,485
15,785	12/01/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2020 - 2025	Anytime	"	15,785
52,180	12/01/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	5.400 / 5.800 / 6.000	Term 2030 2035 2039	Anytime	"	52,180
32,035	12/01/10	Recovery Zone Economic Development	6.750	Term 2045	Anytime	"	32,035
44,290	8/24/11	Facility Bonds	3.500 - 5.000	Serial 2021 to 2032	2021	"	44,290
55,710	8/24/11	Facility Bonds	4.250 - 5.000	Term 2036 & 2042	2021	"	55,710
20,850	12/04/13	Facility Bonds	2.000 - 5.000	Serial 2014 to 2038	2023	"	20,850
7,325	12/04/13	Facility Bonds	4.500	Term 2043	2021	"	7,325
Total West Haymarket Joint Public Agency							\$ 328,175
TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS							\$ 458,566
Tax Supported Bonds:							
11,080	3/13/02	Antelope Valley Project	1.500 - 5.000	Serial 2002 to 2016	2012	Semiannually	\$ 3,690
Revenue Bonds:							
18,000	08/03/05	Wastewater Revenue	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2006 to 2030	2015	Semiannually	\$ 13,320
16,710	04/18/07	Wastewater Revenue	4.000 - 4.500	Serial 2008 to 2029	2017	"	12,980
3,750	04/18/07	Wastewater Revenue	4.375	Term 2032	2017	"	3,750
38,290	05/24/12	Wastewater Revenue	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2013 to 2028	2023	"	34,275
Total Wastewater Bonds							\$ 64,325
10,515	08/04/09	Water Revenue	2.000 - 4.125	Serial 2013 to 2029	2019	Semiannually	9,575
4,905	08/04/09	Water Revenue	4.5000	Term 2034	2019	"	4,905
10,895	06/21/12	Water Revenue Refunding	1.000 - 4.000	Serial 2013 to 2022	N/A	"	8,860
28,595	05/30/13	Water Revenue Refunding	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2013 to 2025	2023	"	26,035
Total Water Bonds							\$ 49,375
7,745	01/27/11	Parking Revenue and Refunding	2.000 - 5.000	Serial 2015 to 2024	2021	"	7,745
10,775	01/27/11	Parking Revenue and Refunding	5.000 / 5.125 / 5.500	Term 2026 & 2031	2021	"	10,775
9,315	11/29/12	Parking Revenue and Refunding	400 - 4.000	Serial 2013 to 2027	2022	"	7,920
2,765	11/29/12	Parking Revenue and Refunding	3.00	Term 2032	2022	"	2,765
Total Parking Bonds							\$ 29,205
8,340	02/26/13	Solid Waste Management Revenue and Refunding	250 - 4.000	Serial 2013 to 2029	2023	Semiannually	\$ 7,315
93,045	10/01/03	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	3.000 - 5.000	Serial 2004 to 2026	2014	"	6,760
183,230	05/15/07	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2009 to 2035	2016	"	163,835
81,850	05/15/07	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	4.500 / 4.750	Term 2034 & 2037	2016	"	81,850
247,150	08/15/12	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2013 to 2032	2022	"	235,305
30,165	08/15/12	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	3.625 - 5.000	Term 2037	2022	"	30,165
75,525	06/20/13	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	2.700 - 5.000	Serial 2021 to 2025	2023	"	75,525
Total Electric Bonds							\$ 593,440
TOTAL REVENUE BONDS							\$ 743,660

The annual requirements to pay principal and interest on all outstanding debt are as follows (in thousands of dollars):

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Governmental Activities					
	General Obligation Bonds		Tax Supported Bonds		Capital Leases	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 10,139	21,035	815	162	5,346	1,238
2016	11,405	20,683	855	122	6,200	1,136
2017	10,538	20,322	2,020	51	4,590	978
2018	10,766	19,962	-	-	3,940	852
2019	10,585	19,577	-	-	3,667	745
2020-2024	79,297	89,858	-	-	15,030	2,261
2025-2029	70,951	72,878	-	-	4,743	357
2030-2034	70,825	57,339	-	-	215	10
2035-2039	78,305	39,436	-	-	-	-
2040-2044	82,775	17,781	-	-	-	-
2045-2046	22,980	1,363	-	-	-	-
	<u>458,566</u>	<u>380,234</u>	<u>3,690</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>43,731</u>	<u>7,577</u>

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Business-Type Activities					
	Revenue Bonds		Loans Payable		Capital Leases	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 29,895	31,967	1,828	1,051	399	36
2016	31,075	30,735	1,646	1,011	346	29
2017	33,060	29,490	1,687	969	352	23
2018	34,445	28,052	1,730	925	202	17
2019	35,900	26,526	1,774	881	155	13
2020-2024	201,150	107,131	9,382	3,689	485	19
2025-2029	165,810	64,967	9,907	2,361	-	-
2030-2034	120,915	34,207	9,727	847	-	-
2035-2038	91,410	12,431	-	-	-	-
	<u>\$ 743,660</u>	<u>365,506</u>	<u>37,681</u>	<u>11,734</u>	<u>1,939</u>	<u>137</u>

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Major Enterprise Funds					
	Wastewater System		Water System		Electric System	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 4,343	3,145	4,310	2,154	21,060	26,371
2016	4,372	2,962	4,254	2,078	22,050	25,382
2017	4,537	2,778	4,320	2,000	23,800	24,398
2018	4,627	2,666	4,433	1,858	24,990	23,208
2019	4,723	2,543	4,556	1,712	26,240	21,958
2020-2024	25,963	10,238	22,329	5,932	151,345	89,640
2025-2029	27,478	4,896	9,824	2,728	126,600	56,906
2030-2034	10,388	833	9,124	1,082	105,945	32,762
2035-2038	-	-	-	-	91,410	12,431
	<u>\$ 86,431</u>	<u>30,061</u>	<u>63,150</u>	<u>19,544</u>	<u>593,440</u>	<u>313,056</u>

The City issues general obligation, special assessment, and revenue bonds to finance the acquisition and construction of major capital assets. Bonded indebtedness has also been entered into to advance refund several general obligation and revenue bonds. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the government. Special assessment bonds are repaid from amounts levied against affected property owners, but in the unlikely event collections are not sufficient to make debt payments, the responsibility rests with the City to meet that obligation. For revenue bonds the government pledges income derived from the acquired or constructed assets to pay the debt service.

Net position of \$3,941,983, \$2,989,196, \$4,804,519, and \$1,367,802 are currently available in the debt service funds to service the General Obligation Bonds, Tax Supported Bonds, Tax Allocation Bonds, and Special Assessment Bonds, respectively. Revenue Bonds are funded partially from reserve accounts set up for debt repayment and partially from proceeds of daily operations.

The City has entered into lease agreements for financing the acquisition of land, buildings, street lights, emergency ambulances and defibrillators, fire engines, golf equipment and computer equipment and software. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future

minimum lease payments as of the inception date. Assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
Land	\$ 1,774,450	\$ 210,000
Buildings	25,492,801	1,646,732
Improvements	219,925	-
Infrastructure	19,583,531	-
Machinery and Equipment	6,392,824	3,423,476
Construction In Progress	52,500	-
Less Accumulated Depreciation, (where applicable)	(10,664,292)	(2,568,981)
Total	<u>\$ 42,851,739</u>	<u>\$ 2,711,227</u>

Under the City’s Home Rule Charter, there is no legal debt limit. The various bond indentures contain significant limitations and restrictions on annual debt service requirements, minimum amounts to be maintained in various bond reserve funds, and minimum revenue bond coverage.

The general obligation debt of all local governmental units which provide services within the City’s boundaries and which debt must be borne by properties in the City (commonly called overlapping debt) as of August 31, 2014, is summarized below (unaudited):

<u>Governmental Units</u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Estimated Percentage Applicable</u>	<u>Direct And Overlapping Debt To The City</u>
Direct:			
City	\$ 517,769,000	100.0 %	\$ 517,769,000
Overlapping:			
School District #1	442,052,535	99.5	439,842,000
Lower Platte South N.R.D.	-	75.4	-
Lancaster County	370,000	85.4	316,000
Public Building Commission	33,880,000	85.4	28,934,000
Lancaster County Correctional Facility	52,050,000	85.4	44,451,000
Lancaster County Fairgrounds	9,900,000	85.4	8,455,000
	<u>538,252,535</u>		<u>521,998,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,056,021,535</u>		<u>\$ 1,039,767,000</u>

The City has no direct liability for the School District, Lower Platte South N.R.D., Lancaster County, Public Building Commission, Lancaster County Fairgrounds or Lancaster County Correctional Facility debt summarized above. This results in a per capita direct City debt of \$1,926.67; a per capita direct and overlapping debt of \$3,869.07; a ratio of direct City debt to 2014 actual valuation of 3.03 percent; and a ratio of direct and overlapping debt to 2014 actual valuation of 6.08 percent.

In addition to the governmental units listed above, the Airport Authority of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the “Airport Authority”), a body politic and corporate separate and distinct from the City of Lincoln, provides services within the City’s boundaries and has overlapping general obligation indebtedness. As of June 30, 2014, the Airport Authority had outstanding \$32,640,000 in aggregate principal amount of its general obligation airport bonds. The Airport Authority anticipates that such bonds will be paid from revenues derived from its operations of the Lincoln Municipal Airport, but the Airport Authority is authorized to levy a property tax, at a rate not to exceed three and five-tenths cents (\$.035) on each \$100 of taxable valuation, on all the taxable property in the City. The Airport Authority has not levied a property tax since 1985 for any purpose, including airport operating expenses or debt service on its bonds.

Debt Payment Record

The City of Lincoln has never defaulted on its obligation to pay principal or interest on its indebtedness.

Contingencies

The City is a defendant in a number of lawsuits in its normal course of operations and management is of the opinion that ultimate settlement of such lawsuits will not have a materially adverse effect on the financial statements.

**RATIO OF ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES
FOR GENERAL BONDED DEBT TO TOTAL GENERAL EXPENDITURES
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest ²	Total Debt Service	Total General Governmental Expenditures ¹	Ratio Of Debt Service To Total General Expenditures
2014	\$ 9,662,748	\$ 5,240,713	\$ 14,903,461	\$ 256,863,631	5.80 %
2013	8,427,726	4,266,429	12,694,155	233,802,749	5.43
2012	7,485,645	5,123,060	12,608,705	229,205,337	5.50
2011	6,857,978	5,147,840	12,005,818	225,622,756	5.32
2010	7,457,532	5,676,933	13,134,465	207,939,796	6.32
2009	8,036,544	5,814,071	13,850,615	195,544,608	7.08
2008	6,824,828	5,979,172	12,804,000	195,469,478	6.55
2007	5,617,536	4,986,687	10,604,223	192,566,160	5.51
2006	5,770,794	4,670,734	10,441,528	190,705,202	5.48
2005	5,421,699	4,860,926	10,282,625	182,804,746	5.62

¹ Includes: General, Special Revenue, and Debt Service Funds.

² Does not include fiscal and miscellaneous charges.

**SCHEDULE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT IN RELATION TO POPULATION, ASSESSED VALUATION, AND REAL PROPERTY VALUATION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

Fiscal Year	General Obligation Bonded Debt	Sinking Funds	Net General Obligation Bonded Debt	Population ¹	Net G.O. Bonded Debt Per Capita	Assessed Valuation Real And Personal	Ratio of Net Debt To Assessed Valuation Real & Personal ²	Assessed Valuation Of Taxable Real Property ²	Ratio of Net Debt To Estimated Valuation Of Taxable Real Property
2014	\$ 130,391,000	\$ 9,427,000	\$ 120,964,000	268,738	\$ 450.12	\$ 17,110,968,759	0.71%	\$ 16,366,307,281	0.74%
2013	139,274,000	15,640,000	123,634,000	265,404	465.83	16,676,196,896	0.74%	15,969,385,392	0.77%
2012	113,958,000	15,142,000	98,816,000	262,341	376.67	15,900,828,813	0.62%	15,221,954,470	0.65%
2011	119,663,000	13,305,000	106,358,000	258,379	411.64	15,881,260,420	0.67%	15,125,408,200	0.70%
2010	118,383,000	13,480,000	104,903,000	254,001	413.00	15,746,453,582	0.67%	14,984,937,627	0.70%
2009	125,181,000	13,604,000	111,577,000	251,624	443.43	15,935,572,737	0.70%	15,222,189,222	0.73%
2008	128,581,000	12,962,000	115,619,000	248,744	464.81	15,653,926,490	0.74%	14,969,536,405	0.77%
2007	133,413,000	11,574,000	121,839,000	241,167	505.21	15,342,163,788	0.79%	14,638,856,501	0.83%
2006	99,347,000	9,733,000	89,614,000	239,213	374.62	13,583,250,295	0.66%	12,897,825,080	0.69%
2005	104,538,000	13,364,000	91,174,000	238,625	382.08	13,138,516,226	0.69%	12,421,799,720	0.73%

¹ Source: Lincoln/Lancaster Planning Department.

² Assessed valuation is 100% of actual

**REVENUE BOND COVERAGE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	Gross Revenue	Direct Operating Expenses	Net Available Revenue	Debt Service Requirements			Coverage
				Principal	Interest	Total	
Wastewater System							
2014	\$ 27,049,162	13,337,986	13,711,176	4,053,916	3,077,999	7,131,915	1.92
2013	24,988,275	12,522,159	12,466,116	3,487,906	3,089,698	6,577,604	1.90
2012	24,763,975	12,378,673	12,385,302	3,137,858	3,655,156	6,793,014	1.82
2011	23,546,370	12,543,964	11,002,406	2,865,000	3,647,609	6,512,609	1.69
2010	22,472,095	11,664,593	10,807,502	2,695,000	3,731,444	6,426,444	1.68
2009	22,643,270	11,771,291	10,871,979	2,620,000	3,820,044	6,440,044	1.69
2008	22,347,867	11,393,624	10,954,243	2,415,000	4,030,454	6,445,454	1.70
2007	21,158,743	11,462,964	9,695,779	2,005,000	3,081,481	5,086,481	1.91
2006	19,827,194	11,125,819	8,701,375	2,065,000	3,043,500	5,108,500	1.70
2005	18,248,683	10,482,955	7,765,728	1,500,000	2,403,519	3,903,519	1.99
Water System							
2014	\$ 34,933,647	16,308,059	18,625,588	3,923,000	2,044,417	5,967,417	3.12
2013	34,241,815	16,113,390	18,128,425	1,850,000	2,345,562	4,195,562	4.32
2012	35,984,891	15,636,494	20,348,397	5,380,000	2,955,202	8,335,202	2.44
2011	30,629,506	15,455,027	15,174,479	6,310,000	3,191,857	9,501,857	1.60
2010	26,515,467	14,091,292	12,424,175	6,050,000	3,458,097	9,508,097	1.31
2009	27,838,187	14,995,077	12,843,110	5,795,000	3,128,414	8,923,414	1.44
2008	27,257,184	14,425,521	12,831,663	5,555,000	3,376,201	8,931,201	1.44
2007	29,386,495	14,351,136	15,035,359	5,340,000	3,612,001	8,952,001	1.68
2006	29,014,999	13,808,214	15,206,785	5,130,000	3,834,301	8,964,301	1.70
2005	27,153,937	13,145,665	14,008,272	4,895,000	3,517,932	8,412,932	1.67
Parking Facilities ¹							
2014	\$ 9,816,550	4,211,473	5,605,077	1,310,000	1,172,465	2,482,465	2.26
2013	8,444,055	3,919,678	4,524,377	1,270,000	1,091,614	2,361,614	1.92
2012	7,382,101	3,823,131	3,558,970	860,000	1,078,688	1,938,688	1.84
2011	7,698,018	3,606,008	4,092,010	580,000	689,717	1,269,717	3.22
2010	6,869,392	3,340,601	3,528,791	1,435,000	558,519	1,993,519	1.77
2009	7,014,250	2,874,768	4,139,482	1,360,000	624,394	1,984,394	2.09
2008	7,134,709	2,912,511	4,222,198	1,305,000	687,194	1,992,194	2.12
2007	6,645,013	2,781,952	3,863,061	1,240,000	746,374	1,986,374	1.94
2006	6,785,593	2,775,122	4,010,471	1,185,000	799,931	1,984,931	2.02
2005	6,219,935	2,972,709	3,247,226	1,140,000	850,501	1,990,501	1.63
Solid Waste Management							
2014	\$ 9,132,756	7,319,215	1,813,541	550,000	198,128	748,128	2.42
2013	7,933,037	7,087,935	845,102	475,000	133,463	608,463	1.39
2012	7,745,565	6,376,120	1,369,445	220,000	124,025	344,025	3.98
2011	7,615,130	6,253,133	1,361,997	210,000	132,425	342,425	3.98
2010	7,377,385	5,768,077	1,609,308	200,000	140,425	340,425	4.73
2009	7,664,336	5,491,789	2,172,547	195,000	148,225	343,225	6.33
2008	8,537,520	5,540,292	2,997,228	190,000	155,825	345,825	8.67
2007	8,020,390	5,290,802	2,729,588	185,000	160,825	345,825	7.89

¹ Information in this table does not agree with information in the transmittal letter of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report because that information is calculated in accordance with specific requirements of the bond covenants.

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
 GENERAL FUND
 SUMMARY CASH FLOW STATEMENT - CASH BASIS
 FOR LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	<u>F.Y. 2014</u>	<u>F.Y. 2013</u>	<u>F.Y. 2012</u>	<u>F.Y. 2011</u>	<u>F.Y. 2010</u>	<u>F.Y. 2009</u>	<u>F.Y. 2008</u>	<u>F.Y. 2007</u>	<u>F.Y. 2006</u>	<u>F.Y. 2005</u>
Cash & Investment Balance - September 1 of Year Indicated \$	25,932,021	22,789,222	16,942,409	14,597,487	16,286,626	15,738,481	14,632,274	13,475,643	18,948,253	23,521,130
Receipts:										
Property Tax	37,428,736	34,599,257	33,574,992	31,449,267	31,486,553	33,783,984	32,181,660	31,454,763	28,366,526	26,727,618
City Sales & Use Tax	66,393,392	63,134,808	61,472,342	57,959,545	54,925,013	54,255,376	55,733,297	53,960,485	54,270,346	53,781,209
Other Income	36,929,588	36,298,994	36,542,477	33,232,580	27,906,103	27,389,492	26,270,119	27,663,641	25,390,112	25,620,145
Total Receipts	140,751,716	134,033,059	131,589,811	122,641,392	114,317,669	115,428,852	114,185,076	113,078,889	108,026,984	106,128,972
Less Disbursements	134,211,871	130,890,260	125,742,998	120,296,470	116,006,808	114,880,707	113,078,869	111,922,258	113,499,594	110,701,849
Cash & Investment Balance - August 31 of Year Indicated \$	<u>32,471,866</u>	<u>25,932,021</u>	<u>22,789,222</u>	<u>16,942,409</u>	<u>14,597,487</u>	<u>16,286,626</u>	<u>15,738,481</u>	<u>14,632,274</u>	<u>13,475,643</u>	<u>18,948,253</u>

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
GENERAL BONDED INDEBTEDNESS AND DEBT SERVICE FUND
SUMMARY CASH FLOW STATEMENT - CASH BASIS
FOR LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	<u>F.Y. 2014</u>	<u>F.Y. 2013</u>	<u>F.Y. 2012</u>	<u>F.Y. 2011</u>	<u>F.Y. 2010</u>	<u>F.Y. 2009</u>	<u>F.Y. 2008</u>	<u>F.Y. 2007</u>	<u>F.Y. 2006</u>	<u>F.Y. 2005</u>
Cash Balance - September 1 of Year Indicated	\$ 3,883,237	3,929,968	2,234,981	2,941,245	3,533,968	4,201,889	4,057,088	2,761,491	3,364,608	3,570,557
Receipts:										
Property Tax	5,558,081	5,594,005	5,773,392	5,337,610	5,517,878	5,689,007	5,709,454	5,460,690	2,973,410	5,607,615
Interest Income	10,126	8,507	13,723	28,331	60,063	131,475	153,977	84,935	86,812	83,286
Bond Proceeds			8,369,497	20,236,484						6,597,635
Other Income	<u>98,027</u>	<u>104,162</u>	<u>110,962</u>	<u>116,758</u>	<u>124,279</u>	<u>173,446</u>	<u>1,003,173</u>	<u>1,927,112</u>	<u>2,935,603</u>	<u>149,038</u>
Total Receipts	<u>5,666,234</u>	<u>5,706,674</u>	<u>14,267,574</u>	<u>25,719,183</u>	<u>5,702,220</u>	<u>5,993,928</u>	<u>6,866,604</u>	<u>7,472,737</u>	<u>5,995,825</u>	<u>12,437,574</u>
Disbursements:										
Bonds Paid	4,240,000	4,225,000	2,390,000	2,720,000	4,110,000	4,320,000	4,260,000	3,950,000	4,250,000	3,850,000
Bonds Defeased										
Interest Paid	1,745,495	1,521,904	1,822,197	1,753,957	2,178,545	2,335,411	2,456,373	2,217,610	2,342,582	2,197,207
Transfer to Trustee			8,242,367	21,746,822						6,504,876
Other Disbursements	<u>2,274</u>	<u>6,501</u>	<u>118,023</u>	<u>204,668</u>	<u>6,398</u>	<u>6,438</u>	<u>5,430</u>	<u>9,530</u>	<u>6,360</u>	<u>91,440</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>5,987,769</u>	<u>5,753,405</u>	<u>12,572,587</u>	<u>26,425,447</u>	<u>6,294,943</u>	<u>6,661,849</u>	<u>6,721,803</u>	<u>6,177,140</u>	<u>6,598,942</u>	<u>12,643,523</u>
Cash Balance - August 31 of Year Indicated	\$ <u><u>3,561,702</u></u>	<u><u>3,883,237</u></u>	<u><u>3,929,968</u></u>	<u><u>2,234,981</u></u>	<u><u>2,941,245</u></u>	<u><u>3,533,968</u></u>	<u><u>4,201,889</u></u>	<u><u>4,057,088</u></u>	<u><u>2,761,491</u></u>	<u><u>3,364,608</u></u>

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REVOLVING FUND
SUMMARY CASH FLOW STATEMENT - CASH BASIS
FOR LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

	F.Y. 2014	F.Y. 2013	F.Y. 2012	F.Y. 2011	F.Y. 2010	F.Y. 2009	F.Y. 2008	F.Y. 2007	F.Y. 2006	F.Y. 2005
Cash & Investment Balance - September 1 of Year Indicated	\$ 2,509,487	2,348,773	759,180	4,302,257	4,161,711	11,148,146	9,991,053	8,846,000	7,583,251	7,830,502
Receipts:										
Special Assessment Collections	1,521,959	941,365	1,049,570	996,209	984,301	954,672	1,235,621	1,257,112	1,476,284	1,208,686
Interest on Special Assessments	53,761	78,642	98,844	106,379	148,383	112,749	179,258	188,349	189,927	204,108
City's Share of Costs	783,436	1,205,443	621,898	233,615	292,420	34,802		187,957	723,038	578,992
Developers' Share of Costs										
Bond Proceeds			3,036,003	1,200,000						
Interest on Investments	40,673	41,212	47,349	60,248	135,149	335,273	453,282	340,274	254,809	217,996
Miscellaneous	733			38,456			33,964	49,403	74,657	30,687
Total Receipts	<u>2,400,562</u>	<u>2,266,662</u>	<u>4,853,664</u>	<u>2,634,907</u>	<u>1,560,253</u>	<u>1,437,496</u>	<u>1,902,125</u>	<u>2,023,095</u>	<u>2,718,715</u>	<u>2,240,469</u>
Disbursements:										
Construction Costs	1,213,770	901,811	2,359,096	2,081,765	1,113,691	861,203	742,698	766,768	1,066,513	1,796,239
Bonds Paid	175,000	170,000	190,000					55,000		100,000
Equity Transfer						7,554,009				
Interest Paid on Bonds & Notes	112,023	114,722	94,911	3,758,342				37,581		3,425
Other Refunds & Expenses	789,536	919,415	620,064	337,877	306,016	8,719	2,334	18,693	389,453	588,056
Total Disbursements	<u>2,290,329</u>	<u>2,105,948</u>	<u>3,264,071</u>	<u>6,177,984</u>	<u>1,419,707</u>	<u>8,423,931</u>	<u>745,032</u>	<u>878,042</u>	<u>1,455,966</u>	<u>2,487,720</u>
Cash & Investment Balance - August 31 of Year Indicated	\$ <u>2,619,720</u>	<u>2,509,487</u>	<u>2,348,773</u>	<u>759,180</u>	<u>4,302,257</u>	<u>4,161,711</u>	<u>11,148,146</u>	<u>9,991,053</u>	<u>8,846,000</u>	<u>7,583,251</u>

APPENDIX B

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund

Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements

August 31, 2014 and 2013



City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
August 31, 2014 and 2013

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council
Solid Waste Management Fund
City of Lincoln, Nebraska

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements, which are comprised of statements of net position as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and of cash flows for the years then ended and the related notes to the basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents, of the Solid Waste Management Fund of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Solid Waste Management Fund of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the Solid Waste Management Fund are intended to present the financial position, the changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska that is attributable to the transactions of the Solid Waste Management Fund. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, the changes in its financial position or, where applicable its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

BKD, LLP

Lincoln, Nebraska
February 24, 2015

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Statements of Net Position
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 119,505	\$ 90,831
Equity in pooled cash and investments	2,292,843	2,083,403
Accounts receivable	1,467,106	1,102,733
Accrued interest receivable	7,741	7,436
Due from other City funds, net	19,688	33,123
Due from other governments	3,799	4,424
Total current assets	<u>3,910,682</u>	<u>3,321,950</u>
Noncurrent Assets		
Equity in pooled cash and investments	1,952,210	1,774,419
Restricted assets		
Equity in pooled cash and investments	688,876	6,304,669
Accrued interest receivable	4,502	12,026
Due from other City funds	1,762	53,621
Total restricted assets	<u>695,140</u>	<u>6,370,316</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>26,400,158</u>	<u>20,883,167</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>29,047,508</u>	<u>29,027,902</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Deferred cost of refunded debt	37,026	42,315
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>32,995,216</u>	<u>32,392,167</u>
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	1,323,737	233,636
Accrued liabilities	98,949	91,429
Accrued compensated absences	106,912	99,953
Due to other governments	66,653	74,573
Accrued interest payable	16,354	16,514
Current portion of long-term debt	550,000	550,000
Total current liabilities	<u>2,162,605</u>	<u>1,066,105</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Accrued closure/post-closure care costs	16,706,000	15,904,000
Long-term debt	7,219,938	7,804,143
Other accrued liabilities	145,112	116,648
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>24,071,050</u>	<u>23,824,791</u>
Total liabilities	<u>26,233,655</u>	<u>24,890,896</u>
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	18,312,742	18,974,328
Unrestricted	(11,551,181)	(11,473,057)
Total net position	<u>\$ 6,761,561</u>	<u>\$ 7,501,271</u>

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
Years Ended August 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Operating Revenues		
Fees	\$ 5,693,047	\$ 5,369,807
Other	720,037	619,953
	<u>6,413,084</u>	<u>5,989,760</u>
Operating Expenses		
Personal services	2,699,048	2,441,558
Operation and maintenance	3,464,015	3,494,972
Depreciation	1,738,921	1,833,106
Estimated closure and post-closure care costs	802,000	468,000
	<u>8,703,984</u>	<u>8,237,636</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>8,703,984</u>	<u>8,237,636</u>
Operating loss	<u>(2,290,900)</u>	<u>(2,247,876)</u>
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Occupation tax	2,598,793	2,011,468
Investment income (loss)	120,879	(68,191)
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets	(87,202)	21,017
Bond issuance costs	-	(138,540)
Interest expense	(47,651)	(116,871)
Other	2,723	449
	<u>2,587,542</u>	<u>1,709,332</u>
Net nonoperating revenues	<u>2,587,542</u>	<u>1,709,332</u>
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenses Before Contributions and Transfers	296,642	(538,544)
Capital Contributions	119,800	-
Transfers Out to Other City Funds	<u>(1,156,152)</u>	<u>(1,151,405)</u>
Decrease in Net Position	(739,710)	(1,689,949)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>7,501,271</u>	<u>9,191,220</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 6,761,561</u>	<u>\$ 7,501,271</u>

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Statements of Cash Flows
Years Ended August 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Operating Activities		
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 5,424,139	\$ 5,333,343
Payments to suppliers for goods and services	(3,443,325)	(3,368,507)
Payments to employees	(2,632,423)	(2,396,669)
Other receipts	720,037	619,953
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>68,428</u>	<u>188,120</u>
Noncapital Financing Activities		
Occupation tax receipts	2,494,855	1,982,576
Transfers to other funds	(1,156,152)	(1,151,405)
Payments from (advances to) other funds	70,667	(2,204)
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	<u>1,409,370</u>	<u>828,967</u>
Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Purchases of capital assets	(6,068,744)	(384,111)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	9,114	17,779
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	-	6,068,069
Payments for bond issuance costs	-	(63,480)
Payments to escrow agent for bond refunding	-	(140,852)
Principal payments of long-term debt	(550,000)	(475,000)
Interest paid on long-term debt	(198,877)	(134,213)
Other	2,723	449
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	<u>(6,805,784)</u>	<u>4,888,641</u>
Investing Activities		
Purchases of investments	(3,898,688)	(10,634,089)
Proceeds from sale and maturities of investments	8,458,571	5,596,737
Interest and other receipts	44,382	13,790
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>4,604,265</u>	<u>(5,023,562)</u>
Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(723,721)	882,166
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	<u>1,187,868</u>	<u>305,702</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 464,147</u>	<u>\$ 1,187,868</u>

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Statements of Cash Flows - Continued
Years Ended August 31, 2014 and 2013

The table below summarizes the amount of cash and cash equivalents included within each financial statement line item caption on the Statements of Net Position:

**Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents
to the Statements of Net Position**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 119,505	\$ 90,831
Equity in pooled cash and investments - current	307,580	415,451
Equity in pooled cash and investments - restricted	<u>37,062</u>	<u>681,586</u>
	<u>\$ 464,147</u>	<u>\$ 1,187,868</u>

**Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash
Provided by Operating Activities**

Operating loss	\$ (2,290,900)	\$ (2,247,876)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	1,738,921	1,833,106
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Accounts receivable	(269,549)	(36,947)
Due from other City funds, net	(5,373)	1,360
Due to/from other governments, net	(7,295)	18,219
Accounts payable	57,681	107,369
Accrued liabilities	19,412	34,224
Accrued compensated absences	23,531	10,665
Closure/post-closure care costs	<u>802,000</u>	<u>468,000</u>

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities

	<u>\$ 68,428</u>	<u>\$ 188,120</u>
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Supplemental Cash Flows Information

Payables incurred for acquisition of capital assets	\$ 1,049,644	\$ 17,224
Contribution of capital assets	\$ 119,800	\$ -
Change in fair value of investments	\$ 83,716	\$ (89,103)

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization and Nature of Operations

The Solid Waste Management Fund (the “Fund”) is an enterprise fund of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the “City”) that is used to account for operations related to the management of solid wastes generated within the City of Lincoln and Lancaster County.

The solid waste operation facilities are owned by the City, and operated under the direction of the Mayor and the City Council. The authority to adopt the annual budget, to incur debt and to establish fees, rates and charges are vested in the City Council by the City charter.

The financial statements present only the Fund and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measurement Focus and Basis Of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

The Fund first applies restricted net position when an expense or outlay is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and deferred inflows and outflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and other changes in net position during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

Deposits and Investments

The City Treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping of cash and invested funds of the Fund. The City is authorized to invest in certificates of deposit, time deposits, and any securities in which the State investment officer is authorized to invest pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act and as provided in the authorized investment guidelines of the Nebraska Investment Council in effect on the date the investment is made. Cash balances in excess of current requirements are invested along with cash from other City funds and the interest earned on these investments is allocated monthly to the various funds by the City Treasurer on a pro rata basis of using aggregate quarterly balances.

For purposes of the Statements of Cash Flows, the Fund considers cash on hand and in the bank, as well as cash and equity in pooled cash and investments held by the City Treasurer, which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and have original maturities of three months or less, to be cash and cash equivalents.

The Fund participates in a cash management pool managed by the City. The pool consists of bank deposits and investments. The Fund's interest in this pool is shown as equity in pooled cash and investments in the statements of net position. Fair value of the equity in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares determined using the fair value of the pool's underlying investment portfolio.

Investments are carried at fair value. Investment income includes interest income and the net change for the year in the fair value of investments.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at amounts billed to customers and include both fees and occupation taxes. Monthly statements are issued for accounts receivable, which are due on the last day of the month. Accounts unpaid by the due date are assessed a late fee of 1% monthly. Management does not believe an allowance for doubtful accounts is necessary at August 31, 2014 and 2013. At August 31, 2014 and 2013, approximately 44% and 36% of accounts receivable were owed from three and two customers, respectively.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
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August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

Capital Assets

The cost of additions and replacements to land, buildings, improvements other than buildings and equipment in service is capitalized. Cost includes acquisition price, negotiation and appraisal services and payments to contractors. The cost of land, buildings, improvements and equipment along with the related accumulated depreciation is removed from the books at time of disposal and a gain or loss is recognized. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to current expenses. Depreciation expense is calculated on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Depreciation expense recognized on contributed assets is charged to operations in accordance with similar capital assets.

Estimated Useful Lives

Buildings	10 - 25 years
Improvements other than buildings	10 - 25 years
Machinery and equipment	5 - 10 years

The Fund capitalizes interest costs as a component of construction in progress, based on interest costs of the borrowing specifically for the project, net of interest earned on investments acquired with the proceeds of the borrowing. During 2014, the System incurred \$169,801 of interest cost. Interest capitalized into construction in progress during 2014 was \$122,150. No interest was capitalized during 2013. Capitalized interest is added to the cost of the underlying assets and is amortized over the useful lives of the assets.

Compensated Absences

Employees earn vacation days at a variable rate based on years of service. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated vacation time up to a maximum allowed accumulation. Employees earn sick leave at the rate of approximately one day per month. Upon retirement, an employee is reimbursed for one-half or up to 65% of accumulated sick leave. In some cases payment may be placed in a medical spending account rather than reimbursing the employee directly.

Vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics are accrued as the benefits are earned if the leave is attributable to past service and it is probable that the Fund will compensate the employees for such benefits. Sick leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics are accrued as the benefits are earned only to the extent it is probable that the Fund will compensate the employees for such benefits through cash payments conditioned on the employee's termination or retirement. Such accruals are based on current salary rates and include salary-related payments directly and incrementally associated with payments made for compensated absences on termination.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

Other Post-Employment Benefits

The Fund recorded a liability for the annual required contribution (ARC) of approximately \$100,000 and \$88,000 as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, in connection with GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*. The complete disclosures required by GASB 45 are included in the City of Lincoln Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

Net Position

Net position is required to be classified into three components – net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

Net investment in capital assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds at year-end, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets.

Restricted - This component of net position consists of restrictions placed on net position use through external constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), contributors or law or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. There are no components of net position at August 31, 2014 and 2013 that meet the restricted definition.

Unrestricted - This component consists of net position that does not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets.”

Operating and Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses

As an enterprise fund, the Fund distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the Fund’s principal ongoing operations. Operating revenues include all fees charged for the disposal of solid waste less occupation tax, and other revenues including those from the sale of recyclable materials and rental of property. Operating expenses include personnel costs, the cost of materials and services for operation and maintenance, depreciation on capital assets and closure and post-closure care costs.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

Operating and Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses - Continued

All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses. Occupation tax, investment income, interest expense and gain/loss on disposal of assets are classified as nonoperating revenues or expenses.

Fund revenue is generated by a fee based on \$16.00 per ton for refuse disposed of in the City's municipal solid waste landfill; an occupation tax of \$9.00 for each ton of refuse collected within the corporate limits of the City of Lincoln by a refuse hauler, and on refuse collected outside the corporate limits of the City of Lincoln by a refuse hauler and disposed of in the City's municipal solid waste landfill; other fees authorized by the City Council; and nonoperating revenues.

Note 2: Deposits, Investments and Investment Return

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, a government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Fund has been allocated a portion of the City's pooled cash and investments. The City's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of state law.

State Statutes 15-846 and 15-847 R.R.S., 1943 require banks either to provide a bond, provide a Federal Home Loan Bank letter of credit, or to pledge government securities (types of which are specifically identified in the Statutes) to the City Treasurer in the amount of the City's deposits. The Statutes allow pledged securities to be reduced by the amount of the deposit insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

The City's cash deposits, including certificates of deposit, are insured up to \$250,000 by the FDIC. Any cash deposits or certificates of deposit in excess of the \$250,000 FDIC limits are covered by collateral held in a Federal Reserve pledge account or by an agent for the City, or a letter of credit issued by the Federal Reserve Bank, and thus no custodial credit risk exists. No legal opinion has been obtained regarding the enforceability of any of the collateral arrangements.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 2: Deposits, Investments and Investment Return - Continued

The carrying values of deposits and investments are included in the statements of net position as follows:

	2014	2013
Carrying value		
Deposits	\$ 119,505	\$ 90,831
Equity in pooled cash and investments	4,933,929	10,162,491
	\$ 5,053,434	\$ 10,253,322
Included in the following statements of net position captions:		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 119,505	\$ 90,831
Equity in pooled cash and investments	2,292,843	2,083,403
Noncurrent Assets		
Equity in pooled cash and investments	1,952,210	1,774,419
Equity in pooled cash and investments - restricted	688,876	6,304,669
	\$ 5,053,434	\$ 10,253,322

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
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Note 3: Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended August 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 1,540,452	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,540,452
Construction in progress	55,672	7,083,383	-	(7,037,825)	101,230
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>1,596,124</u>	<u>7,083,383</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,037,825)</u>	<u>1,641,682</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings	2,076,504	-	-	-	2,076,504
Improvements other than buildings	33,812,543	-	423,301	7,037,825	40,427,067
Machinery and equipment	6,191,094	259,731	23,200	-	6,427,625
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>42,080,141</u>	<u>259,731</u>	<u>446,501</u>	<u>7,037,825</u>	<u>48,931,196</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings	1,352,174	73,272	-	-	1,425,446
Improvements other than buildings	17,761,047	1,372,314	336,099	-	18,797,262
Machinery and equipment	3,679,877	293,335	23,200	-	3,950,012
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>22,793,098</u>	<u>1,738,921</u>	<u>359,299</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,172,720</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>19,287,043</u>	<u>(1,479,190)</u>	<u>87,202</u>	<u>7,037,825</u>	<u>24,758,476</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 20,883,167</u>	<u>\$ 5,604,193</u>	<u>\$ 87,202</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,400,158</u>

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 3: Capital Assets - Continued

Capital asset activity for the year ended August 31, 2013 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 1,540,452	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,540,452
Construction in progress	439,579	78,612	-	(462,519)	55,672
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>1,980,031</u>	<u>78,612</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(462,519)</u>	<u>1,596,124</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings	2,076,504	-	-	-	2,076,504
Improvements other than buildings	33,344,281	21,347	15,604	462,519	33,812,543
Machinery and equipment	6,280,639	191,360	280,905	-	6,191,094
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>41,701,424</u>	<u>212,707</u>	<u>296,509</u>	<u>462,519</u>	<u>42,080,141</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings	1,263,227	88,947	-	-	1,352,174
Improvements other than buildings	16,371,373	1,405,278	15,604	-	17,761,047
Machinery and equipment	3,616,026	338,881	275,030	-	3,679,877
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>21,250,626</u>	<u>1,833,106</u>	<u>290,634</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,793,098</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>20,450,798</u>	<u>(1,620,399)</u>	<u>5,875</u>	<u>462,519</u>	<u>19,287,043</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 22,430,829</u>	<u>\$ (1,541,787)</u>	<u>\$ 5,875</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 20,883,167</u>

The Fund has commitments under major construction contracts in progress of approximately \$1,981,000 at August 31, 2014.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
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Note 4: Long-term Obligations

Long-term liability activity for the years ended August 31, 2014 and 2013 was as follows:

	2014				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable					
Revenue bonds, Series 2013	\$ 7,865,000	\$ -	\$ 550,000	\$ 7,315,000	\$ 550,000
Issuance premium	489,143	-	34,205	454,938	-
Net bonds payable	8,354,143	-	584,205	7,769,938	550,000
Other liabilities					
Other accrued liabilities	216,601	135,376	99,953	252,024	106,912
Closure/post-closure care costs	15,904,000	802,000	-	16,706,000	-
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 24,474,744</u>	<u>\$ 937,376</u>	<u>\$ 684,158</u>	<u>\$ 24,727,962</u>	<u>\$ 656,912</u>
	2013				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Bonds payable					
Revenue bonds, Series 2006	\$ 2,800,000	\$ -	\$ 2,800,000	\$ -	\$ -
Revenue bonds, Series 2013	-	8,340,000	475,000	7,865,000	550,000
Issuance premium	8,802	518,684	38,343	489,143	-
Net bonds payable	2,808,802	8,858,684	3,313,343	8,354,143	550,000
Other liabilities					
Other accrued liabilities	182,312	128,418	94,129	216,601	99,953
Closure/post-closure care costs	15,436,000	468,000	-	15,904,000	-
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 18,427,114</u>	<u>\$ 9,455,102</u>	<u>\$ 3,407,472</u>	<u>\$ 24,474,744</u>	<u>\$ 649,953</u>

Other accrued liabilities include compensated absences and other post-employment benefits.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
Notes to Financial Statements
August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 4: Long-term Obligations - Continued

During fiscal year 2013, \$8,340,000 of revenue and refunding bonds were issued to refund \$2,800,000 of Series 2006 bonds and finance improvements to the City's solid waste management facilities. Interest rates on the bonds range from .25% to 4.00% and interest is payable semi-annually. Annual principal installments are due August 1, ranging from \$330,000 to \$850,000 through 2029. Series 2013 bonds maturing on or after August 1, 2024 are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the City at any time on or after August 1, 2023. The net revenues derived from the operations of the Fund are pledged as security for the revenue bonds.

