Financial Statements of

BRANTFORD POWER INC.

Year ended December 31, 2020

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Brantford Power Inc. Management Report December 31, 2020

The accompanying financial statements are the responsibility of management of Brantford Power Inc. (the Company). In management's opinion, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Management has selected accounting principles and methods that are appropriate to the Company's circumstances. Financial statements are not precise since they include certain amounts based on estimates and judgments. Management has determined such amounts on a reasonable basis in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects. The notes to the financial statements and any other supplementary information presented are consistent with that in the financial statements.

The Company maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate, that transactions are properly authorized and that the Company's assets are properly accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The financial statements have been examined by KPMG LLP, the external auditors of the Company. The responsibility of the external auditors is to express their opinion on whether the financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in accordance with IFRS.

The board of directors, through the audit committee, is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibility for financial reporting and internal control. The audit committee meets periodically with management, as well with the external auditors to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities with respect to internal controls and financial reporting. The audit committee also reviews the financial statements and recommends their approval to the board of directors. KPMG LLP has full and free access to the audit committee, with and without the presence of management.

Paul Kwasnik

President and Chief Executive Officer

May 5, 2021

Brian D'Amboise, CPA, CA Chief Financial Officer

May 5, 2021



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholder of Brantford Power Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Brantford Power Inc. (the Entity), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020
- · the statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended
- the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at December 31, 2020 and its results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our auditors' report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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

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

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



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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.
 - The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.



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- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Hamilton, Canada

LPMG LLP

May 5, 2021

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

	2020	2019
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents (note 4)	\$ 14,417,957	\$ 7,778,501
Accounts receivable (note 5)	11,390,904	10,275,929
Unbilled revenue	13,449,035	12,999,322
Materials and supplies (note 6)	1,419,447	961,519
Prepaid expenses	203,419	239,928
Payments in lieu of corporate income taxes (note 14)	-	1,384,051
Due from affiliates (note 11)	40,942	-
	40,921,704	33,639,250
Finance lease receivable	331,884	-
Intangible assets (note 8)	2,924,832	3,055,793
Deferred tax assets (note 14)	1,671,349	1,064,730
Property, plant and equipment (note 7)	97,184,815	88,086,448
	102,112,880	92,206,971
Total assets	143,034,584	125,846,221
Regulatory debit balances (note 9)	4,829,545	6,413,314
Total assets and regulatory debit balances	\$ 147,864,129	\$ 132,259,535

Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

	2020	2019
Liabilities and Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 10)	\$ 21,670,574	\$ 17,687,878
Due to affiliates (note 11)	Ψ 21,010,011	119,622
Accounts payable to the City of Brantford (note 11)	476,491	582,430
Interest payable to the City of Brantford (note 12)	+	1,015,945
Customer deposits	2,003,318	2,081,534
Current portion of long term debt (note 12)	1,784,538	1,186,290
Payments in lieu of corporate income taxes (note 14)	143,326	42
\$	26,078,247	22,673,699
Long-term debt (note 12)	59,258,199	49,347,944
Post-employment benefits (note 13)	1,353,300	1,245,300
Deferred revenue (note 15)	5,067,435	4,725,784
Derivative liabilities (note 24)	3,109,811	720,354
Deferred tax liabilities (note 14)	4,748,209	4,905,280
	73,536,954	60,944,662
Total liabilities	99,615,201	83,618,361
Equity:		
Share capital (note 16)	22,437,505	22,437,505
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income	(1,510,150)	313,985
Retained earnings	25,665,543	24,934,889
	46,592,898	47,686,379
Total liabilities and equity	146,208,099	131,304,740
Regulatory credit balances (note 9)	1,656,030	954,795
Contingencies and commitments (note 19)		
Total liabilities and equity and regulatory credit balances	\$ 147,864,129	\$ 132,259,535

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

Director

Statement of Comprehensive Income

Year ended December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

	2020	2019
Revenue:		
Distribution revenue	\$ 19,347,319	\$ 17,908,538
IESO conservation programs	304,847	1,553,047
Other income	1,566,055	957,034
Other meetine	21,218,221	20,418,619
Sale of energy	127,505,201	111,743,409
Total revenue (note 17)	148,723,422	132,162,028
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Operating expenses:		
Distribution operations and maintenance (note 20)	3,822,878	3,842,294
Billing and collecting (note 20)	3,825,634	3,512,063
General administration (note 20)	5,451,071	4,395,549
IESO conservation programs (note 20)	284,847	1,658,795
Amortization (note 22)	3,842,494	3,557,438
	17,226,924	16,966,139
Cost of power purchased	125,347,147	118,301,973
	142,574,071	135,268,112
Income (loss) from operating activities	6,149,351	(3,106,084)
Finance income and costs (note 18):		
Finance income	455,368	614,541
Finance costs	(1,647,341)	(1,723,787)
	(1,191,973)	(1,109,246)
Income (loss) before income taxes and net movement in		
regulatory balances	4,957,378	(4,215,330)
Income tax expense (note 14)	941,720	1,158,647
Income (loss) for the year before net movement in		
regulatory balances	4,015,658	(5,373,977)
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Net movement in regulatory balances, net of tax		
Net movement in regulatory balances	(2,120,687)	6,525,149
Income tax on movement in regulatory balances	(164,317)	1,294,735
	(2,285,004)	7,819,884
Net income for the year and net movement in regulatory		_
balances	1,730,654	2,445,907
Other comprehensive income (loss)		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	(2.422.24=)	()
Unrealized loss on derivatives	(2,406,017)	(702,237)
Tax on unrealized loss on derivatives	637,595	186,093
Remeasurements of post-employment benefits (note 13)		(59,400)
Tax on remeasurements	20,087	15,741
Other comprehensive loss for the year	(1,824,135)	(559,803)
Total comprehensive (loss) income for the year	\$ (93,481)	\$ 1,886,104

Statement of Changes In Equity

Year ended December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

	Accumulated other omprehensive			
	Share capital		income (loss)	Total
Balance, January 1, 2019 Net income and net movement in	\$ 22,437,505 \$	23,238,982 \$	873,788 \$	46,550,275
regulatory balances	-	2,445,907	-	2,445,907
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	(559,803)	(559,803)
Dividends	-	(750,000)	-	(750,000)
Balance at December 31, 2019	22,437,505	24,934,889	313,985	47,686,379
Balance at January 1, 2020 Net income and net movement in	22,437,505	24,934,889	313,985	47,686,379
regulatory balances	-	1,730,654	_	1,730,654
Other comprehensive loss	-	, , , -	(1,824,135)	(1,824,135)
Dividends	-	(1,000,000)	-	(1,000,000)
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$ 22,437,505 \$	25,665,543 \$	(1,510,150)\$	46,592,898