The debt service requirements as of August 31, 2014 are as follows:

Year Ending August 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 550,000	\$ 196,202	\$ 746,202
2016	555,000	190,703	745,703
2017	570,000	185,152	755,152
2018	580,000	176,602	756,602
2019	575,000	167,903	742,903
2020-2024	2,475,000	599,800	3,074,800
2025-2029	<u>2,010,000</u>	<u>214,180</u>	<u>2,224,180</u>
	<u>\$ 7,315,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,730,542</u>	<u>\$ 9,045,542</u>

Note 5: Risk Management

The Fund participates in the City's self-insurance program administered by the City's Risk Management Division. The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees and the public; or acts of God. The City has a self-insured retention for workers' compensation exposures up to \$800,000 per individual; building and contents exposures up to \$50,000 per occurrence; general liability exposures up to \$250,000 per occurrence; public official's exposures up to \$250,000 per occurrence; auto liability exposures up to \$250,000, and employee long-term disability.

Workers' compensation, general liability, and public official's liability are covered by excess insurance which provides statutory limits above the City's retention. Auto liability is covered by a policy which provides a limit of \$6 million. The Nebraska Political Tort Claims Act limits the City's liability for tort claims to \$1 million per individual and \$5 million per occurrence. Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Premium amounts are paid to the Insurance Revolving Fund, including an estimate of the liability for claims incurred but not yet reported as of August 31, 2014 and 2013. The Fund incurred insurance expense of approximately \$55,000 in both 2014 and 2013.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
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August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 6: Closure and Post-closure Care Costs

The City of Lincoln currently owns and operates both a municipal solid waste landfill and a construction and demolition debris landfill. State and federal laws require the City to close the landfills once capacity is reached and to monitor and maintain the site for thirty subsequent years on the municipal solid waste landfill and five subsequent years on the construction and demolition debris landfill. Although certain closure and post-closure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfills stop accepting waste, the City reports a portion of these closure and post-closure care costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each statement of net position date.

At August 31, 2014 and 2013, the City had established a closure/post-closure cost liability of \$11,900,000 and \$11,120,000, respectively, for the municipal solid waste landfill which represents the amount of estimated costs reported to date based on the approximately 54% and 52% of landfill capacity used to date, respectively. The remaining estimated liability for these costs is approximately \$10.0 million, which will be recognized as the remaining capacity is used (estimated to be approximately 23 years).

At August 31, 2014 and 2013, the City had established a closure/post-closure cost liability of \$593,000 and \$550,000, respectively, for the construction and demolition debris landfill which represents the amount of estimated costs reported to date based on the approximately 58% and 55% of landfill capacity used to date, respectively. The remaining estimated liability for these costs is approximately \$432,000, which will be recognized as the remaining capacity is used (estimated to be approximately 15 years).

The estimated costs of closure and post-closure care, as determined by an independent engineering consultant, are subject to changes such as the effects of inflation, revision of laws, changes in technology, actual sequence of landfill development and closure and other variables.

The City of Lincoln also owns a solid waste disposal area which discontinued operations in 1990. Although exempt from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Solid Waste Disposal Criteria issued October 9, 1991, the City still adheres to certain closure and post-closure care requirements under prior legislation, including the construction of final cover, monitoring of groundwater conditions and landfill gas migration and general site maintenance. At August 31, 2014 and 2013, a liability for closure and post-closure care costs is recorded in the amount of \$4,213,000 and \$4,234,000, respectively. If any unanticipated corrective action costs related to landfill gas migration or groundwater contamination are identified through current monitoring procedures, an additional accrued liability will be recorded once these costs can be reasonably estimated.

City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Solid Waste Management Fund
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August 31, 2014 and 2013

Note 7: Pension Plan

Employees are eligible after six months of service and age 19 to be covered under the City's Money Purchase Pension Plan, established by City Ordinance, and administered by an insurance company. Enrollment in the program is mandatory at age 40 with five years of service. Vesting occurs in increments between three and seven years of enrollment in the plan. The Plan is a defined contribution plan requiring employees to contribute at a rate determined by the employees' bargaining unit and date of hire. The City contributes between \$1.29 and \$2.00 for every \$1.00 contributed by employees. Employee forfeitures are used to reduce employer contributions. Employees covered by the Plan may also make voluntary contributions.

	2014	2013
Total payroll	\$ 1,765,372	\$ 1,588,326
Covered payroll	1,594,189	1,574,660
Employee contributions	92,108	90,807
 Employee contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	 5.78%	 5.77%
 Employer contributions	 \$ 181,169	 \$ 179,210
 Employer contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	 11.36%	 11.38%

Note 8: Related Party Transactions

The City provides certain administrative services to the Fund for which the Fund pays fees to the City. These fees amounted to approximately \$334,000 and \$272,000 for the years ended August 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The City of Lincoln General Fund has borrowed monies from the pooled cash and investment account. The Fund's allocated share of the borrowing was \$15,775 and \$86,442 as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Amounts due from other City funds for solid waste fees are \$6,750 and \$6,766 as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Amounts due to other City funds for administrative and other services are \$1,075 and \$6,464 as of August 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

APPENDIX C

CITY OF LINCOLN GENERAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



Comprehensive **ANNUAL FINANCIAL
R E P O R T**

Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2014

On the cover:

"Ascent" by Nebraska artist Jun Kaneko lights up the new Lincoln Community Foundation Tower Square, the City's newest park, in downtown Lincoln.

Photo provided by Andrea Collins.

**COMPREHENSIVE
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

**OF THE
CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

Prepared by:

The Accounting Division of the Finance Department

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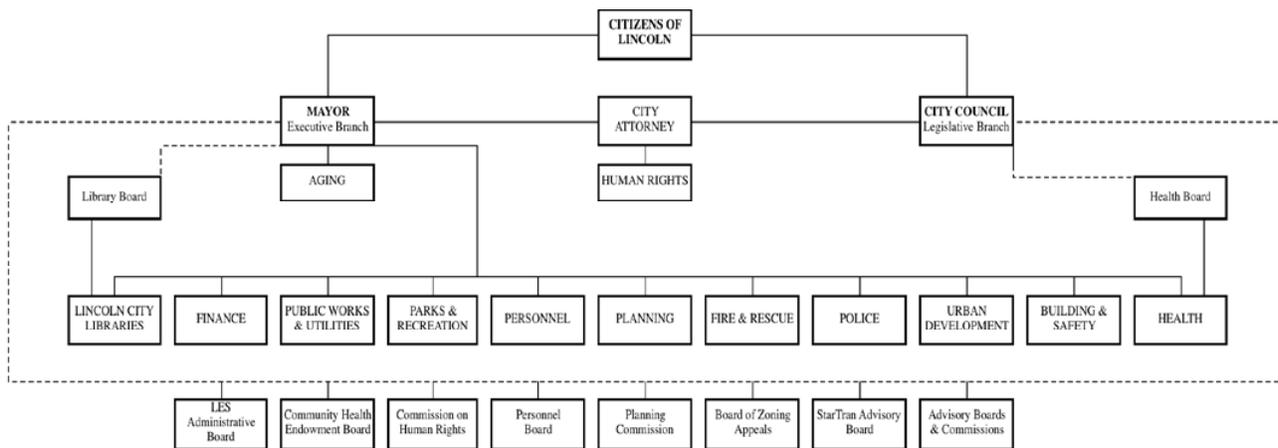
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 Jon Camp Council Member
 Roy Christensen Council Member
 Jonathan Cook Council Member
 Carl Eskridge Council Member
 Leirion Gaylor Baird Council Member

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Steve Hubka Interim Finance Director
 David Cary Acting Planning Director
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 Pat Leach Library Director
 Miki Esposito Public Works/Utilities Director
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 Douglas McDaniel Personnel Director
 Jeffery Kirkpatrick City Attorney
 Tom Casady Public Safety Director
 Jim Peschong Police Chief
 John Huff Fire Chief

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**CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
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February 24, 2015

Dear Citizens and Public Officials:

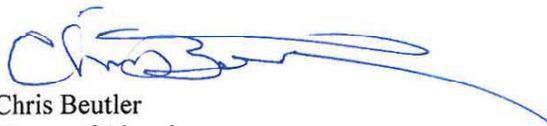
It is my pleasure to submit the City of Lincoln's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014.

Ensuring both fiscal and operational accountability in our use of public resources is a priority for my Administration, and this report is essential to that effort. This report provides a complete and accurate picture of the City's financial status and fulfills our continuing disclosure responsibilities in accordance with governmental reporting standards.

Our ability to manage the City's fiscal affairs and provide a full disclosure of the City's fiscal condition is exhibited by the unqualified audit opinion that follows. I am proud to report that the 2013 report submitted to the Government Finance Officers Association was recognized with the prestigious Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 31st consecutive year. This recognition is a credit to the City and a compliment to our dedicated Finance Department.

I would like to thank the Finance Department employees for their commitment in dealing with these complex accounting issues and to all City departments for their cooperation in the preparation of this document.

Sincerely,



Chris Beutler
Mayor of Lincoln



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February 24, 2015

To the Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Council, and Citizens of the City of Lincoln:

Both the City Charter and State law require an annual audit of the City's funds and accounts be made by a recognized independent and qualified accountant covering all financial transactions, affairs, and financial condition of the City, with the audit report published within six months after the close of the fiscal year. Pursuant to this requirement, the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014, is hereby submitted.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data found in this report, and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with management. In developing and evaluating the City's accounting system, consideration is given to the adequacy of internal accounting controls. Internal accounting controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding the safeguarding of assets against loss, theft, or misuse, and to ensure the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

As a recipient of federal, state and local financial assistance, the City is also responsible for ensuring that an adequate internal control structure is in place to ensure and document compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to these programs. The federal government, under the revised OMB Circular A-133, requires local governments that expend \$500,000 or more in federal funds in any fiscal year to have a financial and compliance audit performed. As part of the City's Single Audit, tests were made of the City's internal control structure over compliance and its compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including those related to major federal financial assistance programs. The Single Audit for the year ended August 31, 2014, disclosed no material internal control weaknesses. The independent auditor's reports are included in the Single Audit section found at the end of the CAFR.

To the best of management's knowledge and belief, the enclosed data are accurate in all material respects and reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and financial activities of the City. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the government's financial activities as specified by all currently effective statements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board have been included.

A firm of licensed certified public accountants has audited the City's financial statements. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the City are free of material misstatement. The audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The independent auditors concluded, based upon the audit, that there was a reasonable basis for rendering unmodified opinions that the City's financial statements for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014, are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP.

Generally accepted accounting principles require that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of management's discussion and analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The City's MD&A can be found in the Financial Section immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

Profile of the City

The City of Lincoln, capital city of Nebraska, was originally incorporated on April 7, 1869. Lincoln is located in the southeastern corner of the state, is midway between Chicago and Denver, and is currently one of the fastest growing metro areas in the Midwest. It occupies a land area of approximately 90 square miles, serves a population of over 268,000, and in its growth and development has annexed five other municipalities so that the City includes most of the urban area of Lancaster County. It enjoys a unique position in Nebraska as the center of the state's governmental and educational activities.

The City operates under a Home Rule Charter and has a Mayor-Council form of government with an elected full-time chief executive, the Mayor, and an elected legislative body, the Council, composed of seven members. Three Council members are elected at large and four by district on a nonpartisan basis for a term of four years. All legislative powers of the City are exclusively vested in the Council, as well as the power to adopt the budget, set the tax levy, and equalize taxes and assessments. The Mayor is responsible for the proper conduct of the affairs of the City, with the administration of City government performed under the direction of the Mayor through administrative departments.

The City of Lincoln provides a full range of services, including public safety (police and fire); the construction and maintenance of highways, streets, and other infrastructure; health; planning and zoning; golf courses, parks and recreation; urban development; mass transportation; ambulance transport; electric, water, and wastewater utilities; solid waste management; entertainment centers; parking facilities; and general administrative services.

The City Council exercises budgetary and/or rate setting authority over the City Library and Lincoln Electric System (LES), neither of which are legally separate from the City and are thus included as part of the primary government. The Lincoln Water System, Lincoln Wastewater System, Emergency Medical Services, Solid Waste Management, Parking Facilities and Lots, Golf Courses, Pershing Center, Pinnacle Bank Arena, and Community Health Endowment are all part of administrative departments under the direction of the Mayor and are included as part of the primary government. The City is considered to be financially accountable for the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency, and has included the Agency as part of the primary government as a blended component unit. Separately audited financial statements are available for LES, Lincoln Water System, Lincoln Wastewater System, Emergency Medical Services, Solid Waste Management, Parking System, Community Health Permanent Endowment Trust, and West Haymarket Joint Public Agency.

Beginning with the fiscal year 2012/2013, the City of Lincoln converted to adopting a biennial budget. The biennial budget serves as the basis for the City of Lincoln's financial planning and control. Following public hearings and not later than five days prior to the beginning of the biennium, the budget is legally adopted by resolution of the City Council. Appropriation controls are required at the department level, however, as a matter of policy and practice, appropriations generally are controlled at the next level of organization (division) or by fund within a department. The Mayor has the authority to transfer balances within a department as well as lower appropriations in any fund where actual revenues are less than appropriated in order to avoid incurring a budget deficit for the year. Appropriation transfers between departments may only be authorized by resolution of the City Council. The Council may not make any appropriations in tax supported funds in addition to those authorized in the biennial budget, except in the event of an emergency threatening serious loss of life, health, or property in the community.

Economic Condition and Outlook

Population growth is one of the best indicators of a community's economic well-being. As such, the Lincoln metropolitan area's population growth during the past several years reflects a community that is economically viable and is strongly positioned to meet future challenges.

The Lincoln metropolitan area population base (Lancaster County) continues to demonstrate a pattern of sustained growth. According to the U. S. Census figures, Lancaster County's rate of growth between 2000 and 2013 has been 18.1 percent or approximately 1.29 percent per year. The 2013 population of Lancaster County has been estimated to be in excess of 297,000 persons.

While such a growth rate may be modest by some standards, this healthy pace of expansion places Lincoln as one of the fastest growing communities in this region. Recent projections envision Lincoln to continue to grow at a rate of over 1% per year. As importantly, the City of Lincoln continues to absorb about 90% of all growth in Lancaster County.

Lincoln's unemployment rate at August 31, 2014, was 3.1%, well below the national average of 6.1%, with employment strongest in the categories of government, educational & health services, and retail trade. Lincoln's current number of construction permits is up 17% when compared to levels 5 years ago, with an increase in the value of construction permits of over \$210 million.

To more aggressively pursue economic opportunities, the City, Lancaster County, and LES have partnered to hire an economic development coordinator to facilitate job creation in the private sector. In addition, the Mayor's Technology Council completed its technology audit, which led to a new strategic plan for economic development.

Net sales and use tax revenue increased \$3,209,060 or 5.1% from the previous fiscal year. In relation to this primary revenue source, the City has recovered from the negative economic factors that have affected the local and national economies.

Long-Term Planning and Major Initiatives

Urban Development

The City anticipates approximately \$21 million of public expenditures funded through various urban development projects and programs over the next three years. These projects are varied in type and size and are located in the Downtown and Haymarket areas, North 27th Street, Havelock, South Street and College View business areas, the Antelope Valley project area, West O, and in low-moderate income neighborhoods throughout the City.

Public financing will be provided by a variety of sources, including Tax Increment Financing (TIF), Parking Revenues, CDBG, HOME and Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) grants, Advanced Land Acquisition funds, Special Assessments, and General Fund. Funding is often combined with developer, grant or other private sector funds.

The City's involvement will vary depending upon the project and could likely include property acquisition, relocation and demolition; housing rehabilitation and development; commercial development; and construction of public improvements including parking, sidewalks, infrastructure and streetscapes.

Ongoing and anticipated future projects include:

- Downtown Redevelopment Projects:
 - 1) West Haymarket, Block 2 project.
 - 2) West Haymarket, Block 4 project.
 - 3) Lumberworks Liner Building project.
 - 4) Schwarz Paper project.
 - 5) N Street protected bikeway.
 - 6) P Street East project.
 - 7) Block 68 housing.
 - 8) Pershing Redevelopment project.
 - 9) Telesis/Dairy House Phase II.
 - 10) Gallery Alley project.
 - 11) 700 O Street project.
- North 27th Street redevelopment efforts will continue on a project-by-project basis.
- New Downtown Parking Garage. Parking Services Division is completing a parking demand and occupancy study that will assist in determining the location of a new downtown parking facility.
- Antelope Valley Redevelopment Projects:
 - 1) 21st & N Street redevelopment project.
 - 2) Aspen housing.
 - 3) 23rd and O Street project.
- Havelock Redevelopment will continue on a project-by-project basis.
- University Place redevelopment of the former Green's Plumbing site.
- West O Street redevelopment will be on a project-by-project basis and the completion of the historic Detroit-Lincoln-Denver marker project.
- NW Corridor redevelopment (West Cornhusker Highway), including the Great American Sports Park.
- Innovation Campus redevelopment.
- 56th and Arbor Road redevelopment.
- Van Dorn and West Van Dorn area projects.
- Housing rehabilitation programs for quality, affordable housing and home ownership:
 - 1) Continuation of First-time Homebuyer and Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Loan programs.
 - 2) Partner with NeighborWorks-Lincoln for their Home Ownership Zone in Antelope Valley.
 - 3) Partner with other non-profit and for-profit housing organizations for affordable housing projects in low-to-moderate income neighborhoods under the Mayor's Stronger Safer Neighborhoods Program.
- Real estate major acquisition, negotiation and relocation projects:
 - 1) For effective transportation:
 - ✓ Yankee Hill Roadway, 70th to 81th Street.
 - ✓ SW 40th Street overpass.
 - ✓ 56th Street, Old Cheney to Shadow Pines.
 - ✓ Coddington and West Van Dorn intersection improvements.
 - ✓ Old Cheney Road, 70th to 84th Street.
 - ✓ Pine Lake Road, 61st to Hwy 2.
 - ✓ Rokeby Road, 70th to 84th Street.
 - ✓ Yankee Hill, 81st to 91st Street.
 - ✓ 14th and Cornhusker Hwy safety project.
 - ✓ 33rd and Cornhusker Hwy RTSD project.
 - ✓ 14th/Old Cheney/Warlick intersection.
 - ✓ South 84th, Hwy 2 to Rokeby Road.
 - ✓ East Beltway preliminary acquisitions.
 - ✓ South Beltway preliminary acquisitions.
 - ✓ Arterial/residential rehabs, executive order, traffic signals.
 - 2) For environmental quality:
 - ✓ Park sites citywide.
 - ✓ Stevens Creek sanitary sewer Phase III, IV & V.
 - ✓ Yankee Hill water main, 56th to 84th Street.
 - ✓ 98th Street water main, Holdrege to Alvo.
 - ✓ West O sanitary sewer lift station.
 - ✓ 6th and Old Cheney Road drainage project.
 - ✓ Storm water bond projects.
 - ✓ Miscellaneous sanitary sewer upgrade projects.

- ✓ Conservation easements and wetlands acquisitions.
- ✓ East O Street sewer and water projects
- ✓ Additional projects made possible by Federal Infrastructure Stimulus funds.

3) Relocation activities:

- ✓ 1st and Cornhusker Hwy project.
- ✓ 14th/Old Cheney/Warlick intersection project.

- Workforce Investment Act funds received by the City provide employment skills to low-income adults and youth and also to individuals laid-off from area employers. Federal funding is provided for GED, Adult Education and Literacy Activities, secondary and post-secondary education, work experience with an emphasis on high wage and high demand occupations, and on the job training.

Examples of specialized projects this year include:

- 1) A specialized work readiness class for youth, which combines literacy and numeracy training, GED preparation and work readiness curriculum done in collaboration with Southeast Community College.
- 2) 1st Job Lincoln, a pilot program to provide paid summer internships in the information technology field to Lincoln high school students.
- 3) Partnering our services to compliment the launch of The Career Academy, a joint project between Southeast Community College and Lincoln Public Schools.
- 4) Transitioning service strategies to meet requirements of the new Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

West Haymarket Project

The West Haymarket Redevelopment Project is a multi-faceted endeavor to revitalize underutilized property that lies on the western edge of Lincoln's downtown and Haymarket district. On May 11, 2010, the citizens of Lincoln voted to approve the issuance of arena bonds, which signaled approval for the project to proceed. The project involved the relocation and elimination of existing railroad tracks and completion of other site preparation activities, the construction of a 15,223 seat civic arena, a community ice center, private retail and office space, a new Amtrak Station, residential units, surface and decked parking, public gathering areas, street and utility improvements, landscaping, trails and walkways, pedestrian bridges, and environmental enhancements. The public portion of the project cost is estimated to be approximately \$375 million. The arena opened and became fully operational in September 2013.

The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (WHJPA) is the governmental agency responsible for oversight of the project, for issuing bonds, collecting revenue, and making bond payments over the course of the Project. Participants in the agency are the City and the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska.

Beginning January 1, 2011, an occupation tax was imposed on car rental, hotel, restaurant and bar charges within the City of Lincoln. This revenue has been pledged to repayment of any outstanding WHJPA bonds.

Antelope Valley Project

The City of Lincoln, Lower Platte South Natural Resource District and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln have joined together through an interlocal agreement to form the Joint Antelope Valley Authority (JAVA). JAVA has implemented the Antelope Valley project, which consists of storm water, transportation and community revitalization strategies.

The project has been successful in removing about 1,000 structures from the floodplain by creating an open waterway from Salt Creek Roadway to J Street. Traffic improvements include 12 new or replacement bridges, the elimination of railroad crossings, and 6.2 miles of new roadway including the Big X elevated intersection near the Devaney Sports Center. In addition to the new Union Plaza Park and new trails, revitalization efforts include the Assurity headquarters, Turbine Flats, several housing developments, the

Jayne Snyder Trails Center, Fleming Fields, and infrastructure improvements. Other redevelopment projects will progress as a result of the re-mapping of the floodplain.

Physical construction of all projects is now complete and final project documentation is expected to be completed in 2015 to close out project records.

The entire project is projected to cost \$246 million, which includes all components of the Antelope Valley project: community revitalization, flood control, and transportation.

Wastewater System

The Lincoln Wastewater System is projecting a capital improvements program in the amount of approximately \$67,695,000 over the 6-year period of fiscal year 2014-15 through fiscal year 2019-20. Of that total, approximately \$38,050,000 will be financed by revenue bonds, approximately \$1,200,000 will be financed by impact fees, with the remaining \$28,445,000 to come from utility revenue fees. The majority of these dollars are needed for replacement and maintenance of existing infrastructure, new infrastructure to serve development in various basins throughout the City, and improvements to both the Theresa Street and Northeast treatment plants.

Water System

The Lincoln Water System is projecting a capital improvements program in the amount of approximately \$101,700,200 over the 6-year period of fiscal year 2014-15 through 2019-20. Of these dollars, approximately \$19,000,000 will be financed through revenue bonds, approximately \$5,000,000 will be financed through impact fees, with the balance of \$77,700,200 coming from utility revenue fees. The major projects contributing to these total dollars include the installation of transmission lines, replacement mains, replacement and new wells, and additional storage reservoirs.

Streets and Highways

The 2014-2020 Streets and Highways capital improvements program and Transportation improvement program identify average annual expenditures of \$41 million for the next six years. Funding for these projects includes \$150 million in City revenues, \$32 million in federal aid, and \$62 million in other funds.

Infrastructure Impact Fees

The City's growth in both population and employment have created demands for new residential and nonresidential development, which in turn creates the need for additional public facilities, including water and wastewater systems, arterial streets, and neighborhood parks and trails. The City's laws, taxes, fees, utility charges, and other forms of revenue generated from new development do not provide sufficient funds to finance these new facilities.

In response to these funding needs the City of Lincoln passed an ordinance to provide for the imposition of impact fees to ensure that facilities are available to serve new growth and that new development bears its proportionate share of the cost of improvements to the City's facilities. Impact fees for all types of new construction have been set and adopted by the City Council and began June, 2003.

Pension Costs

The City currently contributes \$2 for every \$1 contributed by employees in the civilian retirement plans. In an effort to control this significant budget item, the City and the civilian unions, as well as non-union employees, have agreed to change these plans to a \$1.29 to \$1 match for new employees hired after a union specific effective date. Newly hired Department Directors and Mayoral Aides will receive a \$1 to \$1 match. The City is unable to legally change the match for current employees. The City anticipates saving 20 to 25 percent in retirement costs for each employee hired under this new arrangement.

Property Tax Collections

As of August 31, 2014, current tax collections by the County Treasurer were 97.42% of the tax levy, an increase of .11% from last year. Allocations of property tax levy by purpose are as follows:

<u>City Tax Levy by Purpose</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>
General Fund	.1889	.1854	.1876
Library	.0417	.0423	.0400
Social Security	.0155	.0157	.0163
Police and Fire Pension	.0378	.0382	.0348
General Obligation Debt	<u>.0319</u>	<u>.0342</u>	<u>.0371</u>
Total	<u>.3158</u>	<u>.3158</u>	<u>.3158</u>

Parking Facilities

The City of Lincoln operates the following parking garages:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Number of Stalls</u>	<u>Date Opened</u>
Center Park	1,049	November, 1978
Cornhusker Square	390	December, 1983
University Square	428	April, 1990
Que Place	810	October, 1994
Carriage Park	701	February, 1995
Market Place	385	August, 2000
Haymarket	409	August, 2002
Larson Building	647	July, 2012
Lumberworks	450	January, 2014

The City's parking garages have been built to promote downtown redevelopment efforts by working with the private sector in providing necessary parking to various businesses in the downtown area.

Revenue generated by the parking facilities and on-street parking meters, as well as undesignated street construction funds, are pledged for debt service of the 2010B Parking Revenue Bonds, the 2011 Parking Revenue and Refunding Bonds, and 2012 Parking Revenue and Refunding Bonds. Comparative data for the past two fiscal years are presented in the following table:

	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
Operating Revenues	\$ 9,816,550	8,444,055
Operating Income Before Depreciation	5,605,077	4,524,377
Debt Service	2,483,115	2,483,115
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	2.26	1.82

Solid Waste Management

The City of Lincoln owns and operates a municipal solid waste landfill and a construction and demolition debris landfill that are subject to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency rule *Solid Waste Disposal Facility Criteria*, which establishes closure and postclosure care requirements. As of August 31, 2014, the City estimates that it will incur costs approximating \$23 million to adhere to such requirements (see Note 18 of Notes to the Financial Statements).

Water and Wastewater System

The City's Wastewater Utility System showed an increase in operating revenues and an increase in operating income. Comparative data for the past two fiscal years is presented in the following table:

<u>Wastewater System</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
Operating Revenues	\$25,860,215	24,577,769
Operating Income	4,737,120	4,276,920
Revenue Available For Debt Service	13,711,176	12,466,116
Debt Service	7,131,915	6,577,064
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	1.92	1.90

The City's Water Utility System showed an increase in operating revenues and a decrease in operating income. Comparative data for the past two fiscal years is presented in the following table:

<u>Water System</u>	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
Operating Revenues	\$32,623,034	31,981,733
Operating Income	8,258,038	8,418,613
Revenue Available For Debt Service	18,625,588	18,128,425
Debt Service	5,967,417	4,195,562
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	3.12	4.32

Lincoln Electric System (LES)

The City owns and operates its own electric utility system that is managed by an administrative board. Actions of the board with regard to rates, budgets, and long-term financing are subject to final review and approval by the City Council. In accordance with Section 4.24.090 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, LES operates on a January 1 - December 31, fiscal year. Audited financial information as of and for LES' fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, is included in the City's August 31, 2014, financial statements.

Certificate of Achievement

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2013. This was the thirty-first consecutive year that the City has achieved this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

Acknowledgments

The preparation of this report on a timely basis could not be accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of the entire staff of the Finance Department. I would like to express my appreciation to all members of the department who assisted and contributed to its preparation. I would also like to thank the Mayor and members of the City Council for their interest and support in planning and conducting the financial operations of the City in a responsible and progressive manner.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Hubka
Interim Finance Director





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FINANCIAL SECTION

Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Mayor
and Members of the City Council
City of Lincoln, Nebraska

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the City) as of and for the year ended August 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, as of August 31, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, and the respective budgetary comparison information for the general fund and street construction fund thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Notes 1 and 13 to the financial statements, in 2014 the City implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. The accompanying information in the introductory section listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

BKD, LLP

Lincoln, Nebraska
February 24, 2015



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The management of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the City) offers readers of the City's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the City for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014. Please consider this discussion in conjunction with the additional information provided in the Letter of Transmittal (beginning on page vii) and the transactions, events and conditions reflected in the City's financial statements (beginning on page 16).

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the City exceeded its liabilities at August 31, 2014, by \$1,798,628,904 (net position). Of this amount, \$408,268,857 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The City's total net position increased by \$69,112,858. Of this amount, \$44,474,285, or 64 percent, was an increase in governmental activities and \$24,638,573, or 36 percent, related to business-type activities. Please refer to the fund descriptions preceding the various combining statements (beginning on page 77) for information regarding constraints imposed on the City in spending available funds.
- As of August 31, 2014, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$291,322,893, an increase of \$10,693,681 in comparison with the prior year. Of this total fund balance, 9 percent, or \$27,142,940, is available for spending at the City's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- As of August 31, 2014, unrestricted fund balance (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance) for the general fund was \$42,146,860, or 34 percent of total general fund expenditures. Following the implementation of GASB Statement No. 54, reference must be made to page 76 of this report for an accurate comparison of the City's General funds based on the structure used for budgeting.
- The City's total bonded debt increased by \$11,672,000 (1 percent) during the current fiscal year. The city issued \$75,525,000 in refunding bonds in the current year for a net present value savings of \$12,726,000.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the City's basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

The statement of net position presents information on all of the City's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and the City's liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the net difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the City's net position changed during the year ended August 31, 2014. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the City that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the City include general administrative services, public safety, streets and highways, health, planning and zoning, parks and recreation, libraries, aging services, job programs, urban development, mass transportation, engineering, self-insurance, and fleet management.

The business-type activities of the City include water, wastewater and electric utilities; ambulance transport; solid waste management; golf courses; entertainment centers; and parking.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 16-17 of this report.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The City, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the City can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds – Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the City's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The City maintains thirty individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General fund, the Street Construction fund, and the West Haymarket JPA fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of the nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The City adopts a biennial appropriated budget for its general fund and most other governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General and Street Construction major funds to demonstrate compliance with this budget. The West Haymarket JPA major fund is not required to adopt an annual budget so a budgetary comparison has not been provided.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 18-23 of this report.

Proprietary funds – The City maintains two different types of proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The City uses enterprise funds to account for its parking facilities and lots; golf courses; entertainment centers; solid waste management; ambulance services; and wastewater, water, and electric systems. Internal service funds are used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the City's various functions. The City uses internal service funds to account for its data processing, engineering, insurance, fleet management, municipal services center operations, telecommunications, and copy services. Because these services predominantly benefit governmental rather than business-type functions, they have been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Water, Wastewater and Electric Systems, all of which are considered to be major funds of the City. Data from the other enterprise funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Internal service funds are also combined into a single, aggregated presentation in the proprietary fund financial statements. Individual fund data for these funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 24-26 of this report.

Fiduciary funds – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the

resources of those funds are not available to support the City's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

The fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 27-28 of this report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 30-73 of this report.

OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the City's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its police and fire employees, and to provide other postemployment benefits. Required supplementary information can be found on pages 74-76 of this report.

The combining statements referred to earlier are presented immediately following the required supplementary information on pensions and OPEB. Combining and individual fund statements and schedules can be found beginning on page 77 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the City, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$1,798,628,904 at August 31, 2014.

By far the largest portion of the City's net position (68 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, improvements, utility plant, infrastructure, and machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The City uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the City's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

**City Of Lincoln
Condensed Statements of Net Position
August 31, 2014 and 2013**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
Current and Other Assets	\$ 536,125,243	528,495,518	287,136,962	334,413,750	823,262,205	862,909,268
Capital Assets	1,033,606,965	980,298,540	1,524,122,083	1,477,846,626	2,557,729,048	2,458,145,166
Total Assets	<u>1,569,732,208</u>	<u>1,508,794,058</u>	<u>1,811,259,045</u>	<u>1,812,260,376</u>	<u>3,380,991,253</u>	<u>3,321,054,434</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,109,915	1,223,669	21,879,889	21,108,867	22,989,804	22,332,536
Long-Term Liabilities Outstanding	561,671,668	539,301,185	861,413,108	857,148,510	1,423,084,776	1,396,449,695
Other Liabilities	43,749,448	49,769,820	138,517,929	167,651,409	182,267,377	217,421,229
Total Liabilities	<u>605,421,116</u>	<u>589,071,005</u>	<u>999,931,037</u>	<u>1,024,799,919</u>	<u>1,605,352,153</u>	<u>1,613,870,924</u>
Net Position:						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	545,831,558	522,108,202	673,582,095	615,635,246	1,219,413,653	1,137,743,448
Restricted	155,105,392	144,925,083	15,841,002	13,167,482	170,946,394	158,092,565
Unrestricted	264,484,057	253,913,437	143,784,800	179,766,596	408,268,857	433,680,033
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 965,421,007</u>	<u>920,946,722</u>	<u>833,207,897</u>	<u>808,569,324</u>	<u>1,798,628,904</u>	<u>1,729,516,046</u>

An additional portion of the City's net position (9 percent) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on their use. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position (23 percent) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At August 31, 2014, the City is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net position, both for the government as a whole, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities.

City Of Lincoln
Condensed Statements of Activities
For the Years Ended August 31, 2014 and 2013

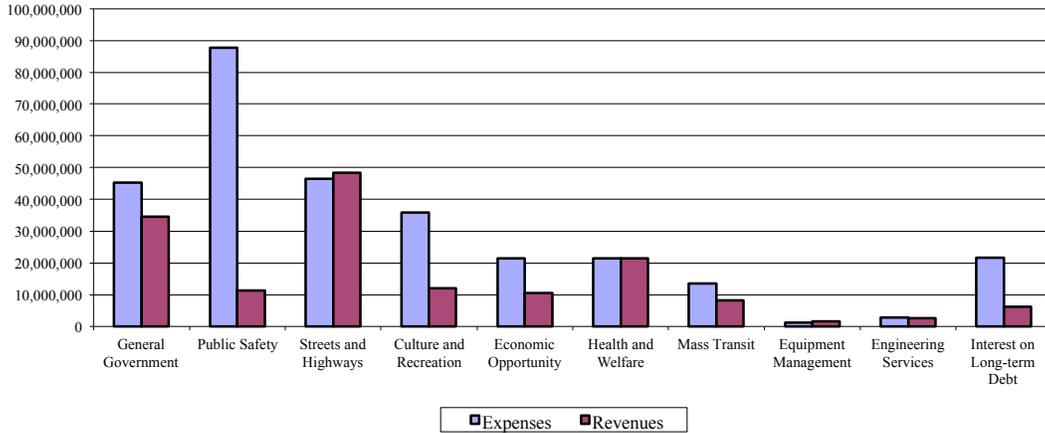
	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenues:						
Program Revenues:						
Charges for Services	\$ 62,644,024	55,593,762	386,940,021	358,167,400	449,584,045	413,761,162
Operating Grants and Contributions	71,235,768	57,394,538	-	-	71,235,768	57,394,538
Capital Grants and Contributions	23,165,428	28,517,996	5,403,759	7,195,503	28,569,187	35,713,499
General Revenues:						
Property Tax	55,871,758	56,130,131	-	-	55,871,758	56,130,131
Sales and Use Tax	66,753,197	63,544,137	-	-	66,753,197	63,544,137
Occupation Tax	25,830,488	25,437,045	2,598,793	2,011,468	28,429,281	27,448,513
Other Taxes	21,973,301	20,220,063	-	-	21,973,301	20,220,063
Unrestricted Grants and Contributions	80,178	79,177	-	-	80,178	79,177
Unrestricted Investment Earnings (Loss)	2,855,984	(833,074)	1,757,946	(713,969)	4,613,930	(1,547,043)
Other	890,450	1,925,791	136,403	874,807	1,026,853	2,800,598
Total Revenues	331,300,576	308,009,566	396,836,922	367,535,209	728,137,498	675,544,775
Expenses:						
General Government	45,355,465	43,666,952	-	-	45,355,465	43,666,952
Public Safety	87,571,014	86,493,288	-	-	87,571,014	86,493,288
Streets and Highways	46,525,688	39,551,411	-	-	46,525,688	39,551,411
Culture and Recreation	35,878,349	29,419,132	-	-	35,878,349	29,419,132
Economic Opportunity	21,549,476	14,819,767	-	-	21,549,476	14,819,767
Health and Welfare	21,456,657	20,939,140	-	-	21,456,657	20,939,140
Mass Transit	13,582,835	13,453,926	-	-	13,582,835	13,453,926
Equipment Management	1,181,947	1,479,534	-	-	1,181,947	1,479,534
Engineering Services	2,774,223	2,570,054	-	-	2,774,223	2,570,054
Interest on Long-Term Debt	21,776,180	19,787,131	-	-	21,776,180	19,787,131
Golf Courses	-	-	3,473,671	3,404,885	3,473,671	3,404,885
Parking	-	-	8,078,478	7,144,511	8,078,478	7,144,511
Entertainment Facilities	-	-	13,000,711	4,345,398	13,000,711	4,345,398
Solid Waste Management	-	-	8,838,837	8,472,030	8,838,837	8,472,030
Ambulance Transport	-	-	5,564,099	4,931,379	5,564,099	4,931,379
Wastewater	-	-	23,864,691	23,116,057	23,864,691	23,116,057
Water	-	-	25,941,743	25,499,420	25,941,743	25,499,420
Electric	-	-	272,692,000	263,674,000	272,692,000	263,674,000
Total Expenses	297,651,834	272,180,335	361,454,230	340,587,680	659,106,064	612,768,015
Increase in Net Position Before Transfers	33,648,742	35,829,231	35,382,692	26,947,529	69,031,434	62,776,760
Transfers	10,825,543	11,290,702	(10,744,119)	(11,040,534)	81,424	250,168
Increase in Net Position	44,474,285	47,119,933	24,638,573	15,906,995	69,112,858	63,026,928
Net Position - Beginning	920,946,722	873,826,789	808,569,324	792,662,329	1,729,516,046	1,666,489,118
Net Position - Ending	\$ 965,421,007	920,946,722	833,207,897	808,569,324	1,798,628,904	1,729,516,046

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

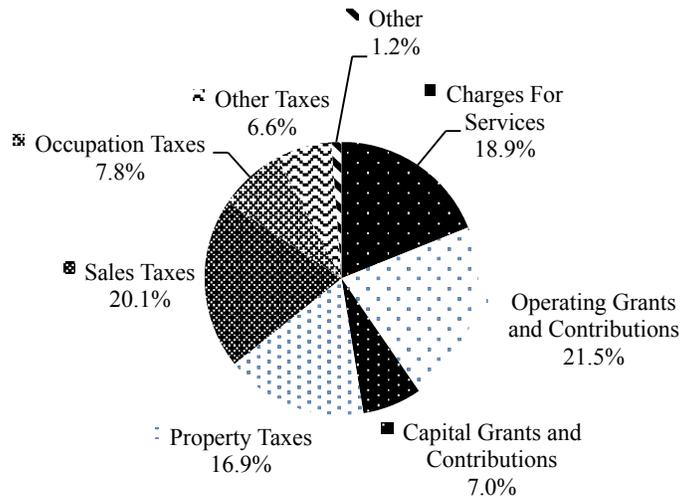
Governmental activities increased the City's net position by \$44,474,285, accounting for 64 percent of the total growth in the net position of the City of Lincoln. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

- Total grants and contributions increased by approximately \$8.5 million (9.9 percent) during 2014.
- Sales taxes increased by approximately \$3.2 million (5.1 percent) during 2014 after showing an increase of 1.9 percent in the prior year.
- Other taxes increased by approximately \$1.8 million (8.7 percent) in 2014, which includes a wheel tax increase of approximately \$1.5 million. Commencing September 1, 2013 the wheel tax fee schedule increased by 7.25 percent.
- Unrestricted investment earnings increased by approximately \$3.7 million in 2014 after showing a loss the prior year. The most significant reason for this change was the volatility of the investment market from the prior fiscal year to the current fiscal year. In 2014, the City's cash and investment pool had a market value adjustment downward in the amount of \$1,168,139 compared to a \$3,100,321 downward adjustment in 2013, therefore mitigating the impact to interest earnings.