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2020, with comparative information for 2019

	2020	2019
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operations:		
Net income for the year and net movement in regulatory		
balances	\$ 1,730,654	\$ 2,445,907
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization (note 22)	4,087,308	3,802,139
Amortization of deferred revenue	(108,595)	(83,361)
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and		
equipment	(341,526)	110,195
Income tax expense	941,720	1,158,647
Other items not affecting cash (note 21)	17,896	(122,020)
	6,327,457	7,311,507
Changes in non-cash operating working capital (note 21)	1,006,170	1,845,258
Regulatory balances	2,285,004	(7,819,884)
Contributions received from customers	464,183	1,773,026
Income tax paid	(66,186)	(862,534)
Net cash from operating activities	10,016,628	2,247,373
Financing:		
Proceeds of issuance of long term debt	12,000,000	13,000,000
Repayment of long-term debt	(1,626,857)	(1,156,341)
Debt issuance costs	(135,360)	(1,100,011)
Dividends paid	(1,000,000)	(750,000)
Receipt of deferred revenues	(13,937)	(1,650)
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	0,220,040	10,070,002
Investing:		
Net proceeds from disposal of property, plant and		
equipment	2,369,567	72,553
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(14,838,556)	(21,386,317)
Acquisition of intangible assets	(132,029)	(1,074,839)
	(12,601,018)	(22,388,603)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	6,639,456	(9,167,698)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	7,778,501	16,946,199
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 14,417,957	\$ 7,778,501

Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2020

1. Description of business:

On March 1, 2000, Brantford Power Inc. (the Company) was incorporated under the Business Corporations Act (Ontario) along with its affiliate companies, Brantford Hydro Inc. and Brantford Energy Corporation. The incorporations were pursuant to the provisions of the Energy Competition Act, 1998. The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Brantford Energy Corporation which is wholly owned by the City of Brantford. The Company provides electricity distribution services to residents of the City of Brantford in the Company's licensed service territory. The operations of the Company are regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB). The Company's head office is located at 150 Savannah Oaks Drive and it maintains operational offices at 400 Grand River Avenue. Both of these offices are located in the City of Brantford.

2. Basis of presentation:

(a) Statement of compliance:

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on April 28, 2021.

(b) Basis of measurement:

These financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, unless otherwise stated.

(c) Functional and presentation currency:

These financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Company's functional currency. All financial information presented in Canadian dollars has been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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2. Basis of presentation (continued):

- (d) Use of estimates and judgments:
 - (i) Assumptions and estimation uncertainty:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the year in which the estimates are revised and in future years affected.

Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in material adjustment is included in the following notes:

- (a) Note 3(c) measurement of unbilled revenue
- (b) Notes 3(e), 7 and 8 estimation of useful lives of its property, plant and equipment and intangible assets.
- (c) Notes 3(k) and 9 recognition and measurement of regulatory balances
- (d) Notes 3(l) and 13 measurement of defined benefit obligations: key actuarial assumptions
- (e) Note 19 recognition and measurement of provisions and contingencies
- (f) Note 3(i) leases: whether an arrangement contains a lease
- (g) Note 9 regulatory balances

(ii) Judgments:

Information about judgments made in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognized in the financial statement is included in the following notes:

- (a) Note 3(i) leases: whether an arrangement contains a lease
- (b) Note 3(i) leases: lease term, underlying leased asset value
- (b) Note 19 commitments and contingencies; whether a contingency is a liability

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

2. Basis of presentation (continued):

(e) Rate regulation:

The Company is regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB), under the authority granted by the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998. Among other things, the OEB has the power and responsibility to approve or set rates for the transmission and distribution of electricity, providing continued rate protection for electricity consumers in Ontario, and ensuring that transmission and distribution companies fulfil obligations to connect and service customers. The OEB may also prescribe license requirements and conditions of service to local distribution companies (LDCs), such as the Company, which may include, among other things, record keeping, regulatory accounting principles, separation of accounts for distinct businesses, and filing and process requirements for rate setting purposes.

The OEB has a decision and order in place banning LDCs in Ontario from disconnecting homes for non-payment during the winter. This ban is normally in place from November 15 to April 30 each year but was extended during the year to July 31, 2020.

(f) Rate setting - Distribution revenue:

For the distribution revenue, the Company files a Cost of Service (COS) rate application with the OEB every five years where rates are determined through a review of the forecasted annual amount of operating and capital expenditures, debt and shareholder's equity required to support the Company's business. The Company estimates electricity usage and the costs to service each customer class to determine the appropriate rates to be charged to each customer class. The COS application is reviewed by the OEB and interveners and rates are approved based upon this review, including any revisions resulting from that review.

In the intervening years, an Incentive Rate Mechanism (IRM) application is filed. An IRM application results in a formulaic adjustment to distribution rates that were set under the last COS application. The previous year's rates are adjusted for a 2-factor Input Price Index which accounts for the average weekly earnings for Ontario workers and the Gross Domestic Product Implicit Price Inflator - Final Domestic Demand (GDP IPI-FDD) net of a productivity factor and a "stretch factor" determined by the relative efficiency of an electricity distributor.

As a licensed distributor, the Company is responsible for billing customers for electricity generated by third parties and the related costs of providing electricity service, such as transmission services and other services provided by third parties. The Company is required, pursuant to regulation, to remit such amounts to these third parties, irrespective of whether the Company ultimately collects these amounts from the customers.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

2. Basis of presentation (continued):

(f) Rate setting - Distribution revenue (continued):

In 2019, the Company filed an IRM application for rates effective January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 for which a Decision and Interim Rate order was issued January 2, 2020.

The OEB issued a distribution rate design for residential electricity customers which was phased in over a four year period commencing January 2016. Under this policy, electricity distributors were to structure residential rates so that all the distribution charge would be collected through a fully fixed monthly charge instead of the current fixed and variable rate charge. The Company has transitioned to fully fixed rates for residential customers effective January 1, 2019.

In 2019, the Company filed an ICM application for rate increases on incremental capital expenditures relating to the purchase and refurbishment of 150 Savannah Oaks, for which a Decision and Rate order was issued on January 23, 2020 to apply rate riders effective March 1, 2020.