Expenses and Program Revenues - Governmental Activities



Revenues By Source - Governmental Activities



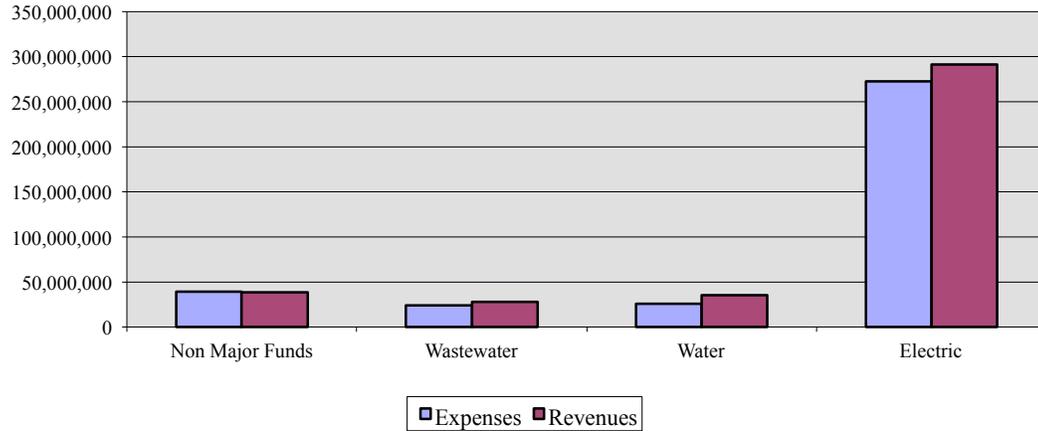
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

Business-type activities increased the City’s net position by \$24,638,573, accounting for 36 percent of the total growth in the government’s net position. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

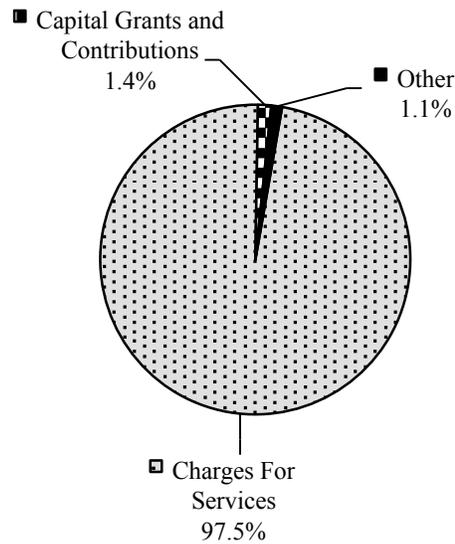
- Lincoln Electric System operating revenue in 2013 was 5.1 percent higher than 2012. Retail revenue was 4.0 percent higher due to the impact of a 2.6 percent rate increase on January 1, 2013. Wholesale revenue decreased 17.5 percent with an energy sales decrease of 9.3 percent. The city dividend for utility ownership added \$6.8 million to operating revenue, up \$.3 million due to increased net position (net position is used in the determination of the city dividend for utility ownership).

- Lincoln Water and Wastewater Systems had increased service charge revenues due to a 5% increase implemented November 2013. Total operating expenses increased primarily due to higher personnel costs, increased depreciation expense, and increases in utility costs.

Expenses And Program Revenues - Business-type Activities



Revenues By Source - Business-type Activities



FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the City uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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

As of August 31, 2014, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$291,322,893, an increase of \$10,693,681 in comparison with the prior year. Of this total amount, 9 percent constitutes unassigned fund balance, which is available for spending at the City's discretion. The remainder of fund balance is either nonspendable, restricted, committed, or assigned to indicate that it is not in spendable form (\$3,161,680), legally required to be maintained intact (\$37,160,000), restricted for particular purposes (\$149,109,449), committed for particular purposes (\$1,800,869), or assigned for particular purposes (\$72,947,955).

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the City. At August 31, 2014, the unrestricted fund balance of the General Fund was \$42,146,860, while total fund balance reached \$57,464,383. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unrestricted fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unrestricted fund balance represents 34 percent of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 47 percent of that same amount.

The fund balance of the City's General Fund increased by \$2,245,147 during 2014. For the 2013 fiscal year, appropriated General Fund balance, used as a funding source for the budget, decreased by 40.6 percent over the prior year. It increased 72 percent for the 2014 fiscal year. The City has converted to a biennial budget and allocation of balances is spread over a two-year budget cycle.

The Street Construction Fund has a total fund balance of \$74,350,375, which is to be used in the construction and maintenance of streets and highways. The net increase in fund balance during 2014 in the Street Construction Fund was \$16,334,337, the result of several significant projects that have received funding but for various reasons the actual construction has been delayed.

The West Haymarket JPA Fund had a fund balance of \$23,329,047, which is to be used for funding improvements of the West Haymarket Redevelopment Project and debt service on the related debt. The current year change in fund balance of (\$9,479,391) was expected as bond proceeds are spent on the redevelopment projects.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

The City's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the Wastewater System, Water System, Electric System, and other enterprise funds amounted to \$26,173,693, \$30,161,406, \$97,512,000 and (\$10,062,299), respectively, at August 31, 2014 (December 31, 2013 for LES). Factors concerning the finances of these funds have already been addressed in the discussion of the City's business-type activities.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget were relatively minor (increase of \$176,390) and can be briefly summarized as follows:

Expenditure appropriations:

- \$(3,474,733) in miscellaneous changes in general government activities.
- \$2,001,605 in increases allocated to public safety.
- \$(251,628) in decreases to streets & highways.
- \$56,006 in increases allocated to parks and recreation.
- \$1,845,140 in increases allocated for General Fund transfers to other City funds.

Variances between actual General Fund revenues and expenditures and the final amended budget include the following:

- \$4,601,279 positive variance in real estate and personal property tax. Actual property tax collections were 97.42 percent of the 2013 levy, while estimated tax revenue is based on 90 percent collections as provided by the City Charter.
- \$3,963,181 positive variance in miscellaneous general government expenditures. Significant savings were realized in several service line items that are reappropriated to cover future expenditures.
- \$3,876,458 positive variance in police expenditures. Remaining balances are reappropriated to the next year to assist with one-time expenditures that are not ongoing operating expenditures.
- \$2,599,631 negative variance in street lighting function expenditures. This variance was the result of additions related to both normal construction as well as Antelope Valley Project construction.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

CAPITAL ASSETS

The City's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of August 31, 2014, amounts to \$2,557,729,048 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, streets, bridges, storm sewers, electric plant, and water and sewer plant. The total increase in the City's investment in capital assets for 2014 was 4 percent (a 5.4 percent increase for governmental activities and a 3.1 percent increase for business-type activities).

Major capital asset events during 2014 included the following:

- The City increased its investment in infrastructure, including streets, bridges, drainage and traffic systems, in excess of \$35 million.
- The West Haymarket Redevelopment Project increased capital assets by approximately \$38.6 million, which includes roads and utility work, arena construction, environmental remediation, and parking.
- The City invested in its mass transit system with the purchase of five new buses at a cost of approximately \$2.4 million.
- The City parking system's investment in the Lumberworks Parking Garage increased by approximately \$2 million.
- The LES Central Lincoln Reliability Project includes installation of 5.2 miles of transmission lines to replace aging cables, meet the growing demand for electricity in central Lincoln and improve system reliability. This project was completed at a total cost of \$25.4 million.
- Construction of a 4MW landfill gas-based power generating facility sourced from the Bluff Road Landfill was completed at a total cost of \$12 million.
- A multi-year project by LES to install underground duct adjacent to existing aging underground facilities to allow faster restoration of service should the cable fail was started in the summer of 2012 with a target completion date of 2027 and a total project cost of \$33.3 million.

City Of Lincoln
Capital Assets (net of depreciation)
August 31, 2014 and 2013

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
Land	\$ 141,724,149	139,434,473	24,440,188	24,238,655	166,164,337	163,673,128
Buildings	267,885,080	244,772,550	156,269,518	137,885,757	424,154,598	382,658,307
Improvements Other Than Buildings	59,970,122	42,302,711	464,616,356	456,108,511	524,586,478	498,411,222
Machinery and Equipment	34,330,128	35,076,357	13,726,707	13,711,274	48,056,835	48,787,631
Utility Plant	-	-	779,726,000	757,423,000	779,726,000	757,423,000
Infrastructure	466,235,722	455,365,190	-	-	466,235,722	455,365,190
Construction-in-progress	63,461,764	63,347,259	85,343,314	88,479,429	148,805,078	151,826,688
Total	\$ 1,033,606,965	980,298,540	1,524,122,083	1,477,846,626	2,557,729,048	2,458,145,166

Additional information on the City's capital assets can be found in Note 7 of the notes to the financial statements on pages 46-48 of this report.

LONG-TERM DEBT

At August 31, 2014, the City of Lincoln had total bonded debt outstanding of \$1,205,916,000. Of this amount, \$458,566,000 comprises debt backed by the full faith and credit of the City. The remainder of the City's debt represents bonds secured solely by specified revenue sources (i.e., revenue bonds).

City Of Lincoln
Outstanding Bonded Debt
August 31, 2014 and 2013
(dollar amounts in thousands)

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 458,566	439,274	-	-	458,566	439,274
Tax Supported Bonds	3,690	4,470	-	-	3,690	4,470
Revenue Bonds	-	-	743,660	750,500	743,660	750,500
Total	\$ 462,256	443,744	743,660	750,500	1,205,916	1,194,244

The City's total bonded debt increased by \$11,672,000 (1 percent) in the current fiscal year. LES refunding bonds were issued in the amount of \$75,525,000 to refund \$53,710,000 of outstanding bonds and \$24,000,000 of outstanding commercial paper notes.

The City maintains the following credit ratings:

	Moody's Investors Service	Standard And Poor's	Fitch Investors Service
General Obligation Bonds	Aaa	AAA	-
West Haymarket JPA Bonds	Aa1	AAA	-
Antelope Valley Project Bonds	Aa2	AA	-
Water Revenue Bonds	Aa1	AA	-
Wastewater Revenue Bonds			
MBIA insured	Aaa	AAA	-
Underlying	Aa2	AA+	-
Parking Revenue Bonds	A1	A	-
Lincoln Electric System Revenue Bonds	-	AA	AA

Under the City's Home Rule Charter, there is no legal debt limit.

Additional information on the City's long-term debt can be found in Note 9 of the notes to the financial statements on pages 50-56 of this report.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The 2014-2016 biennial budget prepared for the City of Lincoln included the following factors relative to the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

- Property tax revenue required to fund the 2014-2015 budget increased \$1,356,580 from the prior year. Total change in the tax base is 1.573 percent. Voter approval of a \$7,900,000 stormwater bond issue and the corresponding tax levy to fund debt service payments requires a tax rate of .31958, or 1.20% increase over the prior year tax rate.
- The adequacy of fees charged for City service cost recovery is examined each year and some fee increases are included in each budget. Without periodic increases in fees, amounts collected, or other revenue adjustments, inflationary and other cost increases would need to be covered by additional property tax revenue or the levels of service provided would need to be reduced. Revenue adjustments in 2015 include increased Parks and Recreation program fees, \$210,673; increased tax increment financing administrative fees, \$100,000; and increased various environmental health fees, \$67,498.
- Utility rates are increased by an average of 3 percent, resulting in additional 2015 revenues of \$1,167,000 for Water and \$875,000 for Wastewater.
- Sales tax collections for 2014 finished .03 percent ahead of projections. 2015 projections reflect a 4.5 percent increase over 2014 actual collections. Refunds in 2014 were down 4.6% from the prior year.
- Staffing changes included in the 2014-2015 budget result in an increase for all funds of 9.99 full-time equivalents.
- Health care premiums for the City's self-insured health plan for employees are projected to increase 12% in 2015.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the City of Lincoln's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the City of Lincoln, Finance Department, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508. This report and other financial information are also available online at www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/finance/.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
AUGUST 31, 2014

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 28,668,002	24,206,275	52,874,277
Investments	245,901,757	114,711,047	360,612,804
Receivables, (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)	33,870,368	48,254,376	82,124,744
Internal Balances	(1,514,104)	1,514,104	-
Due from Other Governments	22,333,967	2,865,706	25,199,673
Inventories	2,533,327	16,509,191	19,042,518
Plant Operation Assets	-	11,938,000	11,938,000
Prepaid Items	1,024,407	2,215,615	3,240,022
Other Assets	126,575	6,049,400	6,175,975
Restricted Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	235,025	8,638,977	8,874,002
Investments	37,160,000	50,221,408	87,381,408
Receivables	-	12,863	12,863
Investment in Joint Venture	165,785,919	-	165,785,919
Capital Assets:			
Non-depreciable	205,185,913	109,783,502	314,969,415
Depreciable (Net)	828,421,052	1,414,338,581	2,242,759,633
Total Assets	<u>1,569,732,208</u>	<u>1,811,259,045</u>	<u>3,380,991,253</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred Loss on Refunding	<u>1,109,915</u>	<u>21,879,889</u>	<u>22,989,804</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable and Other Current Liabilities	18,311,240	20,551,161	38,862,401
Accrued Liabilities	6,549,723	40,756,548	47,306,271
Due to Other Governments	4,715,354	296,244	5,011,598
Unearned Revenue	9,201,295	2,768,163	11,969,458
Notes Payable	-	64,500,000	64,500,000
Accrued Interest Payable	4,971,836	9,645,813	14,617,649
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Payable within One Year	28,890,654	40,478,374	69,369,028
Payable in More Than One Year	532,781,014	820,934,734	1,353,715,748
Total Liabilities	<u>605,421,116</u>	<u>999,931,037</u>	<u>1,605,352,153</u>
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	545,831,558	673,582,095	1,219,413,653
Restricted for:			
Debt Service	5,635,629	8,712,351	14,347,980
Capital Projects	51,901,487	7,122,746	59,024,233
Grantor Loan Programs	18,759,000	-	18,759,000
Other	12,098,383	5,905	12,104,288
Trust Donations:			
Expendable	1,987,925	-	1,987,925
Nonexpendable	160,000	-	160,000
Health Care:			
Expendable	27,562,968	-	27,562,968
Nonexpendable	37,000,000	-	37,000,000
Unrestricted	<u>264,484,057</u>	<u>143,784,800</u>	<u>408,268,857</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 965,421,007</u>	<u>833,207,897</u>	<u>1,798,628,904</u>

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Functions/Programs							
Governmental Activities:							
General Government	\$ (45,355,465)	31,498,610	2,162,384	873,982	(10,820,489)	-	(10,820,489)
Public Safety	(87,571,014)	7,446,309	3,478,516	383,396	(76,262,793)	-	(76,262,793)
Streets and Highways	(46,525,688)	5,162,445	27,752,409	15,357,988	1,747,154	-	1,747,154
Culture and Recreation	(35,878,349)	4,328,220	2,232,512	5,455,367	(23,862,250)	-	(23,862,250)
Economic Opportunity	(21,549,476)	918,794	9,688,637	-	(10,942,045)	-	(10,942,045)
Health and Welfare	(21,456,657)	5,332,189	16,147,206	-	22,738	-	22,738
Mass Transit	(13,582,835)	3,138,094	5,154,647	-	(5,290,094)	-	(5,290,094)
Equipment Management	(1,181,947)	1,672,058	-	-	490,111	-	490,111
Engineering Services	(2,774,223)	2,593,500	-	2,160	(178,563)	-	(178,563)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	(21,776,180)	553,805	4,619,457	1,092,535	(15,510,383)	-	(15,510,383)
Total Governmental Activities	(297,651,834)	62,644,024	71,235,768	23,165,428	(140,606,614)	-	(140,606,614)
Business-Type Activities:							
Golf	(3,473,671)	3,312,321	-	-	-	(161,350)	(161,350)
Parking System	(8,078,478)	10,634,366	-	-	-	2,555,888	2,555,888
Municipal Auditorium	(1,538,108)	1,097,606	-	-	-	(440,502)	(440,502)
Municipal Arena	(11,462,603)	11,152,759	-	-	-	(309,844)	(309,844)
Solid Waste Management	(8,838,837)	6,408,559	-	-	-	(2,430,278)	(2,430,278)
Emergency Medical Services	(5,564,099)	5,850,715	-	-	-	286,616	286,616
Wastewater System	(23,864,691)	25,804,120	-	1,848,707	-	3,788,136	3,788,136
Water System	(25,941,743)	32,558,575	-	2,412,052	-	9,028,884	9,028,884
Electric System	(272,692,000)	290,121,000	-	1,143,000	-	18,572,000	18,572,000
Total Business-Type Activities	(361,454,230)	386,940,021	-	5,403,759	-	30,889,550	30,889,550
Total	\$ (659,106,064)	449,584,045	71,235,768	28,569,187	(140,606,614)	30,889,550	(109,717,064)
General Revenues:							
Property Tax					55,871,758	-	55,871,758
Motor Vehicle Tax					4,737,197	-	4,737,197
Wheel Tax					17,173,865	-	17,173,865
Sales and Use Tax					66,753,197	-	66,753,197
Sundry and In Lieu Tax					62,239	-	62,239
Occupation Tax					25,830,488	2,598,793	28,429,281
Unrestricted Grants and Contributions					80,178	-	80,178
Unrestricted Investment Earnings					2,855,984	1,757,946	4,613,930
Miscellaneous General Revenues					890,450	136,403	1,026,853
Transfers					10,825,543	(10,744,119)	81,424
Total General Revenues and Transfers					185,080,899	(6,250,977)	178,829,922
Change in Net Position					44,474,285	24,638,573	69,112,858
Net Position - Beginning					920,946,722	808,569,324	1,729,516,046
Net Position - Ending					\$ 965,421,007	833,207,897	1,798,628,904

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
AUGUST 31, 2014

	General Fund	Street Construction Fund	West Haymarket JPA Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,165,766	8,196,106	2,495,117	11,674,208	26,531,197
Investments	42,005,301	56,561,198	37,245,702	118,165,049	253,977,250
Receivables, (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)	5,838,022	321,073	2,040,874	24,783,229	32,983,198
Due from Other Funds	1,749,305	9,194,735	108,592	1,608,738	12,661,370
Due from Other Governments	12,083,534	5,258,534	779,344	4,125,902	22,247,314
Inventories	446,935	604,665	-	575,397	1,626,997
Assets Held for Resale	-	-	-	126,575	126,575
Prepaid Items	1,264,948	31,710	238,025	-	1,534,683
Total Assets	<u>67,553,811</u>	<u>80,168,021</u>	<u>42,907,654</u>	<u>161,059,098</u>	<u>351,688,584</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	1,383,696	3,725,681	5,140,578	2,058,921	12,308,876
Contracts Payable	-	171,999	1,890,015	1,673,796	3,735,810
Accrued Liabilities	3,383,310	206,671	183,000	2,105,893	5,878,874
Due to Other Funds	2,069,397	275,470	117,632	12,935,782	15,398,281
Due to Other Governments	1,487,625	1,489	2,354,408	989,312	4,832,834
Due to Other Contractors	-	-	-	759,489	759,489
Unearned Revenue	465	-	8,822,008	244,028	9,066,501
Total Liabilities	<u>8,324,493</u>	<u>4,381,310</u>	<u>18,507,641</u>	<u>20,767,221</u>	<u>51,980,665</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Unavailable Revenues	1,764,935	1,436,336	1,070,966	4,112,789	8,385,026
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable	1,711,883	636,375	238,025	37,735,397	40,321,680
Restricted	13,605,640	40,116,554	11,352,575	84,034,680	149,109,449
Committed	-	-	-	1,800,869	1,800,869
Assigned	14,859,083	33,597,446	11,738,447	12,752,979	72,947,955
Unassigned	27,287,777	-	-	(144,837)	27,142,940
Total Fund Balances	<u>57,464,383</u>	<u>74,350,375</u>	<u>23,329,047</u>	<u>136,179,088</u>	<u>291,322,893</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 67,553,811</u>	<u>80,168,021</u>	<u>42,907,654</u>	<u>161,059,098</u>	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	1,009,150,396
Investment in joint venture is not a financial resource and, therefore, is not reported in the funds.	165,785,919
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.	8,385,026
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain services to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the statement of net position.	29,479,048
Accrued pension contribution, long-term construction contracts and other liabilities require the use of unavailable financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(4,348,987)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(534,353,288)
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 965,421,007</u>

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	General Fund	Street Construction Fund	West Haymarket JPA Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total
REVENUES					
Taxes:					
Property	\$ 31,335,264	-	-	24,485,857	55,821,121
Motor Vehicle	4,737,197	-	-	-	4,737,197
Wheel	-	-	-	17,173,865	17,173,865
Sales and Use	66,753,197	-	-	-	66,753,197
Sundry and In Lieu	49,990	-	-	12,453	62,443
Occupation	11,338,968	-	14,491,520	-	25,830,488
Special Assessment	599	1,655	-	1,870,974	1,873,228
Intergovernmental	3,323,906	41,261,237	3,941,404	30,852,006	79,378,553
Permits and Fees	5,436,299	3,836,118	2,550	14,519,435	23,794,402
Reimbursement for Services	6,809,049	223,907	5,991,586	1,258,630	14,283,172
Court Settlements	177,476	87,644	-	-	265,120
Program Income	-	-	-	51,071	51,071
Investment Earnings	526,348	474,401	746,835	8,823,437	10,571,021
Donations	1,532,147	-	500,000	1,121,764	3,153,911
Keno Proceeds	-	-	-	4,189,006	4,189,006
Miscellaneous	582,958	839,179	846,732	1,057,196	3,326,065
Total Revenues	<u>132,603,398</u>	<u>46,724,141</u>	<u>26,520,627</u>	<u>105,415,694</u>	<u>311,263,860</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General Government	32,008,504	-	7,091,430	11,944,162	51,044,096
Public Safety	64,167,802	-	-	8,665,896	72,833,698
Streets and Highways	9,012,565	12,040,223	-	1,606	21,054,394
Culture and Recreation	13,002,940	-	2,000,000	10,169,160	25,172,100
Economic Opportunity	4,110,184	-	-	9,682,557	13,792,741
Health and Welfare	273,584	-	-	21,824,370	22,097,954
Mass Transit	-	-	-	14,419,436	14,419,436
Debt Service	41,051	44,413	16,114,551	20,249,197	36,449,212
Capital Outlay	-	37,196,180	38,559,116	17,421,991	93,177,287
Total Expenditures	<u>122,616,630</u>	<u>49,280,816</u>	<u>63,765,097</u>	<u>114,378,375</u>	<u>350,040,918</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>9,986,768</u>	<u>(2,556,675)</u>	<u>(37,244,470)</u>	<u>(8,962,681)</u>	<u>(38,777,058)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers In	11,128,450	20,338,851	-	32,443,684	63,910,985
Transfers Out	(22,247,671)	(5,492,935)	(657,266)	(24,998,643)	(53,396,515)
Issuance of Debt	3,220,000	3,865,000	28,175,000	2,415,000	37,675,000
Premium on Debt Issued	148,215	180,096	241,675	112,667	682,653
Sale of Capital Assets	9,385	-	5,670	583,561	598,616
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(7,741,621)</u>	<u>18,891,012</u>	<u>27,765,079</u>	<u>10,556,269</u>	<u>49,470,739</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>2,245,147</u>	<u>16,334,337</u>	<u>(9,479,391)</u>	<u>1,593,588</u>	<u>10,693,681</u>
Fund Balances - Beginning	<u>55,219,236</u>	<u>58,016,038</u>	<u>32,808,438</u>	<u>134,585,500</u>	<u>280,629,212</u>
Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 57,464,383</u>	<u>74,350,375</u>	<u>23,329,047</u>	<u>136,179,088</u>	<u>291,322,893</u>

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	10,693,681
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.		52,352,498
The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital contributions is to increase net position.		3,493,880
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds: Change in revenues in fund statements previously recognized in the statement of activities.		(843,298)
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.		(24,848,219)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		1,364,066
Changes in the net pension obligation and the net OPEB obligation do not represent financial activity in governmental funds.		(706,656)
Changes in the interest in the underlying net position of the joint venture do not represent financial activity in governmental funds.		366,057
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain services to individual funds. The net expense of the internal service funds is reported within governmental activities.		<u>2,602,276</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u><u>44,474,285</u></u>

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Real Estate and Personal Property Tax	\$ 33,466,673	33,466,673	38,067,952	4,601,279
Taxes Collected by Others	66,370,001	66,370,001	66,393,391	23,390
Sundry Taxes and In Lieu	58,736	58,736	50,367	(8,369)
Occupation Taxes	11,963,655	11,963,655	11,496,012	(467,643)
Intergovernmental	1,502,534	1,502,534	1,581,646	79,112
Permits and Fees	3,537,334	3,537,334	3,479,575	(57,759)
Reimbursement for Services	3,259,926	3,259,926	3,314,886	54,960
Court Fees	809,000	809,000	765,944	(43,056)
Court Settlements	177,476	177,476	177,476	-
Recreation Receipts	2,579,769	2,579,769	2,328,276	(251,493)
Investment Earnings	165,334	165,334	403,496	238,162
Donations	1,531,494	1,531,494	1,531,494	-
Rental Income	518,823	518,823	560,934	42,111
Program Income	332,000	332,000	332,000	-
Miscellaneous	311,960	311,960	370,451	58,491
Total Revenues	<u>126,584,715</u>	<u>126,584,715</u>	<u>130,853,900</u>	<u>4,269,185</u>
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Legislative	294,472	294,472	244,854	49,618
Executive	1,431,272	1,447,215	1,354,773	92,442
Financial Administration	2,827,200	2,852,172	3,607,161	(754,989)
Law	2,843,364	2,880,883	2,746,992	133,891
Personnel Administration	1,001,479	1,015,238	959,485	55,753
Planning and Zoning	1,805,036	1,847,314	1,711,148	136,166
Urban Development	949,697	942,033	876,348	65,685
Miscellaneous	28,088,275	24,486,735	20,523,554	3,963,181
Total General Government	<u>39,240,795</u>	<u>35,766,062</u>	<u>32,024,315</u>	<u>3,741,747</u>
Public Safety:				
Police	36,219,339	36,950,321	33,073,863	3,876,458
Fire	23,984,314	25,222,273	24,531,236	691,037
Traffic Engineering	1,459,981	1,492,645	1,597,100	(104,455)
Total Public Safety	<u>61,663,634</u>	<u>63,665,239</u>	<u>59,202,199</u>	<u>4,463,040</u>
Streets and Highways:				
Street Maintenance	3,079,278	2,827,650	2,227,082	600,568
Street Lighting	3,831,648	3,831,648	6,431,279	(2,599,631)
Total Streets and Highways	<u>6,910,926</u>	<u>6,659,298</u>	<u>8,658,361</u>	<u>(1,999,063)</u>
Culture and Recreation:				
Parks and Recreation	12,752,467	12,808,473	12,666,884	141,589
Libraries	201,812	201,812	201,812	-
Total Culture and Recreation	<u>12,954,279</u>	<u>13,010,285</u>	<u>12,868,696</u>	<u>141,589</u>
Economic Opportunity:				
Lincoln Area Agency on Aging	291,372	291,372	291,372	-
Job Programs	27,915	27,915	27,915	-
Total Economic Opportunity	<u>319,287</u>	<u>319,287</u>	<u>319,287</u>	<u>-</u>
Health and Welfare:				
Lincoln/Lancaster County Health	271,423	271,423	271,423	-
Debt Service:				
Issuance and Management Costs	-	-	39,803	(39,803)
Total Expenditures	<u>121,360,344</u>	<u>119,691,594</u>	<u>113,384,084</u>	<u>6,307,510</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>5,224,371</u>	<u>6,893,121</u>	<u>17,469,816</u>	<u>10,576,695</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers In	11,002,318	11,002,318	11,122,666	120,348
Transfers Out	(27,744,013)	(29,589,153)	(26,532,453)	3,056,700
Proceeds from Issuance of Debt	3,220,000	3,220,000	3,220,000	-
Premium on Debt Issued	-	-	148,215	148,215
Sale of Capital Assets	21,000	21,000	6,052	(14,948)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(13,500,695)</u>	<u>(15,345,835)</u>	<u>(12,035,520)</u>	<u>3,310,315</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(8,276,324)</u>	<u>(8,452,714)</u>	<u>5,434,296</u>	<u>13,887,010</u>
Fund Balances - Beginning	<u>34,539,973</u>	<u>34,539,973</u>	<u>34,539,973</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 26,263,649</u>	<u>26,087,259</u>	<u>39,974,269</u>	<u>13,887,010</u>

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STREET CONSTRUCTION FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGET BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Special Assessment	\$ -	-	1,883	1,883
Intergovernmental	9,318,377	9,318,377	22,389,899	13,071,522
Permits and Fees	-	-	365,226	365,226
Reimbursement for Services	400,000	400,000	106,016	(293,984)
Investment Earnings	62,200	62,200	223,975	161,775
Miscellaneous	-	-	6,401	6,401
Total Revenues	<u>9,780,577</u>	<u>9,780,577</u>	<u>23,093,400</u>	<u>13,312,823</u>
Expenditures -- Streets and Highways:				
Personal Services	6,674,360	6,674,360	6,489,193	185,167
Materials and Supplies	1,029,900	1,029,900	1,406,570	(376,670)
Other Services and Charges	4,596,631	4,582,631	4,560,551	22,080
Capital Outlay	72,321	86,321	50,917	35,404
Total Expenditures	<u>12,373,212</u>	<u>12,373,212</u>	<u>12,507,231</u>	<u>(134,019)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(2,592,635)</u>	<u>(2,592,635)</u>	<u>10,586,169</u>	<u>13,178,804</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers In	20,141,570	20,171,570	20,171,570	-
Transfers Out	(5,492,935)	(5,492,935)	(5,492,935)	-
Issuance of Debt	3,865,000	3,865,000	3,865,000	-
Premium on Debt Issued	180,096	180,096	180,096	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>18,693,731</u>	<u>18,723,731</u>	<u>18,723,731</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	16,101,096	16,131,096	29,309,900	13,178,804
Amount Budgeted on Project Basis	(13,375,182)	(13,375,182)	(13,375,182)	-
Fund Balances - Beginning	<u>54,207,420</u>	<u>54,207,420</u>	<u>54,207,420</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances - Ending	<u>\$ 56,933,334</u>	<u>56,963,334</u>	<u>70,142,138</u>	<u>13,178,804</u>

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

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
AUGUST 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities -- Enterprise Funds				Total	Governmental Activities -- Internal Service Funds
	Lincoln Wastewater System	Lincoln Water System	Lincoln Electric System	Other Enterprise Funds		
ASSETS						
Current Assets:						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,575,395	1,618,648	17,513,000	3,499,232	24,206,275	2,136,805
Investments	10,569,443	10,632,000	67,463,000	4,486,157	93,150,600	15,569,308
Restricted Assets:						
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	-	5,543,000	-	5,543,000	-
Investments	-	-	11,400,000	-	11,400,000	-
Receivables, (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)	2,168,903	3,334,203	20,093,000	3,155,158	28,751,264	887,170
Unbilled Revenues	2,632,016	4,249,096	12,622,000	-	19,503,112	-
Due from Other Funds	690,361	1,882,821	-	267,169	2,840,351	1,865,797
Due from Other Governments	2,249,364	567,771	-	48,571	2,865,706	86,653
Inventories	91,515	940,480	15,031,000	446,196	16,509,191	906,330
Plant Operation Assets	-	-	11,938,000	-	11,938,000	-
Prepaid Expenses	-	-	2,179,000	36,615	2,215,615	402,644
Total Current Assets	19,976,997	23,225,019	163,782,000	11,939,098	218,923,114	21,854,707
Noncurrent Assets:						
Investments	8,080,552	9,229,200	-	4,250,695	21,560,447	13,515,199
Costs Recoverable From Future Billings	623,558	550,842	4,875,000	-	6,049,400	-
Restricted Assets:						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	-	49,000	3,046,977	3,095,977	235,025
Investments	7,572,112	7,177,485	19,079,000	4,992,811	38,821,408	-
Receivables	-	-	-	12,863	12,863	-
Due from Other Funds	-	-	-	16,679	16,679	-
Total Restricted Assets	7,572,112	7,177,485	19,128,000	8,069,330	41,946,927	235,025
Capital Assets:						
Land	6,205,956	5,453,772	-	12,780,460	24,440,188	1,306,950
Buildings	79,990,077	79,793,575	-	80,413,883	240,197,535	13,177,613
Improvements Other Than Buildings	277,139,436	346,685,339	-	48,289,975	672,114,750	500,013
Machinery and Equipment	9,538,309	9,761,146	-	15,991,108	35,290,563	32,147,936
Utility Plant	-	-	1,352,479,000	-	1,352,479,000	-
Construction in Progress	9,228,960	4,333,124	71,680,000	101,230	85,343,314	69,993
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(120,022,015)	(131,160,618)	(572,753,000)	(61,807,634)	(885,743,267)	(23,658,856)
Total Capital Assets, Net	262,080,723	314,866,338	851,406,000	95,769,022	1,524,122,083	23,543,649
Total Noncurrent Assets	278,356,945	331,823,865	875,409,000	108,089,047	1,593,678,857	37,293,873
Total Assets	298,333,942	355,048,884	1,039,191,000	120,028,145	1,812,601,971	59,148,580
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred Loss on Refunding	860,147	781,716	20,201,000	37,026	21,879,889	-
LIABILITIES						
Current Liabilities:						
Accounts Payable	548,048	460,882	16,722,000	2,820,231	20,551,161	1,507,065
Construction Contracts	3,255,461	2,557,812	-	-	5,813,273	-
Accrued Liabilities	567,278	922,274	38,727,000	539,996	40,756,548	542,409
Accrued Compensated Absences	383,552	482,790	-	477,542	1,343,884	778,511
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	842,926	842,926	642,990
Due to Other Governments	-	-	-	296,244	296,244	3,751
Unearned Revenue	-	-	-	2,768,163	2,768,163	134,794
Claims	-	-	1,200,000	-	1,200,000	4,252,558
Accrued Interest	617,846	148,241	8,799,000	80,726	9,645,813	122,130
Current Portion of Notes Payable	-	-	64,500,000	200,000	64,700,000	-
Current Portion of Capital Lease	-	-	-	398,498	398,498	1,752,789
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	4,342,719	4,310,000	21,060,000	1,810,000	31,522,719	-
Total Current Liabilities	9,714,904	8,881,999	151,008,000	10,234,326	179,839,229	9,736,997
Noncurrent Liabilities:						
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	500,000	500,000	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	283,481	493,407	-	137,059	913,947	876,808
Construction Contracts	117,455	84,336	-	-	201,791	-
Claims	-	-	459,000	-	459,000	5,968,531
Notes Payable	-	-	-	1,600,000	1,600,000	-
Capital Lease Payable	-	-	-	1,552,339	1,552,339	12,687,710
Long-Term Debt, Net	85,586,579	62,104,684	615,023,000	35,447,241	798,161,504	-
Accrued Liabilities	229,704	356,209	-	754,240	1,340,153	399,486
Accrued Landfill Closure/Postclosure Care Costs	-	-	-	16,706,000	16,706,000	-
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	86,217,219	63,038,636	615,482,000	56,696,879	821,434,734	19,932,535
Total Liabilities	95,932,123	71,920,635	766,490,000	66,931,205	1,001,273,963	29,669,532
NET POSITION						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	175,574,409	251,668,822	187,838,000	58,500,864	673,582,095	9,328,700
Restricted for:						
Debt Service	893,268	267,083	7,552,000	-	8,712,351	-
Capital Projects	620,596	1,812,654	-	4,689,496	7,122,746	-
Other	-	-	-	5,905	5,905	-
Unrestricted	26,173,693	30,161,406	97,512,000	(10,062,299)	143,784,800	20,150,348
Total Net Position	\$ 203,261,966	283,909,965	292,902,000	53,133,966	833,207,897	29,479,048

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities -- Enterprise Funds				Total	Governmental Activities -- Internal Service Funds
	Lincoln Wastewater System	Lincoln Water System	Lincoln Electric System	Other Enterprise Funds		
Operating Revenues						
Charges for Services	\$ 25,860,215	32,623,034	277,848,000	6,711,360	343,042,609	65,093,941
Fees	-	-	-	8,725,071	8,725,071	-
Parking Revenue	-	-	-	10,032,342	10,032,342	-
Performance Revenue	-	-	-	11,353,895	11,353,895	-
Other Operating Revenue	-	-	12,273,000	1,646,467	13,919,467	-
Total Operating Revenues	<u>25,860,215</u>	<u>32,623,034</u>	<u>290,121,000</u>	<u>38,469,135</u>	<u>387,073,384</u>	<u>65,093,941</u>
Operating Expenses						
Personal Services	-	-	-	13,851,898	13,851,898	13,805,498
Contractual Services	-	-	-	6,760,356	6,760,356	-
Operation and Maintenance	11,652,783	14,435,934	24,266,000	12,782,087	63,136,804	46,346,461
Purchased Power	-	-	131,012,000	-	131,012,000	-
Depreciation	7,785,109	8,056,937	40,582,000	4,473,792	60,897,838	2,933,920
Administrative Costs	1,685,203	1,872,125	38,134,000	-	41,691,328	-
Total Operating Expenses	<u>21,123,095</u>	<u>24,364,996</u>	<u>233,994,000</u>	<u>37,868,133</u>	<u>317,350,224</u>	<u>63,085,879</u>
Operating Income	<u>4,737,120</u>	<u>8,258,038</u>	<u>56,127,000</u>	<u>601,002</u>	<u>69,723,160</u>	<u>2,008,062</u>
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)						
Investment Earnings	600,438	681,211	209,000	267,297	1,757,946	363,151
Gain on Disposal of Capital Assets	-	-	-	131,535	131,535	64,944
Insurance Recovery	-	-	-	3,042	3,042	-
Occupation Tax	-	-	-	2,598,793	2,598,793	-
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	-	-	(10,161,000)	-	(10,161,000)	-
Net Costs Recoverable	(41,721)	(48,767)	(1,052,000)	-	(1,142,488)	-
Interest Expense and Fiscal Charges	(2,699,875)	(1,527,980)	(26,342,000)	(1,227,887)	(31,797,742)	(400,080)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	<u>(2,141,158)</u>	<u>(895,536)</u>	<u>(37,346,000)</u>	<u>1,772,780</u>	<u>(38,609,914)</u>	<u>28,015</u>
Income Before Contributions and Transfers	<u>2,595,962</u>	<u>7,362,502</u>	<u>18,781,000</u>	<u>2,373,782</u>	<u>31,113,246</u>	<u>2,036,077</u>
Capital Contributions	1,848,707	2,412,052	1,143,000	181,421	5,585,180	82,392
Plant Costs Recovered through Capital Contributions	-	-	(1,143,000)	-	(1,143,000)	-
Transfers In	-	-	-	603,800	603,800	483,807
Transfers Out	-	(166,987)	(8,730,000)	(2,623,666)	(11,520,653)	-
Change in Net Position	<u>4,444,669</u>	<u>9,607,567</u>	<u>10,051,000</u>	<u>535,337</u>	<u>24,638,573</u>	<u>2,602,276</u>
Net Position - Beginning	<u>198,817,297</u>	<u>274,302,398</u>	<u>282,851,000</u>	<u>52,598,629</u>	<u>808,569,324</u>	<u>26,876,772</u>
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 203,261,966</u>	<u>283,909,965</u>	<u>292,902,000</u>	<u>53,133,966</u>	<u>833,207,897</u>	<u>29,479,048</u>

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities -- Enterprise Funds					Governmental Activities -- Internal Service Funds
	Lincoln Wastewater System	Lincoln Water System	Lincoln Electric System	Other Enterprise Funds	Total	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities						
Receipts from Customers and Users	\$ 26,156,856	30,947,984	301,012,000	31,857,385	389,974,225	16,179,799
Receipts from Interfund Services Provided	190,547	1,087,643	6,106,000	745,918	8,130,108	48,955,700
Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(3,452,274)	(4,773,310)	(178,868,000)	(16,652,373)	(203,745,957)	(42,589,354)
Payments to Employees	(7,403,354)	(8,623,406)	(27,044,000)	(13,395,829)	(56,466,589)	(13,841,373)
Payments for Interfund Services Provided	(2,209,266)	(3,058,619)	(1,133,000)	(2,032,086)	(8,432,971)	(3,468,041)
Other Receipts	-	-	-	1,646,467	1,646,467	-
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>13,282,509</u>	<u>15,580,292</u>	<u>100,073,000</u>	<u>2,169,482</u>	<u>131,105,283</u>	<u>5,236,731</u>
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities						
Occupation Tax	-	-	-	2,494,855	2,494,855	-
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	-	-	(9,714,000)	-	(9,714,000)	-
Transfers from Other Funds	-	-	-	603,800	603,800	483,807
Transfers to Other Funds	-	(166,987)	(8,609,000)	(2,623,666)	(11,399,653)	-
Advances from General Fund	-	-	-	1,468,642	1,468,642	1,388,359
Repayment of Advances from General Fund	-	-	-	(1,298,779)	(1,298,779)	(1,396,093)
Advances to Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-	(600,000)
Repayments from Other Funds	104,278	125,757	-	154,235	384,270	144,356
Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	425,000	425,000	-
Principal Payment of Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	(200,000)	(200,000)	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges Paid	-	-	-	(3,800)	(3,800)	-
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities	<u>104,278</u>	<u>(41,230)</u>	<u>(18,323,000)</u>	<u>1,020,287</u>	<u>(17,239,665)</u>	<u>20,429</u>
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities						
Additions to Capital Assets	(8,526,311)	(20,346,995)	(62,375,000)	(12,189,936)	(103,438,242)	(3,118,603)
Capital Contributions	567,968	1,629,402	1,143,000	-	3,340,370	-
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	-	-	-	274,153	274,153	181,583
Insurance Recovery	-	-	-	3,042	3,042	-
Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	2,675,751	7,623,929	22,615,000	-	32,914,680	-
Cost of Debt Issuance	-	-	(814,000)	-	(814,000)	-
Net Cost of Retiring Plant	-	-	(3,197,000)	-	(3,197,000)	-
Commercial Paper Redeemed	-	-	(24,000,000)	-	(24,000,000)	-
Principal Payments of Capital Lease	-	-	-	(450,090)	(450,090)	(1,335,593)
Principal Payments of Long-Term Debt	(4,053,916)	(3,923,000)	(19,865,000)	(1,860,000)	(29,701,916)	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges Paid	(3,077,999)	(2,044,418)	(27,681,000)	(1,421,992)	(34,225,409)	(439,485)
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(12,414,507)</u>	<u>(17,061,082)</u>	<u>(114,174,000)</u>	<u>(15,644,823)</u>	<u>(159,294,412)</u>	<u>(4,712,098)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities						
Proceeds from Sale and Maturities of Investments	15,331,339	17,627,345	142,455,000	19,240,662	194,654,346	21,353,747
Purchases of Investments	(17,231,183)	(17,333,170)	(107,945,000)	(11,663,614)	(154,172,967)	(23,973,921)
Interest and Other Receipts	278,191	322,792	254,000	101,895	956,878	197,256
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	<u>(1,621,653)</u>	<u>616,967</u>	<u>34,764,000</u>	<u>7,678,943</u>	<u>41,438,257</u>	<u>(2,422,918)</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(649,373)	(905,053)	2,340,000	(4,776,111)	(3,990,537)	(1,877,856)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning	2,224,768	2,523,701	20,765,000	11,322,320	36,835,789	4,249,686
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Ending	<u>\$ 1,575,395</u>	<u>1,618,648</u>	<u>23,105,000</u>	<u>6,546,209</u>	<u>32,845,252</u>	<u>2,371,830</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities						
Operating Income	\$ 4,737,120	8,258,038	56,127,000	601,002	69,723,160	2,008,062
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:						
Depreciation	7,785,109	8,056,937	40,582,000	4,473,792	60,897,838	2,933,920
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:						
Accounts Receivable and Unbilled Revenues	481,789	(590,706)	(1,510,000)	(104,630)	(1,723,547)	(161,761)
Lease Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	340,000
Due from Other Funds	-	-	-	(67,499)	(67,499)	(60,944)
Due from Other Governments	-	-	-	9,927	9,927	219,210
Inventories	(31,153)	124,015	1,430,000	(47,556)	1,475,306	(159,824)
Plant Operation Assets	-	-	(106,000)	-	(106,000)	-
Prepaid Expenses	-	-	(144,000)	12,986	(131,014)	(74,773)
Other Assets	-	-	2,621,000	-	2,621,000	-
Accounts Payable	252,796	(300,809)	346,000	116,572	414,559	(292,431)
Accrued Liabilities	42,237	6,994	75,000	190,359	314,590	23,975
Accrued Compensated Absences	14,611	25,823	-	47,817	88,251	(59,850)
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	76,941	76,941	47,760
Due to Other Governments	-	-	-	114,934	114,934	(12,671)
Unearned Revenue	-	-	-	(4,057,163)	(4,057,163)	45,053
Claims	-	-	576,000	-	576,000	441,005
Other Liabilities	-	-	76,000	-	76,000	-
Accrued Landfill Closure/Postclosure Care Costs	-	-	-	802,000	802,000	-
Total Adjustments	8,545,389	7,322,254	43,946,000	1,568,480	61,382,123	3,228,669
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 13,282,509</u>	<u>15,580,292</u>	<u>100,073,000</u>	<u>2,169,482</u>	<u>131,105,283</u>	<u>5,236,731</u>
Supplemental Disclosure of Noncash Investing, Capital, and Financing Activities:						
Contribution of Capital Assets	\$ 1,280,739	782,650	-	181,421	2,244,810	82,392
Purchase of Capital Assets on Account	3,372,916	2,642,148	1,313,000	1,446,072	8,774,136	9,476
Change in Fair Value of Investments	(318,132)	(361,515)	24,000	182,082	(473,565)	167,695
Allowance for Funds Used in Construction	-	-	890,000	-	890,000	-

For LES' fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, LES issued refunding bonds in June 2013 to advance refund the Series 2005 bonds. Please refer to Note 9 for discussion.