(g) Rate setting - Electricity rates:

Under an established Regulated Price Plan, the OEB sets electricity prices for low-volume consumers twice each year based on an estimate of how much it will cost to supply the province with electricity for the next year. Remaining consumers pay either the market price for electricity or the contracted price for electricity if they have enrolled with a retailer. The Company is billed for the cost of the electricity that its customers use and pass this cost on to the customer at a cost without a mark-up.

In 2020, the OEB also adjusted the Regulated Price Plan (RPP) prices in March and June in response to the Government issued Emergency Orders under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act to assist Ontarians* who were forced to stay home due to the COVID-19 pandemic. All remaining consumers pay the market price for electricity.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

3. Significant accounting policies:

(a) Financial instruments:

All financial assets are classified as loans and receivables and all financial liabilities are classified as other liabilities with the exception of derivative liabilities. Loans and receivables and other liabilities are recognized initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method less any impairment for the financial assets as described later in this note under Impairment of assets. The Company has two derivative instruments related to its long-term debt facilities with the Royal Bank of Canada. The non-fully hedged instrument is classified as a financial asset or liability at fair value through profit or loss.

Hedge accounting has been used in the presentation of these financial statements for the fully hedged instrument, which has been classified as a financial liability at fair value through other comprehensive income.

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and short-term instruments with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

(b) Use of estimates and judgements:

Judgments:

Information about judgments made in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognized in the financial statements is included later in his note under *Revenue recognition - Capital contributions*.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(c) Revenue recognition:

Sale and distribution of electricity:

The performance obligations for the sale and distribution of electricity are recognized over time using an output method to measure the satisfaction of the performance obligation. The value of the electricity services transferred to the customer is determined on the basis of cyclical meter readings plus estimated customer usage since the last meter reading date to the end of the year and represents the amount that the Company has the right to bill. Revenue includes the cost of electricity supplied, distribution, and any other regulatory charges. The related cost of power is recorded on the basis of power used.

For customer billings related to electricity generated by third parties and the related costs of providing electricity service, such as transmission services and other services provided by third parties, the Company has determined that it is acting as a principal for these electricity charges and, therefore, has presented electricity revenue on a gross basis.

Capital contributions:

Developers are required to contribute towards the capital cost of construction of distribution assets in order to provide ongoing service. The developer is not a customer and therefore the contributions are scoped out of IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers. Cash contributions, received from developers are recorded as deferred revenue. When an asset other than cash is received as a capital contribution, the asset is initially recognized at its fair value, with a corresponding amount recognized as deferred revenue. The deferred revenue, which represents the Company's obligation to continue to provide the customers access to the supply of electricity, is amortized to income on a straight-line basis over the useful life of the related asset.

Certain customers are also required to contribute towards the capital cost of construction of distribution assets in order to provide ongoing service. These contributions fall within the scope of IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The contributions are received to obtain a connection to the distribution system in order to receive ongoing access to electricity. The Company has concluded that the performance obligation is the supply of electricity over the life of the relationship with the customer which is satisfied over time as the customer receives and consumes the electricity. Revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the useful life of the related asset.

Other revenue:

Revenue earned from the provision of services is recognized as the service is rendered. Government grants and the related performance incentive payments under CDM programs are recognized as revenue in the year when there is reasonable assurance that the program conditions have been satisfied and the payment will be received.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(d) Materials and supplies:

Materials and supplies, the majority of which are consumed by the Company in the provision of its services, is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value, with cost being determined on a weighted average cost basis, and includes expenditures incurred in acquiring the materials and supplies and other costs incurred in bringing them to their existing location and condition.

(e) Property, plant and equipment:

Items of property, plant and equipment (PP&E) used in rate-regulated activities and acquired prior to January 1, 2014 were measured at deemed cost established on January 1, 2014 less accumulated depreciation. All other items of PP&E are measured at cost, or, where the item is contributed by customers, its fair value, less accumulated depreciation.

Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes contracted services, materials and transportation costs, direct labour, overhead costs, borrowing costs and any other costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to a working condition for its intended use.

Borrowing costs on qualifying assets are capitalized as part of the cost of the asset based upon the weighted average cost of debt incurred on the Company's borrowings. Qualifying assets are considered to be those that take in excess of 12 months to construct. Borrowing costs that can be traced to specific assets are capitalized as part of the cost of those assets based on the actual cost of debt incurred on the Company's borrowings.

When parts of an item of PP&E have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of PP&E.

When items of PP&E are retired or otherwise disposed of, a gain or loss on disposal is determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal, if any, with the carrying amount of the item and is included in profit or loss.

Major spare parts and standby equipment are recognized as items of PP&E.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(e) Property, plant and equipment (continued):

The cost of replacing a part of an item of PP&E is recognized in the net book value of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Company and its cost can be measured reliably. In this event, the replaced part of PP&E is written off, and the related gain or loss is included in profit or loss. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of PP&E are recognized in profit or loss as incurred.

The need to estimate the decommissioning costs at the end of the useful lives of certain assets is reviewed periodically. The Company has concluded it does not have any legal or constructive obligation to remove PP&E.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of items of PP&E using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, and is recognized in profit or loss. Depreciation methods, useful lives, and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted prospectively if appropriate. Land is not depreciated. Construction-in-progress assets are not depreciated until the project is complete and the asset is available for use. The Company applies the half year rule for depreciation in the year of acquisition.

The estimated useful service life are as follows.

Rate
20-50 years
20-50 years
30 years
3-60 years
3-60 years
3-40 years
15-35 years
8-20 years
10 years
2-4 years
5-15 years
5 years

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(f) Intangible assets:

Intangible assets used in rate-regulated activities and acquired prior to January 1, 2014 were measured at deemed cost established on January 1, 2014, less accumulated amortization. All other intangible assets are measured at cost.

Payments to obtain rights to access land (land rights) are classified as intangible assets. These include payments made for easements, right of access and right of use over land for which the Company does not hold title. Land rights acquired after January 1, 2014 are measured at cost less accumulated amortization.

Capital contributions relate to projects undertaken by the Company that required the alteration of a neighbouring utility's PP&E to accommodate the Company's joint use of those facilities for its PP&E. Capital contributions paid are measured at cost less accumulated amortization.

Computer software that is acquired or developed by the Company after January 1, 2014, including software that is not integral to the functionality of equipment purchased which has finite useful lives, is measured at cost less accumulated amortization.

Amortization is recognized in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets, from the date that they are available for use. Amortization methods and useful lives of all intangible assets are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted prospectively if appropriate.

The estimated useful lives are:

Asset	Rate
Land rights Capital contribution paid Software	50 years 45 years 2 - 10 years

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended December 31, 2020

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(g) Impairment of assets:

Financial assets measured at amortized cost:

A financial asset is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is considered to be impaired if objective evidence indicates that one or more events have had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset.

An impairment loss is calculated as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. Interest on the impaired assets continues to be recognized through the unwinding of the discount. Losses are recognized in profit or loss. An impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss if the reversal can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognized. No impairment losses were incurred during 2020 or 2019.

A loss allowance for expected credit losses on financial assets measured at amortized cost is recognized at the reporting date. The loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses for the asset.

Non-financial assets:

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets, other than materials and supplies and deferred tax assets, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

For the purpose of impairment testing, assets are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets (the "cash-generating unit" or CGU). The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

An impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its estimated recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized in profit or loss.

For other assets, an impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortization, if no impairment loss had been recognized.

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3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(h) Customer deposits:

Customer deposits represent cash deposits from electricity distribution customers to guarantee the payment of energy bills. Interest is paid on customer deposits.

Deposits are refundable to customers who demonstrate an acceptable level of credit risk as determined by the Company in accordance with policies set out by the OEB or upon termination of their electricity distribution service.

(i) Leased assets:

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether the contract is or contains a lease. A contract is determined to contain a lease if it provides the Company with the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Contracts determined to contain a lease are accounted for as leases. For leases and contracts that contain a lease, the Company recognizes a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term. Subsequent to initial recognition, the right-of-use asset is recognized at cost less any accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses, adjusted for certain remeasurements of the corresponding lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at present value of lease payments plus the present value of lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, or if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate.

The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or if the Company changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is measured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

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3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(i) Leased assets (continued):

The Company has elected not to recognize the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less or for leases of low value assets. The Company recognizes the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(j) Provisions:

A provision is recognized if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

(k) Regulatory balances:

Regulatory asset balances represent costs incurred in excess of amounts billed to the customer at OEB approved rates. Regulatory liability balances represent amounts billed to the customer at OEB approved rates in excess of costs incurred by the Company.

Regulatory asset balances are recognized if it is probable that future billings in an amount at least equal to the deferred cost will be approved by the OEB for recovery through rates. The offsetting amount is recognized in net movement in regulatory balances in profit or loss or OCI. When the customer is billed at rates approved by the OEB for the recovery of the deferred costs, the customer billings are recognized in revenue. The regulatory asset balance is reduced by the amount of these customer billings with the offset to net movement in regulatory balances in profit or loss or OCI.

The probability of recovery of the regulatory asset balances is assessed annually based upon the likelihood that the OEB will approve the change in rates to recover the balance. The assessment of likelihood of recovery is based upon previous decisions made by the OEB for similar circumstances, policies or guidelines issued by the OEB, etc. Any resulting impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss in the year incurred.

When the Company is required to refund amounts to ratepayers in the future, the Company recognizes a regulatory liability balance. The offsetting amount is recognized in net movement in regulatory balances in profit or loss or OCI. The amounts returned to the customers are recognized as a reduction of revenue. The credit balance is reduced by the amount of these customer repayments with the offset to net movement in regulatory balances in profit or loss or OCI.

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3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(I) Post-employment benefits:

Pension plan:

The Company provides a pension plan for all its full-time employees through Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS). OMERS is a multi-employer pension plan which operates as the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement Fund (the Fund), and provides pensions for employees of Ontario municipalities, local boards and public utilities. The Fund is a contributory defined benefit pension plan, which is financed by equal contributions from participating employers and employees, and by the investment earnings of the Fund. To the extent that the Fund finds itself in an under-funded position, additional contribution rates may be assessed to participating employers and members.

OMERS is a defined benefit plan. However, as OMERS does not segregate its pension asset and liability information by individual employers, there is insufficient information available to enable the Company to directly account for the plan. Consequently, the plan has been accounted for as a defined contribution plan. The Company is not responsible for any other contractual obligations other than the contributions. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognized as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss when they are due.

Post-employment benefits, other than pension:

The Company provides some of its retired employees with life insurance and medical benefits beyond those provided by government sponsored plans.

The obligations for these post-employment benefit plans are actuarially determined by applying the projected unit credit method and reflect management's best estimate of certain underlying assumptions. Remeasurements of the net defined benefit obligations, including actuarial gains and losses and the return on plan assets (excluding interest), are recognized immediately in other comprehensive income. When the benefits of a plan are improved, the portion of the increased benefit relating to past service by employees is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

(m) Finance income and finance costs:

Finance income is recognized as it accrues in profit or loss, using the effective interest method. Finance income comprises interest earned on cash and cash equivalents and late payments on customer electricity accounts receivable balances.

Finance costs comprise interest expense on borrowings, interest on customer deposits and the gain or loss on derivative liabilities. Finance costs are recognized in profit or loss unless they are capitalized as part of the cost of qualifying assets and except for instruments deemed to have a fully effective hedge.

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3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(n) Payments in lieu of corporate income taxes:

The income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax expense is recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity, in which case, it is recognized in equity.

The Company is currently exempt from taxes under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and the Ontario Corporations Tax Act (collectively the "Tax Acts"). Under the Electricity Act, 1998, the Corporation makes payments in lieu of corporate taxes to the Ontario Electricity Financial Corporation (OEFC). These payments are calculated in accordance with the rules for computing taxable income and taxable capital and other relevant amounts contained in the Tax Acts as modified by the Electricity Act, 1998, and related regulations. Prior to October 1, 2001, the Company was not subject to income or capital taxes.

Current tax comprises the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is recognized in respect of temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for accounting purposes. Deferred tax assets are recognized for unused tax losses, unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted, at the reporting date.

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4. Cash and cash equivalents:

	2020	2019
Bank balances Cash balances	\$ 14,416,957 1,000	\$ 7,776,601 1,900
	\$ 14,417,957	\$ 7,778,501

5. Accounts receivable:

	2020	2019
Trade receivables Other trade receivables Billable work Expected credit losses	\$ 10,540,034 640,576 1,859,294 (1,649,000)	\$ 10,147,674 227,344 1,164,911 (1,264,000)
	\$ 11,390,904	\$ 10,275,929

6. Materials and supplies:

The amount of inventory consumed by the Company and recognized as an expense during 2020 was \$158,552 (2019 - \$162,489).