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

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
AUGUST 31, 2014

	<u>Police & Fire Pension Trust Fund</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,234,966	4,228,307
Investments:		
Pooled Investment Funds	7,402,341	-
Collateralized Investment Agreement	-	1,910,000
Equities	5,264,051	-
Corporate Bonds	1,655,260	-
Mutual Funds	184,397,367	-
Limited Partnership	551,155	-
Real Estate Limited Partnerships	11,735,757	-
Total Investments	<u>211,005,931</u>	<u>1,910,000</u>
Receivables:		
Contributions	572,480	-
Accrued Interest	81,958	37,055
Other	-	49,839
Due from Other Governments	454	-
Contractor Retainage	<u>-</u>	<u>293,236</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>213,895,789</u>	 <u><u>6,518,437</u></u>
LIABILITIES		
Warrants Payable	-	1,457,717
Accounts Payable	14,478	268,182
Accrued Liabilities	10,305	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	9,602	-
Due to Other Governments	-	3,771,701
Due to Homeowners	-	25,624
Due to Contractors	-	799,563
Due to Plan Members	-	77,724
Due to Bondholders	<u>-</u>	<u>117,926</u>
 Total Liabilities	 <u>34,385</u>	 <u><u>6,518,437</u></u>
NET POSITION		
Net Position Restricted for Pensions	<u>\$ 213,861,404</u>	

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CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2014

	<u>Police & Fire Pension Trust Fund</u>
Additions:	
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ 7,711,846
Employee	2,605,981
Total Contributions	<u>10,317,827</u>
Investment Earnings:	
Interest	369,441
Dividends	3,614,009
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments	26,447,926
Net Investment Earnings	<u>30,431,376</u>
Total Additions	<u>40,749,203</u>
Deductions:	
Benefit Payments	12,733,015
Refunds of Contributions	171,279
Administrative Costs	416,253
Total Deductions	<u>13,320,547</u>
Change in Net Position	27,428,656
Net Position Restricted for Pension - Beginning	<u>186,432,748</u>
Net Position Restricted for Pension - Ending	<u>\$ 213,861,404</u>

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**NOTES TO THE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
Notes to the Financial Statements
August 31, 2014

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY

The accompanying financial statements present the government of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska (City) and its blended component unit, the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (WHJPA), established April 2, 2010, for which the City is considered to be financially accountable. Regarding related organizations, the City's Mayor appoints and the City Council approves all of the board appointments of the Housing Authority of the City of Lincoln. However, the City has no further accountability for this organization.

Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations. The participants in the WHJPA are the City and University of Nebraska (UNL), and the agency is governed by a board consisting of the Mayor, a member of the UNL Board of Regents, and a member of the City Council. The purpose of the agency is to make the most efficient use of the taxing authority and other powers of the participants to facilitate the redevelopment of the West Haymarket Redevelopment Area. The WHJPA almost exclusively benefits the City as its primary function is to finance and construct those City owned assets located in the redevelopment area. The WHJPA is reported as a major governmental fund in the City's financial statements. Complete separate financial statements for the WHJPA may be obtained at the City of Lincoln Finance Department, 555 South 10th Street, Suite 103, Lincoln, NE 68508, or online at www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/finance/account/jpa-audits.htm.

FISCAL YEAR-END

All funds of the City, with the exception of Lincoln Electric System (LES), are reported as of and for the year ended August 31, 2014. December 31st is the fiscal year-end of LES as established by the City Charter, and the last separate financial statements were as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013. The amounts included in the City's 2014 financial statements for LES are amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component unit. Fiduciary activities, whose resources are not available to finance the City's programs, are excluded from the government-wide statements. The material effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Functional expenses may also include an element of indirect cost, designed to recover administrative (overhead) costs. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
Notes to the Financial Statements
August 31, 2014

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *total economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the proprietary fund and trust fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements have been met. Agency funds, reporting only assets and liabilities, have no measurement focus but use the accrual basis of accounting.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the City considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, including interest on long-term debt, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, sales taxes, highway user fees, interdepartmental charges, and intergovernmental revenues are all considered to be susceptible to accrual. Special assessments are recorded as revenues in the year the assessments become current. Annual installments not yet due are reflected as special assessment receivables and deferred revenues. Other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the City.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund finances the day-to-day operation of the basic governmental activities, such as legislative, judicial, administration, aging services, police and fire protection, emergency communications, legal services, planning, and parks and recreation. Primary resources of the fund include property, sales, and occupation taxes.

The Street Construction Fund, a special revenue fund, accounts for the resources accumulated, primarily highway allocation fees received from the State of Nebraska, and the payments made for the maintenance, construction, and improvement of the streets and highways in the City.

The West Haymarket JPA Fund accounts for the activities of the joint public agency, a blended component unit of the City, established to facilitate the redevelopment of the West Haymarket Area. Occupation taxes imposed on bar, restaurant, car rental, and hotel revenues provides the resources to finance the activities of the JPA.

The City reports the following major enterprise funds:

The Lincoln Wastewater System Fund accounts for the activities of the City's wastewater utility.

The Lincoln Water System Fund accounts for the activities of the City's water distribution operations.

The Lincoln Electric System Fund accounts for the activities of the City's electric distribution operations.

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Additionally, the City reports the following fund types:

Internal Service Funds account for data processing, engineering, risk management, fleet management, municipal services center operations, telecommunications, and copy services provided to other departments or agencies of the government, or to other governments, on a cost reimbursement basis.

The Pension Trust Fund accounts for the receipt, investment, and distribution of retirement contributions made for the benefit of police officers and firefighters.

The Agency Funds account for the collection of various taxes, fines, and fees due to other government entities; funds held in escrow for homeowners; good faith money due to contractors upon project completion; funds held for payroll taxes and other payroll related payables; funds held to pay outstanding warrants; funds to pay phone system charges; funds to pay matured bonds and coupons for which the City Treasurer is trustee; funds for the joint administrative entity known as JAVA, created to coordinate planning and implementation of the Antelope Valley Project; funds for shared library services; and reserve funds held for the Public Building Commission Bonds.

The effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu of taxes, return on equity, and charges between the business-type functions and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, fines and forfeitures, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise funds and of the government's internal service funds are charges to customers for goods and services. Operating expenses include the cost of sales and service, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

In 2011, the City Council approved an ordinance requiring LES to pay an annual dividend to the City for the City's ownership of LES, in an amount based on the total net position of LES as of the most recent audited year-end financial statements. The annual dividend shall be remitted to the City on a semiannual basis on the 20th day of February and August of each year, with each payment representing fifty percent of the annual dividend payment.

ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION OR FUND EQUITY

Deposits and Investments

The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. These investments are not specifically identified with any one fund. Interest is allocated to the individual funds on the basis of average cash balances.

The City may invest in certificates of deposit, in time deposits, and in any securities in which the state investment officer is authorized to invest pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act and as provided in the authorized investment guidelines of the Nebraska Investment Council in effect on the date the investment is made.

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Investments in the Pension Trust Fund are carried at fair value. Investments in other funds are carried at fair value, except for short-term investments, which are reported at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. Securities traded on a national exchange are valued at the last reported sales price. Investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair value, based on relevant market information of similar financial instruments. Income from investments held by the individual funds is recorded in the respective funds as it is earned.

Receivables and Payables

Loans receivable in governmental funds consist of rehabilitation and redevelopment loans that are generally not expected or scheduled to be collected in the subsequent year.

Noncurrent portions of long-term receivables due to governmental funds are reported on their balance sheets, in spite of their spending measurement focus. Recognition of governmental fund type revenues represented by noncurrent receivables generally is deferred until they become current receivables.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types excludes amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Materials, supplies, and fuel inventories are stated at cost, which is generally determined using the average cost method. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Amounts of governmental fund inventories and vendor prepaid items are reported as nonspendable net position to indicate that they do not represent "available spendable resources".

Certain payments that have been made which benefit future accounting periods and are funded by interfund borrowings, are also recorded as prepayments, with a like amount of interfund liability reflected. These prepayments are charged to expenditures on the governmental fund financial statements over the period of their related borrowings. On the government-wide financial statements these prepayments have been capitalized and are charged to expenditures as the assets are depreciated over their useful lives.

Costs Recoverable From Future Billings

Certain income and expense items of the Wastewater System, Water System, and LES, which would be recognized during the current period are deferred and not included in the determination of the change in net position until such costs are expected to be recovered through rates, in accordance with the regulated operations provisions of GASB Statement No. 62.

Investment in Joint Venture

Investment in joint venture consists of the City's interest in the Joint Antelope Valley Authority (see Note 22), a joint administrative entity reported in the City's financial statements using the equity method of accounting.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, drainage systems, street lights, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the City as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one

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year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalization value of the assets constructed.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	10 - 50
Improvements	5 - 40
Infrastructure	20 - 100
Equipment	2 - 20

The exceptions to this rule are library media, which is depreciated using a composite depreciation method, and LES, which depreciates its utility plant on a straight-line basis using composite rates ranging between 2% and 20%, depending on the respective asset type.

Compensated Absences

City employees generally earn vacation days at a variable rate based on years of service. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated vacation time up to a maximum allowed accumulation, which is in no case longer than 37 days.

Employees earn sick leave at the rate of one day per month with total accumulation unlimited. Upon retirement, an employee is reimbursed for a percentage of accumulated sick leave with percentages and maximums depending on the employees' bargaining unit contract. Upon resignation from City service an employee may also be compensated for a percentage of accumulated sick leave, again, based on the employees' bargaining union contract. In some cases payment may be placed in a medical spending account rather than reimbursing the employee directly. LES is covered by a separate personnel plan regarding vacation and sick leave with the liability for these benefits recorded in accrued liabilities.

Vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics are accrued as the benefits are earned if the leave is attributable to past service and it is probable that the City will compensate the employees for such benefits. Sick leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics are accrued as the benefits are earned only to the extent it is probable that the City will compensate the employees for such benefits through cash payments conditioned on the employee's termination or retirement, and is recorded based on the termination method. Such accruals are based on current salary rates and include salary-related payments directly and incrementally associated with payments made for compensated absences on termination.

All vacation and sick leave is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. In the governmental funds, only compensated absences that have matured as of year-end, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements, are recorded as a fund liability.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. For current and advance refundings of debt, the difference between

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the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is deferred and amortized as a component of interest expense over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter. The unamortized balance of the refunding gain or loss is reported as deferred inflows or outflows of resources, as applicable, on the statement of net position.

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

Fund Equity

Fund balances reflect assets plus deferred outflows of resources minus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund statements. Fund balance is divided into five classifications; nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned. Fund balance is reported as nonspendable when not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Fund balance is reported as committed when constraints are imposed by formal action (ordinance) of the City Council, the City's highest level of decision-making authority. Fund balance is reported as assigned when the intent of the City (resolution, executive order) is to use the funds for a specific purpose. Unassigned fund balance is the residual amount and only the General Fund can report a positive unassigned balance.

The City has established a policy providing for an unreserved fund balance in the City's General Fund. To meet excess cash flow needs, no less than twenty percent of the ensuing year's General Fund budget is to be set aside as an unrestricted reserve. Currently \$28,469,134 of the General Fund's spendable and unrestricted fund balance meets the requirements of this policy.

Net Position Classification

Net position is assets plus deferred outflows of resources minus liabilities and deferred inflows of resources and is shown in the entity-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. Net position is required to be classified into three components – net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

Net investment in capital assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds at year-end, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets.

Restricted – This component of net position consists of restricted assets, reduced by liabilities related to those assets, with constraints placed on their use through external parties such as creditors (debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or law or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The government-wide statement of net position reports \$170,946,394 of restricted net position, of which enabling legislation restricts \$19,360,919.

Unrestricted – This component consists of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets” components of net position.

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When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is generally the City's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

BUDGETARY DATA

The City Council follows these procedures, set out in the City Charter, in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1) At least 40 days prior to the beginning of the biennial budget period, the Mayor submits to the City Council a proposed biennial budget for the ensuing years. The biennial budget is a complete financial plan for the biennial period and consists of an operating budget and a capital budget.
- 2) Public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for not later than 10 days prior to the budget adoption date.
- 3) Not later than 5 days prior to the end of the biennial period, the budget is legally adopted by resolution of the City Council.
- 4) The Mayor is authorized to transfer unencumbered balances between appropriations of the same department or agency during the biennium. The Mayor also has authority to lower appropriations in any fund where actual revenues are less than appropriated in order to avoid incurring a budget deficit for that fiscal or biennial period.

Appropriation transfers between departments or agencies may only be authorized by resolution of the City Council. The Council may not make any appropriations in addition to those authorized in the biennial budget, except that it may authorize emergency appropriations in the event of an emergency threatening serious loss of life, health, or property in the community.

- 5) Budgets for all funds are adopted on a basis inconsistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Since encumbrances are included in the City's budget accounting, year-end encumbrances are reappropriated to the next year in the budget process. Various funds have expenditures automatically appropriated through the budget resolution, based on funds available. These expenditures are reflected in the original and final budgets at amounts equal to the actual expenditures. Budget basis expenditures are presented on a cash basis.

Amendments to the adopted budget were made this year and resulted from prior fiscal year encumbrances identified subsequent to budget adoption, appropriation of unanticipated revenues to certain funds as provided in the budget resolution, and appropriation revisions between or among departments as provided for under the City Charter.

- 6) Appropriation controls are required at the departmental level. However, as a matter of policy and practice, appropriations generally are controlled at the next level of organization (division) or by fund within a department.
- 7) Operating appropriations lapse at the end of the biennial period for which authorized except for those reappropriated by Council resolution, capital improvement appropriations and year-end encumbrances against operating budgets. Capital improvement appropriations are continuing appropriations through completion of the project.
- 8) Budgets are adopted by resolution for the following fund types: general, special revenue, debt service, capital projects, permanent, enterprise, internal service, and pension trust. Legally adopted annual budgets are not established for the West Haymarket JPA component unit, certain special revenue (Advance Acquisition, Police & Fire Pension Contributions, Special Assessment, Impact Fees, Parks & Recreation Special Projects, and RP Crawford Park), debt service (Special Assessment), permanent (JJ Hompes), Fast Forward, and agency funds. In addition, capital project funds are budgeted on a project rather than a biennial basis.

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ENDOWMENTS

The Community Health Permanent Endowment Fund was established in 1997 with the \$37,000,000 cash proceeds realized by the City from the sale of Lincoln General Hospital, and may be increased by donations, bequests, or appropriations to the fund. Investment earnings of the fund are used for funding health and health-related programs that further the health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of Lincoln. Earnings deposited with the City Treasurer shall be paid out only by order of those persons designated by the Community Health Endowment (CHE) Board of Trustees as outlined in the Fiscal and Budget Directives policy between the CHE and the City. State law directs that, subject to the intent of a donor expressed in the gift instrument, an institution may appropriate for expenditure or accumulate so much of an endowment fund as the institution determines is prudent for the uses, benefits, purposes, and duration for which the endowment fund is established. The current amount of net appreciation available for expenditure is \$26,697,968, which is reported as expendable health care restricted net position in the statement of net position. The initial endowment principal is reported as nonexpendable health care restricted net position in the statement of net position.

ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates.

IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

In 2014, the City implemented the provisions of the following accounting principles:

GASB Statement No. 66, *Technical Corrections--2012*. This standard resolves conflicting accounting and financial reporting guidance that could diminish the consistency of financial reporting and thereby enhance the usefulness of the financial reports.

GASB Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*. The requirements of this statement will improve financial reporting by state and local governmental pension plans primarily through enhanced note disclosures and schedules of required supplementary information.

GASB Statement No. 70, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Financial Guarantees*. The requirements of this statement will enhance comparability of financial statements among governments by requiring consistent reporting by those governments that extend or receive nonexchange financial guarantees.

The implementation of these standards did not have a significant impact on the City's financial statements.

(2) RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET AND THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The governmental funds balance sheet includes a reconciliation between *fund balance – total governmental funds* and *net position of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. One element of that reconciliation explains, “Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.” The details of the \$534,353,288 difference are as follows:

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Bonds Payable	\$ 462,255,811
Less issuance discounts	(999,602)
Plus issuance premiums	12,264,474
Less deferred charge on refunding	(1,109,915)
Capital Leases Payable	29,807,505
Accrued Interest Payable	4,849,706
Net Pension Obligation	2,622,068
Net OPEB Obligation	8,369,031
Compensated Absences	<u>16,294,210</u>
Net difference	<u>\$ 534,353,288</u>

EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES AND THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between *net change in fund balances – total governmental funds* and *change in net position of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. One element of that reconciliation explains, “Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.” The details of this \$52,352,498 difference are as follows:

Capital outlay	\$ 86,508,984
Depreciation expense	<u>(34,156,486)</u>
Net difference	<u>\$ 52,352,498</u>

Another element of that reconciliation states, “The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.” The details of this \$(24,848,219) difference are as follows:

Debt issued or incurred:	
Issuance of tax exempt general obligation facility bonds	\$ (28,175,000)
Issuance of certificates of participation	(9,500,000)
Issuance premiums	(682,653)
Amortization of deferred premiums, discounts, and amounts from refundings	369,435
Principal repayments	<u>13,139,999</u>
Net difference	<u>\$ (24,848,219)</u>

Another element of that reconciliation states, “Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.” The details of this \$1,364,066 difference are as follows:

Loss on disposal of capital assets	\$ (501,123)
Construction contracts	14,308
Commissions	2,465,648
Accrued interest	(213,490)
Compensated absences	<u>(401,277)</u>
Net difference	<u>\$ 1,364,066</u>

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(3) RESTRICTED ASSETS

Certain proceeds of the enterprise funds revenue bonds and resources set aside for their repayment are classified as restricted assets on the statement of net position because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. Assets included in the Bond Principal and Interest Account and the Bond Reserve Account are restricted for the payment of bond principal and interest. Assets included in the Renewal and Replacement Account are restricted for specific purposes including improvements, repairs and replacements, acquisition of equipment, and the payment of bond principal and interest. Assets included in the Construction Account are restricted for paying the cost of capital improvements. Also, the Lincoln Electric System has assets restricted for paying employee health claims, the Pershing Municipal Auditorium Enterprise Fund has assets restricted for marketing and improvements, and the Municipal Services Center Internal Service Fund has assets restricted for capital improvements.

A recap of the proprietary funds restrictions and related balances at August 31, 2014, are as follows:

Fund Account	Parking System	Pershing Municipal Auditorium	Solid Waste Management	Lincoln Wastewater System	Lincoln Water System	Lincoln Electric System	Municipal Services Center	Total
Principal and Interest	\$ 145	-	-	1,326,290	225,743	15,808,000	-	17,360,178
Reserve	2,653,825	-	695,140	5,840,298	5,693,055	18,668,000	-	33,550,318
Renewal and Replacement	2,371,526	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,371,526
Capital Construction and Equipment	2,319,159	130	-	405,524	1,258,687	2,000	235,025	4,220,525
Claims	-	-	-	-	-	1,593,000	-	1,593,000
Marketing	-	29,405	-	-	-	-	-	29,405
Total	\$ 7,344,655	29,535	695,140	7,572,112	7,177,485	36,071,000	235,025	59,124,952

Restricted assets for internal balances are shown on the fund statements and included above, but are segregated and not included in restricted asset balances on the statement of net position.

Resources of the permanent funds totaling \$37,160,000 are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings and not principal may be used to support the City's programs.

(4) DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

DEPOSITS

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, a government's deposits may not be returned to it. The City's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of state law.

State Statutes 15-846 and 15-847 R.R.S., 1943 require banks either to provide a bond, provide a Federal Home Loan Bank letter of credit, or to pledge government securities (types of which are specifically identified in the Statutes) to the City Treasurer in the amount of the City's deposits. The Statutes allow pledged securities to be reduced by the amount of the deposit insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

The City's cash deposits, including certificates of deposit, are insured up to \$250,000 by the FDIC. Any cash deposits or certificates of deposit in excess of the \$250,000 FDIC limits are covered by collateral held in a Federal Reserve pledge account or by an agent for the City, or a letter of credit issued by a Federal Reserve Bank, and thus no custodial risk exists. No legal opinion has been obtained regarding the enforceability of any of the collateral arrangements.

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INVESTMENTS

At August 31, 2014, the City had the following investments, maturities and credit ratings:

Type	August 31, 2014					Credit Rating	
	Carrying Value	Maturities in Years				Moody's	S&P
		Less than 1	1-5	6-10	More than 10		
General City:							
U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$ 27,109,180	19,113,780	7,995,400	-	-	Aaa	AA+
U.S. Sponsored Agency Obligations	350,938,075	204,796,054	104,216,672	38,177,675	3,747,674	Aaa	AA+
Collateralized Repurchase Agreements	2,336,256	2,336,256	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
Collateralized Investment Agreements	1,120,000	-	1,120,000	-	-	A3	A+ (Fitch)
Collateralized Investment Agreements	3,139,981	-	-	3,139,981	-	Aa3	AA-
Money Market Funds - U.S. Treasury	9,059,027	9,059,027	-	-	-	Aaa	AAAm
Money Market Funds - U.S. Agencies	38,523,772	38,523,772	-	-	-	Aaa	AAAm
External Investment Trust	10,900,000	10,900,000	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Tax Increment Financing Investments	7,683,900	29,466	899,754	991,103	5,763,577	Not rated	Not rated
Fixed Income Mutual Funds	137,614	137,614	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Equities	1,021,492	1,021,492	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Complementary Strategies	94,212	94,212	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Real Assets	83,476	83,476	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Total General City	457,146,985	786,095,149	114,731,876	47,308,750	9,511,751		
Community Health Endowment:							
Money Market Mutual Funds	1,534,922	1,534,922	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Institutional Funds							
Fixed Income	13,822,452	13,822,452	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Intermediate Term Credit	64,106	64,106	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Large Cap Equity	6,984,845	6,984,845	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
International Equity	11,952,552	11,952,552	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
High yield Bonds	3,423,087	3,423,087	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Emerging Markets Equity	3,203,079	3,203,079	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Hedge Funds	5,713,869	5,713,869	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Mid Cap Equity	3,202,379	3,202,379	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
U.S. Treasuries	5,194,276	5,194,276	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Small Cap Equity	1,270,844	1,270,844	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Commodities	1,209,513	1,209,513	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Real Estate	5,037,992	5,037,992	-	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Limited Partnership	813,956	-	813,956	-	-	Not rated	Not rated
Total Community Health Endowment:	63,427,872	62,613,916	813,956	-	-		
Police & Fire Pension Trust:							
Equities	5,264,051	5,264,051	-	-	-	Not Rated	Not Rated
Corporate Bonds	1,655,260	-	-	-	1,655,260	B (Fitch)	BB+
Mutual Funds	184,397,367	184,397,367	-	-	-	Not Rated	Not Rated
	191,316,678	189,661,418	-	-	1,655,260		
Limited Partnership	551,155	-	-	-	-		
Real Estate Limited Partnerships	11,735,757	-	-	-	-		
Total Police & Fire Pension Trust	203,603,590	-	-	-	-		
Total Primary Government	\$ 719,178,447	-	-	-	-		

INVESTMENT POLICIES

General City Policy

Generally, the City's investing activities are managed under the custody of the City Treasurer. Investing is performed in accordance with the investment policy adopted by the City Council complying with state statutes and the City Charter. The City may legally invest in U.S. government securities and agencies, U.S. government sponsored agencies, and in bank repurchase agreements. It may also invest to a limited extent in corporate bonds, bankers' acceptances, and investment agreements.

Custodial Credit Risk. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investment securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

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Interest Rate Risk. Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates, the City's investment policy limits current operating funds to be invested with maturities of not longer than twenty-four months. Fixed income investments held in construction funds, operating funds, and other nonoperating funds are limited to ten-year maturities. Investment agreements are not subject to interest rate risk, as the issuer guarantees the interest rate. Money market mutual funds and external investment funds are presented as investments with a maturity of less than one year because they are redeemable in full immediately. Tax Increment Financing investments are allowed to exceed 10 years as the interest rates are guaranteed by the fund and the investment is made within the City's funds.

Credit Risk. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The City's investment policy establishes requirements for certain investment securities to be rated at certain rates or higher without having collateral pledged to the City. The following investment types must be rated at the minimum rates noted below:

	<u>S&P</u>	<u>Moody's</u>
Money Markets	AA	Aa
Corporate Notes	AA-	Aa3
Investment Agreements	AA-	Aa3

Investment agreements are made with provisions that if the provider is downgraded below Aa3 by Moody's Investors Service (Moody's) or AA- by Standard & Poor's (S&P), the provider must deliver collateral of U.S. Government agencies obligations at a margin of 102-104%, and if the provider is further downgraded below A3 by Moody's or A- by S&P, the City will have the right to terminate the agreement and receive all invested amounts plus accrued but unpaid interest without penalty. As of August 31, 2014, the investment agreements were adequately collateralized with U.S. Government treasury obligations that had a rating of Aaa by Moody's and AA+ by S&P, or by small business administration obligations which are 100% guaranteed by the U.S. Government.

The external investment funds are held in the City's idle fund pool and are comprised of Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT) and Short-Term Federal Investment Trust (STFIT) funds. NPAIT and STFIT invest in only the highest quality securities, including U.S. government, rated U.S. sponsored agencies, and guaranteed student loans.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The City's investment policy places various limits on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer. Per the policy, allocation limits do not apply to the investment of proceeds from issuance of debt. These investments shall be governed by the debt covenant included in the debt instrument. Non-compliance due to a decrease in investment balance does not require corrective action.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Portfolio Composition</u>	<u>Policy Limits on Issuer</u>
U.S. agency obligations:		
Federal Home Loan Bank	32.86 %	40.00 %
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation	16.23	40.00
Federal National Mortgage Association	15.20	40.00
Federal Farm Credit Bank	13.32	40.00

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Community Health Endowment (CHE) Policy

As a public endowment fund, under State law, CHE is permitted to invest in the manner required of a prudent investor acting with care, skill and diligence under the prevailing circumstance, without restrictions as to the type and limits of investments. CHE has engaged one of the world's largest institutional investment firms to advise on portfolio management. That investment firm and affiliates are also the sponsor and investment manager for all of the institutional funds listed on a previous page.

Custodial Credit Risk. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, CHE will not be able to recover the value of its investment securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

Interest Rate Risk. Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates, CHE's investment policy requires the average duration of the fixed income portfolio to be no more than 120% of the appropriate fixed income benchmark. Mutual and institutional funds are presented as an investment with a maturity of less than one year because they are redeemable in full immediately.

Credit Risk. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. It is CHE's policy to limit its investments in fixed income securities to issues with at least BBB-/Baa3 ratings. Short-term fixed income issues should have a minimum A-2/P-2 rating. None of CHE's investments were rated at August 31, 2014.

Concentration of Credit Risk. Concentration of credit risk is the risk associated with the amount of investments CHE has with any one issuer that exceeds 5% or more of its total investments. CHE limits the percentage of cost that may be invested in any one industry, company and issuer. CHE's portfolio shall not own more than 5% of the outstanding securities of any single issuer. Exceptions are allowed where a fund's benchmark includes securities greater than 3%, in which case the investment manager may have no more than the securities index weight plus 2%. The entire portfolio shall have no more than 5% of its assets invested in the securities of any one issuer, with the exception of U.S. Treasury and U.S. agencies obligations.

Foreign Currency Risk. This risk relates to adverse affects on the fair value of an investment from changes in exchange rates. CHE had no investment denominated in foreign currency at August 31, 2014.

Police & Fire Pension Trust Policy

The Police & Fire Pension Trust Investment Board, established by the City Council in accordance with the Lincoln Municipal Code chapter 4.62, directs and oversees the trust's investments for the sole benefit of plan participants and beneficiaries. The board also provides oversight and directions to the plan administrator with regard to the investments of the trust's funds. The daily management responsibility of the trust and routine investment transactions are delegated to the plan administrator.

The Police & Fire Pension Trust is allowed to invest in domestic and international equity funds, domestic and foreign bonds, real estate, mortgage-backed securities, and other alternative investments.

The investment board has the responsibility to allocate plan assets in various investment strategies to reach the overall return and risk objectives of the plan. Annually the board reviews the plan's investments from an "asset allocation" perspective. The strategic allocation process is based on such factors as historical absolute returns of the benchmarks, recent returns for benchmarks, volatility of benchmark returns as measured by standard deviation, and the correlation of returns with other asset classes used in the portfolio. The following was the board's adopted asset allocation as of August 31, 2014:

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Asset Class	Target Allocation
Cash	1.0 %
Alternative Investments	31.0
Fixed Income	21.6
Equity	46.4
	100 %

Custodial Credit Risk. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Police & Fire Pension Trust will not be able to recover the value of its investment securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

Interest Rate Risk. Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Investment Board for the Police & Fire Pension Trust compares the risk and return characteristics derived from the actual performance of the Fund, by separate asset classes and specific securities to appropriate benchmarks, and financial indices and/or funds, at least annually. Asset allocation, investments, and/or investment managers are adjusted as necessary by this monitoring.

Credit Risk. The policy states that the plan will select appropriate investments, or investment manager(s), to fill each asset class allocation. The individual investment, or investment managers, chosen shall be those determined to meet the board's objectives in terms of their overall combination of risk, return, and liquidity.

Concentration of Credit Risk. It is the desire of the board that no more than 5% of assets may be from a single corporate or sovereign issuer exclusive of the U.S. government. The board reviews assets to monitor the concentration of overlapping securities held by multiple mutual funds.

Summary of Deposit and Investment Balances

Following is a reconciliation of the City's deposit and investment balances as of August 31, 2014:

	Totals		
Investments	\$ 719,178,447		
Deposits and Cash on Hand	9,943,248		
	\$ 729,121,695		
	Government-wide Statement of Net Assets	Fiduciary Funds Statement of Net Assets	Totals
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 52,874,277	6,463,273	59,337,550
Investments	360,612,804	212,915,931	573,528,735
Restricted Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	8,874,002	-	8,874,002
Investments	87,381,408	-	87,381,408
	\$ 509,742,491	219,379,204	729,121,695

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(5) **FUND BALANCES**

Fund balances are classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. The City generally follows this same order in spending available resources unless special circumstances apply. The following provides details of the aggregate amounts displayed on the face of the balance sheet:

	Major Funds				Total
	General Fund	Street Construction	West Haymarket JPA	Other Funds	
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable:					
Inventory	\$ 446,935	604,665	-	575,397	1,626,997
Prepaid Items	1,264,948	31,710	238,025	-	1,534,683
Permanent Fund Principal	-	-	-	37,160,000	37,160,000
Total Nonspendable	<u>1,711,883</u>	<u>636,375</u>	<u>238,025</u>	<u>37,735,397</u>	<u>40,321,680</u>
Restricted For:					
Capital Improvements	7,143,533	40,116,554	9,911,187	14,395,343	71,566,617
Human Services	861,021	-	-	-	861,021
Donor Purposes	3,127,872	-	-	2,079,056	5,206,928
Public Improvements	2,473,214	-	-	-	2,473,214
Agency Activities	-	-	1,441,388	-	1,441,388
Land Purchases	-	-	-	574,610	574,610
Social Security Obligations	-	-	-	1,329,093	1,329,093
Community Betterment	-	-	-	4,291,122	4,291,122
Federal Loan Programs	-	-	-	18,759,000	18,759,000
Grant Programs	-	-	-	1,497,638	1,497,638
Special Assessment Improvements	-	-	-	604,356	604,356
Debt Service	-	-	-	12,305,606	12,305,606
Health Care	-	-	-	26,721,655	26,721,655
Claims Contingencies	-	-	-	865,000	865,000
Library Media	-	-	-	612,201	612,201
Total Restricted	<u>13,605,640</u>	<u>40,116,554</u>	<u>11,352,575</u>	<u>84,034,680</u>	<u>149,109,449</u>
Committed To:					
Public Access Television	-	-	-	968,898	968,898
Building Code Enforcement	-	-	-	34,077	34,077
Debt Service	-	-	-	797,894	797,894
Total Committed	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800,869</u>	<u>1,800,869</u>
Assigned To:					
Capital Improvements	-	33,433,138	-	42,649	33,475,787
Donor Purposes	782,116	-	-	-	782,116
Public Improvements	526,225	-	-	-	526,225
Athletic Facility Improvements	712,287	-	-	-	712,287
Senior Care	330,189	-	-	-	330,189
Emergency Communications	1,495,976	-	-	-	1,495,976
Economic Development Projects	5,697,369	-	-	-	5,697,369
Snow Removal	-	164,308	-	-	164,308
Debt Service	-	-	11,738,447	-	11,738,447
Land Purchases	-	-	-	24,005	24,005
Public Access Television	-	-	-	18,046	18,046
Library Services	-	-	-	2,904,263	2,904,263
Health Care	-	-	-	1,616,779	1,616,779
Social Security Obligations	-	-	-	372,594	372,594
Public Transportation	-	-	-	2,546,921	2,546,921
Community Betterment	-	-	-	43,041	43,041
Building Code Enforcement	-	-	-	5,048,026	5,048,026
Park Projects	-	-	-	136,655	136,655
Other Purposes	5,314,921	-	-	-	5,314,921
Total Assigned	<u>14,859,083</u>	<u>33,597,446</u>	<u>11,738,447</u>	<u>12,752,979</u>	<u>72,947,955</u>
Unassigned					
	<u>27,287,777</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(144,837)</u>	<u>27,142,940</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 57,464,383</u>	<u>74,350,375</u>	<u>23,329,047</u>	<u>136,179,088</u>	<u>291,322,893</u>

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(6) RECEIVABLES AND DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Receivables at August 31, 2014, consist of the following (in thousands):

Fund	Taxes	Accounts	Loans	Lease	Notes	Contributions	Special Assessment		Accrued Interest	Gross Receivables	Allowance For Uncollectibles	Net
							Current	Deferred				
General	\$ 3,386	2,381	-	-	-	-	-	-	71	5,838	-	5,838
Street Construction	-	231	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	321	-	321
West Haymarket JPA	1,441	452	-	-	-	-	-	-	148	2,041	-	2,041
Wastewater System	-	4,801	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,801	-	4,801
Water System	-	7,583	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,583	-	7,583
Electric System	-	33,929	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	33,965	1,250	32,715
Nonmajor -												
Special Revenue	1,459	360	23,306	-	147	-	-	-	69	25,341	4,547	20,794
Debt Service	762	-	-	-	-	-	740	2,646	46	4,194	249	3,945
Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	43	-	43
Permanent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	2
Enterprise	-	6,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	6,531	3,363	3,168
Internal Service	-	382	-	445	-	-	-	-	60	887	-	887
Fiduciary	-	50	-	-	-	572	-	-	119	741	-	741
Total	\$ 7,048	56,669	23,306	445	147	572	740	2,646	715	92,288	9,409	82,879

Enterprise funds customer accounts receivable include unbilled charges for services. Delinquent special assessment receivables at August 31, 2014, were \$194,770.

The total of Due From Other Governments of \$25,199,673 includes the following significant items:

<u>Fund/Fund Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Service</u>
General/Major Governmental	\$ 11,355,059	State of Nebraska, July/August Sales and Use Tax
	452,195	August Motor Vehicle Taxes Collected by Lancaster County
	10,392	August Property Tax Interest Collected by Lancaster County
	140,384	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
	18,776	State of Nebraska, Cost Reimbursements
	106,728	Lancaster County, Cost Reimbursements
Street Construction/Major Governmental	4,018,353	State of Nebraska, July/August Highway User Fees
	848,506	State of Nebraska, Cost Reimbursements
	391,675	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
West Haymarket JPA/Major Governmental	779,344	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
Wastewater/Major Enterprise	2,249,364	State of Nebraska, Cost Reimbursements
Water/Major Enterprise	567,771	State of Nebraska, Cost Reimbursements
Lincoln/Lancaster Co. Health/Special Revenue	367,599	Lancaster County, Cost Reimbursements
StarTran/Special Revenue	36,934	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
Federal Grants/Special Revenue	1,465,738	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
	337,088	State of Nebraska, Cost Reimbursements
Antelope Valley/Tax Supported Bonds/Debt Service	166,667	State of Nebraska, July/August Development Fund Disbursements
Special Assessment/Debt Service	40,344	August Special Assessments Collected by Lancaster County
Vehicle Tax/Capital Projects	1,625,998	August Motor Vehicle Taxes Collected by Lancaster County
Storm Sewer Bonds/Capital Projects	28,477	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
Other Capital Projects/Capital Projects	55,989	Federal Government, Cost Reimbursements
Parking System/Enterprise	14,438	State of Nebraska, Cost Reimbursements
Pinnacle Bank Arena/Enterprise	25,834	State of Nebraska Billings
Insurance Revolving/Internal Service	12,950	Lancaster County Billings
Police Garage/Internal Service	36,216	State of Nebraska Billings
Copy Services/Internal Service	<u>15,997</u>	Lancaster County Billings
Subtotal	25,168,816	
All other	<u>30,857</u>	
Total Due From Other Governments	<u>\$ 25,199,673</u>	

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(7) **CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended August 31, 2014, was as follows:

	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Governmental Activities:				
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 139,434,473	2,295,376	5,700	141,724,149
Construction in Progress	63,347,259	49,388,811	49,274,306	63,461,764
Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated	<u>202,781,732</u>	<u>51,684,187</u>	<u>49,280,006</u>	<u>205,185,913</u>
Capital Assets, being Depreciated:				
Buildings	281,465,309	29,838,421	634,012	310,669,718
Improvements Other Than Buildings	73,478,740	20,491,366	174,501	93,795,605
Machinery and Equipment	91,321,400	6,637,129	3,256,161	94,702,368
Infrastructure	688,086,678	31,629,525	170,359	719,545,844
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated	<u>1,134,352,127</u>	<u>88,596,441</u>	<u>4,235,033</u>	<u>1,218,713,535</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings	36,692,759	6,468,355	376,476	42,784,638
Improvements Other Than Buildings	31,176,029	2,764,696	115,242	33,825,483
Machinery and Equipment	56,245,043	7,171,345	3,044,148	60,372,240
Infrastructure	232,721,488	20,686,010	97,376	253,310,122
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>356,835,319</u>	<u>37,090,406</u>	<u>3,633,242</u>	<u>390,292,483</u>
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated, Net	<u>777,516,808</u>	<u>51,506,035</u>	<u>601,791</u>	<u>828,421,052</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 980,298,540</u>	<u>103,190,222</u>	<u>49,881,797</u>	<u>1,033,606,965</u>
	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Business-type Activities:				
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 24,238,655	206,852	5,319	24,440,188
Construction in Progress	88,479,429	102,779,516	105,915,631	85,343,314
Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated	<u>112,718,084</u>	<u>102,986,368</u>	<u>105,920,950</u>	<u>109,783,502</u>
Capital Assets, being Depreciated:				
Buildings	217,762,168	23,324,228	888,861	240,197,535
Improvements Other Than Buildings	651,049,867	21,559,555	494,672	672,114,750
Machinery and Equipment	33,303,569	2,571,950	584,956	35,290,563
Utility Plant	1,300,208,000	59,689,000	7,418,000	1,352,479,000
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated	<u>2,202,323,604</u>	<u>107,144,733</u>	<u>9,386,489</u>	<u>2,300,081,848</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings	79,876,411	4,903,614	852,008	83,928,017
Improvements Other Than Buildings	194,941,356	13,141,571	584,533	207,498,394
Machinery and Equipment	19,592,295	2,270,653	299,092	21,563,856
Utility Plant	542,785,000	40,582,000	10,614,000	572,753,000
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>837,195,062</u>	<u>60,897,838</u>	<u>12,349,633</u>	<u>885,743,267</u>
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated, Net	<u>1,365,128,542</u>	<u>46,246,895</u>	<u>(2,963,144)</u>	<u>1,414,338,581</u>
Business-type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 1,477,846,626</u>	<u>149,233,263</u>	<u>102,957,806</u>	<u>1,524,122,083</u>

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Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Government	\$ 1,491,197
Public Safety	2,214,877
Streets and Highways, including Infrastructure	20,004,989
Culture and Recreation	8,271,474
Economic Opportunity	52,391
Health and Welfare	289,304
Mass Transit	1,832,254
Subtotal	<u>34,156,486</u>
Internal Service Funds Capital Assets	
Depreciation is charged to the various functions based on usage of the assets.	2,933,920
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental	<u>\$ 37,090,406</u>
Business-type Activities:	
Golf	602,055
Parking System	1,905,469
Pershing Municipal Auditorium	19,539
Pinnacle Bank Arena	580
Solid Waste Management	1,738,921
Emergency Medical Services	207,228
Wastewater System	7,785,109
Water System	8,056,937
Lincoln Electric System	40,582,000
Total Depreciation Expense - Business-type	<u>\$ 60,897,838</u>

Capital asset activity of each major enterprise fund was as follows:

	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Lincoln Wastewater System:				
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 6,001,129	204,827	-	6,205,956
Construction in Progress	4,936,246	9,731,736	5,439,022	9,228,960
Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated	<u>10,937,375</u>	<u>9,936,563</u>	<u>5,439,022</u>	<u>15,434,916</u>
Capital Assets, being Depreciated:				
Buildings	79,914,073	94,954	18,950	79,990,077
Improvements Other Than Buildings	270,659,890	6,479,546	-	277,139,436
Machinery and Equipment	8,972,169	676,985	110,845	9,538,309
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated	<u>359,546,132</u>	<u>7,251,485</u>	<u>129,795</u>	<u>366,667,822</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings	26,981,563	1,874,085	18,950	28,836,698
Improvements Other Than Buildings	79,592,656	5,420,621	-	85,013,277
Machinery and Equipment	5,770,222	490,403	88,585	6,172,040
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>112,344,441</u>	<u>7,785,109</u>	<u>107,535</u>	<u>120,022,015</u>
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated, Net	<u>247,201,691</u>	<u>(533,624)</u>	<u>22,260</u>	<u>246,645,807</u>
Wastewater System Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 258,139,066</u>	<u>9,402,939</u>	<u>5,461,282</u>	<u>262,080,723</u>

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	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Lincoln Water System:				
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 5,451,747	2,025	-	5,453,772
Construction in Progress	5,699,028	18,678,560	20,044,464	4,333,124
Total Capital Assets, not being Depreciated	<u>11,150,775</u>	<u>18,680,585</u>	<u>20,044,464</u>	<u>9,786,896</u>
Capital Assets, being Depreciated:				
Buildings	68,002,744	12,521,171	730,340	79,793,575
Improvements Other Than Buildings	338,726,535	8,017,304	58,500	346,685,339
Machinery and Equipment	9,079,769	905,849	224,472	9,761,146
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated	<u>415,809,048</u>	<u>21,444,324</u>	<u>1,013,312</u>	<u>436,240,060</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings	27,009,184	1,344,654	695,340	27,658,498
Improvements Other Than Buildings	92,083,632	6,019,375	235,563	97,867,444
Machinery and Equipment	4,941,768	692,908	-	5,634,676
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>124,034,584</u>	<u>8,056,937</u>	<u>930,903</u>	<u>131,160,618</u>
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated, Net	<u>291,774,464</u>	<u>13,387,387</u>	<u>82,409</u>	<u>305,079,442</u>
Water System Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 302,925,239</u>	<u>32,067,972</u>	<u>20,126,873</u>	<u>314,866,338</u>

	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances
Lincoln Electric System:				
Capital Assets, not being Depreciated:				
Construction in Progress	\$ 70,020,000	64,545,000	62,885,000	71,680,000
Capital Assets, being Depreciated:				
Utility Plant	1,300,208,000	59,689,000	7,418,000	1,352,479,000
Less Accumulated Depreciation	542,785,000	40,582,000	10,614,000	572,753,000
Total Capital Assets, being Depreciated, Net	<u>757,423,000</u>	<u>19,107,000</u>	<u>(3,196,000)</u>	<u>779,726,000</u>
Electric System Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 827,443,000</u>	<u>83,652,000</u>	<u>59,689,000</u>	<u>851,406,000</u>

The costs of LES retirement work orders are closed into accumulated depreciation which follows Federal Energy Regulatory Commission guidelines. Therefore, as shown above, the decrease in LES accumulated depreciation exceeds the decrease in Utility Plant assets and the decrease in Construction in Progress exceeds the increase in Utility Plant.

Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is added to the cost of the underlying assets constructed and is amortized over the useful lives of the assets. During 2014, capitalized interest activity was as follows:

	Incurred Interest Cost	Capitalized Interest
Lincoln Wastewater System	\$ 3,082,903	193,487
Lincoln Water System	2,080,526	294,848
Lincoln Parking System	1,208,715	74,695
Solid Waste Management	169,801	122,150

Lincoln Electric System utility plant includes an allowance for funds used during construction for projects costing in excess of \$500,000. The allowance for funds used during construction is based on LES' approximate weighted-average interest rate on the new money portion of the most current debt during the current period. The weighted-average rate for 2013 was 3.5% from January thru June and 2.7% from July to December.

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(8) INTERFUND BALANCES AND ACTIVITY

Balances Due To/From Other Funds at August 31, 2014, consist of the following:

Due To	Due From						
	General Fund	Street Construction	West Haymarket JPA	Nonmajor Governmental	Nonmajor Enterprise	Internal Service	Total
General Fund	\$ -	13,897	16,992	40,309	1,080,107	598,000	1,749,305
Street Construction	194,525	-	-	8,974,851	-	25,359	9,194,735
West Haymarket JPA	108,592	-	-	-	-	-	108,592
Nonmajor Governmental	183,654	-	-	1,405,084	20,000	-	1,608,738
Lincoln Wastewater System	69,765	-	-	620,596	-	-	690,361
Lincoln Water System	70,167	-	-	1,812,654	-	-	1,882,821
Nonmajor Enterprise	48,769	5,179	100,640	-	129,260	-	283,848
Internal Service	1,393,925	256,394	-	82,288	113,559	19,631	1,865,797
Total	\$ 2,069,397	275,470	117,632	12,935,782	1,342,926	642,990	17,384,197

“Due to” and “Due from” balances are recorded when funds overdraw their share of pooled cash. Other balances result from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

During 2005 the City’s General Fund purchased the street light system from LES at an amount equal to the net book value of the street light system at the transaction date. The purchase was financed through an interfund borrowing. On the government-wide statements, the purchase was accounted for as a purchase of capital assets of governmental activities and a sale of capital assets of business-type activities. On the governmental fund statements, the General Fund recognized a liability in due to other funds and a prepayment for the funds borrowed from the City’s other funds. Each fund has recorded a receivable for the pro-rata share of the borrowed funds. The General Fund will pay back the amount borrowed plus interest in scheduled monthly installments over a period of 134 months. As payments are made, the General Fund will reduce the liability, the related prepayment, and recognize streets and highways expenditures.

Transfers To/From Other Funds for the year ended August 31, 2014, consist of the following:

Transfer To	Transfer From							
	General Fund	Street Construction	West Haymarket JPA	Nonmajor Governmental	Lincoln Water System	Lincoln Electric System	Nonmajor Enterprise	Total
General Fund	\$ -	-	-	867,500	-	8,811,424	1,449,526	11,128,450
Street Construction	3,033,084	-	-	17,170,794	116,987	-	17,986	20,338,851
Nonmajor Governmental	18,655,780	5,167,935	453,466	6,960,349	50,000	-	1,156,154	32,443,684
Nonmajor Enterprise	400,000	-	203,800	-	-	-	-	603,800
Internal Service	158,807	325,000	-	-	-	-	-	483,807
Total	\$ 22,247,671	5,492,935	657,266	24,998,643	166,987	8,811,424	2,623,666	64,998,592

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, (2) use unrestricted revenues in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations, and (3) transfer payment in lieu of taxes and return on equity from LES to the General Fund.

The \$81,424 variance for transfers on the Statement of Activities is caused by the different fiscal year end dates used by the City (August 31) and Lincoln Electric System (December 31). Lincoln Electric System records an estimate for payments of return on equity as an accrued liability at December 31. The City however, receives the payments before the August 31 fiscal year end, and records the total amount as a transfer in.

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(9) **DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

SHORT-TERM

Established by City Ordinance, LES may borrow up to \$150 million under a commercial paper note program. At December 31, 2013, LES had \$64.5 million of tax-exempt commercial paper notes outstanding. The notes mature at various dates but not more than 270 days after the date of issuance. The weighted-average interest rate for the year ended December 31, 2013, was 0.14%. The outstanding commercial paper notes are secured by a revolving credit agreement, which provides for borrowings up to \$150 million. LES pays a commitment fee for the credit agreement. Under the terms of the agreement, LES can either settle or refinance the commercial paper upon maturity. LES uses commercial paper notes as part of their long-term financing strategy. As such, commercial paper is typically renewed as it matures. The weighted average length of maturity of commercial paper for 2013 was 43 days.

Commercial paper activity for the year ended December 31, 2013, is as follows:

Lincoln Electric System:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Commercial Paper Notes	\$ 88,500,000	680,010,000	(704,010,000)	64,500,000	64,500,000

LONG-TERM

The City issues general obligation, special assessment, and revenue bonds to finance the acquisition and construction of major capital assets. Bonded indebtedness has also been entered into to advance refund several general obligation and revenue bonds. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the government. Special assessment bonds are repaid from amounts levied against affected property owners, but in the unlikely event collections are not sufficient to make debt payments, the responsibility rests with the City to meet that obligation. For revenue bonds the government pledges income derived from the acquired or constructed assets to pay the debt service.

Net position of \$3,941,983, \$2,989,196, \$4,804,519, and \$1,367,802 is currently available in the debt service funds to service the General Obligation Bonds, Tax Supported Bonds, Tax Allocation Bonds, and Special Assessment Bonds, respectively. Revenue Bonds are funded partially from reserve accounts set up for debt repayment and partially from proceeds of daily operations.

The City has entered into lease agreements for financing the acquisition of land, buildings, street lights, emergency ambulances and defibrillators, fire engines, golf equipment, and computer equipment and software. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. Assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
Land	\$ 1,774,450	\$ 210,000
Buildings	25,492,801	1,646,732
Improvements	219,925	-
Infrastructure	19,583,531	-
Machinery and Equipment	6,392,824	3,423,476
Construction in Progress	52,500	-
Less Accumulated Depreciation, (where applicable)	(10,664,292)	(2,568,981)
Total	\$ 42,851,739	\$ 2,711,227

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Under the City's Home Rule Charter, there is no legal debt limit. The various bond indentures contain significant limitations and restrictions on annual debt service requirements, minimum amounts to be maintained in various bond reserve funds, and minimum revenue bond coverages.

In June 2013, LES issued \$75,525,000 of revenue and refunding bonds to advance refund \$53,710,000 of series 2005 bonds and redeem \$24,000,000 of outstanding commercial paper notes. The net proceeds off the refunding bonds were used to purchase U.S. government securities which were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the refunded bonds. As a result, the portion of the series 2005 bonds refunded are considered defeased and the liability for those bonds has been removed from the financial statements. The refunding resulted in debt service savings of approximately \$36,605,000 and net present value savings of approximately \$12,726,000.

Lincoln Wastewater System has entered into a loan agreement with the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) consisting of two separate contracts. Under contract 317247 the Lincoln Wastewater System has borrowed \$4,808,792 to fund certain sewer system extension and sewer repairs. The System also borrowed \$5,000,000 under contract 317078 to fund certain treatment facilities projects. The interest rate throughout the term of the loan is 2.0%.

The Wastewater System has also entered into a \$17,000,000 loan agreement with NDEQ to fund certain System improvements. The interest rate during the period of construction is 2%. After the date of initiation of operation, the interest rate will increase to 2.25%. In addition, an administrative fee of 1% will be incurred on the loan. During the fiscal year ended August 31, 2014, Lincoln Wastewater System incurred project costs totaling \$7,272,120, resulting in a project loan payable of \$14,626,937, which is net of \$435,000 of principal payments. The remaining available funds totaling \$1,938,063 are not reflected in the financial statements.

Lincoln Water System has entered into a \$15,000,000 loan agreement with NDEQ. This funding is available to fund certain water system extension and water repairs. The interest rate during the period of construction is 2%. After the date of initiation of operation, the interest rate will increase to 2.25%. In addition, an administrative fee of 1% will be incurred on the loan. During the year ended August 31, 2014, project costs were incurred totaling \$4,726,232, resulting in the recognition of a project loan payable of \$13,775,127, which is net of \$238,000 of principal payments. The remaining available funds totaling \$986,873 are not reflected in the financial statements.

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Long-term bonded debt of the City is comprised of the following individual issues (in thousands of dollars):

Original Amount	Issued	Issue	Interest Rate	When Due	Date Callable	Interest Date	Outstanding
Governmental Activities:							
General Obligation Bonds:							
General Bonds:							
\$ 9,950	06/15/05	Storm Sewer Construction	3.250 - 4.250	Serial 2006 to 2025	2015	Semiannually	\$ 6,340
8,295	06/27/07	Stormwater Drainage and Flood Mgmt	4.625 - 5.000	Serial 2008 to 2027	2017	"	6,230
8,200	02/10/11	Stormwater Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Serial 2013 to 2030	2020	"	7,470
19,290	06/21/11	Refunding	0.200 - 5.000	Serial 2011 to 2022	2019	"	14,525
8,090	06/26/12	Refunding	1.000 - 3.000	Serial 2013 to 2023	---	"	6,310
6,385	03/20/13	Stormwater Bonds	2.000 - 4.000	Serial 2014 to 2029	2023	"	6,385
1,515	03/20/13	Stormwater Bonds	3.125	Term 2032	2023	"	1,515
Total General Bonds							<u>\$ 48,775</u>
Tax Allocation Bonds:							
\$ 5,500	04/21/04	Tax Allocation Bonds	3.000 - 4.800	Serial 2004 to 2015	2010	Semiannually	\$ 1,415
365	08/15/05	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.750	Serial 2006 to 2018	Anytime	"	125
288	10/01/06	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.100	Serial 2008 to 2016	Anytime	"	89
2,205	04/05/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.000 - 5.550	Serial 2009 to 2018	2012	"	1,245
601	06/01/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.240	Serial 2008 to 2018	Anytime	"	518
388	06/01/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.240	Serial 2007 to 2020	Anytime	"	220
369	06/15/07	Tax Allocation Bonds	5.400	Serial 2007 to 2014	Anytime	"	29
42	07/15/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.660	Serial 2009 to 2021	Anytime	"	27
71	07/15/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.660	Serial 2009 to 2017	Anytime	"	48
474	07/15/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.660	Serial 2009 to 2022	Anytime	"	168
547	08/01/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.610	Serial 2009 to 2022	Anytime	"	362
200	08/01/08	Tax Allocation Bonds	4.610	Serial 2009 to 2022	Anytime	"	130
611	06/30/09	Tax Allocation Bonds	7.000	Serial 2011 to 2023	Anytime	"	544
3,375	07/28/09	Tax Allocation Bonds	2.500 - 6.400	Serial 2011 to 2023	Anytime	"	2,760
263	04/01/11	Tax Allocation Bonds	3.990	Serial 2011 to 2022	Anytime	"	204
103	04/15/13	Tax Allocation Bonds	2.370	Serial 2013 to 2025	Anytime	"	92
Total Tax Allocation Bonds							<u>\$ 7,976</u>
Tax Supported Bonds:							
\$ 27,000	12/05/06	Highway Allocation Fund	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2008 to 2027	2016	Semiannually	\$ 19,865
28,095	06/06/12	Highway Allocation Fund Refunding	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2012 to 2023	---	"	25,110
16,515	07/23/13	Limited Tax Arena Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Serial 2016 to 2031	2023	"	16,515
2,635	07/23/13	Limited Tax Arena Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Term 2035	2023	"	2,635
5,850	07/23/13	Limited Tax Arena Bonds	2.000 - 4.500	Term 2037	2023	"	5,850
Total Tax Supported Bonds							<u>\$ 69,975</u>
Special Assessment Bonds:							
\$ 825	08/18/11	Special Assessment	0.400 - 3.700	Serial 2012 to 2026	2016	Semiannually	\$ 675
375	08/18/11	Special Assessment	4.200	Term 2031	2016	"	375
3,000	11/23/11	Special Assessment	2.000 - 3.500	Serial 2012 to 2031	2021	"	2,615
Total Special Assessment Bonds							<u>\$ 3,665</u>
West Haymarket Joint Public Agency							
\$ 31,515	09/08/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	3.500 - 4.450	Serial 2020 to 2030	Anytime	Semiannually	\$ 31,515
68,485	09/08/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	4.750 / 5.000	Term 2035 & 2045	Anytime	"	68,485
15,785	12/01/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2020 to 2025	Anytime	"	15,785
52,180	12/01/10	Facility Bonds Taxable Build America Bonds	5.400 / 5.800 / 6.000	Term 2030 2035 2039	Anytime	"	52,180
32,035	12/01/10	Recovery Zone Economic Development	6.750	Term 2045	Anytime	"	32,035
44,290	08/24/11	Facility Bonds	3.500 - 5.000	Serial 2021 to 2032	2021	"	44,290
55,710	08/24/11	Facility Bonds	4.250 / 5.000	Term 2036 & 2042	2021	"	55,710
20,850	12/04/13	Facility Bonds	2.000 - 5.000	Serial 2014 to 2038	2023	"	20,850
7,325	12/04/13	Facility Bonds	4.500	Term 2043	2023	"	7,325
Total West Haymarket Joint Public Agency							<u>\$ 378,175</u>
TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS							<u><u>\$ 458,566</u></u>
Tax Supported Bonds:							
\$ 11,080	3/13/02	Antelope Valley Project	1.500 - 5.000	Serial 2002 to 2016	2012	Semiannually	<u>\$ 3,690</u>

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Original Amount	Issued	Issue	Interest Rate	When Due	Date Callable	Interest Date	Outstanding
Business-Type Activities:							
Revenue Bonds:							
\$ 18,000	08/03/05	Wastewater Revenue	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2006 to 2030	2015	Semiannually	\$ 13,320
16,710	04/18/07	Wastewater Revenue	4.000 - 4.500	Serial 2008 to 2029	2017	"	12,980
3,750	04/18/07	Wastewater Revenue	4.375	Term 2032	2017	"	3,750
38,290	05/24/12	Wastewater Revenue Refunding	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2013 to 2028	2023	"	34,275
Total Wastewater Bonds							<u>\$ 64,325</u>
\$ 10,515	08/04/09	Water Revenue	2.000 - 4.125	Serial 2013 to 2029	2019	Semiannually	\$ 9,575
4,905	08/04/09	Water Revenue	4.500	Term 2034	2019	"	4,905
10,895	06/21/12	Water Revenue Refunding	1.000 - 4.000	Serial 2013 to 2022	---	"	8,860
28,595	05/30/13	Water Revenue Refunding	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2014 to 2025	2023	"	26,035
Total Water Bonds							<u>\$ 49,375</u>
\$ 7,745	01/27/11	Parking Revenue and Refunding	2.000 - 5.000	Serial 2015 to 2024	2021	Semiannually	\$ 7,745
10,775	01/27/11	Parking Revenue and Refunding	5.000 / 5.125 / 5.500	Term 2026 & 2031	2021	"	10,775
9,315	11/29/12	Parking Revenue and Refunding	0.400 - 4.000	Serial 2013 to 2027	2022	"	7,920
2,765	11/29/12	Parking Revenue and Refunding	3.000	Term 2032	2022	"	2,765
Total Parking Bonds							<u>\$ 29,205</u>
\$ 8,340	02/26/13	Solid Waste Management Revenue and Refunding	.250 - 4.000	Serial 2013 to 2029	2023	Semiannually	\$ 7,315
\$ 93,045	10/01/03	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	3.000 - 5.000	Serial 2004 to 2026	2013	Semiannually	\$ 6,760
183,230	05/15/07	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	4.000 - 5.000	Serial 2009 to 2035	2016	"	163,835
81,850	05/15/07	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	4.500 / 4.750	Term 2034 & 2037	2016	"	81,850
247,150	08/15/12	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	1.000 - 5.000	Serial 2013 to 2032	2022	"	235,305
30,165	08/15/12	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	3.625 - 5.000	Term 2037	2022	"	30,165
75,525	06/20/13	Electric Revenue and Refunding Bonds	2.700 - 5.000	Serial 2021 to 2025	2023	"	75,525
Total Electric Bonds							<u>\$ 593,440</u>
TOTAL REVENUE BONDS							<u>\$ 743,660</u>

Annual requirements to pay principal and interest to maturity on outstanding debt follow (in thousands of dollars):

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Governmental Activities					
	General Obligation Bonds		Tax Supported Bonds		Capital Leases	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 10,139	21,035	815	162	5,346	1,238
2016	11,405	20,683	855	122	6,200	1,136
2017	10,538	20,322	2,020	51	4,590	978
2018	10,766	19,962	-	-	3,940	852
2019	10,585	19,577	-	-	3,667	745
2020 - 2024	79,297	89,858	-	-	15,030	2,261
2025 - 2029	70,951	72,878	-	-	4,743	357
2030 - 2034	70,825	57,339	-	-	215	10
2035 - 2039	78,305	39,436	-	-	-	-
2040 - 2044	82,775	17,781	-	-	-	-
2044 - 2046	22,980	1,363	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 458,566</u>	<u>380,234</u>	<u>3,690</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>43,731</u>	<u>7,577</u>

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Business-Type Activities					
	Revenue Bonds		Loans/Note Payable		Capital Leases	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 29,895	31,967	1,828	1,051	399	36
2016	31,075	30,735	1,646	1,011	346	29
2017	33,060	29,490	1,687	969	352	23
2018	34,445	28,052	1,730	975	202	17
2019	35,900	26,526	1,774	881	155	13
2020 - 2024	201,150	107,131	9,382	3,689	485	19
2025 - 2029	165,810	64,967	9,907	2,361	-	-
2030 - 2034	120,915	34,207	9,727	847	-	-
2035 - 2038	91,410	12,431	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 743,660</u>	<u>365,506</u>	<u>37,681</u>	<u>11,734</u>	<u>1,939</u>	<u>137</u>

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Major Enterprise fund annual requirements to pay principal and interest to maturity on outstanding debt follow (in thousands of dollars):

Fiscal Year Ended August 31	Major Enterprise Funds					
	Wastewater System		Water System		Electric System	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2015	\$ 4,343	3,145	4,310	2,154	21,060	26,371
2016	4,372	2,962	4,254	2,078	22,050	25,382
2017	4,537	2,778	4,320	2,000	23,800	24,398
2018	4,627	2,666	4,433	1,858	24,990	23,208
2019	4,723	2,543	4,556	1,712	26,240	21,958
2020 - 2024	25,963	10,238	22,329	5,932	151,345	89,640
2025 - 2029	27,478	4,896	9,824	2,728	126,600	56,906
2030 - 2034	10,388	833	9,124	1,082	105,945	32,762
2035 - 2038	-	-	-	-	91,410	12,431
Total	\$ 86,431	30,061	63,150	19,544	593,440	313,056

Long-term liability activity for the year ended August 31, 2014, was as follows (in thousands of dollars):

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Bonds and Leases Payable:					
General Bonds	\$ 53,015	-	(4,240)	48,775	4,825
Tax Allocation Bonds	9,254	-	(1,278)	7,976	1,324
Tax Supported Bonds	73,165	-	(3,190)	69,975	3,275
Special Assessment Debt with Government Commitment	3,840	-	(175)	3,665	175
West Haymarket Joint Public Agency Bonds	300,000	28,175	-	328,175	540
Tax Supported Antelope Valley Project Bonds	4,470	-	(780)	3,690	815
Capital Leases	39,043	9,500	(4,812)	43,731	5,346
Gross Bonds and Leases Payable	482,787	37,675	(14,475)	505,987	16,300
Deferred Amounts:					
For Issuance Premiums	12,612	683	(513)	12,782	-
For Issuance Discounts	(1,002)	-	2	(1,000)	-
Net Bonds and Leases Payable	494,397	38,358	(14,986)	517,769	16,300
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	17,608	8,504	(8,163)	17,949	8,338
Construction Contracts	4,356	-	(14)	4,342	-
Claims and Judgements	9,780	28,453	(28,012)	10,221	4,253
Net Pension Obligation	3,252	-	(630)	2,622	-
Net OPEB Obligation	7,442	1,327	-	8,769	-
Governmental Activities Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 536,835	76,642	(51,805)	561,672	28,891
Business-Type Activities:					
Bonds, Loans, Note, and Leases Payable:					
Wastewater Revenue Bonds	\$ 67,570	-	(3,245)	64,325	3,315
Wastewater Loan Payable	17,990	4,925	(809)	22,106	1,028
Water Revenue Bonds	53,060	-	(3,685)	49,375	3,710
Water Loan Payable	9,439	4,574	(238)	13,775	600
Electric System Revenue Bonds	591,490	75,525	(73,575)	593,440	21,060
Parking Revenue Bonds	30,515	-	(1,310)	29,205	1,260
Solid Waste Management Revenue Bonds	7,865	-	(550)	7,315	550
Pinnacle Bank Arena Note	1,575	425	(200)	1,800	200
Capital Leases	2,389	-	(450)	1,939	398
Gross Bonds, Loans, Note, and Leases Payable	781,893	85,449	(84,062)	783,280	32,121
Deferred Amounts:					
For Issuance Premiums	49,303	6,447	(5,534)	50,216	-
For Issuance Discounts	(63)	-	2	(61)	-
Net Bonds, Loans, Note, and Leases Payable	831,133	91,896	(89,594)	833,435	32,121
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	2,170	1,356	(1,268)	2,258	1,344
Construction Contracts	5,715	5,728	(5,428)	6,015	5,813
Claims and Judgements	1,083	5,729	(5,153)	1,659	1,200
Net OPEB Obligation	1,144	196	-	1,340	-
Accrued Landfill Closure/Postclosure Care Costs	15,904	823	(21)	16,706	-
Business-Type Activities Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 857,149	105,728	(101,464)	861,413	40,478

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Internal Service funds predominantly serve the governmental funds. Therefore, their long-term liabilities are included with the governmental activities above. Compensated absences for governmental activities are generally liquidated in the General Fund as well as various other Special Revenue and Internal Service funds where personal costs are incurred. The construction contracts are liquidated in the Street Construction fund, financed primarily with impact fee collections. The claims and judgments liability will generally be liquidated through the City's Insurance Revolving Internal Service Fund, which will finance the payment of those claims by charging other funds based on management's assessment of the relative insurance risk that should be assumed by individual funds. The net pension obligation will be liquidated through the Police & Fire Pension Contributions Special Revenue Fund with financing provided by an annual property tax levy. The net OPEB obligation for an implicit rate subsidy will be liquidated with those governmental funds where personal insurance costs are incurred.

Long-term liability activity for the major enterprise funds for the year ended August 31, 2014, was as follows (in thousands of dollars):

	Ending Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Lincoln Wastewater System:					
Bonds and Loans Payable:					
Wastewater Revenue Bonds	\$ 67,570	-	(3,245)	64,325	3,315
Wastewater Loans Payable	17,990	4,925	(809)	22,106	1,028
Deferred for Issuance Premiums	3,759	-	(253)	3,506	-
Deferred for Issuance Discounts	(9)	-	1	(8)	-
Net Bonds and Loans Payable	<u>89,310</u>	<u>4,925</u>	<u>(4,306)</u>	<u>89,929</u>	<u>4,343</u>
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	653	383	(369)	667	384
Construction Contracts	1,647	3,255	(1,529)	3,373	3,255
Net OPEB Obligation	221	8	-	229	-
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 91,831</u>	<u>8,571</u>	<u>(6,204)</u>	<u>94,198</u>	<u>7,982</u>
Lincoln Water System:					
Bonds and Loan Payable:					
Water Revenue Bonds	\$ 53,060	-	(3,685)	49,375	3,710
Water Loan Payable	9,439	4,574	(238)	13,775	600
Deferred for Issuance Premiums	3,623	-	(330)	3,293	-
Deferred for Issuance Discounts	(30)	-	2	(28)	-
Net Bonds and Loan Payable	<u>66,092</u>	<u>4,574</u>	<u>(4,251)</u>	<u>66,415</u>	<u>4,310</u>
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	950	491	(465)	976	483
Construction Contracts	4,069	2,473	(3,900)	2,642	2,558
Net OPEB Obligation	322	34	-	356	-
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 71,433</u>	<u>7,572</u>	<u>(8,616)</u>	<u>70,389</u>	<u>7,351</u>
Lincoln Electric System:					
Bonds Payable:					
Electric System Revenue Bonds	\$ 591,490	75,525	(73,575)	593,440	21,060
Deferred for Issuance Premiums	41,091	6,447	(4,895)	42,643	-
Net Bonds Payable	<u>632,581</u>	<u>81,972</u>	<u>(78,470)</u>	<u>636,083</u>	<u>21,060</u>
Other Liabilities:					
Claims and Judgements	1,083	5,729	(5,153)	1,659	1,200
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 633,664</u>	<u>87,701</u>	<u>(83,623)</u>	<u>637,742</u>	<u>22,260</u>

DEVELOPER PURCHASED TAX INCREMENT FINANCING NOTES AND BONDS

At August 31, 2014, \$21,619,776 of developer purchased tax increment financing notes and bonds were outstanding. Developer purchased tax increment financing allows the City to create special districts to enable public/private improvements within those districts that will generate public/private-sector development. For a period of 15 years, the tax base is frozen at the predevelopment level, and taxes generated from the incremental increases in assessed value are remitted to the developer. The agreements between the City and developer expressly limit the City's commitment for debt repayment to the

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incremental tax collected during the 15-year period. At the end of the 15-year period, the tax jurisdiction collects on the increased property values. The related tax increment districts are not component units of the City, therefore, the City is not liable for the outstanding debt. The City's responsibility for this liability is limited only to remittance of paid taxes, thus these notes and bonds are not reflected in the City's financial statements.

CONDUIT DEBT

On January 26, 2012, the City issued \$19,815,000 of Educational Facilities Revenue and Refunding Bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring, constructing, equipping and furnishing improvements to Nebraska Wesleyan University's (NWU) higher education facilities and refinancing certain outstanding indebtedness of NWU.

The Bonds are limited obligations of the City and are payable solely from payments to be made by NWU pursuant to a loan agreement dated January 1, 2012, by and between the City and NWU. The Bonds shall not be a charge against the City's general credit or taxing powers. The Bonds shall never constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional provision or statutory limitation and shall never constitute or give rise to a pecuniary liability of the City, thus these bonds are not reflected in the City's financial statements. At August 31, 2014, \$18,380,000 of these bonds remain outstanding.

(10) RECONCILIATION OF BUDGET BASIS TO GAAP

Amounts presented on a non-GAAP budget basis of accounting differ from those presented in accordance with GAAP due to the treatment afforded accruals, encumbrances, funds for which budget and reporting structures differ, and funds for which legally adopted annual budgets are not established. A reconciliation for the year ended August 31, 2014, which discloses the nature and amount of the adjustments necessary to convert the actual GAAP data to the budgetary basis, is presented below:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Street Construction Fund</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances:		
Balance on a GAAP basis	\$ 2,245,147	16,334,337
Basis differences (accruals) occur because the cash basis of accounting used for budgeting differs from the modified accrual basis of accounting prescribed for governmental funds.	2,667,242	(399,619)
Perspective differences occur when the structure used for budgeting differs from the fund structure used for financial reporting.	521,907	-
Amount budgeted on a project basis.	-	13,375,182
Balance on a budget basis	<u>\$ 5,434,296</u>	<u>29,309,900</u>

(11) DEFICIT NET POSITION

The following funds had a net position or fund balance deficit as of August 31, 2014:

Special Revenue - Impact Fees Fund	\$ (144,837)
Enterprise - Pinnacle Bank Arena Fund	(1,781,045)
Internal Service - Engineering Revolving Fund	(911,859)
Internal Service - Communication Services Fund	(12,438)
Internal Service - Copy Services Fund	(37,831)

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- The Impact Fees Fund deficit is expected to be reduced through future fee collections.
- The Pinnacle Bank Arena Fund was created to manage the operation of a new Arena which opened in August, 2013. The Fund deficit is expected to be reduced through future revenue collections.
- The Engineering Revolving Fund is evaluating various means to reduce expenses and improve revenue collections affected by staffing levels, overhead costs, billing practices, and intra-City services reimbursements.
- The Communication Services Fund is currently adjusting their billing process and when completed is expected to reduce the deficit.
- The Copy Services Fund deficit is expected to be reduced by an increase in fees charged.

(12) EXCESSES OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS

The following funds had expenditures for which there were no appropriations:

General Fund		
Financial Administration	\$	754,989
Traffic Engineering		104,455
Street Lighting		2,599,631
Debt Service		39,803
Street Construction Fund		
Streets and Highways		134,019

(13) EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLANS

The employees of the City are covered by several retirement plans. Article II Section 3 of the Lincoln Charter assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the various plans to the City Council. The Police and Fire Department Plan (PFDP) is administered by the City and is included in the Fiduciary Fund type. All other plans are administered by outside trustees and are not included in the City's basic financial statements.

POLICE AND FIRE PENSION

Plan Description – PFDP is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the City of Lincoln for all commissioned police and firefighters. PFDP provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. PFDP recognizes plan member contributions in the period in which they are due. Employer contributions are recognized when due and the City has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Cost-of-living adjustments are provided to members and beneficiaries in accordance with the plan document. The City does not issue a separate report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for PFDP.

Summary of Benefit Provisions -

Plan A is applicable to members who were hired on/after April 1, 1995 or who were hired prior to that date, but elected Plan A coverage.

Plan B is applicable to members who were employed on/after April 11, 1984 or who, prior to April 11, 1984, elected Plan B coverage.

Plan C is applicable to members who were employed before April 11, 1984 and did not elect to move to Plan B or A.

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Regular Pay - All plans include member's base pay and City's contributions to the Post-Employment Health Plan for the last consecutive 26 bi-weekly pay periods, or in the case of a demotion, the highest consecutive 26 bi-weekly pay periods.

Normal Retirement Age – Plan A: Age 50
Plans B and C: Age 53

Normal Retirement – Plan A: Normal retirement age and 25 years of service.
Plans B and C: Normal retirement age and 21 years of service.

Amount of Pension –

- Plan A: 2.56% of regular pay times years of service to a maximum of 64% or regular pay.
- Plan B: 58% of regular pay with 21 years of service, plus 2% of regular pay for each year of service rendered after becoming eligible for retirement to a maximum increase of 10%.
- Plan C: 54% of regular pay with 21 years of service, plus 2% of regular pay for each year of service rendered after becoming eligible for retirement to a maximum increase of 10%.

Early Retirement - Eligibility for all plans is age 50 and 21 years of service.

Amount of Pension –

- Plan A: 2.56% of regular pay times years of service up to a maximum of 64% of regular pay.
- Plan B and C: 52% and 48% of regular pay, respectively, plus 2% of regular pay for each year of service rendered after becoming eligible, up to a maximum increase of 6%.

Deferred Annuity (Vested Separation) - Eligibility for all plans is 10 years of service, until eligible for early retirement.

Amount of Pension –

- Plan A: 2.56% of regular pay times years of service.
- Plan B: 58% of regular pay with 21 years of service. Members with less than 21 years of service receive a ratio of years of service to 21 years of 58% of regular pay.
- Plan C: 54% of regular pay with 21 years of service. Members with less than 21 years of service receive a ratio of years of service to 21 years of 54% of regular pay.

Duty-Related Disability - Eligibility for all plans is permanent inability to perform the duties of the position from a cause occurring while in line of duty.

Amount of Pension –

- Plan A: 58% of regular pay.
- Plan B and C: A benefit equal to 58% or 54% of regular pay respectively, plus 2% of regular pay for each year of service rendered after becoming eligible for retirement, to a maximum increase of 10% of regular pay.

Such benefits shall continue after the member's death to the member's surviving spouse (until their death or remarriage), minor children or designated beneficiary (at a reduced amount). The above amounts are subject to deduction of the amount received from worker's compensation.

Non-Duty Disability - Eligibility for all plans is permanent inability to perform duties of position from a cause not occurring in the line of duty.

Amount of Pension – equal to the following percent of regular pay:

<u>Years of Service (YOS)</u>	<u>Plan A</u>	<u>Plan B</u>	<u>Plan C</u>
5 ≤ YOS < 10	23%	23%	21%
10 ≤ YOS < 15	39%	39%	36%
YOS ≥ 15	53%	53%	49%

Duty-Related Death - Eligibility for all plans is an active member death in the line of duty, or as a result of injuries received while in the line of duty.