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7. Property, plant and equipment:

Land and	Distribution	Other fixed	Construction-	
buildings	equipment	assets	in-progress	Total
2.805.337 \$	83.850.678 \$	4.609.660	15.335.809 \$	106,601,484
, ,				14,838,556
13,190,613	1,567,494	-	(14,758,107)	-
(1,677,792)	(403,374)	(84,088)	-	(2,165,254)
24,843,774 \$	88,257,473 \$	5,278,983	894,556 \$	119,274,786
2,805,337 \$	77,685,412 \$	4.086.058	981,506 \$	85,558,313
-		658,439		21,386,317
-	454,750	-	(454,750)	, , , <u>-</u>
-	(208,309)	(134,837)	-	(343,146)
2,805,337 \$	83,850,678 \$	4,609,660 \$	15,335,809 \$	106,601,484
164,047 \$	16,566,153 \$	1,784,836	- \$	18,515,036
269,149	3,050,828	424,393	- -	3,744,370
-	(102,329)	(67,106)	-	(169,435)
433,196 \$	19,514,652 \$	2,142,123 \$	- \$	22,089,971
136.969 \$	13.677.466 \$	1.522.680 \$	- \$	15,337,115
			-	3,338,319
-	(42,240)	(118,158)	-	(160,398)
164,047 \$	16,566,153 \$	1,784,836 \$	- \$	18,515,036
24.410.578 \$	68.742.821 \$	3.136.860 \$	894.556 \$	97,184,815
2,641,290	67,284,525	2,824,824	15,335,809	88,086,448
	buildings 2,805,337 \$ 10,525,616 13,190,613 (1,677,792) 24,843,774 \$ 2,805,337 \$ 2,805,337 \$ 164,047 \$ 269,149 433,196 \$ 136,969 \$ 27,078 164,047 \$	buildings equipment 2,805,337 \$ 83,850,678 \$ 10,525,616 3,242,675 13,190,613 1,567,494 (1,677,792) (403,374) 1,567,494 (403,374) 24,843,774 \$ 88,257,473 \$ 24,843,774 \$ 88,257,473 \$ 77,685,412 \$ 5,918,825	buildings equipment assets 2,805,337 \$ 83,850,678 \$ 4,609,660 \$ 10,525,616 3,242,675 753,411 13,190,613 1,567,494 - (84,088) 24,843,774 \$ 88,257,473 \$ 5,278,983 \$ 2,805,337 \$ 77,685,412 \$ 4,086,058 \$ 658,439 - 5,918,825 658,439 - 658,439 - - (208,309) (134,837) 2,805,337 \$ 83,850,678 \$ 4,609,660 \$ 4,609,660 2,805,337 \$ 83,850,678 \$ 4,609,660	buildings equipment assets in-progress 2,805,337 \$ 83,850,678 \$ 4,609,660 \$ 15,335,809 \$ 10,525,616 3,242,675 753,411 316,854 13,190,613 1,567,494 - (14,758,107) (1,677,792) (403,374) (84,088) - 24,843,774 \$ 88,257,473 \$ 5,278,983 \$ 894,556 \$ 2,805,337 \$ 77,685,412 \$ 4,086,058 \$ 981,506 \$ - 5,918,825 658,439 14,809,053 - - 454,750 - (454,750) - (454,750) - - (208,309) (134,837) - - 2,805,337 \$ 83,850,678 \$ 4,609,660 \$ 15,335,809 \$ 164,047 \$ 16,566,153 \$ 1,784,836 - \$ \$ 269,149 3,050,828 424,393 - - - (102,329) (67,106) - - 433,196 \$ 19,514,652 2,142,123 - \$ 136,969 \$ 13,677,466 </td

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7. Property, plant and equipment (continued):

At December 31, 2020, property, plant and equipment with a carrying amount of \$97,184,815 (2019 - \$88,086,448) are subject to general security agreements. Borrowing costs in the amount of \$381,963 (2019 - \$224,885) were capitalized as part of the cost of property, plant and equipment.

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8. Intangible assets:

		Land rights	Capital contributions paid	Software	Work in progress	Total
Cost or deemed cost		J	·			
Balance at January 1, 2020	\$	98,187	\$ 414,608 \$	3,912,543 \$	40,812 \$	4,466,150
Additions	*	29,280	-	62,561	40,188	132,029
Transfers		-	-	40,813	(40,813)	-
Disposals/retirements		-	(36,250)	, -	-	(36,250)
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$	127,467	\$ 378,358 \$	4,015,917 \$	40,187 \$	4,561,929
Balance at January 1, 2019	\$	98,187	\$ 414,608 \$	1,748,178 \$	1,130,338 \$	3,391,311
Additions		-	· -	1,074,839	-	1,074,839
Transfers		-	-	1,089,526	(1,089,526)	-
Balance at December 31, 2019	\$	98,187	\$ 414,608 \$	3,912,543 \$	40,812 \$	4,466,150
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance at January 1, 2020	\$	11,903	\$ 45,197 \$	1,353,257 \$	- \$	1,410,357
Depreciation		2,023	8,830	219,914	-	230,767
Disposals/retirements		-	(4,027)	-	-	(4,027)
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$	13,926	\$ 50,000 \$	1,573,171 \$	- \$	1,637,097
Balance at January 1, 2019	\$	9,886	\$ 35,989 \$	1,012,528 \$	- \$	1,058,403
Depreciation	·	2,017	9,208	340,729	-	351,954
Balance at December 31, 2019	\$	11,903	\$ 45,197 \$	1,353,257 \$	- \$	1,410,357
Carrying amounts						
At December 31, 2020	\$	113,541	\$ 328,358 \$	2,442,746 \$	40,187 \$	2,924,832
At December 31, 2019	·	86,284	369,411	2,559,286	40,812	3,055,793

At December 31, 2020, all intangible assets are subject to general security agreements.