Amount of Pension –

Spouse beneficiary paid at duty disability rate until remarriage or death. Upon spouse's remarriage or death, dependent children paid at same rate until age 19. Non-spouse beneficiary paid at 100% survivor rate for lifetime.

The above amounts are subject to deduction of the amount received from worker's compensation.

Non-Duty Death - Eligibility for all plans is member dies from non-duty related cause and 5 years of service.

Amount of Pension - Benefits which would have been payable as a non-duty disability awarded the day prior to death (joint and 100% survivor).

Death After Retirement - Monthly benefit may continue to surviving spouse or non-spouse beneficiary, and is dependent on form of payment.

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After monthly benefits cease a lump sum benefit is payable to survivors of members employed on or after January 1, 1992 to March 31, 2010 equal to the member's unrefunded accumulated contributions and interest multiplied by the ratio of the number of expected payments received to the number of expected payments. Survivors of other members receive a death benefit after monthly benefits cease, equal to the member's unrefunded accumulated contributions and interest less the sum of monthly benefits received.

Non-Vested Termination - Eligibility for all plans includes termination of employment and no pension is or will become payable.

Amount of Benefit – all plans will refund member's contributions plus annual interest.

Employee Contributions - Plan A: 8.0% of pay

Plan B: 7.6% of pay

Plan C: 7.0% of pay

Upon reaching 21 years of service, member contributions are discontinued for Plans B and C.

Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) – Eligibility requirements include receiving benefits for at least twelve months preceding September 1. The lump sum payment will be a base amount of \$750 effective 9/1/1994. The lump sum payment amount will be annually increased by the lesser of three percent or the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for the last full calendar year prior to each September 1.

Reserves – Per City Ordinance, lump sum COLA payments are to be paid from an accounting pool which is funded by the interest differential between the pension fund's earned rate of interest and the actuarially assumed rate of interest, multiplied by a ratio of the retirant and beneficiary liability over the total liability of the fund. All such annual additions to the pool plus regular interest earned and applicable to the amounts allocated to the accounting pool shall constitute the pool of funds from which the COLA payments are to be paid. The market value of the COLA Pool as of August 31, 2014 is \$28,508,053.

Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) - The City has established DROP for police and fire pension members. The DROP program allows a member to retire for pension purposes, but to continue working. The member receives a paycheck and the member's monthly pension benefit is deposited into the member's DROP account. At the end of five years, or anytime before five years, the member must "retire-in-fact". Contributions to the pension are eliminated at the beginning of the DROP period. Pension benefits are set, and will not be increased because of raises, promotions, increased years of service or pension enhancements. When a member retires-in-fact, their monthly pension benefit will be paid directly to them and the member will have access to the funds in their DROP account. The balance held by the third party DROP administrator at August 31, 2014 is \$7,358,040.

Membership of the pension plan consisted of the following at August 31, 2014, the date of the latest actuarial valuation:

Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	465
Terminated plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	27
Active plan members (non-DROP)	555
DROP members	52
Total	1,099
Number of participating employers	1

Funding Policy – The contribution requirements of plan members and the City are established by City Ordinance and may be amended by the City Council. Plan members are required to contribute between 7% and 8% of their annual covered salary based on an election made by the employee. It is recommended that the City contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the rate for fiscal year 2014 was 19.49% of annual covered payroll. Actual contributions by the City were 20.76% of annual covered payroll. Administrative costs of PFDP are financed through employer contributions of property tax revenue.

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Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation – The City’s annual pension cost and net pension obligation to PFDP for the current year were as follows:

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

Annual required contribution	\$ 7,378
Interest on net pension obligation	244
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(386)</u>
Annual pension cost	7,236
Contributions made	<u>(7,866)</u>
Decrease in net pension obligation	(630)
Net pension obligation-beginning	<u>3,252</u>
Net pension obligation-ending	<u><u>\$ 2,622</u></u>

Three-Year Trend Information
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

Year Ended <u>August 31</u>	Annual Pension Cost (APC) <u> </u>	Annual Pension Contribution <u> </u>	Percentage of APC Contributed <u> </u>	Net Pension Obligation <u> </u>
2014	\$ 7,236	\$ 7,866	109 %	\$ 2,622
2013	6,583	6,447	98	3,252
2012	5,411	6,052	112	3,116

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions – The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the August 31, 2012, actuarial valuation using the entry age actuarial funding method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) a rate of return on the investment of present and future assets of 7.5% per year compounded annually, (b) projected salary increases of 4.25 to 8.25% per year, including wage inflation at 4.25%, and (c) the assumption that benefits will not increase after retirement. The actuarial value of assets was determined using a five year smoothed market method. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of payrolls on an open basis over a period of thirty years.

Funded Status and Funding Progress – As of August 31, 2014, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan is 66% funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits is \$262,918,401, and the actuarial value of assets is \$174,569,411, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$88,348,990. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) is \$37,887,505, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll is 233.19%.

The Schedule of Funding Progress, presented as RSI following the Notes to the Financial Statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets are increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits.

Net Pension Liability

GASB Statement No. 67 requires the City to calculate and present the various components of the net pension liability, which includes different factors and assumptions than the UAAL shown above, which is determined in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 27. For its August 31, 2015 fiscal year-end, the City will implement the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, which supersedes and replaces the requirements of Statement No. 27. Therefore, in future years, only the net pension liability will be reported in the City’s financial statements and notes.

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The components of the net pension liability of the PFDP at August 31, 2014, were as follows:

Total pension liability	\$ 275,933,840
Plan fiduciary net position (market value)	<u>(213,342,815)</u>
Net pension liability	<u>\$ 62,591,025</u>

Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	77.32%
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The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation using the entry age normal cost method and calculated based on the discount rate and actuarial assumptions below.

Valuation date	September 1, 2014
Measurement date	August 31, 2014

Assumptions - The actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability as of August 31, 2014 were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period September 1, 2009 - August 31, 2014. Based on the results of that analysis, the following changes to the actuarial assumptions were included in the 2014 calculations:

- Expected future investment returns have been reduced from 7.50% to 6.75% compounded annually.
- Assumed salary increase rates, including inflation, have been reduced from a range of 4.25% - 8.25% to a range of 3.5% - 7.3%.
- Mortality tables have been updated to the RP2000 Mortality for Employees, Healthy Annuitants, and Disabled Annuitants with generational improvement per Scale AA for healthy participants.
- The payroll growth assumption has been reduced from 4.25% to 3.00%.

Discount Rate

Discount rate - 6.75%

Long-term expected rate of return, net of investment expense - 6.75%

Municipal bond rate - N/A

The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that City contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Long-Term Rate of Return - The best-estimate range for the long-term expected rate of return is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. Actual long-term historical results achieved by the Fund were also considered. Best estimate of arithmetic real rate of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of August 31, 2014, are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Cash	-1.50 %
Alternative Investments	5.06
Fixed Income	1.32
Equity	7.31

Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate - The following presents the net pension liability of City of Lincoln, calculated using the discount rate of 6.75%, as well as what the City of Lincoln's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (5.75%) or 1 percentage point higher (7.75%) than the current rate.

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	<u>1% Decrease</u> <u>5.75%</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u> <u>6.75%</u>	<u>1% Increase</u> <u>7.75%</u>
Total pension liability	\$ 311,518,038	275,933,840	246,099,681
Fiduciary net position	213,342,815	213,342,815	213,342,815
Net position liability	98,175,223	62,591,025	32,756,866

Rate of Return - For the year ended August 31, 2014, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was 16.67 percent. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

ELECTRIC SYSTEM

The City owns and operates its own electric system which is included in the enterprise funds in the accompanying basic financial statements. The electric system is controlled and managed by an administrative board and is not supported by the City's general tax revenues. The electric system provides retirement benefits to its employees under its own separate plan, such benefits being funded solely from revenues derived from the operation of the electric system. A summary of the electric system plan is as follows:

LES has a defined contribution retirement plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401(K) covering all employees upon employment. The plan assets are held, managed and administered by a custodian. The plan was established under the authority of the administrative board and contributions are also established by the administrative board. LES' contribution is equal to 200% of the employees' contributions, up to 5% of gross wages for employees hired prior to 1/1/11. For employees hired after 1/1/11, LES' contribution is equal to 100% of employee's contributions up to 10% of gross wages. Vesting of LES contributions occurs over a three-year period. Employee forfeitures are used to reduce employer contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2013, LES incurred contribution expense of approximately \$3,634,000 or 9.34% of covered payroll and its employees contributed approximately \$2,647,000 or 6.80% of covered payroll.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

Directors of City departments are eligible the first of the month following the date employed to be covered by the Director's Money Purchase Plan, established by City Ordinance, and administered by an insurance company. The Plan is a defined contribution plan requiring contributions determined by the employees' date of hire. The City contributes 6% to 12% and the employee contributes 0% to 6% of earned income in one calendar year. Employees covered by the Plan may also make voluntary contributions. Participant accounts are immediately 100% vested. Total and covered payroll for the year ended December 31, 2013, was \$1,896,982. City contributions totaled \$206,037 or 10.86% of covered payroll and employee contributions totaled \$16,535 or .87% of covered payroll. There were no voluntary employee contributions made for the year ended December 31, 2013.

ALL OTHER CITY EMPLOYEES

All other City employees are eligible after 6 months' service and age 19 to be covered under the City's Money Purchase Pension Plan, established by City Ordinance, and administered by an insurance company. Enrollment in the program is mandatory at age 40 with 5 years service. Vesting occurs in increments between 3 and 7 years of enrollment in the plan. The Plan is a defined contribution plan requiring employees to contribute at a rate determined by the employees' bargaining unit and date of hire. The City contributes between \$1.29 and \$2.00 for every \$1.00 contributed by employees. Employee forfeitures are used to reduce employer contributions. Employees covered by the Plan may also make voluntary contributions. During the year ended December 31, 2013, total payroll was approximately \$80,304,000 and covered payroll was approximately \$70,116,000. City contributions totaled \$7,881,732 or 11.24% of covered payroll and employee contributions totaled \$4,072,700 or 5.80% of covered payroll. Employees made \$158,130 in voluntary contributions for the year ended December 31, 2013.

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(14) OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

Plan Description – The City offers employees and their families the opportunity to continue their health care coverage when there is a qualifying event, such as retirement, that would result in a loss of coverage under the City’s plan. Each qualified beneficiary pays the entire cost of premiums for the continuous coverage. The City recognizes as OPEB the implicit rate subsidy provided to retirees when their premium is the “full cost” of the insurer’s charge for the active population. Since the retirees have higher costs, the premium they pay is not expected to cover their costs, and the difference is essentially covered by the City’s payment for active employees. The City plan is a single-employer defined benefit plan. The City does not issue a separate report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for OPEB.

Funding Policy – The plan is a pay-as-you-go and therefore, is not funded.

Annual OPEB cost and Net OPEB Obligation – The City’s annual OPEB cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and to amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years.

The following Net OPEB obligation balance includes amounts reported in governmental activities, business-type activities and the fiduciary trust fund.

The net OPEB obligation as of August 31, 2014, was calculated as follows:
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

Annual required contribution	\$ 2,283
Interest on net OPEB obligation	386
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(527)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	2,142
Contributions made	<u>(619)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	1,523
Net OPEB obligation-beginning	<u>8,589</u>
Net OPEB obligation-ending	<u><u>\$ 10,112</u></u>

The City’s annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB costs contributed and the net OPEB obligation are as follows:

Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
<u>August 31</u>			
2014	\$ 2,142,000	28.9 %	\$ 10,112,000
2013	3,011,000	23.4	8,589,000
2012	3,033,000	23.2	6,283,000

Funded Status and Funding Progress – As of September 1, 2013, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was zero percent funded. The actuarial liability for benefits was \$18,738,000 and the actuarial value of assets was zero, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$18,738,000. Annual covered payroll was approximately \$123,231,000, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 15.2%.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trends. Amounts determined

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regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statement, presents multi-year trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions – Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the September 1, 2013 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.5% discount rate and an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 8.5% initially, reduced by decrements to an ultimate rate of 5.9% for 2022 and beyond. The general inflation rate used for derivation of these calculations is 2.5%. Participation assumptions include 60% of eligible civilian members and 50% of eligible Fire/Police members electing coverage, with 25% participation assumed for both civilian and Fire/Police spouses, respectively. The plan's unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level dollar amount on an open basis over a period of thirty years.

PEHP – Defined Contribution Plan

The City has a defined contribution Post Employment Health Plan (PEHP) administered by Nationwide Retirement Solutions. The purpose of the PEHP plan is to provide reimbursement of qualifying health care and medical insurance premium expenses for employees upon separation from employment.

Terms for eligibility and contribution rates are specified in the City's various collective bargaining agreements. Individual employee accounts consist of employer contributions, investment returns and any forfeiture allocations. Current employer contributions range from \$18-\$50 per pay period based on union contracts. Current year contributions totaled approximately \$1,289,000.

Long-Term Disability Plan

The City also provides employees with long-term disability benefits when they become disabled due to a non-work related accident or illness and are unable to perform their essential job functions. Results of an annual actuarial valuation have not been included here as it did not have a significant impact on the City's financial statements.

(15) PROPERTY TAXES

The Home Rule Charter of the City imposes a tax ceiling for general revenue purposes. The City tax ceiling was established by using the September 1, 1966, City dollar tax limit as an initial tax limit, and increasing that tax limit each year following 1966 by 7% so that in each fiscal year thereafter the amount of the City tax limit shall be the amount of the City tax limit for the previous year plus 7% thereof. In addition, the City has the power to levy taxes each year sufficient to pay any judgment existing against the City, the interest on bonded debt, and the principal on bonded debt maturing during the fiscal year or within 6 months thereafter, as well as taxes authorized by state law. The 2013 tax levy, for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, was \$116,668,431 below the legal limit, with a tax rate per \$100 valuation of \$0.3158. The assessed value upon which the 2013 levy was based was \$17,110,968,759.

The tax levies for all political subdivisions in Lancaster County are certified by the County Board on or before October 15th. Real estate taxes are due on December 31st and attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1st following the levy date and become delinquent in two equal installments on April

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1st and August 1st. Personal property taxes are due December 31st and become delinquent on April 1st and August 1st following the levy date. Delinquent taxes bear 14% interest.

Within the government-wide financial statements, property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Property taxes levied for 2013-2014 are recorded as revenue in the fund financial statements when expected to be collected within 60 days after August 31, 2014. Prior-year levies were recorded using these same principles, and remaining receivables are re-evaluated annually. Property taxes expected to be collected after 60 days are recorded as unavailable revenue on the fund balance sheets.

The City-owned electric utility is required by City Charter to make payments in lieu of taxes, aggregating 5% of its gross retail operating revenues derived from within the city limits of incorporated cities and towns served.

(16) RISK MANAGEMENT

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees and the public; or acts of God. All risk management activities are accounted for in the Insurance Revolving Fund, an internal service fund, and administered through the Risk Management Division.

For the year ended August 31, 2014, the City had a self-insured retention for workers' compensation exposures up to \$800,000 per individual; law enforcement liability, general liability, public officials liability, public transportation liability, medical professional liability, and auto liability exposures up to \$250,000 per occurrence; building and contents property exposures up to \$50,000 per occurrence; health care benefits with \$150,000 claim specific stop loss; self-insured dental benefits; and self-insured employee long-term disability benefits.

The City also obtained excess liability insurance coverage in the current year. Workers' compensation was covered by a policy that provided statutory limits above the City's retention of \$800,000 per individual. Law enforcement, general, public officials, public transportation, medical professional, and auto liabilities were covered by policies that provided limits of \$6 million per occurrence with a \$12 million annual aggregate. Health had excess stop loss coverage above \$150,000 per claim with unlimited coverage. The Nebraska Political Tort Claims Act limits the City's liability for tort claims to \$1 million per individual and \$5 million per occurrence.

There were no significant insurance recoveries in the current year, and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The City annually retains the services of independent actuaries to analyze the self-insured workers' compensation, general liability, public transportation liability, law enforcement liability, auto liability, and long-term disability exposures. Such analysis has been used to assist the City with its financial planning and management of the self-insurance program. Included in the specific objectives of the studies were to:

- Estimate the outstanding liabilities for the current fiscal year ended August 31,
- Forecast ultimate incurred losses and incurred but not reported losses for future years, and
- Estimate the required funding level for the City's self-insured liabilities.

The City funds its self-insurance program on an "incurred loss" basis. The governmental and proprietary funds pay annual premium amounts, based on past experience of incurred losses, to the Insurance Revolving Fund. Claim liabilities of \$10,221,089 were recorded at August 31, 2014, which do not include claims relating to Lincoln Electric System's self-funded health and dental insurance program. Excluding medical care claims approximating \$2,128,000, the remaining liability is the actuarially estimated amount of claims based on an estimate of ultimate incurred and incurred but not reported losses as of that date and is calculated considering the effects of inflation, recent claim settlement trends including frequency and amount of pay-outs, and other economic and social factors. The claims liability estimate also includes amounts for incremental claim adjustment expenses related to specific claims and other claim adjustment

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expenses regardless of their allocation to specific claims. These liabilities have been discounted using a .39% discount rate. The City has purchased no annuity contracts in the current fiscal year to resolve City of Lincoln claims.

The following is a summary of the changes in the estimated claims liability for the years ended August 31, 2014 and 2013:

<u>2014</u>	Worker's Compensation and Others	Long-Term Disability	Health and Dental	Total
Balance at September 1	\$ 7,354,000	941,204	1,484,880	9,780,084
Current year claims and changes in estimates	2,299,000	93,668	26,060,617	28,453,285
Claims payments	(2,507,000)	(87,341)	(25,417,939)	(28,012,280)
Balance at August 31	<u>\$ 7,146,000</u>	<u>947,531</u>	<u>2,127,558</u>	<u>10,221,089</u>

<u>2013</u>	Worker's Compensation and Others	Long-Term Disability	Health and Dental	Total
Balance at September 1	\$ 7,729,000	886,204	1,687,834	10,303,038
Current year claims and changes in estimates	3,298,000	163,558	22,548,762	26,010,320
Claims payments	(3,673,000)	(108,558)	(22,751,716)	(26,533,274)
Balance at August 31	<u>\$ 7,354,000</u>	<u>941,204</u>	<u>1,484,880</u>	<u>9,780,084</u>

LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM

LES has a self-funded health and dental insurance program with claims processed by a third party administrator on behalf of the utility. As part of the plan, a reinsurance policy has been purchased which covers claims in excess of \$150,000 per individual. Total accrual and payment history is shown below:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Balance beginning of year	\$ 1,083,000	941,000
Claims accrued	5,729,000	5,385,000
Claims paid/other	(5,153,000)	(5,243,000)
Balance end of year	<u>\$ 1,659,000</u>	<u>1,083,000</u>

As required by state statute, LES maintains an incurred but not reported claims reserve which is actuarially determined, the balance of which was \$459,000 and \$383,000 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. LES established two separate bank accounts for the self-funded employee health and dental insurance plan reserve to ensure compliance with statutory requirements. Although not required by the statute, LES maintains excess insurance which limits the total claims liability for each plan year to not more than 125% of the expected claims liability, up to an annual aggregate maximum of \$1,000,000.

(17) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

GENERAL

The City participates in a number of federal and state assisted grant programs. Federal and state financial assistance programs are subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount of expenditures, if any, which may be disallowed by the granting agencies is not determinable at this time; however, City officials do not believe that such amounts would be significant.

At August 31, 2014, approximately 96% of the full-time, regular City's employees are represented by a Union. Most existing union contracts expire in August 2014. All future labor contracts involving City employees will be negotiated to cover, at a minimum, a two-year period coinciding with the new biennial budget process.

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The City is a defendant in a number of lawsuits and claims in its normal course of operations. Management is currently of the opinion that ultimate settlement of such lawsuits and claims will not have a materially adverse effect on the financial statements.

The City has been identified as a potentially responsible party (PRP) or equivalent status in relation to several sites with environmental remediation activities. Management currently believes that the liability of the City in connection with these activities will be immaterial. However, the ultimate cost will depend on the extent of remediation required. Management does not believe that changes in these cost estimates will have a materially adverse effect on the financial statements.

The City of Lincoln owns a solid waste disposal area which discontinued operations in 1990, but still requires certain closure and postclosure care, including the construction of final cover, monitoring of groundwater conditions and landfill gas migration, and general site maintenance. While accrual of closure and postclosure care costs has been reflected in the financial statements in the current year, unanticipated corrective action costs related to landfill gas migration or groundwater contamination, if identified through current monitoring procedures, may be recorded once these costs can be reasonably estimated.

STREET CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

The City's Street Construction Fund has commitments under major construction contracts in progress of approximately \$10,800,000 as of August 31, 2014, which will be financed primarily through highway user fees, bond proceeds, federal and state grants, and developer contributions.

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY

The West Haymarket JPA Fund has commitments under major construction contracts in progress of approximately \$2,500,000 as of August 31, 2014.

LINCOLN WASTEWATER SYSTEM

The Lincoln Wastewater System has commitments under major construction contracts in progress of approximately \$9,900,000 as of August 31, 2014.

LINCOLN WATER SYSTEM

The Lincoln Water System has commitments under major construction contracts in progress of approximately \$3,400,000 as of August 31, 2014.

LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM

LES has participating interests in the output of two existing NPPD power plants, a thirty percent (68 MW) and eight percent (109 MW) entitlement to the output of the Sheldon Station Power Plant (nominally rated 225 MW coal plant) and Gerald Gentleman Station Power Plant (nominally rated 1,268 MW coal plant), respectively.

LES is responsible for its respective participating interests in the two facilities' capital additions and improvements. LES recognizes its share of capital acquisition costs and debt service payments as power costs in the period the costs are billed with the exception of costs approved for deferral under GASB Statement No. 62. Fixed cost payments under the agreements are on a participation basis whether or not such plants are operating or operable.

The participation contracts continue until the facilities are removed from commercial operation or the final maturity occurs on the related debt incurred by NPPD to finance the facilities, whichever occurs last. The estimated fixed cost payments to NPPD under these contracts, including capital additions and improvements, debt service payments and fixed costs, and credits aggregate approximately \$18,400,000, \$18,800,000, \$19,300,000, \$19,700,000, and \$20,100,000, respectively, in each of the five years subsequent to December 31, 2013.

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(18) **LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS**

The City of Lincoln currently owns and operates both a municipal solid waste landfill and a construction and demolition debris landfill. State and federal laws require the City to close the landfills once capacity is reached and to monitor and maintain the site for thirty subsequent years on the municipal solid waste landfill and five subsequent years on the construction and demolition debris landfill. Although certain closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfills stop accepting waste, the City reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each statement of net position date.

At August 31, 2014, the City had incurred a liability of approximately \$11,900,000 for the municipal solid waste landfill which represents the amount of costs reported to date based on the approximately 54% of landfill capacity used to date. The remaining estimated liability for these costs is approximately \$10 million, which will be recognized as the remaining capacity is used (estimated to be approximately 23 years).

As of August 31, 2014, the City had incurred a liability of approximately \$593,000 for the construction and demolition debris landfill which represents the amount of costs reported to date based on the approximately 58% of landfill capacity used to date. The remaining estimated liability for these costs is approximately \$432,000, which will be recognized as the remaining capacity is used (estimated to be approximately 15 years).

The estimated costs of closure and postclosure care, as determined by an independent engineering consultant, are subject to changes including the effects of inflation, revision of laws, changes in technology, actual sequence of landfill development and closure, and other variables.

The City of Lincoln, in a review by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ), has demonstrated compliance with the financial assurance requirements as specified in Title 132 - *Integrated Solid Waste Management Regulations*, through the Local Government Financial Test.

The City of Lincoln also owns a solid waste disposal area that discontinued operations in 1990. Although exempt from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency *Solid Waste Disposal Facility Criteria* issued October 9, 1991, the City must still adhere to certain closure and postclosure care requirements under prior legislation, including the construction of final cover, monitoring of ground water conditions and landfill gas migration, and general site maintenance. At August 31, 2014, a liability for closure and postclosure care costs is recorded in the amount of approximately \$4,213,000, which is based on appropriations identified in the City's capital improvement projects budgeting process. If any unanticipated corrective action costs related to landfill gas migration or groundwater contamination are identified through current monitoring procedures, then an additional accrued liability will be recorded once these costs can be reasonably estimated.

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(19) **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The City has issued revenue bonds and other debt instruments to finance capital construction and acquisitions for both the Urban Development and Public Works/Utilities Departments. The Parking Facilities Division of the Urban Development Department operates the City's downtown parking garages and is accounted for in the Parking System Fund. The Solid Waste Operations Section of the Public Works/Utilities Department operates the City's solid waste disposal sites, yard waste composting facility, and re-cycling drop-off program. Summary financial information for these divisions as of and for the year ended August 31, 2014, is presented as follows:

	<u>Parking Facilities</u>	<u>Solid Waste Management</u>
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION		
Assets:		
Current Assets, excluding Due from Other Funds	\$ 1,758,231	3,890,994
Due from Other Funds	87,627	22,525
Other Assets	8,428,672	2,645,588
Capital Assets	61,835,646	26,400,158
Total Assets	<u>72,110,176</u>	<u>32,959,265</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	-	37,026
Liabilities:		
Current Liabilities, excluding Due to Other Funds	3,247,394	2,162,605
Due to Other Funds	9,469	1,075
Noncurrent Liabilities	28,234,718	24,071,050
Total Liabilities	<u>31,491,581</u>	<u>26,234,730</u>
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	34,605,741	18,312,742
Restricted	4,689,366	-
Unrestricted	1,323,488	(11,551,181)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 40,618,595</u>	<u>6,761,561</u>
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION		
Operating Revenues	\$ 9,697,333	6,413,084
Depreciation Expense	(1,902,242)	(1,738,921)
Other Operating Expenses	(4,211,473)	(6,965,063)
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>3,583,618</u>	<u>(2,290,900)</u>
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):		
Investment Earnings	119,217	120,879
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets	-	(87,202)
Insurance Recovery	-	2,723
Occupation Tax	-	2,598,793
Interest Expense and Fiscal Charges	(1,134,020)	(47,651)
Capital Contributions	-	119,800
Transfers	(1,445,029)	(1,156,152)
Change in Net Position	<u>1,123,786</u>	<u>(739,710)</u>
Beginning Net Position	39,494,809	7,501,271
Ending Net Position	<u>\$ 40,618,595</u>	<u>6,761,561</u>
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
Net Cash Provided (Used) by:		
Operating Activities	\$ 5,610,750	68,428
Noncapital Financing Activities	(1,375,830)	1,409,370
Capital and Related Financing Activities	(8,204,218)	(6,805,784)
Investing Activities	<u>3,138,441</u>	<u>4,604,265</u>
Net Decrease in Cash	(830,857)	(723,721)
Beginning Balance	4,317,053	1,187,868
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 3,486,196</u>	<u>464,147</u>

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(20) PLEGGED REVENUES

The City has pledged future revenues derived from the operation of the Lincoln Wastewater System, net of operating and maintenance expenses, to repay all outstanding wastewater revenue bonds and loans. Proceeds provided financing for improvements to the sanitary sewer system, as well as refunding prior year debt. The debt is payable solely from the net earnings of the Wastewater System and is payable through 2034. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the debt is \$116,492,353, with annual payments expected to require 52% of net revenues. Principal and interest paid for the current year and net system revenues were \$7,131,915 and \$13,711,176, respectively.

The City has pledged future revenues derived from the operation of the Lincoln Water System, net of operating and maintenance expenses, to repay all outstanding water revenue bonds and loans. Proceeds from the debt provided financing for improvements to the water supply system, as well as refunding prior water revenue bonds. The bonds are payable solely from the net earnings of the Water System and are payable through 2034. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the debt is \$82,693,682, with annual payments expected to require 32% of net revenues. Principal and interest paid for the current year and net system revenues were \$5,967,417 and \$18,625,588, respectively.

The City has pledged future revenues derived from the operation of the Lincoln Electric System, net of operating and maintenance expenses, to repay all outstanding electric revenue bonds. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for construction of additional utility plant, as well as refunding certain issues of electric revenue bonds. The bonds are payable solely from the net earnings of the Electric System and are payable through 2037. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$906,496,000, with annual payments expected to require 50% of net revenues. Principal and interest paid for the current year and net system revenues were \$46,964,000 and \$93,963,000, respectively.

The City has pledged future revenues derived from the operation of the Lincoln Parking System, net of operating and maintenance expenses, and amounts, if any, distributed by the State for street purposes to repay all outstanding parking revenue bonds. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for construction and improvements to the parking system, as well as refunding prior revenue bonds. The bonds are payable solely from the net earnings of the Parking System and are payable through 2032. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$42,037,319, with annual payments expected to require 50% of net revenues. Principal and interest paid for the current year and net system revenues were \$2,482,465 and \$5,605,077, respectively.

The City has pledged future revenues derived from the operation of the municipally owned solid waste management facilities, net of operating and maintenance expenses, to repay outstanding solid waste management revenue bonds. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for improvements to the solid waste facilities and to refund prior revenue bonds. The bonds are payable solely from the net earnings of the Solid Waste System and are payable through 2029. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$9,045,543, with annual payments expected to require 42% of net revenues. Principal and interest paid for the current year and net system revenues were \$748,128 and \$1,813,541 respectively.

(21) PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION

In 1990, the City and the County of Lancaster, pursuant to state statute, activated a separate governmental entity denominated as the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission. The purpose of this joint venture is to design, acquire, construct, maintain, operate, improve, remodel, remove and reconstruct, so long as its corporate existence continues, public buildings, structures, or facilities for use jointly by the City and the County. The City and the County each appoint two members to the five-member Commission, with the fifth member being appointed by the other four members. All property held or acquired by the Commission is held or acquired in the name of the City and the County for use by the Commission in its corporate capacity. The Commission's costs of operation and debt service are funded through rental payments made by the City and the County based upon their proportionate occupancy of such buildings to the extent not covered by a maximum property tax levy of 1.7 cents for each \$100 of

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actual valuation of taxable property in the County. For the year ended August 31, 2014, the City made rental payments of approximately \$2.9 million to the Commission.

As of August 31, 2014, the Commission has debt outstanding of \$34,365,250. Bond and note proceeds have been utilized by the Commission to acquire, construct, and/or renovate certain buildings occupied by the City and County. The City's proportionate share of these buildings has been recorded in capital assets in accordance with the terms of the joint venture agreement regarding the ultimate transfer of assets to the City and County.

For certain bonds it is anticipated that property tax levies by the Commission will be sufficient to meet bond principal and interest payments. Should revenues from such property tax levies not be sufficient to meet debt service requirements in any given year, the City and County would contribute the necessary payments based on their proportionate building occupancy. Such contributions are expected to be minimal and will be expensed in the appropriate funds when incurred.

For all other debt, funded through rental payments, the City's proportionate share is recorded as capital assets and the corresponding debt is reflected as capital lease long-term obligations in the City's Statement of Net Position. Lease payments are not recorded as capital lease payments in the Debt Service Funds' financial statements but rather are recorded as current expenditures in the various individual funds at the time the payment is made.

Complete separate financial statements for the Commission may be obtained at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission, 920 "O" Street, Room 203, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508.

(22) JOINT ANTELOPE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Joint Antelope Valley Authority is a joint administrative entity created April 15, 2000, in accordance with Article XV, Section 18 of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska and Nebraska Revenue Statutes Sections 13.801 through 13.827 (1997) authorizing the creation of a joint entity by public agencies. Per an interlocal cooperative agreement by and between the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, a public body corporate, the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, a municipal corporation, and the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, this joint administrative entity was created to be known as Joint Antelope Valley Authority (JAVA). JAVA constitutes a separate administrative entity, exercising the public power granted by the interlocal cooperation agreement on behalf of the three aforementioned "Partners" to coordinate planning and implementation of a public project described in the Antelope Valley Study and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Antelope Creek Feasibility Study (the Project). The Project generally includes community revitalization, transportation, and drainage/flood control improvements.

After completion of the Project, JAVA will transfer all real estate and improvements thereon to the appropriate individual Partner, subject to the necessary and agreed upon easements which will be conveyed to such Partner or other appropriate public or private entity, or reserved by such a Partner, for the operation, maintenance, repair, and inspection of each specific component.

During the implementation period of the agreement, JAVA shall have the power and authority to acquire and condemn property rights, borrow, mortgage, pledge, or secure loans and bond its appropriated revenues and assets; provided, however, that JAVA shall have no power and authority to bond the credit or revenues of the three Partners or each Partner, or levy taxes.

For the year ended August 31, 2014, total assets of JAVA are approximately \$200 million. The City's equity interest in the Project is approximately \$166 million.

Complete separate financial statements for JAVA may be obtained at the City of Lincoln Public Works Business Office, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508.

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(23) JOINTLY OWNED FACILITIES

Laramie River Station (LRS)

LES is a 12.76% co-owner of the Missouri Basin Power Project, that includes LRS, a three-unit, 1,650 MW coal-fired generating station in eastern Wyoming and a related transmission system. LES has sold approximately 13% of its ownership in LRS to Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN). Costs, net of accumulated depreciation, and excluding costs allocated to MEAN for its ownership share, associated with LRS of approximately \$17.4 million are reflected in utility plant at December 31, 2013.

LRS has certain postretirement obligations which have not yet been billed to the owners as these costs are not due and payable. Thus, LES has not reflected these costs in its financial statements. As a co-owner of LRS, LES' allocation of these postretirement obligations is \$1.2 million at December 31, 2013.

LES has a participation power sales agreement with the County of Los Alamos, New Mexico (the County) whereby the County purchases from LES 10 MW of LES's capacity interest in LRS. The agreement provides for the County to pay LES monthly fixed payments for the repayment of debt service. The amount is subject to change each July 1 based on debt costs of LES relative to the current market rates, until termination of the agreement. The agreement remains in effect until either the final maturity occurs on any LRS related debt or LRS is removed from commercial operation. During 2013, LES billed the County approximately \$3.3 million for demand and energy charges.

The LRS project participants, including LES, filed a rate case in 2004 with the federal Surface Transportation Board (STB) challenging the reasonableness of the freight rates from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad for coal deliveries to LRS. In early 2009 the STB issued its decision and awarded the LRS project participants a favorable decision estimated by the STB at approximately \$345 million in rate relief. The STB awarded \$119 million to the LRS participants for past freight overcharges plus an expectation of present value rate benefits of approximately \$245 million due to a new tariff the STB ordered to be charged through 2024. BNSF remitted \$15 million to LES, which has been escrowed pending an appeal filed by BNSF. As such, LES' payment has been recorded as a designated asset and liability pending the outcome of the appeal. A portion of these funds are due to MEAN and the County of Los Alamos.

Walter Scott Energy Center (WS4)

MidAmerican Energy's Walter Scott Energy Center includes the following units: Unit #1 – a 1954 coal-fired unit built with 43 MW capacity, Unit #2 – a 1958 coal-fired unit built with 88 MW capacity, Unit #3 – a 1979 coal-fired unit built with 675 MW capacity, and Unit #4 - a supercritical technology, coal-fired 790 MW unit that became commercial in June, 2007, as well as the associated common equipment and inventories. LES maintains ownership interest in 12.6% or 105 MW of Unit #4. In order to minimize unit outage risk, LES has executed a power purchase and sales agreement with MidAmerican Energy to exchange capacity and energy from LES' Unit #4 ownership with capacity and energy from Unit #3. Under this agreement, beginning in 2009, LES will schedule 50 MW of capacity and energy from Unit #3 and 55 MW of capacity and energy from Unit #4. This twenty year unit agreement can be extended through mutual agreement of the parties. LES is responsible for the operation and maintenance expense and maintains a fuel inventory at the plant site. LES issued debt in conjunction with the construction of Unit #4 and has capitalized these costs plus interest. Costs, net of accumulated depreciation, associated with WS4 of approximately \$146 million are reflected in utility plant at December 31, 2013.

(24) JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

District Energy Corporation

The District Energy Corporation (DEC) was formed in 1989 by the City of Lincoln and Lancaster County to own, operate, maintain, and finance the heating and cooling facilities utilized by certain city, county, and state buildings. The Board of Directors of DEC is comprised of five members: two appointed by the

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Lancaster County Board of Commissioners, two by the Mayor of Lincoln who must be confirmed by the City Council, and one by LES. No participant has any obligation, entitlement, or residual interest.

The DEC Board of Directors, under a management agreement, has appointed LES to supervise and manage the system and business affairs of DEC. LES is reimbursed for these management services based on the allocated actual costs of these services. LES also provides electric energy to DEC on an established rate schedule. The total amount of payments to LES for management, operations, and maintenance services was approximately \$1,086,000 in 2013. The total amount of payments to LES for energy was approximately \$448,000 in 2013.

Nebraska Utility Corporation

On May 17, 2001, LES, in conjunction with the University of Nebraska Lincoln (UNL), created the Nebraska Utility Corporation (NUCorp) to purchase, lease, construct, and finance facilities and acquire services to meet energy requirements of UNL. The Board of Directors of NUCorp is comprised of five members: three members appointed by UNL and two members appointed by LES. No participant has any obligation, entitlement, or residual interest.

Operations commenced in January 2002. The NUCorp board of directors, under a twenty-year management agreement, appointed LES to supervise and manage the system and business affairs of NUCorp. LES is reimbursed for these management services based on the allocated actual costs of these services. LES also provides electric energy to NUCorp on an established rate schedule. The total payment to LES for management services was approximately \$81,000 in 2013. The total amount of payments to LES for energy was approximately \$9.5 million in 2013.

(25) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of the Independent Auditor's Report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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**Schedule of Changes in the PFDP Net Pension Liability
and Related Ratios**
For the Year Ended August 31, 2014

	2014
Total Pension Liability	
Service cost	\$ 7,289,994
Interest	18,675,284
Changes in benefit terms	-
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	(1,041,046)
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	22,725,982
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(13,430,163)
Net change in total pension liability	34,220,051
Total pension liability - beginning	241,713,789
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 275,933,840
 Plan Fiduciary Net Position	
Contributions - employer	\$ 7,865,929
Contributions - members	2,613,971
Net investment income	30,932,275
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(13,430,163)
Administrative expense	(407,146)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	27,574,866
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	185,767,949
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 213,342,815
 PFDP Net Pension Liability - ending (a) - (b)	 \$ 62,591,025
 Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	77.32%
 Covered-employee payroll	\$ 37,887,505
 PFDP net pension liability as a percentage of covered- employee payroll	165.20%

Note to schedule:

Results for the other years within the last ten years are not available and will be developed prospectively from 2014.

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Schedule of Employer Contributions for PFDP Pension
 For the Year Ended August 31, 2014

	2014
Actuarial determined employer contribution	\$ 7,377,763
Actual employer contributions	7,865,929
Annual contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (488,166)
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 37,887,505
Actual contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	20.76%

Note to Schedule:

Results for the other years within the last ten years are not available and will be developed prospectively from 2014.

Valuation date: 8/31/2012

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of August 31, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method:	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method:	30 years, level percent, open
Remaining amortization period:	30 years
Asset valuation method:	4-year smoothed market
Inflation:	4.25%
Salary increases:	4.25% - 8.25%
Investment rate of return:	7.5%

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Schedule of Investment Returns for PFDP Pension

Last Ten Fiscal Years

	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	16.67%	12.42%	5.47%	12.64%	9.60%	-16.77%	-6.40%	14.05%	11.14%	13.09%

Schedule of Funding Progress for PFDP Pension

(dollar amounts in thousands)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) Entry Age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
August 31, 2014	\$ 174,569	\$ 262,918	\$ 88,349	66.4 %	\$ 37,888	233.2 %
August 31, 2013	164,190	229,193	65,003	71.6	38,108	170.6
August 31, 2012	164,500	214,879	50,379	76.6	36,311	138.7
August 31, 2011	165,436	204,990	39,554	80.7	35,763	110.6
August 31, 2010	172,317	195,206	22,889	88.3	34,233	66.9
August 31, 2009	177,526	187,292	9,766	94.8	33,450	29.2

Schedule of Employer Contributions for PFDP Pension

(dollar amounts in thousands)

Year Ended August 31	Annual Required Contribution	Annual Pension Contribution	Percentage Contributed
2014	\$ 7,378	\$ 7,866	107 %
2013	6,718	6,447	96
2012	5,574	6,052	109
2011	4,652	4,334	93
2010	3,752	3,963	106
2009	3,316	3,572	108

Schedule of Funding Progress for City OPEB

(dollar amounts in thousands)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) Unit Credit (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
September 1, 2013	\$ 0	\$ 18,738	\$ 18,738	0.0 %	\$ 123,231	15.2 %
September 1, 2011	0	24,902	24,902	0.0	118,498	21.0
September 1, 2009	0	19,796	19,796	0.0	112,002	17.7

APPENDIX D

SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE

SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE

The following is a summary of certain definitions used in and provisions of the Ordinance. Summaries of certain definitions contained in the Ordinance are set forth below. Other terms defined in the Ordinance for which summary definitions are not set forth below are indicated by capitalization. This summary does not purport to be comprehensive or definitive and is subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Ordinance, to which reference is hereby made. Copies of the Ordinance may be obtained from the City or the Underwriter.

Definitions

The terms defined below are among those used in the summary of the Ordinance. Except where otherwise indicated or provided, words in the singular include the plural and vice versa.

“Accreted Value” means, with respect to any Capital Appreciation Bond, the principal amount thereof plus the interest accrued thereon from the date of original issuance thereof to the Periodic Compounding Date next preceding the date of computation or the date of computation if a Periodic Compounding Date, such interest to accrue at the interest rate per annum of the Capital Appreciation Bonds determined in accordance with such Series Ordinance compounded periodically on each Periodic Compounding Date, plus, if such date of computation shall not be a Periodic Compounding Date, a portion of the difference between the Accreted Value as of the immediately preceding Periodic Compounding Date (or the date of original issuance if the date of computation is prior to the first Periodic Compounding Date succeeding the date of original issuance) and the Accreted Value as of the immediately succeeding Periodic Compounding Date, calculated based upon an assumption that, unless otherwise provided in such Series Ordinance, Accreted Value accrues in equal daily amounts on the basis of a year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

“Act” means Sections 15-244 and 18-1803 to 18-1805, inclusive, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, and Section 44 of Article IX of the Charter of the City, as each may be amended from time to time.

“Aggregate Debt Service” for any period means, as of any date of calculation, the sum of the amounts of Debt Service for such period with respect to all Bonds.

“Appreciated Value” means, with respect to any Deferred Income Bond, (a) as of any date of computation prior to the Current Interest Commencement Date with respect to such Deferred Income Bond, an amount equal to the principal amount of such Bond plus the interest accrued on such Bond from the date of original issuance of such Bond to the Periodic Compounding Date next preceding the date of computation or the date of computation if a Periodic Compounding Date, such interest to accrue at the interest rate per annum of the Deferred Income Bonds determined in accordance with the Series Ordinance authorizing such Bonds, compounded periodically on each Periodic Compounding Date, plus, if such date of computation shall not be a Periodic Compounding Date, a portion of the difference between the Appreciated Value as of the immediately preceding Periodic Compounding date (or the date of original issuance if the date of computation is prior to the first Periodic Compounding Date succeeding the date of original issuance) and the Appreciated Value as of the immediately succeeding Periodic Compounding Date, calculated based upon an assumption that, unless otherwise provided in the Series Ordinance authorizing such Deferred Income Bonds, Appreciated Value accrues in equal daily amounts on the basis of a year consisting of twelve 30-day months and (2) as of any date of computation on and after the Current Interest Commencement Date, the Appreciated Value on the Current Interest Commencement Date.

“Arbitrage Instructions” means the Arbitrage Instructions included with any Tax Certificate, as the same may be amended or supplemented in accordance with the provisions thereof.

“Authorized Investments” means any of the following investments in which the City may legally invest sums subject to its control pursuant to the Constitution and statutes of the State and the Charter of the City (all as may be amended from time to time):

(a) Any bonds or other obligations which as to principal and interest constitute direct obligations of, or are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States, including obligations of any Federal agency to the extent unconditionally guaranteed by the United States, and any certificates or any other evidences of an ownership interest in obligations or in specified portions thereof (which may consist of specified portions of the interest thereon) of the character described in this paragraph (a);

(b) Any bonds or other obligations of any state of the United States or of any agency, instrumentality or local governmental unit of any such state (1) which are (A) not callable prior to maturity or (B) as to which irrevocable instructions have been given to the trustee or paying agent of such bonds or other obligations by the obligor to give due notice of redemption and to call such bonds for redemption on the date or dates specified in such instructions, (2) which are secured as to principal and interest and redemption premium, if any, by a fund consisting only of cash or bonds or other obligations of the character described in paragraph (a) above which fund may be applied only to the payment of such principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on such bonds or other obligations on the maturity date or dates thereof or the redemption date or dates specified in the irrevocable instructions referred to in clause (1) of this paragraph (b), as appropriate, (3) as to which the principal of and interest on the bonds and obligations of the character described in clause (1) above which have been deposited in such fund along with any cash on deposit in such fund are sufficient to pay principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on the bonds or other obligations described in this paragraph (b) on the maturity date or dates thereof or on the redemption date or dates specified in the irrevocable instructions referred to in clause (1) of this paragraph (b) as appropriate, and any certificates or any other evidences of an ownership interest in obligations or specified portions thereof (which may consist of specified portions of the interest thereon) of the character described in this paragraph (b);

(c) Any bonds or other obligations or specified portions thereof (which may consist of specified portions of the interest thereon) which the Finance Director determines are of credit quality essentially equivalent to the investments described in paragraph (a) above, and any certificates or any other evidences of an ownership interest in obligations or specified portions thereof (which may consist of specified portions of the interest thereon) of the character described in this paragraph (c);

(d) Bonds, debentures, or other evidences of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any agency or corporation which has been or may hereafter be created pursuant to an Act of Congress as an agency or instrumentality of the United States;

(e) New housing authority bonds issued by public agencies or municipalities and fully secured as to the payment of both principal and interest by a pledge of annual contributions under an annual contributions contract or contracts with the United States; or project notes issued by public agencies or municipalities and fully secured as to the payment of both principal and interest by a requisition or payment agreement with the United States;

(f) Obligations of any state of the United States, or of any agency, instrumentality or local government unit of any such state which are, at the time of purchase, rated by Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s in either of its two highest whole rating categories, for comparable types of debt obligations;

(g) Certificates of deposit, whether negotiable or nonnegotiable, issued by any bank or trust company organized under the laws of any state of the United States or any national banking association (including the Registrar) or any savings and loan association, in each case, which is an insured depository institution (as defined in 12 U.C.C. §§ 1801 et seq.) provided that the aggregate principal amount of all certificates of deposit issued by any such bank, trust company, national banking association or savings and loan association which are purchased with monies held in any fund or account under the Ordinance shall be (1) fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or (2) secured, to the extent not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by such securities as are described in paragraphs (a) through (f), inclusive, or paragraphs (h) through (j), inclusive, of this definition having market value (exclusive of accrued interest, other than accrued interest paid in connection with the purchase of such securities) at least equal to the principal amount of such certificates of deposit (or portion thereof not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) which shall be lodged with the Registrar or another fiduciary, as custodian, by such bank, trust company, national banking association or savings and loan association shall furnish the Registrar or the City Treasurer, as the case may be, with an undertaking satisfactory to him or it that the aggregate market value of all such obligations securing such certificates of deposit will at all times be an amount which meets the requirements of this clause (2) and the City Treasurer or the Registrar, as the case may be, shall be entitled to rely on each such undertaking;

(h) Commercial paper which is rated at the time of purchase in the single highest classification, “P-1” by Moody’s and “A-1” by Standard & Poor’s and which matures not more than 270 calendar days after the date of purchase;

(i) Investments in a money market fund rated “AAAm” or “AAAm-G” or better by Standard & Poor’s;

(j) Any repurchase agreement which is secured by any one or more of the securities described in paragraphs (a) through (e), inclusive, of this definition;

(k) Interests in a portfolio of debt instruments containing only obligations described in any of the foregoing paragraphs, including, without limitation, a mutual fund or a money market fund satisfying the requirements of this paragraph (k); and

(l) Any other obligations which are, at the time of purchase, rated by Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s or which are guaranteed or provided by an entity which is rated by Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s in either of its two highest whole rating categories.

“Bond” or “Bonds” means any bonds, notes or other obligations or evidences of indebtedness, as the case may be, authenticated and delivered under and Outstanding pursuant to the Ordinance but shall not mean Subordinated Indebtedness.

“Bond Fund” means The City of Lincoln, Nebraska Solid Waste Management Revenue Bond Fund established pursuant to the Ordinance.

“Bond Obligation” means, as of any date of calculation, (a) with respect to any Outstanding Current Interest Bond, the principal amount of such Bond, (b) with respect to any Outstanding Capital Appreciation Bond, the Accreted Value thereof as of the date on which interest on such Capital Appreciation Bond is compounded next preceding such date of calculation (unless such date of calculation is a date on which such interest is compounded, in which case, as of such date), and (c) with respect to any Outstanding Deferred Income Bond, the Appreciated Value thereof as of the date on which interest on such Deferred Income Bond is computed next preceding such date of calculation (unless such date of calculation is a date on which such interest is compounded, in which case as of such date).

“Capital Appreciation Bonds” means any Bonds the interest on which is (a) compounded periodically on dates that are determined in accordance with the Series Ordinance authorizing such Capital Appreciation Bonds and (b) payable only at the maturity, earlier redemption or other payment thereof pursuant to the Ordinance or the Series Ordinance authorizing such Capital Appreciation Bonds.

“Construction Fund” means the Construction Fund established with the City pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance.

“Costs,” with respect to the Enterprise or any part thereof, means the costs, expenses and liabilities paid or incurred or to be paid or incurred by the City in connection with the planning, engineering, designing, acquiring, constructing, installing, financing, operating, maintaining, repairing, extending, improving, reconstructing, retiring, decommissioning and disposing thereof and the obtaining of governmental approvals, certificates, permits and licenses with respect thereto, including, but not limited to, any good faith or other similar payment or deposits required in connection with the acquisition or construction of such part of the Enterprise, the cost of acquisition by or for the City of real and personal property or any interests therein, costs of physical construction of such part of the Enterprise and costs of the City incidental to such construction or acquisition, all costs relating to injury and damage claims relating to such part of the Enterprise, preliminary investigation and development costs, engineering fees and expenses, contractors’ fees and expenses, the costs of labor, materials, equipment and utility services and supplies, legal and financial advisory fees and expenses, capitalized interest and financing costs, including, without limitation, bank commitment and letter of credit fees and bond insurance and indemnity premiums, fees and expenses of the Fiduciaries (if any), administration and general overhead expense and costs of keeping accounts and making reports required by the Ordinance prior to or in connection with the completion of acquisition or construction of such part of the Enterprise, amounts, if any, required by the Ordinance to be paid into the Bond Fund to provide, among other things, for interest accruing on Bonds or into the Reserve Fund to provide for such reserves, if any, as may be specified in a Series or Supplemental Ordinance or to be paid into the Revenue Fund for any of the respective purposes thereof, payments when due (whether at the maturity of principal or the due date of interest or upon redemption) on any indebtedness of the City with respect to the Enterprise and reserves therefor, and all federal, state and local taxes and payments in lieu of taxes in connection with any part of the Enterprise and shall include reimbursements to the City for any of the above items theretofore paid by or on behalf of the City.

“Credit Facility” means a letter of credit, line of credit, liquidity facility or other credit facility issued by a financial institution or other form of credit enhancement, including, but not limited to, municipal bond insurance and guarantees, delivered to the Paying Agent for all or a portion of a Series of Bonds, which provides for payment, in accordance with the terms of such Credit Facility, of principal, Accreted Value, Appreciated Value, premium and/or interest of all or a portion of a Series of Bonds and/or the purchase price of such Series of Bonds or portion thereof. A Credit Facility may be comprised of one or more credit facilities issued by one or more financial institutions.

“Current Interest Bonds” means the Bonds of any Series, other than Capital Appreciation Bonds or Deferred Income Bonds, which pay interest at least annually to the Owners thereof excluding the first payment of interest thereon.

“Current Interest Commencement Date” means with respect to any particular Deferred Income Bonds, the date determined in accordance with the Series Ordinance authorizing such Deferred Income Bonds (which date must be prior to the maturity date for such Deferred Income Bonds) after which interest accruing on such Deferred Income Bonds shall be payable periodically on dates determined in

accordance with such Series Ordinance, with the first such payment date being the first such periodic date immediately succeeding such Current Interest Commencement Date.

“Debt Service” for any period means, as of any date of calculation and with respect to any Series of Bonds, an amount equal to the sum of (a) interest accruing during such period on Bonds of such Series, except to the extent that such interest is to be paid from deposits in the Bond Fund made from the proceeds of Bonds, Subordinated Indebtedness or other evidences of indebtedness of the City (including amounts, if any, transferred thereto from the Construction Fund) and (b) that portion of each Principal Installment for such Series which would accrue during such period if such Principal Installment were deemed to accrue daily in equal amounts from the next preceding Principal Installment due date for Bonds of such Series (or, if (1) there shall be no such preceding Principal Installment due date or (2) such preceding Principal Installment due date is more than one year prior to the due date of such Principal Installment, then, from a date one year preceding the due date of such Principal Installment or from the date of issuance of the Bonds of such Series, whichever date is later). Such interest and Principal Installments for Bonds of such Series shall be calculated on the assumption that (A) no Bonds (except for Option Bonds actually tendered for payment prior to the stated maturity thereof) of such Series Outstanding at the date of calculation will cease to be Outstanding except by reason of the payment of each Principal Installment on the due date thereof, (B) the principal amount of Option Bonds tendered for payment before the stated maturity thereof shall be deemed to accrue on the date required to be paid pursuant to such tender, and (C) the Reserve Requirement held in an account in the Reserve Fund with respect to a Series of Bonds will be applied to the final maturity of such Series of Bonds.

“Deferred Income Bonds” means any Bond issued under the Ordinance as to which interest accruing prior to the Current Interest Commencement Date is (a) compounded periodically on dates determined in accordance with the Series Ordinance authorizing such Deferred Income Bonds and (b) payable only at the maturity, earlier redemption or other payment thereof pursuant to the Ordinance or the Series Ordinance authorizing such Deferred Income Bonds.

“Depreciation” means the depreciation and amortization expenses with respect to the Enterprise, classified as such in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise.

“Enterprise” means all properties and assets, and interests in properties and assets, real and personal and tangible and intangible, of the City now or hereafter existing used for or pertaining to collecting, separating, storing, transporting, transferring, processing, treating, disposing or recycling solid waste and shall be broadly construed to encompass and include all Projects, now existing and hereafter acquired by lease, contract, purchase or otherwise or constructed by the City, including any interest or participation of the City in any such facilities or any rights to the output or capacity thereof, together with all additions, betterments, extensions and improvements to such facilities, properties or assets or any part thereof hereafter made and together with all lands, easements and rights of way of the City and all other works, property or structures of the City and contract rights and other tangible and intangible assets of the City used or useful in connection with any of the foregoing.

“Federal Securities” means direct obligations of, or obligations the timely payment of which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States or the Treasury Department of the United States or securities or receipts evidencing direct ownership interests in the foregoing obligations or specific portions (such as principal or interest) of the foregoing obligations which are maintained under the book-entry system operated by Federal Reserve Banks.

“Independent Consultant” means an independent firm, person or corporation recognized as having expertise and with a favorable reputation for special skill and knowledge in the operations and financing of municipal solid waste management facilities similar in size to the Enterprise.

“Insurance Consultant” means an individual or firm selected by the City qualified to survey risks and to recommend insurance coverage for entities engaged in operations similar to those of the Enterprise and having a favorable reputation for skill and experience in making such surveys and recommendations.

“Interest Account” means the account by that name established in the Bond Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance.

“Municipal Obligations” means municipal obligations, rated in the highest Rating Category by any Rating Agency meeting the following conditions:

(a) the municipal obligations are not to be redeemable prior to maturity, or the trustee, registrar or paying agent, as appropriate, with respect to such obligations has been given irrevocable instructions concerning their calling and redemption;

(b) the municipal obligations are secured by Federal Securities, which Federal Securities, except for provisions relating to surplus money not required for the payment of the municipal obligations and the substitution of such Federal Securities for other Federal Securities satisfying all criteria for Federal Securities, may be applied only to interest, principal and premium payments of such municipal obligations;

(c) the principal of and interest on the Federal Securities (plus any cash in the escrow fund) are sufficient, without reinvestment, to meet the liabilities of the municipal obligations; and

(d) the Federal Securities serving as security for the municipal obligations are held by an escrow agent or trustee.

“Net Revenues” means Revenues less Operation and Maintenance Expenses plus Depreciation, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise.

“Operation and Maintenance Expenses” means the necessary expenditures for operating and maintaining the Enterprise and shall include expenditures generally classified as operating expenses in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise.

“Option Bonds” means Bonds which by their terms may or are required to be tendered by and at the option of the Owner thereof for payment by the City prior to the stated maturity thereof, or the maturities of which may be extended by and at the option of the Owner thereof.

“Outstanding” means, when used as of any particular time with reference to Bonds (subject to the provisions of the Ordinance), all Bonds theretofore, or thereupon being, authenticated and delivered by the Registrar under the Ordinance except (a) Bonds theretofore cancelled by the Paying Agent or surrendered to the Paying Agent for cancellation (or in the case of Book-Entry Bonds, to the extent provided in the Ordinance, portions thereof deemed to have been cancelled); (b) Bonds (or in the case of Book-Entry Bonds, to the extent provided in the Ordinance, portions thereof) with respect to which all liability of the City shall have been discharged in accordance with the Ordinance; (c) Bonds for the transfer or exchange of or in lieu of or in substitution for which other Bonds shall have been authenticated

and delivered by the Registrar pursuant to the Ordinance; and (d) Bonds no longer deemed to be outstanding under the Ordinance as provided in the Series Ordinance pursuant to which such Bonds were issued.

“Paying Agent” means the person or institution, which may include the City Treasurer or the Finance Director or his designee, or such other agent or official of the City as may be designated in a Series Ordinance to make payments of the principal or Redemption Price of and interest on the Series of Bonds authorized by such Series Ordinance to the registered owners thereof.

“Payment Date” means, with respect to a Series of Bonds, the date upon which any principal, Accreted Value, Appreciated Value or Redemption Price, and interest thereon is payable to the registered owners of such Series of Bonds.

“Periodic Compounding Date” means, with respect to a Capital Appreciation Bond or a Deferred Income Bond, the periodic date determined in accordance with the Series Ordinance authorizing such Capital Appreciation Bond or Deferred Income Bond on which interest on such Bond is to be compounded.

“Principal Account” means the account by that name established in the Bond Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance.

“Principal Installment” means, as of any date of calculation and with respect to any Series, so long as any Bonds thereof are Outstanding, (a) the principal amount of Bonds (including the principal amount of any Option Bonds tendered for payment prior to the stated maturity thereof) of such Series due (or so tendered for payment) on a certain future date for which no Sinking Fund Installments have been established, or (b) the unsatisfied balance (determined as provided in the Ordinance) of any Sinking Fund Installments due on a certain future date for Bonds of such Series, plus the amount of the sinking fund redemption premiums, if any, which would be applicable upon redemption of such Bond on such future date in a principal amount equal to such unsatisfied balance of such Sinking Fund Installments, or (c) if such future dates coincide as to different Bonds of such Series, the sum of such principal amount of Bonds and of such unsatisfied balance of Sinking Fund Installments due on such future date plus such applicable redemption premiums, if any.

“Project” means any solid waste management facilities, and all other property, real and personal, of every kind and nature material or pertinent thereto or necessary therefor, located within or without the City or the State, which may be used by or useful to the City in the collection, separation, storage, transportation, transfer, processing, treatment, disposal or recycling of solid waste, including any interest therein or right to capacity thereof, and may include, without limitation, a divided or undivided interest of the foregoing facilities in which the City may participate as an owner in common with others.

“Prudent Enterprise Management” means any of the practices, methods and acts (including, without limitation, any practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the solid waste management industry) which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment, in the light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at reasonable cost consistent with reliability, safety and expediency. In applying the standard of Prudent Enterprise Management to any matter under the Ordinance, equitable consideration shall be given to the circumstances, requirements and obligations of the City, and there shall be taken into account the fact that the City is a political subdivision of the State with prescribed statutory powers, duties and responsibilities. Prudent Enterprise Management is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather is a spectrum of possible practices, methods or acts which could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at reasonable cost consistent with reliability, safety

and expediency. Prudent Enterprise Management includes due regard for manufactures' warranties and the requirements of governmental agencies which have jurisdiction.

“Rebate Fund” means the Rebate Fund established with the City pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance.

“Redemption Price” means, with respect to any Bond (or portion thereof), the principal amount, Accreted Value or Appreciated Value of such Bond (or portion) plus the applicable premium, if any, payable upon redemption thereof pursuant to the provisions of such Bond and the Ordinance.

“Registrar” means the person or institution, which may include the City Treasurer or the Finance Director or his designee, or such other agent or official of the City as may be designated in a Series Ordinance to maintain on behalf of the City books of record in which the registered owners of the Bonds authorized by such Series Ordinance and their registered addresses shall be duly recorded.

“Reserve Fund” means the Reserve Fund established with the City pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance, in which there shall be established an account for each Series of Bonds issued pursuant to the Ordinance.

“Reserve Requirement” means, with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds, the amount on the date of original issuance and delivery of the Series 2015 Bonds equal to the least of (a) 10% of the stated principal amount of the Series 2015 Bonds, (b) the maximum Debt Service of the Series 2015 Bonds during any Fiscal Year, or (c) 125% of the average annual Debt Service of the Series 2015 Bonds over the term of the Series 2015 Bonds. If the aggregate initial offering price of the Series 2015 Bonds to the public is less than 98% or more than 102% of par, such offering price shall be used in clause (a) in lieu of the stated principal amount.

“Revenue Fund” means the Solid Waste Management Revenue Fund created with the City pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance, into which all of the Revenues of the Enterprise shall be deposited.

“Revenues” means (a) all income and revenues derived from the use or operation of the Enterprise, including investment and rental income, sale of useable materials and any net proceeds from business interruption insurance, plus (b) the proceeds of the occupation tax imposed by Section 8.32.150 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, plus (c) such other revenues and income as shall be determined to be appropriate in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for proprietary governmental operations such as the Enterprise, but shall exclude any amounts received from the sale of assets of the Enterprise.

“Sinking Fund Account” means the account by that name established in the Bond Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance.

“Sinking Fund Installment” means an amount so designated which is established pursuant to a Series Ordinance authorizing a Series of Bonds and which is required by the Ordinance to be deposited in the Sinking Fund Account for the payment of Term Bonds of such series and maturity.

“Subordinated Indebtedness” means an evidence of indebtedness or obligation to pay money complying with the provisions of the Ordinance.

“Tax Certificate” means the certificate dated as of the date of issuance, sale and delivery of a Series of Bonds concerning the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any applicable regulations with respect to such Series of Bonds.

“Variable Rate Indebtedness” means any indebtedness or obligation the interest rate on, or amount of, which is not fixed at the time of incurrence of such indebtedness or obligation, and has not at some subsequent date been fixed, at a single numerical rate for the entire remaining term of the indebtedness or obligation.

Pledge

The Bonds of each Series are special, limited revenue obligations of the City and are secured by a pledge of and shall be a charge upon and shall be payable, as to the principal, Accreted Value and Appreciated Value thereof, interest thereon, and any premiums upon redemption thereof, solely from and secured by a lien upon (a) the Net Revenues and (b) the other funds, assets and security described under the Ordinance and under the Series Ordinance creating such Series. In the Ordinance, the City pledges and places a charge upon all Net Revenues to secure the payment of the principal, Accreted Value and Appreciated Value of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds in accordance with their respective terms without priority or distinction of one over the other, subject only to the provisions of the Ordinance, permitting the application thereof for the purposes and on the terms and conditions set forth in the Ordinance, and the Net Revenues constitute a trust for the security and payment of the interest and any premium on and principal, Accreted Value and Appreciated Value of the Bonds. The Ordinance pledges to secure the payment of the principal, Accreted Value and Appreciated Value of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds in accordance with their terms all amounts (including proceeds of the Bonds) held by the City in the Bond Fund and the Reserve Fund, subject only to the provisions of the Ordinance permitting the application thereof for the purposes and on the terms and conditions set forth therein. The pledge of Net Revenues made in the Ordinance shall remain in effect until there are no Bonds Outstanding.

Application of Revenues

The Net Revenues are pledged by the Ordinance to secure the payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium on the Bonds of all Series, subject to the provisions of the Ordinance permitting application for other purposes. The Ordinance requires that all Revenues of the System be collected on each Business Day of the City by or for the account of the City and deposited as promptly as practicable after the receipt thereof in the Revenue Fund. The Revenue Fund and the money deposited therein shall be used and applied only in the manner and for the purposes provided in the Ordinance.

Funds

In addition to the Revenue Fund, the following funds and accounts, to be held by the City, are established by the Ordinance:

- (a) Bond Fund, in which there is established an Interest Account, a Principal Account and a Sinking Fund Account;
- (b) Reserve Fund, in which there shall be established an account for each Series of Bonds issued pursuant to the Ordinance;
- (c) Rebate Fund; and
- (d) Construction Fund.

At any time and from time to time, there may be established such other funds and accounts as the City shall determine to be necessary, desirable, advisable or in the best interests of City for such purposes as the City shall determine.

Revenue Fund. The Ordinance establishes the Revenue Fund into which all Revenues of the Enterprise shall be deposited. The City covenants and agrees that so long as any Bonds remain Outstanding, all of the Revenues of the Enterprise shall as and when received be paid and deposited into the Revenue Fund. The Revenues shall be segregated and kept separate and apart from all other money, revenues, funds and accounts of the City and shall not be commingled with any other money, revenues, funds and accounts of the City. The Revenue Fund shall be administered and applied solely for the purposes and in the manner provided in the Ordinance.

Application of Money in Funds. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the City covenants and agrees that from and after the delivery of the initial Series of Bonds under the Ordinance and continuing so long as any Bonds shall remain Outstanding, it will on the first day of each month administer and allocate all of the money then held in the Revenue Fund as follows:

(a) *Operation and Maintenance.* All Operation and Maintenance Expenses shall be paid out of the Revenue Fund as and when due and payable. The Treasurer shall determine the amount reasonably necessary to be retained in the Revenue Fund to pay Operation and Maintenance Expenses for the remainder of such month.

(b) *Bond Fund.* There shall next be paid and credited monthly to the Interest Account, the Principal Account and the Sinking Fund Account in the Bond Fund, an amount such that if the same amount were deposited on the first day of each month thereafter, the balance on the next succeeding Payment Date (a) of the Interest Account would be sufficient to pay the interest due on the Bonds, (b) the Principal Account would be sufficient to pay the principal amount maturing with respect to the Bonds, and (c) the Sinking Fund Account would be sufficient to pay any Sinking Fund Installment (or any unsatisfied balance thereof) due with respect to the Bonds. Any amounts deposited in the Interest Account as accrued interest or as capitalized interest in accordance with a Series Ordinance shall be credited against the City's payment obligations as set forth in the Ordinance.

(c) *Reserve Fund.* After all payments and credits required at the time to be made under the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) above have been made, there shall next be paid and credited to each Account established in the Reserve Fund, all remaining Revenues until the amount on deposit in each Account in the Reserve Fund aggregates the Reserve Requirement for the Series of Bonds for which such Account was established. So long as each Account in the Reserve Fund aggregates the Reserve Requirement with respect to the Series of Bonds for which such Account was established, no further payments into said Account shall be required, but if the City is ever required to expend and use a part of the money in any Account for authorized purposes and such expenditure reduces the amount of said Account below the Reserve Requirement for the Series of Bonds for which such Account was established, the City shall resume and continue such monthly payments into said Account until such Account shall again aggregate the Reserve Requirement with respect to the Series of Bonds for which such Account was established.

(d) *Deficiency of Payments into Funds or Accounts.* If at any time the Revenues derived from the operation of the Enterprise are insufficient to make any payment on the date or dates specified, the City will make good the amount of such deficiency by making additional payments or credits out of the first available Revenues thereafter received from the operation of the Enterprise, such payments and credits being made and applied in the order specified under this caption.

Bond Fund

The City shall pay out of the Bond Fund to the respective Paying Agents not less than three Business Days before (a) each Payment Date for any of the Bonds (1) from the Interest Account, the amount required to pay the interest then due on the Bonds, (2) from the Principal Account, the amount required to pay any principal then maturing with respect to the Bonds, and (3) from the Sinking Fund Account, the amount required to pay any Sinking Fund Installment (including any unsatisfied balance thereof) then due with respect to the Bonds; and (b) before any redemption date for the Bonds, the amount required for the payment of interest on and the Redemption Price of the Bonds then to be redeemed. Such amounts shall be applied by the Paying Agents on the due dates thereof. The City shall also pay out of the Interest Account the accrued interest included in the purchase price of the Bonds purchased for retirement.

The amount, if any, deposited in the Bond Fund from the proceeds of each Series of Bonds shall be set aside in the Bond Fund and applied to the payment of interest on Bonds in accordance with the Series Ordinance pursuant to which such Series of Bonds were authorized. The amount, if any, deposited in the Bond Fund from the proceeds of Subordinated Indebtedness or other evidences of indebtedness of the City shall be set aside in the Bond Fund and applied to the payment of interest on Bonds in accordance with the Series Ordinance authorizing such Subordinated Indebtedness.

In the event of the refunding or defeasance of any Bonds, the City shall withdraw from the Bond Fund all or any portion of the amounts accumulated therein allocable to such Bonds and deposit such amounts with the Paying Agent(s) to be held for the payment of the principal or Redemption Price, if applicable, and interest on the Bonds being refunded; provided that such withdrawal shall not be made unless immediately thereafter the Bonds being refunded shall be deemed to have been paid pursuant to the Ordinance. In the event of such refunding or defeasance, the City may also withdraw from the Bond Fund all or any portion of the amounts accumulated therein allocable to such Bonds and deposit such amounts in any fund or account established under the Ordinance; provided that such withdrawal shall not be made unless subsection (a) of the first paragraph under this caption has been satisfied.

Reserve Fund

(a) The Ordinance requires that the City establish a debt service reserve account within the Reserve Fund for each Series of Bonds issued pursuant to the Ordinance for the benefit and security of such Series of Bonds. The City shall hold any such Account and shall deposit therein from the proceeds of the Series of Bonds for which such Account is established or from other funds of the City legally available therefore, an amount equal to the Reserve Requirement for such Series of Bonds.

(b) If any withdrawal from any Account in the Reserve Fund is made for the purpose of subsection (c)(1) below, the amount of such withdrawal shall be restored by the City in no more than 12 substantially equal, consecutive, monthly installments, each payable on the last Business Day of the month, commencing with the month in which the withdrawal is made; provided that, if any withdrawal is made and if, prior to the restoration of the amount withdrawn, an additional withdrawal is made, such additional withdrawal shall be restored in equal monthly installments over the remainder of the restoration period for the initial withdrawal.

(c) Money on deposit in any Account in the Reserve Fund shall be applied as follows:

(1) On the date of each required payment from the Bond Fund with respect to a Series of Bonds, money in the Account established in the Reserve Fund with respect to such Series of Bonds shall be applied to cure any deficiency in the Bond Fund with respect thereto.

(2) Any amount in any Account in the Reserve Fund in excess of the Reserve Requirement with respect to the Series of Bonds for which such Account was established shall be transferred to the Bond Fund and credited against the payments of the principal and interest next becoming due on such Series of Bonds.

(3) On the interest Payment Date immediately preceding the final maturity date of a Series of Bonds, money held in the Account established in the Reserve Fund with respect to such Series of Bonds shall be deposited into the Bond Fund and credited against the deposits required to be made into the Bond Fund with respect to such Series of Bonds but only to the extent that, immediately following such crediting and transfer, the amount on deposit in such Account in the Reserve Fund is equal to the lesser of (A) the Reserve Requirement with respect to such Series of Bonds and (B) the amount of principal and interest due in respect of such Series of Bonds on such final maturity date.

(d) The City shall be permitted to substitute a Credit Facility for funds on deposit in any Account in the Reserve Fund, provided that:

(1) the Credit Facility (including any replacement Credit Facility) is issued by a bank, trust company, national banking association or insurance company whose unsecured long term debt obligations (in the case of a bank, trust company or national banking association) or whose claims paying abilities (in the case of an insurance company) are rated not lower than the "AAA" Rating Category by a Rating Agency at the time the Credit Facility is issued and at the time of each extension or renewal thereof;

(2) the issuer of the Credit Facility does receive as security for any reimbursement obligation in respect of the Credit Facility a lien solely on the Net Revenues on a parity with any Bonds then Outstanding; and

(3) the Credit Facility (including any replacement Credit Facility, if provided by a different issuer) has an initial term of not less than one year and any extension, renewal or replacement (if provided by the same issuer) thereof has a term of not less than one year.

Upon such substitution, funds on deposit in any Account in the Reserve Fund which, when added to the face amount of the Credit Facility, exceed the Reserve Requirement on the Bonds for which such Account was established, shall be applied as provided in subsection (c)(2) above (subject to yield restriction, if any, as determined by Bond Counsel). Thereafter, the Credit Facility shall be considered a part of such Account in the Reserve Fund and the amount available thereunder shall be included in any calculations of the amount required to be retained in such Account; provided that, (A) if the sum of the amount available under the Credit Facility and the amount of money on deposit in such Account in the Reserve Fund exceed the amount required to be on deposit pursuant to subsection (a) above, the City shall be permitted (1) to cause the amount available under the Credit Facility to be reduced by an amount equal to such excess, or (2) to direct that the excess money be applied as permitted under subsection (c)(2) above, and (B) if the Credit Facility is not extended, renewed or replaced at least six months prior to its scheduled expiration or termination date, the City shall be obligated to restore the difference between the Reserve Requirement and the value of such Account in the Reserve Fund computed without regard to the Credit Facility prior to the expiration or termination date of such Credit Facility.

Rebate Fund

(a) There shall be deposited into the Rebate Fund such amounts as are required to be deposited therein pursuant to the Arbitrage Instructions. All money in the Rebate Fund shall be held in trust, to the extent

required to satisfy the Rebate Amount (as defined in the Arbitrage Instructions), for payment to the United States, and neither the City nor the Owner of any Bond shall have any rights in or claim to such money. All amounts deposited into or on deposit in the Rebate Fund shall be governed by these provisions and the Arbitrage Instructions.

(b) The City shall periodically determine the rebatable arbitrage under Section 148(f) of the Code in accordance with the Arbitrage Instructions, and the City shall make payments to the United States at the times and in the amounts determined under the Arbitrage Instructions. Any funds remaining in the Rebate Fund after redemption and payment of all of the Bonds and the interest thereon, and payment and satisfaction of any Rebate Amount, or provision made therefor, shall be released to the City.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Ordinance, the obligation to pay rebatable arbitrage to the United States and to comply with all other requirements of these provisions and the Arbitrage Instructions shall survive the defeasance or payment in full of the Bonds.

Construction Fund

(a) There shall be paid into the Construction Fund such amounts from the proceeds of a Series of Bonds as may be required by the provisions of the Ordinance and any Series Ordinance. Amounts in the Construction Fund shall be applied to pay the Costs of the Enterprise in the manner provided under this heading.

(b) The proceeds of insurance maintained pursuant to the Ordinance against physical loss of or damage to any portion of the Enterprise, or of contractors' performance bonds with respect thereto, pertaining to the period of construction thereof, shall, upon receipt by the City, be paid into the Construction Fund.

(c) The City shall make payments from the Construction Fund in the amounts, at the times, in the manner and on the other terms and conditions established by the City.

(d) Notwithstanding any of the other provisions regarding the Construction Fund, to the extent that other money is not available therefor, amounts in the Construction Fund shall be applied to the payment of principal, Accreted Value or Appreciated Value of and interest on Bonds when due.

(e) Amounts credited to the Construction Fund which the City at any time determines to be in excess of the amounts required for the purposes thereof may be transferred to the Bond Fund.

(f) Nothing in the Ordinance shall be construed to prevent the City from permanently discontinuing the acquisition or construction of any portion of the Enterprise, the Costs of which are at the time being paid out of the Construction Fund, if the City determines that such discontinuance is necessary or desirable in the conduct of the business of the City and not disadvantageous to the Owners of the Bonds.

Subordinated Indebtedness

The City may, at any time, or from time to time, issue Subordinated Indebtedness for any lawful purpose of the City related to the Enterprise, which Subordinated Indebtedness shall be payable out of, and may be secured by a security interest in and pledge and assignment of, such amounts in the Revenue Fund after all of the payments and credits required under the caption "Application of Money in Funds" have been made for the purpose of payment thereof; provided, however, that any security interest and pledge and assignment shall be, and shall be expressed to be, subordinated in all respects to the security interest in and pledge created by the Ordinance as security for the Bonds.

Investment of Funds

Unless limited by the provisions of a Series Ordinance, all amounts held in any fund or account established under the Ordinance may be invested and reinvested in Authorized Investments which investments shall mature not later than such times as shall be necessary to provide money when needed for payments to be made from such funds and accounts. Any Paying Agent shall make all such investments of money held by it in accordance with written instructions received from any Authorized Representative. If any Paying Agent does not receive any such written instructions, such Paying Agent shall invest such fund in such Federal Securities as the Paying Agent shall determine.

Interest (net of that which represents a return of accrued interest paid in connection with the purchase of any investment) earned on any money or investments in any fund or account shall be paid into the respective fund or account in which such investment is held; provided, however, that at the direction of the City, such interest earned on money or investments in any such fund or account or any portion thereof shall be paid into the Construction Fund. Interest earned on any money or investments in the Construction Fund shall be held in the Construction Fund for application as provided in the Ordinance or paid into the Revenue Fund.

In computing the amount in any fund or account created under the provisions of the Ordinance for any purpose provided in the Ordinance, obligations purchased as an investment of money therein shall be valued as provided in the applicable policies established by the City from time to time.

Rates, Fees and Charges

The City will fix, establish, maintain and collect such rates, charges and fees for the use of and services furnished by the Enterprise and revise such rates, charges and fees to produce Revenues each Fiscal Year sufficient:

- (a) to pay all Operation and Maintenance Expenses;
- (b) to produce Net Revenues equal to 125% of the annual Debt Service due and payable in such Fiscal Year of the then Outstanding Bonds; and
- (c) to pay after deducting the amounts determined in subsection (a) and (b) above, all other financial obligations of the Enterprise reasonably anticipated to be paid from Revenues.

If the Net Revenues in any Fiscal Year are less than the aggregate amount specified above the City shall within 60 days from the date of receipt of the annual audit for such Fiscal Year either (1) cause such rates and charges to be revised and adjusted to comply with this covenant or (2) obtain a written report from an Independent Consultant after a review and study of the operations of the Enterprise has been made concluding that, in their opinion, the rates and charges then in effect for the current Fiscal Year are sufficient or adjustments and revisions need to be made to such rates and charges to comply with this covenant and such adjustments and revisions to such rates and charges are promptly implemented and enacted in accordance with such Independent Consultant's report.

Additional Bonds

(a) So long as any of the Bonds remain Outstanding, the City will not issue any additional bonds or incur or assume any other debt obligations appearing as liabilities on the balance sheet of the City for the payment of money determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles including

capital leases as defined by generally accepted accounting principles, payable out of the Revenues of the Enterprise or any part thereof which are superior to the Bonds.

(b) So long as any of the Bonds remain Outstanding, it will not issue any Additional Bonds payable out of the Net Revenues of the Enterprise or any part thereof which stand on a parity or equality with the Bond unless the following conditions are met:

(1) The City shall not be in default in the payment of principal of or interest on any Bonds at the time Outstanding under the Ordinance or in making any payment at the time required to be made into the respective funds and accounts created by and referred to in the Ordinance (unless such additional revenue bonds or obligations are being issued to provide funds to cure such default); and

(2) The City shall have satisfied either of the following:

(A) The annual Net Revenues derived by the City from the operation of the Enterprise for the Fiscal Year immediately preceding the issuance of such Additional Bonds shall have been equal to at least 150% of the maximum annual Debt Service required to be paid from the Net Revenues in any succeeding Fiscal Year on account of both principal (at maturity or through a Sinking Fund Installment) and interest becoming due with respect to all Outstanding Bonds of the City, including the Additional Bonds proposed to be issued; or

(B) An Independent Consultant shall project that the annual Net Revenues to be derived by the City from the operation of the Enterprise for the Fiscal Year immediately following the Fiscal Year in which the improvements to the Enterprise, the cost of which is being financed by such Additional Bonds, are to be in use and operation, shall be equal to at least 150% of the maximum annual Debt Service required to be paid out of the Net Revenues in any succeeding Fiscal Year following such use or operation on account of both principal (at maturity or through a Sinking Fund Installment) and interest becoming due with respect to all Outstanding Bonds of the City, including the Additional Bonds proposed to be issued. In determining the projected Net Revenues for the purpose of this subsection, the Independent Consultant may adjust the Net Revenues by adding thereto any estimated increase in Net Revenues resulting from any increase in rates for the use and services of the Enterprise which, in the opinion of the Independent Consultant, are economically feasible and reasonably considered necessary based on projected operations of the Enterprise.

Additional Bonds issued under the conditions set forth above shall stand on a parity with the Bonds and shall enjoy complete equality of lien on and claim against the Net Revenues with the Bonds, and the City may make equal provision for paying said Additional Bonds and the interest thereon out of the Revenue Fund.