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9. Regulatory balances:

Reconciliation of the carrying amount for each class of regulatory balances:

	January 1, 2020	Additions	Recovery/ reversal	December 31, 2020	Remaining years
		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			<u> </u>
Regulatory deferral account debit balances					
Group 1 deferred accounts					
Retail Settlement Variance Accounts	\$ 2,602,062 \$	(1,799,010)\$	- \$	803,052	1
Retailer cost variance accounts	31,984	(17,217)	-	14,767	2
Deferred meter costs	135,046	783	-	135,829	2
Other regulatory accounts	479,650	259,941	-	739,591	2
Regulatory settlement account	, -	136,051	-	136,051	_
Deferred income tax	3,164,572	(164,317)	-	3,000,255	*
	\$ 6,413,314 \$	(1,583,769)\$	- 9	4,829,545	
		,			
	January 1,		Recovery/	December 31,	Remaining
	2019	Additions	reversal	2019	years
Regulatory deferral account debit balances Group 1 deferred accounts					
Retail Settlement Variance Accounts	\$ 989,754 \$	1,111,856 \$	500,452 \$	2,602,062	1
Retailer cost variance accounts	45,450	(13,466)	, <u> </u>	31,984	3
Deferred meter costs	133,766	1,280	_	135,046	3
Other regulatory accounts	488,186	(8,536)	_	479,650	3
Regulatory settlement account	45,541	(45,541)	_	-	_
Deferred income tax	1,869,837	1,294,735	-	3,164,572	*
	\$ 3,572,534 \$	2,340,328 \$	500,452 \$	6,413,314	

^{*} These balances will reverse as the related deferred tax balances reverses.

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9. Regulatory balances (continued):

_		January 1, 2020	Additions	Recovery/ [reversal	December 31, 2020	Remaining years
Regulatory deferral account credit balances Group 1 deferred accounts						
Retail Settlement Variance Accounts	\$	505,320 \$	529,594 \$	- \$	1,034,914	1
Regulatory settlement account		125,300	(125,300)	-	, , , <u>-</u>	1
Other regulatory accounts		324,175	296,941	-	621,116	1
	\$	954,795 \$	701,235 \$	- \$	1,656,030	
		January 1, 2019	Additions	Recovery/ [reversal	December 31, 2019	Remaining years
Regulatory deferral account credit balances Group 1 deferred accounts						
Retail Settlement Variance Accounts	\$	5,933,899 \$	(1,817,772)\$	(3,610,807)\$	505,320	1
Regulatory settlement account	•	-	125,300	-	125,300	3
Other regulatory accounts		-	324,175	-	324,175	3
	\$	5,933,899 \$	(1,368,297)\$	(3,610,807)\$	954,795	

The regulatory balances are recovered or settled through rates approved by the OEB which are determined using estimates of future consumption of electricity by its customers. Future consumption is impacted by various factors including the economy and weather. The Company has received approval from the OEB to establish its regulatory balances.

Settlement of the Group 1 deferral accounts can be done on an annual basis through application to the OEB. Group 2 and other deferral accounts can be settled during a cost of service application to the OEB. Effective January 1, 2020, the approved account balances were moved to the regulatory settlement account.

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9. Regulatory balances (continued):

The OEB requires the Company to estimate its income taxes when it files a COS application to set its rates. As a result, the Corporation has recognized a regulatory deferral account for the amount of deferred taxes that will ultimately be recovered from/paid back to its customers. This balance will fluctuate as the Company's deferred tax balance fluctuates.

Regulatory balances attract interest at OEB prescribed rates, which are based on Bankers' Acceptances three-month rate plus a spread of 25 basis points. The rates were as follows:

	2020	2019
Quarter		
January 1 to March 31	2.18 %	2.45 %
April 1 to June 30	2.18 %	2.18 %
July 1 to September 30	0.57 %	2.18 %
October 1 to December 31	0.57 %	2.18 %

10. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

	2020	2019
Accounts payable and accruals-energy purchases Payroll payable IESO conservation program funding Other	\$ 10,764,747 654,460 1,109,689 9,141,678	\$ 9,631,887 405,131 517,188 7,133,672
	\$ 21,670,574	\$ 17,687,878

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11. Related party transactions:

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Brantford Energy Corporation and Brantford Energy Corporation is wholly owned by the Corporation of the City of Brantford (the City). Brantford Energy Corporation also owns Brantford Hydro Inc.

The Company obtains certain administrative and management services from the City and Brantford Energy corporation. The Company also provides services to the City, Brantford Energy Corporation and Brantford Hydro Inc. These services were made in the normal course of business, are non-interest bearing, have terms of net thirty days and have been recorded at the exchange amounts.

The Company has entered into a shared services agreement with the City, whereby the City will provide administrative, maintenance and operational services to the Company. The exchange amount for these services has been set out in the agreement. As at December 31, 2020 the balance owing to the City for these services was \$476,491 (2019 - \$582,430).

Details of the transactions between the Company and the City are detailed below:

City of Brantford	2020	2019
Revenues: Sale of electricity Other services	\$ 5,765,049 629,287	\$ 5,899,322 299,686
	\$ 6,394,336	\$ 6,199,008

	2020	2019
Operating expenses: Shared services agreement Property taxes	\$ 1,545,999 359,904	\$ 1,779,774 263,806
	\$ 1,905,903	\$ 2,043,580

The Company has entered into a shared services agreement with Brantford Energy Corporation and Brantford Hydro Inc., whereby the Company will provide administrative support to its affiliates. The exchange amount for these services has been set out in the agreement.

The Company obtains management services from Brantford Energy Corporation.

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11. Related party transactions (continued):

Details of the transactions between the Company and Brantford Energy Corporation are presented below:

Brantford Energy Corporation		2020		2019
Revenues:				
Administrative support	\$	74,811	\$	61,330
Financial information system fees		14,843	·	-
	\$	89,654	\$	61,330
		2020		2019
Operating expenses:				
Shared service fees	\$	290,019	\$	285,902
Management fees	·	279,356	·	214,302
	\$	569,375	\$	500,204

The Company purchases dark fibre optics services from Brantford Hydro Inc.

The Company charges pole rental fees to Brantford Hydro Inc. These rental fees allow fibre cables to be attached to the Company's distribution assets. The Company also provides other services such as, water heater tank disposal handling and assistance when fibre optic maintenance is done in proximity of the electrical plant.