Certain Other Covenants

Restrictions on Mortgage or Sale of Enterprise. The City will not mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber the Enterprise or any part thereof, nor will it sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the Enterprise or any material part thereof; provided, however, the City may:

(a) sell at fair market value any portion of the Enterprise which has been replaced by other similar property of at least equal value, or which ceases to be necessary for the efficient operation of the

Enterprise, and in the event of sale, the City will apply the proceeds to either (1) redemption of Outstanding Bonds in accordance with the provisions governing repayment of Bonds in advance of the maturity thereof, or (2) replacement of the property so disposed of by other property the revenues of which shall be incorporated into the Enterprise as provided;

(b) cease to operate, abandon or otherwise dispose of any property which has become obsolete, nonproductive or otherwise unusable to the advantage of the City;

(c) lease, (1) as lessor, any real or personal property which is unused or unimproved, or which has become obsolete, nonproductive or otherwise unusable to the advantage of the City, or which is being acquired as a part of a lease/purchase financing for the acquisition and/or improvement of such property; and/or (2) as lessee, with an option of the City to purchase, any real or personal property for the extension and improvement of the Enterprise. Property being leased as lessor and/or lessee pursuant to this subsection shall not be treated as part of the Enterprise for purposes of this section and may be mortgaged, pledged or otherwise encumbered.

Annual Budget. (a) For each Fiscal Year following delivery of any Bonds under the Ordinance, the City shall prepare and adopt a budget for the Enterprise for the next ensuing Fiscal Year.

(b) The City has covenanted and agreed in the Ordinance to include in the resolution approving the City's annual budget pursuant to Article IX, Section 26 of the Charter, a designation and appropriation of General Fund cash balances to pay Operation and Maintenance Expenses in an amount sufficient to produce Net Revenues equal to 110% of the annual Debt Service due and payable in such Fiscal Year if and to the extent the Net Revenues in such Fiscal Year are less than 125% of the annual Debt Service due and payable in such Fiscal Year and to the extent that such General Fund cash balances are available.

Operation and Maintenance of the Enterprise. The City shall at all times use its best efforts to operate or cause to be operated the Enterprise properly and in an efficient and economical manner, consistent with Prudent Enterprise Management, and shall use its best efforts to maintain, preserve, reconstruct and keep the same or cause the same to be so maintained, preserved, reconstructed and kept, with the appurtenances and every part and parcel thereof, in good repair, working order and condition, and shall from time to time make, or use its best efforts to cause to be made, all necessary and proper repairs, replacements and renewals so that at all times the operation of the Enterprise may be properly conducted. The City shall promptly pay all Operation and Maintenance Expenses and all other costs and expenses payable from the Revenues.

Maintenance of Insurance. The City will carry and maintain insurance with respect to the Enterprise and its operations against such casualties, contingencies and risks (including but not limited to property and casualty, fire and extended coverage insurance upon all of the properties forming a part of the Enterprise insofar as the same are of an insurable nature, public liability, business interruption or use and occupancy insurance, workers' compensation and employee dishonesty insurance), such insurance to be of the character and coverage and in such amounts as would normally be carried by other enterprises engaged in similar activities of comparable size and similarly situated. In the event of loss or damage, the City, with reasonable dispatch, will use the proceeds of such insurance in reconstructing and replacing the property damaged or destroyed, or in paying the claims on account of which such proceeds were received, or if such reconstruction or replacement is unnecessary or impracticable, then the City will pay and deposit the proceeds of such insurance into the Revenue Fund. The City will annually review the insurance it maintains with respect to the Enterprise to determine that it is customary and adequate to protect its property and operations. The City may elect to be self-insured for all or any part of the foregoing requirements if (a) the City annually obtains a written evaluation with respect to such self-insurance program from an Insurance Consultant, (b) the evaluation is to the effect that the self-insurance

program is actuarially sound, (c) unless the evaluation states that such reserves are not necessary, the City deposits and maintains adequate reserves for the self-insurance program with a corporate trustee, who may be the Paying Agent, and (d) in the case of workers' compensation, adequate reserves created by the City for such self-insurance program are deposited and maintained in such amount and manner as are acceptable to the State. The City shall pay any fees and expenses of such Insurance Consultant in connection therewith. The cost of all insurance obtained pursuant to the requirements of the Ordinance shall be paid as an Operation and Maintenance Expense out of the Revenues of the Enterprise.

Application of Insurance Proceeds. If any useful portion of the Enterprise shall be damaged or destroyed, the City shall make due proof of loss and shall do all things necessary or desirable to cause the insuring companies to make payment in full directly to the City. The proceeds of insurance covering such property, together with any other funds available for such purpose as the City in its sole discretion shall determine, shall be used to repair the property damaged or replace the property destroyed; provided, however, if the insurance proceeds and other funds that might be lawfully appropriated therefore are insufficient to repair or replace the damaged property, then such insurance proceeds received for the damaged or destroyed property shall be deposited to the credit of a special insurance account or fund until other funds become available which, together with funds on deposit to the credit of such special insurance account, will be sufficient to make the repairs or replacements to the property damaged or destroyed that resulted in such insurance proceeds or make other improvements to the Enterprise.

Accounts and Reports. (a) The City shall keep or cause to be kept proper books of record and account (separate from all other records and accounts) in which complete and correct entries shall be made of its transactions relating to the Enterprise and each fund and account established under the Ordinance, and which, together with all other books and papers of the City, including insurance policies, relating to the Enterprise, shall upon reasonable advance notice and during regular business hours, be subject to the inspection of the Owners of an aggregate of not less than 5% in principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding or their representatives duly authorized in writing.

(b) Annually, promptly after the end of each Fiscal Year, the City will cause an audit to be made of the Enterprise for the preceding Fiscal Year by a certified public accountant or firm of certified public accountants to be employed for that purpose and paid from the Revenues. Said annual audit shall cover in reasonable detail the operation of the Enterprise during such Fiscal Year.

(c) Each Paying Agent shall advise the City promptly after the end of each Fiscal Year of its transactions during such Fiscal Year relating to all balances handled by it under the Ordinance.

(d) For so long as Rule 15c2-12(b) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Rule**") is applicable, the City covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of each undertaking entered into by it to satisfy the requirements of the Rule with respect to each Series of Bonds issued pursuant to the Ordinance. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Ordinance, failure of the City to comply with such undertaking shall not be considered an Event of Default; however, the Owner or Beneficial Owner of any Bond may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the City to comply with its obligations under this heading. For purposes hereof, "**Beneficial Owner**" means any Person which (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

Amendment of Ordinance

(a)(1) Unless such modifications or amendments are permitted under subsection (b) below, the Ordinance and the rights and obligations of the City, the Owners and any Fiduciary may only be modified or amended from time to time and at any time by filing with each Fiduciary a Supplemental Ordinance adopted by the City with the written consent of the Owners of a majority in aggregate amount of the Bond Obligation of the Bonds (or, if such Supplemental Ordinance is only applicable to a Series of Bonds, the Bonds of that Series) then Outstanding; provided that if such modification or amendment will, by its terms, not take effect so long as any Bonds of any particular maturity remain outstanding, the consent of the Owners of such Bonds shall not be required and such Bonds shall not be deemed to be Outstanding for the purpose of any calculation of Bonds Outstanding.

(2) No such modification or amendment shall (A) extend the fixed maturity of any Bond, or reduce the amount of the Bond Obligation thereof, or extend the time of payment or reduce the amount of any Sinking Fund Installment provided for the payment of any Bond, or reduce the rate of interest thereon, or extend the time of payment of interest thereon, or reduce any premium payable upon the redemption thereof, without the consent of the Owner of each Bond so affected, (B) reduce the aforesaid percentage of the Bond Obligation the consent of the Owners of which is required to effect any such modification or amendment, or permit the creation of any lien on the Net Revenues and other assets pledged under the Ordinance prior to or on a parity with the lien created by the Ordinance, or deprive the Owners of the Bonds of the lien created by the Ordinance on such Net Revenues and other assets (in each case, except as expressly provided in the Ordinance), without the consent of the Owners of all of the Bonds then Outstanding, or (C) modify any rights or duties of any Fiduciary without its consent.

(3) It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Owners to approve the particular form of any Supplemental Ordinance, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof. Promptly after the adoption by the City of any Supplemental Ordinance pursuant to the Ordinance, the Registrar shall mail a notice provided by the Ordinance, setting forth in general terms the substance of such Supplemental Ordinance to the Owners of the Bonds at the addresses shown on the registration books of the Registrar. Any failure to give such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such Supplemental Ordinance.

(4) If within one year from the date of the mailing by the Registrar of written notice to the Owners of the Bonds, the City shall receive an instrument or instruments executed by the Owners of at least a majority in aggregate amount of the Bond Obligation consenting to and approving such amendment in substantially the form of the copy thereof on file with each Registrar, as the case may be, for the Bonds, the governing body of the City may pass the Supplemental Ordinance in substantially the same form.

(5) Any consent given by the Owner of a Bond pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance shall be irrevocable for a period of six months from the date for measuring the one year period to obtain consents noted in subsection (4) above, and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future owners of the same Bond during such period. At any time after six months from the date for measuring the one year period to obtain consents noted in subsection (4) above, such consent may be revoked by the Owner who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing written notice thereof with the Registrar, as the case may be, for such Bond and the City, but such revocation shall not be effective if the Owners of at least a majority in aggregate amount of the then Outstanding Bond Obligation as determined in accordance with these provisions have, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.

(b) The Ordinance and the rights and obligations of the City, of each Fiduciary and of the Owners may also be modified or amended from time to time at any time by a Series Ordinance or a Supplemental

Ordinance, which the City may adopt without the consent of any Owners but only to the extent permitted by law and only for any one or more of the following purposes:

(1) to add to the covenants and agreements of the City in the Ordinance thereafter to be observed, to pledge or assign additional security for the Bonds (or any portion thereof), or to surrender any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the City in the Ordinance, in each case which shall not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Owners in the determination of the City;

(2) to make such provisions for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, inconsistency or omission, or of curing or correcting any defective provision, contained in the Ordinance, or in regard to matters or questions arising under the Ordinance, as the City may deem necessary or desirable, and which shall not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Owners in the determination of the City;

(3) to modify, amend or supplement the Ordinance in such manner as to permit the qualification of the Ordinance under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or any similar federal statute hereafter in effect, and to add such other terms, conditions and provisions as may be permitted by said act or similar federal statute, and which shall not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Owners;

(4) to provide for the issuance of a Series of Bonds in a Series Ordinance with such interest rate, payment, maturity and other terms as the City may deem desirable subject to the provisions of the Ordinance;

(5) if the City has covenanted in a Series Ordinance to maintain the exclusion of interest on a Series of Bonds from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation, to make such provisions as are necessary or appropriate to ensure such exclusion;

(6) to modify any of the provisions of the Ordinance in any other respect whatsoever, provided that (A) such modification shall be, and be expressed to be, effective only after all Bonds of each Series Outstanding at the date of the adoption of such Series or Supplemental Ordinance shall cease to be Outstanding, and (B) such Series or Supplemental Ordinance shall be specifically referred to in the text of all Bonds of any Series authenticated and delivered after the date of the adoption of such Series Ordinance and of Bonds issued in exchange therefor or in place thereof;

(7) to authorize Subordinated Indebtedness and, in connection therewith, specify and determine any matters and things relative to such Subordinated Indebtedness which are not contrary to or inconsistent with the Ordinance as theretofore in effect, or to amend, modify or rescind any such authorization, specification or determination at any time prior to the first authentication and delivery of such Subordinated Indebtedness;

(8) to authorize the establishment of such funds or accounts as the City may determine to be necessary, desirable, advisable or in the best interests of the City, and, in connection therewith, to specify and determine the matters and things referred to in the Ordinance or to modify any such matters and things in any other respect whatsoever; or

(9) for any other purpose which, in the determination of the City, does not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Owners of any of the Bonds.

In making any determination that any modification or amendment does not materially and adversely affect the interest of the Owners, the City may rely on an opinion of counsel that may be counsel to the City or bond counsel.

Defeasance

Except as may be provided in any Series Ordinance creating a Series of Bonds, Bonds of any Series may be paid by the City in any of the following ways:

(a) by paying or causing to be paid the Bond Obligation of and interest on all Bonds Outstanding of the Series, as and when the same become due and payable;

(b) by depositing with the Paying Agent, an escrow agent or other fiduciary, in trust, at or before maturity, money or securities in the necessary amount (as provided in the Ordinance) to pay or redeem all Bonds Outstanding of the Series; or

(c) by delivering to the Paying Agent, for cancellation by it, all Bonds then Outstanding of the Series.

Upon the deposit with the Paying Agent, an escrow agent or other fiduciary, in trust, at or before maturity, of money or securities in the necessary amount (as provided in the Ordinance) to pay or redeem any Outstanding Bond (whether upon or prior to its maturity or the redemption date of such Bond), provided that, if such Bond is to be redeemed prior to maturity, irrevocable notice of such redemption shall have been given as provided in the Ordinance or provision satisfactory to the Registrar and Paying Agent shall have been made for the giving of such notice, then all liability of the City in respect of such Bond shall cease, terminate and be completely discharged; provided that the Owner thereof shall thereafter be entitled to the payment of the principal or Redemption Price of and interest on such Bond, and the City shall remain liable for such payment, but only out of such money or securities deposited as aforesaid for their payment, subject, however, to the provisions of the Ordinance and the continuing duties of the Paying Agent and Registrar under the Ordinance.

Whenever in the Ordinance it is provided or permitted that there be deposited with or held in trust by the Paying Agent, an escrow agent or other fiduciary, money or securities in the necessary amount to pay or redeem any Bonds, the money or securities so to be deposited or held may include money or securities held by the Paying Agent in the funds and accounts established pursuant to the Ordinance and shall be one or more of the following:

(1) lawful money of the United States in an amount equal to the Bond Obligation of such Bonds and all unpaid interest thereon to maturity, except that, in the case of Bonds which are to be redeemed prior to maturity and in respect of which notice of such redemption shall have been given as provided in the Ordinance or provision satisfactory to each Fiduciary shall have been made for the giving of such notice, the amount to be deposited or held shall be the Bond Obligation or Redemption Price of such Bonds and all unpaid interest thereon to the redemption date; or

(2) Federal Securities or Municipal Obligations which are non-callable by the issuer, the principal of and interest on which when due will, in the opinion of an independent certified public accountant delivered to the Paying Agent for which payment is being made (upon which opinion the Paying Agent may conclusively rely), provide money sufficient to pay the Bond Obligation or Redemption Price of and all unpaid interest to maturity, or to the redemption date, as the case may be, on the Bonds to be paid or redeemed, as such Bond Obligation or Redemption Price and

interest become due; provided that, in the case of Bonds which are to be redeemed prior to the maturity thereof, notice of such redemption shall have been given as provided in the Ordinance or provision satisfactory to the Registrar shall have been made for the giving of such notice;

provided, in each case, that the Paying Agent shall have been irrevocably instructed (by the terms of the Ordinance or by Request of the City) to apply such money to the payment of such Bond Obligation or Redemption Price and interest with respect to such Bonds.

Events of Default; Remedies

Events of Default. Each of the following events shall be an “Event of Default:”

(a) Default by the City in the due and punctual payment of the principal, Accreted Value or Appreciated Value of, or premium, if any, on any Bond (whether at maturity, by acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise);

(b) Default by the City in the due and punctual payment of the interest on any Bond and such default shall continue for a period of 30 days after the due date for the payment of such interest;

(c) Failure of the City to observe and perform any of its other covenants, conditions or agreements under the Ordinance or in the Bonds for a period of 90 days after written notice from the Owners of 25% in aggregate amount of the Bond Obligation of the Bonds then outstanding, specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied, or in the case of any such default that cannot with due diligence be cured within such 90 day period, failure of the City to proceed promptly to cure the same and thereafter prosecute the curing of such default with due diligence;

(d) (1) Failure of the City generally to pay its debts as the same become due, (2) commencement by the City of a voluntary case under the Federal bankruptcy laws, as now or hereafter constituted, or any other applicable Federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, (3) consent by the City to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, custodian, sequestrator or other similar official for the City, the Enterprise or any substantial part of the City’s property, or to the taking possession by any such official of the Enterprise or any substantial part of the City’s property, (4) making by the City of any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or (5) taking of corporate action by the City in furtherance of any of the foregoing;

(e) The entry of any (1) decree or order for relief by a court having jurisdiction over the City or its property in an involuntary case under the Federal bankruptcy laws, as now or hereafter constituted, or any other applicable Federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, (2) appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, custodian, sequestrator or similar official for the City, the Enterprise or any substantial part of the City’s property, or (3) order for the termination or liquidation of the City, the Enterprise or the affairs of any of them; or

(f) Failure of the City within 90 days after the commencement of any proceedings against it under the Federal bankruptcy laws prior any other applicable Federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or similar law, to have such proceedings dismissed or stayed.

The provisions of subsection (c) hereof are subject to the limitation that if by reason of force majeure the City is unable in whole or in part to observe and perform any of its covenants, conditions or agreements under the Ordinance, the City shall not be deemed in default during the continuance of such disability. The term “force majeure” as used herein shall include, without limitation, acts of God, strikes, lockouts or other industrial disturbances; acts of public enemies; orders of any kind of the government of

the United States or of the State or any of their departments, agencies, political subdivisions or officials, or any civil or military authority; insurrections; riots; epidemics; landslides; lightning; earthquakes; fires; hurricanes; storms; floods; washouts; droughts; arrests; restraint of government and people; civil disturbances; explosions; breakage or accident to machinery, transmission pipes or canals; partial or entire failure of utilities; or any other cause or event not reasonably within the control of the City. The City shall, however, remedy with all reasonable dispatch the cause or causes preventing it from carrying out its agreements, provided that the settlement of strikes, lockouts and other industrial disturbances shall be entirely within the discretion of the City, and the City shall not be required to make settlement of strikes, lockouts and other industrial disturbances by acceding to the demands of the opposing party or parties.

Enforcement of Remedies. Upon the happening and continuance of any Event of Default, then and in every such case the Owners of not less than 25% of the Bond Obligation may appoint any state bank, national bank, trust company or national banking association qualified to transact business in the State to serve as trustee for the benefit of the Owners of all Bonds then outstanding (the “**Receiver**”). Notice of such appointment, together with evidence of the requisite signatures of the Owners of 25% of the Bond Obligation and the trust instrument under which the Receiver shall have agreed to serve shall be filed with the City with a copy to the Receiver and notice of such appointment shall be mailed to the Owners of the Bonds. After the appointment of a Receiver under the Ordinance, no further Receivers may be appointed; however, the Owners of a majority of the Bond Obligation may remove the Receiver initially appointed and appoint a successor and subsequent successors at any time. If the default for which the Receiver was appointed is cured or waived pursuant to the Ordinance, the appointment of the Receiver shall terminate with respect to such default.

After a Receiver has been appointed pursuant to the foregoing, the Receiver may proceed, and upon the written request of Owners of 25% of the Bond Obligation shall proceed, to protect and enforce the rights of the Owners under the laws of the State, including the Act, and under the Ordinance, by such suits, actions or special proceedings in equity or at law, or by regulatory or administrative proceedings in the office of any board, body or officer having jurisdiction, either for the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained in the Ordinance or in aid of execution of any power granted in the Ordinance or for the enforcement of any proper legal or equitable remedy, all as the Receiver, being advised by counsel, shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce such rights.

In the enforcement of any remedy against the City, under the Ordinance the Receiver shall be entitled to sue for, enforce payment of and receive any and all amounts then or during any default becoming, and at any time remaining, due from the City, for principal, interest or other sums due under any provisions of the Ordinance or of such Bonds and unpaid, with interest on overdue payments of principal and, if permitted by law, at the rate or rates of interest specified in such Bonds, together with any and all reasonable costs and expenses of collection and of all proceedings under the Ordinance and under such Bonds without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the Receiver or of the Owners, and to recover and enforce any judgment or decree against the City, but solely as provided in the Ordinance and in such Bonds, for any portion of such amounts remaining unpaid and interest, costs and expenses as above provided, and to collect (but solely from money in the Revenue Fund and any other money available for such purpose) in any manner provided by law, the money adjudged or decreed to be payable.

Effect of Discontinuing Proceedings. In case any proceeding taken by the Receiver or any Owner on account of any default shall have been discontinued or abandoned for any reason or shall have been determined adversely to the Receiver or such Owner, then and in every such case the City and the Owners shall be restored to their former positions and rights under the Ordinance, respectively, and all rights, remedies and powers of the Receiver shall continue as though no such proceeding had been taken.

Directions to Receiver as to Remedial Proceedings. Anything in the Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding, the Owners of a majority of the Bond Obligation shall have the right, by an instrument or concurrent instruments in writing executed and delivered to the Receiver, to direct the method and place of conducting all remedial proceedings to be taken by the Receiver under the Ordinance, provided that such direction shall not be otherwise than in accordance with law or the provisions of the Ordinance, and that the Receiver shall have the right to decline to follow any such direction which in the opinion of the Receiver would be unjustly prejudicial to Owners not parties to such direction.

Pro Rata Application of Funds. (a) Anything in the Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding, if at any time the money in the Revenue Fund shall not be sufficient to pay the principal, Accreted Value, Appreciated Value or Redemption Price of or the interest on the Bonds as the same become due and payable, such money, together with any money then available or thereafter becoming available for such purpose, whether through the exercise of the remedies provided for in the Ordinance or otherwise, shall be applied as follows:

(1) Unless the principal of all the Bonds shall have become due and payable, all such money shall be applied (A) to the payment of all installments of interest then due on the Bonds then due, in the order of the maturity of the installments of such interest, to the persons entitled thereto, ratable, without any discrimination or preference, and (B) to the payment of all installments of principal of Bonds then due.

(2) If the principal of all the Bonds shall have become due and payable, all such money shall be applied to the payment of the principal, Accreted Value, Appreciated Value or Redemption Price or interest then due and unpaid upon the Bonds, without preference or priority of principal over interest or of interest over principal, or of any installment of interest over any other installment of interest, or of any Bonds over any other Bonds, ratable, according to the amounts due, respectively, for principal or interest to the persons entitled thereto without any discrimination or preference except as to any difference in the respective rates of interest specified in the Bonds.

(b) Whenever money are to be applied by the Receiver pursuant to the provisions stated above such money shall be applied by the Receiver at such times, and from time to time, as the Receiver in its sole discretion shall determine, having due regard to the amount of such money available for application and the likelihood of additional money becoming available for such application in the future; the setting aside of such money, in trust for the proper purpose, shall constitute proper application by the Receiver; and the Receiver shall incur no liability whatsoever to the City, to any Owner or to any other person for any delay in applying any such money, so long as the Receiver acts with reasonable diligence, having due regard to the circumstances, and ultimately applies the same in accordance with such provisions of the Ordinance as may be applicable at the time of application by the Receiver. Whenever the receiver shall exercise such discretion in applying such money, it shall fix the date (which shall be an interest Payment Date unless the Receiver shall deem another date more suitable) upon which such application is to be made and upon such date interest on the amounts of principal to be paid on such date shall cease to accrue, the Accreted Value of Capital Appreciation Bonds shall cease to accrete and the Appreciated Value of any Deferred Income Bond. The Receiver shall give such notice as it may deem appropriate of the fixing of any such date, and shall not be required to make payment to the Owner of any Bond unless such Bond shall be presented to the Receiver for appropriate endorsement or for cancellation if fully paid.

Restrictions on Actions by Individual Owners. No Owner shall have any right to institute any suit, action or proceeding in equity or at law for the execution of any trust under the Ordinance or for any other remedy thereunder unless such Owner previously shall have given to the Receiver written notice of the event of default on account of which such suit, action or proceeding is to be taken, and unless the Owner of not less than 25% of the Bond Obligation shall have made written request of the Receiver after the

right to exercise such powers or right of action, as the case may be, shall have accrued and shall have afforded the Receiver a reasonable opportunity either to proceed to exercise the powers granted by the Ordinance or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its or their name, and unless, also, there shall have been offered to the Receiver reasonable security and indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred therein or thereby, including the reasonable fees of its attorneys (including fees on appeal), and the Receiver shall have refused or neglected to comply with such request within a reasonable time; and such notification, request and offer of indemnity are declared in every such case, at the option of the Receiver, to be conditions precedent to the execution of the powers and trusts of the Ordinance or for any other remedy under the Ordinance. It is understood and intended that no one or more Owners of the Bonds secured by the Ordinance shall have any right in any manner whatever by his or their action to affect, disturb or prejudice the security of the Ordinance, or to enforce any right under the Ordinance, except in the manner provided in the Ordinance, and that all proceedings at law or in equity shall be instituted, had and maintained in the manner provided in the Ordinance and for the benefit of all Owners, and that any individual rights of action or any other right given to one or more of such Owners by law are restricted by the Ordinance to the rights and remedies provided in the Ordinance.

Nothing contained herein, however, shall affect or impair the right of any Owner individually, to enforce the payment of the principal of and interest on his Bond or Bonds at and after the maturity thereof, at the time, place, from the source and in the manner provided in the Ordinance.

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APPENDIX E

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

ADOPTION CERTIFICATE

relating to

OMNIBUS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

This Adoption Certificate (the "*Adoption Certificate*") dated as of July 23, 2015, relating to that certain Omnibus Continuing Disclosure Undertaking dated as of March 14, 2013, as supplemented and amended to date (the "*Disclosure Undertaking*"), is executed and delivered by The City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the "*Issuer*"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Adoption Certificate have the meanings given those terms in the Disclosure Undertaking.

WHEREAS, the Disclosure Undertaking was executed and delivered by the Issuer for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the outstanding Bonds identified in Schedule 1 to the Disclosure Undertaking (the "*Prior Bonds*") with respect to which the Issuer is an obligated person within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "*Rule*") and governs the continuing disclosure obligations of the Issuer with respect to all future Bonds with respect to which the Issuer is an obligated person within the meaning of the Rule after the date of the Disclosure Undertaking;

WHEREAS, the Issuer has determined to issue its Solid Waste Management Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,520,000 (the "*Series 2015 Bonds*") on a parity with the Prior Bonds, which Series 2015 Bonds have been offered pursuant to an Official Statement dated July 8, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has determined that, in order to assist the underwriter of the Series 2015 Bonds in complying with the Rule, it will reaffirm the applicability of the Disclosure Undertaking to the Series 2015 Bonds in all respects through this Adoption Certificate;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Issuer covenants and agrees for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2015 Bonds as follows:

Section 1. Affirmation. The applicability of the Disclosure Undertaking to the Series 2015 Bonds is hereby affirmed in all respects.

Section 2. Schedule 1. Schedule 1 of, and Exhibit A to, the Disclosure Undertaking shall be revised to reflect the issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds.

THIS ADOPTION CERTIFICATE is entered into by the Issuer as of the day and year first above written.

THE CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

By _____
Finance Director

OMNIBUS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

This **OMNIBUS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING** dated as of **March 14, 2013** (this “*Undertaking*”), is executed and delivered by the **City of Lincoln, Nebraska** (the “*Issuer*”).

RECITALS

1. This Undertaking is executed and delivered in connection with the issuance by the Issuer of \$8,340,000 Solid Waste Management Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013, pursuant to an Ordinance adopted by the governing body of the Issuer (the “*Ordinance*”).

2. The Issuer is executing this Undertaking for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and in order to assist each Participating Underwriter in complying with the Rule (as defined in **Section 1** hereof). The Issuer is the only “obligated person” (as defined by the Rule) with responsibility for continuing disclosure hereunder.

3. This Undertaking shall apply with respect to any series of Bonds issued prior to the effective date hereof and subject to the Rule.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Issuer covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions set forth in the Ordinance, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Undertaking unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

“*Annual Report*” means any Annual Report filed by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, **Section 2** of this Undertaking.

“*Beneficial Owner*” means, with respect to a series of Bonds, any registered owner of any Bonds of such series and any person which (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds of such series (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds of such series for federal income tax purposes.

“*Bonds*” means all bonds of all series identified on **Schedule 1** as such schedule may be supplemented and amended and, as context may require, the Bonds of any particular series identified on **Schedule 1**. The Issuer may make future series of Bonds subject to this Undertaking by executing a certificate to such effect or by action of the governing body of the Issuer.

“*Business Day*” means a day other than (a) a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, (b) a day on which banks located in any city in which the principal corporate trust office or designated payment office of the trustee, any paying agent or a Dissemination Agent for the Bonds, as applicable, is located are required or authorized by law to remain closed, or (c) a day on which the Securities Depository or the New York Stock Exchange is closed.

“EMMA” means the Electronic Municipal Market Access system for municipal securities disclosures established and maintained by the MSRB, which can be accessed at www.emma.msrb.org.

“Enterprise” means all properties and assets, and interests in properties and assets, real and personal and tangible and intangible, of the Issuer now or hereafter existing used for or pertaining to collecting, separating, storing, transporting, transferring, processing, treating, disposing or recycling solid waste and shall be broadly construed to encompass and include all Projects, now existing and hereafter acquired by lease, contract, purchase or otherwise or constructed by the Issuer, including any interest or participation of the Issuer in any such facilities or any rights to the output or capacity thereof, together with all additions, betterments, extensions and improvements to such facilities, properties or assets or any part thereof hereafter made and together with all lands, easements and rights of way of the Issuer and all other works, property or structures of the Issuer and contract rights and other tangible and intangible assets of the Issuer used or useful in connection with any of the foregoing.

“Fiscal Year” means the **12**-month period beginning on **September 1** and ending on **August 31** or any other **12**-month period selected by the Issuer as its fiscal year for financial reporting purposes.

“Material Events” means any of the events listed in **Section 3** of this Undertaking.

“MSRB” means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or any successor repository designated as such by the Securities and Exchange Commission in accordance with the Rule.

“Participating Underwriter” means each of the original underwriters of a series of Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of Bonds of that series.

“Prior Undertakings” means the existing continuing disclosure undertakings of the Issuer with respect to the Bonds pursuant to the Rule.

“Rule” means Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Section 2. Provision of Annual Reports.

- (a) The Issuer shall not later than **240** days after the end of the Issuer’s Fiscal Year, commencing with the year ended August 31, 2016, file with the MSRB, through EMMA, the following financial information and operating data (the “Annual Report”):
 - (1) The audited financial statements of the Issuer and the Enterprise for the prior Fiscal Year prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. If audited financial statements are not available by the time the Annual Report is required to be filed pursuant to this Section, the Annual Report shall contain unaudited financial statements in a format similar to the financial statements contained in the final Official Statement relating to the most recent series of Bonds, and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Report promptly after they become available.
 - (2) Updates as of the end of the Fiscal Year of certain financial information and operating data, as described in **Exhibit A**, with such modifications to the

formatting and general presentation thereof as deemed appropriate by the Issuer; provided, any substantive change to information provided shall be effected only in accordance with **Section 6** hereof, which information may be contained in the audited financial statements of the Issuer or any schedules supplemental thereto.

Any or all of the items listed above may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues with respect to which the Issuer is an “obligated person” (as defined by the Rule), which have been filed with the MSRB. If the document included by reference is a final official statement, it must be available from the MSRB on EMMA. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

In each case, the Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in this Section; provided that the audited financial statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Report if they are not available by that date. If the Issuer’s Fiscal Year changes, it shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Material Event under **Section 3**.

Section 3. Reporting of Material Events.

No later than **10** Business Days after the occurrence of any of the following events, the Issuer shall give, or cause to be given, to the MSRB, through EMMA, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds (“*Material Events*”):

- (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (7) modifications to rights of bondholders, if material;
- (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) defeasances;
- (10) release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (11) rating changes;
- (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer; (which shall be deemed to occur as provided in the Rule);
- (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and

- (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of the trustee, if material.

If the Issuer has not submitted the Annual Report to the MSRB by the date required in **Section 2(a)**, the Issuer shall send a notice to the MSRB of the failure of the Issuer to file on a timely basis the Annual Report, which notice shall be given by the Issuer in accordance with this **Section 3**.

Section 4. Termination of Reporting Obligation.

The Issuer's obligations under this Undertaking for a particular series of Bonds shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of that series of Bonds. If the Issuer's obligations under this Undertaking are assumed in full by some other entity, such entity shall be responsible for compliance with this Undertaking in the same manner as if it were the Issuer, and the Issuer shall have no further responsibility hereunder. If such assumption occurs prior to the final maturity of such Bonds, the Issuer shall give notice of such assumption in the same manner as for a Material Event under **Section 3**.

Section 5. Dissemination Agent.

The Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a dissemination agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Undertaking (the "*Dissemination Agent*"), and may discharge any such agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent may resign as Dissemination Agent hereunder at any time upon **30** days prior written notice to the Issuer. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report (including without limitation the Annual Report) prepared by the Issuer pursuant to this Undertaking.

Section 6. Bonds Subject to this Undertaking; Amendment; Waiver.

(a) All outstanding Bonds as of the date of this Undertaking shown on **Schedule 1** are hereby made subject to this Undertaking. The Issuer may make any future series of Bonds subject to this Undertaking by executing a certificate to such effect or by action of the governing body of the Issuer.

(b) All references to the "Bonds" in this Undertaking shall apply separately to each series of Bonds that are or become subject to this Undertaking, without further amendment hereto.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of **subsection (d)** of this Section or anything else contained in this Undertaking to the contrary, in conjunction with the public offering of any series of Bonds, the Issuer and the Dissemination Agent, if any, may amend the categories of operating data to be updated on an annual basis as set forth on **Exhibit A** to conform to the operating data included in the final official statement for such series of Bonds, in conformance with the requirements and interpretations of the Rule as of the date of such final official statement, without further amendment to this Undertaking. Thereafter, the annual operating data to be filed by the Issuer with the MSRB with respect to the Bonds (and all other series of Bonds then subject to this Undertaking) shall be deemed to be amended to reflect the requirements of the revised **Exhibit A** for the new series of Bonds.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in **subsection (c)** of this Section, the Issuer may amend this Undertaking and any provision of this Undertaking may be waived, provided that Bond Counsel or other counsel experienced in federal securities law matters provides the Issuer with its written opinion that the undertaking of the Issuer contained herein, as so amended or after giving effect to such waiver, is in compliance with the Rule and all current amendments thereto and interpretations thereof that are

applicable to this Undertaking; provided, however, that this Undertaking, including **Schedule 1** hereto, may be amended for the purpose of (i) extending the coverage of this Undertaking to any additional series of Bonds, (ii) removing reference to any series of Bonds for which the Issuer's reporting obligations have terminated in accordance with **Section 4** hereof, each without the provision of a written opinion as otherwise required by this paragraph or (iii) conforming to future changes to the Rule or interpretations thereof.

(e) If a provision of this Undertaking is amended or waived with respect to a series of Bonds pursuant to **subsection (d)** of this Section, the Issuer shall describe such amendment or waiver in the next Annual Report, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or, in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the Issuer. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, (1) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Material Event under **Section 3**, and (2) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 7. Additional Information.

Nothing in this Undertaking shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Undertaking or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event, in addition to that which is required by this Undertaking. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event, in addition to that which is specifically required by this Undertaking, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Undertaking to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event.

Section 8. Default.

If the Issuer fails to comply with any provision of this Undertaking, with respect to a series of Bonds, any Participating Underwriter or any Beneficial Owner of the Bonds of such series may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer to comply with its obligations under this Undertaking. A default under this Undertaking shall not be deemed an event of default under the Ordinance or the Bonds, and the sole remedy under this Undertaking if there is any failure of the Issuer to comply with this Undertaking shall be an action to compel performance.

Section 9. Beneficiaries.

This Undertaking shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, each Participating Underwriter, and Beneficial Owners from time to time with respect to a series of Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Section 10. Severability.

If any provision in this Undertaking, the Ordinance or the Bonds shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Undertaking shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 11. Electronic Transactions.

The arrangement described herein may be conducted and related documents may be stored by electronic means. Copies, telecopies, facsimiles, electronic files and other reproductions of original documents shall be deemed to be authentic and valid counterparts of such original documents for all purposes, including the filing of any claim, action or suit in the appropriate court of law.

Section 12. Governing Law.

This Undertaking shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Nebraska.

SCHEDULE 1

THE BONDS

SERIES 2013 BONDS

Issuer: The City of Lincoln, Nebraska

Issue Name: Solid Waste Management Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2013

Date of Issuance: March 14, 2013

SERIES 2015 BONDS

Issuer: The City of Lincoln, Nebraska

Issue Name: Solid Waste Management Revenue Bonds, Series 2015

Date of Issuance: July 23, 2015

EXHIBIT A

FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND OPERATING DATA TO BE INCLUDED IN ANNUAL REPORT

- The audited financial statements of the Enterprise contained in Exhibit B to the Official Statement relating to the Issuer's Solid Waste Management Revenue Bonds, Series 2015.
- The financial information and operating data contained under the heading "REVENUE BOND COVERAGE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS – Solid Waste Management," in Appendix A of the Official Statement relating to the Issuer's Solid Waste Management Revenue Bonds, Series 2015, which information may be included in Appendix A or in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Issuer.

APPENDIX F

BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM

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The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Series 2015 Bonds. The Series 2015 Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC’s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Series 2015 Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Series 2015 Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world’s largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC’s participants (“Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants’ accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (“Indirect Participants”). DTC has a Standard & Poor’s rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Series 2015 Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2015 Bonds on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Series 2015 Bond (“Beneficial Owner”) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants’ records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Series 2015 Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Series 2015 Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2015 Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2015 Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Series 2015 Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2015 Bonds; DTC’s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2015 Bonds are

credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Series 2015 Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Series 2015 Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Series 2015 Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Series 2015 Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Series 2015 Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Series 2015 Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the City as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Series 2015 Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, principal and interest payments on the Series 2015 Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the City or the Paying Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Paying Agent or the City subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Paying Agent or the City; disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Series 2015 Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Paying Agent or the City. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Series 2015 Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The City may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Series 2015 Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from DTC. The City and the Underwriter take no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

The information in this Appendix concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the City and the Underwriter believe to be reliable, but the City and the Underwriter take no responsibility for the accuracy thereof, and neither the DTC Participants nor the Beneficial Owners should rely on the foregoing information with respect to such matters but should instead confirm the same with DTC or the DTC Participants, as the case may be.

Neither the City nor the Underwriter will have any responsibility or obligation to any Direct Participants or Indirect Participants or the persons for whom they act with respect to (a) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC or any such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant; (b) the payment by any Direct Participant or Indirect Participant of any amount due to any Beneficial Owner in respect of the principal or redemption price of or interest on the Bonds; (c) the delivery by any such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant of any notice to any Beneficial Owner that is required or permitted under the terms of the Bond Resolution to be given to registered owners of the Bonds; (d) the selection of the Beneficial Owners to receive payment in the event of any partial redemption of the Bonds; or (e) any consent given or other action taken by DTC as the registered owner of the Bonds.

EXHIBIT G

FORM OF BOND COUNSEL OPINION

[Closing Date]

Mayor and City Council
Lincoln, Nebraska

Janney Montgomery Scott LLC
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Re: \$5,520,000 The City of Lincoln, Nebraska Solid Waste Management Revenue
Bonds, Series 2015

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as bond counsel in connection with the issuance by The City of Lincoln, Nebraska (the “City”), of the above-captioned bonds (the “Bonds”), pursuant to Ordinance No. 18774 adopted by the City on July 31, 2006, as amended and supplemented by Ordinance No. 19825 adopted by the City on February 14, 2013, and as further amended and supplemented by Ordinance No. 20163, passed by the Council on March 2, 2015 and approved by the Mayor on March 5, 2015 (collectively, the “Ordinance”). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Ordinance.

We have examined the law and such certified proceedings and other documents as we deem necessary to render this opinion. As to questions of fact material to our opinion we have relied upon the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials furnished to us without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

Regarding questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied on certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials and others furnished to us without undertaking to verify them by independent investigation.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

1. The City is validly existing as a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska (the “State”) with the power to adopt the Ordinance, perform the agreements on its part contained therein, and issue the Bonds.

2. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the City and are valid and legally binding special obligations of the City.

3. The Bonds are payable solely from the net income and revenues derived by the City from the operation of the City's solid waste management facilities, after providing for the costs of operation and maintenance thereof and on parity with any Additional Bonds or Refunding Bonds hereafter issued as provided in the Ordinance. The Bonds do not constitute general obligations of the City nor do they constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision, limitation or restriction, and the taxing power of the City is not pledged to the payment of the Bonds.

4. The Ordinance has been duly adopted by the City and constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the City enforceable against the City.

5. The interest on the Bonds (including any original issue discount properly allocable to an owner thereof) (a) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) is exempt from income taxation by the State, and (c) is not an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations, but is taken into account in determining adjusted current earnings for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations. The opinions set forth in this paragraph are subject to the condition that the City comply with all requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that interest thereon be, or continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The City has covenanted to comply with all of these requirements. Failure to comply with certain of these requirements may cause the interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds have not been designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

We express no opinion regarding the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of the Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Bonds. Further, we express no opinion regarding the perfection or priority of the lien on revenues or other funds pledged under the Ordinance or tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds other than as expressly set forth in this opinion.

The rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds and the Ordinance may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

This opinion is given as of its date, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to our attention or any changes in law that may occur after the date of this opinion.

Very truly yours,