Details of the transactions between the Company and Brantford Hydro Inc. are presented below:

Brantford Hydro Inc.	2020	2019
Revenues:		
Administrative support	\$ 105,260	\$ 110,169
Pole rental fees	102,395	99,476
Financial information system fees	23,721	73,626
Other services	1,414	50,431
	\$ 232,790	\$ 333,702

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11. Related party transactions (continued):

	2020	2019
Operating expenses: Dark fibre optic services Other services	\$ 7,648 5,500	\$ 3,600 7,871
	\$ 13,148	\$ 11,471

Balances owing (to)/from affiliates are as follows:

	2020	2019
Brantford Energy Corporation Brantford Hydro Inc.	\$ (14,685) 55,627	\$ (251,404) 131,782
	\$ 40,942	\$ (119,622)

Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the Company have been defined as members of its board of directors and executive management team members. The compensation paid or payable is as follows:

	2020	2019
Directors' fees Salaries and other short-term benefits	\$ 33,750 491,671	\$ 22,083 608,947
	\$ 525,421	\$ 631,030

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12. Long-term debt:

		2020	2019
Note payable, bearing interest at 4.20%, repayable to the City, interest only payable annually - due February	,		
2026 Royal Bank, non-revolving term facility with interest at prime repayable in quarterly instalments, due January,	\$	24,189,168	\$ 24,189,168
2021 Royal Bank, non-revolving term facility with interest at		148,847	722,299
prime repayable in quarterly instalments, due September 30, 2045 Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation non-		24,551,870	12,858,803
revolving term facility with interest at 5.14% repayable in semi annual instalments of \$86,523 due December, 2032 Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation non-		1,542,612	1,632,957
revolving term facility with interest at 4.95% repayable in semi annual instalments of \$138,371 due December, 2050 Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation non-revolving term facility with interest at 3.46% repayable		4,316,029	4,376,902
in semi annual instalments of \$237,885 due October, 2027 Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation non-revolving term facility with interest at 3.90% repayable		2,960,213	3,326,654
in semi annual instalments of \$113,683 due December, 2042		3,333,998	3,427,451
		61,042,737	 50,534,234
Less current portion long-term debt		1,784,538	1,186,290
	\$	59,258,199	\$ 49,347,944

The City has an option to extend the maturity date of the promissory note for successive five year periods. The City also has the option to convert the principal sum outstanding into common shares of the Company at a conversion ratio of \$100 per common share. Interest payable to the City of \$nil (2019 - \$1,015,945) was outstanding as at December 31, 2020. The parties extended the note for a future 5 years at the new rate.

The Company entered into a swap agreement during 2006 with Royal Bank to fix the interest rate. The agreement represents a notional principal amount of \$5,900,000. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company has contracted to pay interest at a fixed rate of 4.71% plus a stamping fee rate of 0.80% while receiving a variable rate equivalent to the one month Canadian Dollar Offered Rate to be repriced quarterly.

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12. Long-term debt (continued):

The Company was authorized for a \$25,000,000 non-revolving term facility, of which the full amount has been drawn down through bankers acceptances and rolled over as at September 30, 2020. This loan is repayable in quarterly blended payments of principal and interest of \$250,000, bearing interest at prime. The Company has a swap agreement with Royal Bank to fix the interest rate on the term facility. The agreement represents the full amount of \$25,000,000. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company has contracted to pay interest at a fixed rate of 2.54% plus a stamping fee of 0.55%.

These credit facilities are secured by general security agreements over all assets of the Company and an assignment of related fire insurance.

Estimated principal repayments are as follows:

2021	\$ 1,784,538
2022	1,660,776
2023	1,687,048
2024	1,714,395
Thereafter	54,195,980
	\$ 61,042,737

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13. Post-employment benefits:

Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) Pension Plan

All full-time, permanent and certain contract employees of the Company are eligible to participate in the OMERS defined pension plan (the plan).

The plan is a multi-employer, contributory defined pension plan with equal contributions by the employer and its employees. In 2020, the Company made employer contributions of \$535,381 to OMERS (2019 - \$500,177), of which \$18,535 (2019 - \$17,784) has been capitalized as part of PP&E and the remaining amount of \$516,846 (2019 - \$482,393) has been recognized in profit or loss. The Company estimates that a contribution of \$625,255 to OMERS will be made during the next fiscal year.

As at December 31, 2020, OMERS had over 500,000 members. The most recently available OMERS annual report is for the year ended December 31, 2020, which reported that the plan was 97% funded, with an unfunded liability of \$3.2 billion. This unfunded liability is likely to result in future payments by participating employers and members.

Post-employment benefits other than pension

The Company acquired various life insurance, health care related and dental coverage plan liabilities for certain retired employees of the former Hydro-Electric Commission of the City of Brantford. Travel, dental, vision and semi-private health care coverage is continued until the retiree reaches 65 years of age. Life insurance and extended health care coverage is continued until the retiree's death. The Company is also obligated to provide post retirement benefits to eligible active employees.

The Company measures the accrued benefit obligation for accounting purposes as of December 31 of each year. The accrued benefit obligation as at December 31, 2020 and the expense for the period ended December 31, 2020 are based on actuarial valuations done as at December 31, 2018.

The obligation is unfunded since no assets have been segregated and restricted to provide the post-retirement benefits.

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13. Post-employment benefits (continued):

Significant assumptions

The key weighted-average assumptions used by the Company for the measurement of the benefit obligation and benefit expense are summarized as follows:

	2020	2019
		_
To determine benefit obligation at end of year		
Discount rate	2.60 %	3.20 %
To determine benefit expense (income) for the year		
Discount rate	2.60 %	4.00 %
Rate of increase in future compensation	N/A	N/A
Health care cost trend rates at end of year		
Initial rate	6.00 %	6.00 %
Ultimate rate	4.75 %	4.75 %
Year ultimate rate reached	2024	2024

Sensitivity analysis

	Change in obligation		Change in expense
Impact of 1% increase in assumed health care trend rate Impact of 1% decrease in assumed health care trend rate	\$ 130,600 (108,900)	;	\$ 16,000 (13,000)

Reconciliation of the obligation:

	2020	2019
Defined benefit obligation, beginning of year Included in profit or loss	\$ 1,245,300	\$ 1,224,800
Current service cost	52,800	51,100
Past service cost	19,100	-
Interest cost	40,900	48,300
Benefits paid	(80,600)	(138,300)
Included in OCI	,	,
Actuarial losses	75,800	59,400
Defined benefit obligation, end of year	\$ 1,353,300	\$ 1,245,300

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14. Income tax expense:

		2020		2019
Current tax expense				
Current year	\$	206,736	\$	(816,414)
Adjustment for prior years	φ	841,000	φ	3,723
- Adjustment for prior years				
		1,047,736		(812,691)
Deferred tax expense				
Change in recognized deductible temporary				
differences		(106,016)		1,971,338
	\$	941,720	\$	1,158,647
Reconciliation of effective tax rate:				
		2020		2019
		2020		2019
Income (loss) before taxes	\$	4,957,378	\$	(4,215,330)
Canada and Ontario statutory income tax rates	Ψ	26.5 %	Ψ	26.5 %
Expected tax provision on income at statutory rates		1,313,705		(1,117,062)
Increase (decrease) in income taxes resulting from:		1,515,705		(1,117,002)
Permanent differences		425		2,886
Prior periods		388,141		3,723
Regulatory balances		(561,982)		1,729,165
Other		(198,569)		539,935
	\$	941,720	\$	1,158,647
Significant components of the Company's deferred ta	x balaı	nces:		
		2020		2019
Deferred tax assets (liabilities):				
Property, plant and equipment	\$	(3,796,280)	\$	(3,832,579)
Post-employment benefits	Ψ	358,625	Ψ	330,005
Allowance for doubtful accounts		436,985		334,960
Regulatory balances		(951,929)		
Non-capital losses available for carry forward		(931,929)		(1,072,701) 197,742
Corporate minimum tax		38,751		191,142
Derivative liabilities				190 125
Other		824,100 12,888		189,135
		12,000		12,888
Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	\$	(3,076,860)	\$	(3,840,550)

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15. Deferred revenue:

	2020	2019
Contributions received from customers Other	\$ 4,502,662 564,773	\$ 4,147,074 578,710
	\$ 5,067,435	\$ 4,725,784

16. Share capital:

	2020	2019
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Authorized:		
Unlimited number of common shares		

Issued:

1,001 common shares

\$ 22,437,505 \$ 22,437,505

Dividends

The Company has established a dividend policy to pay a pure residual non-cumulative approach to dividends whereby no specified targeted dividend payout ratios or dollar amounts will be prescribed in advance.

The Company paid aggregate dividends in the year on common shares of \$999 per share (2019 - \$749), which amount to total dividends paid in the year of \$1,000,000 (2019 -\$750,000).

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17. Revenue:

		2020		2019
Revenue from contracts with customers:				
	Φ.	107 505 001	Φ.	444 740 400
Energy sales Distribution revenue	\$	127,505,201	\$	111,743,409
Distribution revenue		19,347,319		17,908,538
		146,852,520		129,651,947
IESO conservation programs		304,847		1,553,047
Other revenue		1,566,055		957,034
	\$	148,723,422	\$	132,162,028
		2020		2019
Energy sales and distribution revenue by class of	omprise:			
Residential	\$	57,527,444	\$	42,067,487
General service <50		13,250,347		10,713,998
General service >50		73,845,034		74,335,546
Embedded distribution		632,556		607,468
Unmetered		296,095		226,589
Street lighting		1,239,705		1,205,822
Sentinel light		61,339		495,037
	\$	146,852,520	\$	129,651,947
Other revenue		2020		2019
Specific services charges	\$	199,548	\$	226,984
Management fees	•	218,636	T	245,124
Property rental		526,096		259,841
Retailer revenue		32,389		30,802
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets		360,662		(110,195)
Customer contributions		220,766		195,226
Other revenue		7,958		109,252
Total other revenue	\$	1,566,055	\$	957,034

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18. Finance income and finance costs:

Finance income:

	2020	2019
Interest income on bank deposits	\$ 96,066	\$ 288,258
Late payment charges	359,302	326,283
	\$ 455,368	\$ 614,541
Finance costs:		
	2020	2019
Interest on long-term debt	\$ 1,580,605	\$ 1,632,356
Interest expense on customer deposits	22,121	51,854
Loss on derivative liabilities	(14,304)	(19,230)
Other	58,919	58,807
	1,647,341	1,723,787
Net finance costs recognized in profit or loss	\$ 1,191,973	\$ 1,109,246

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19. Contingencies and commitments:

General liability insurance:

The Company has obtained general liability and enhanced directors and officers insurance coverage from the Municipal Electric Association Reciprocal Insurance Exchange (The Mearie Group) expiring January 1, 2022. The Mearie Group is an insurance reciprocal whereby all members through the unincorporated group share risks with each other. Members of the Mearie Group are assessed a premium deposit at policy execution. Should the group experience losses that are in excess of the accumulated premium deposits of its members combined with reserves and supplementary insurance, members would be assessed a supplementary or retro assessment on a pro-rata basis for the years in which the Company was a member.

As at December 31, 2020, the Company has not been made aware of any additional assessments. Participation in The Mearie Group covers a three year underwriting period which expires on January 1, 2022.

General:

From time to time, the Company is involved in various litigation matters arising in the ordinary course of its business. The Company has no reason to believe that the disposition of any such current matter could reasonably be expected to have a materially adverse impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or its ability to carry on any of its business activities.

20. Operating expenses:

Distribution operations and maintenance:

	2020	2019
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Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,619,628	\$ 1,544,925
Other staff costs	122,062	149,092
City of Brantford shared services	932,052	974,340
Contracted services	527,186	572,083
Building utilities and maintenance	46,141	68,824
Materials and supplies	330,370	322,923
Equipment repairs and maintenance	6,919	23,930
Vehicle	234,324	221,608
Other	4,196	(35,431)
	\$ 3,822,878	\$ 3,842,294

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20. Operating expenses (continued):

Billing and collecting:

		2020		2019
Salaries and benefits	\$	1,486,879	\$	1,134,652
Other staff costs	Ψ	(1,787)	Ψ	16,002
City of Brantford shared services		242,265		295,080
Contracted services		666,942		700,370
Expected credit losses		875,861		881,423
Materials and suppliers		6,659		10,005
Postage		372,309		364,962
Other		176,506		109,569
	\$	3,825,634	\$	3,512,063

General administration:

		2020		2019
Salaries and benefits	\$	2,400,366	\$	1,851,532
Other staff costs	Ψ	55,436	Ψ	70,387
City of Brantford shared services		572,738		637,440
Contracted services		1,323,005		795,386
Building utilities and maintenance		354,423		396,119
Materials and supplies		59,359		37,455
Other		685,744		607,230
	\$	5,451,071	\$	4,395,549

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20. Operating expenses (continued):

IESO conservation programs:

	2020	2019
Incentives paid to customers	\$ 165,500	\$ 1,101,079
Salaries and benefits	11,352	141,174
Other staff costs	783	5,845
City of Brantford shared services	383	22,976
Contracted services	106,829	328,601
Materials and supplies	-	4,344
Other	-	54,776
	\$ 284,847	\$ 1,658,795

The IESO conservation programs are winding down. There are no new applications, only existing applications are being settled.

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Year ended December 31, 2020

21. Statement of cash flows:

Changes in non-cash working capital:

		2020		2019
Accounts receivable	\$	(1,114,975)	\$	445,580
Unbilled revenue		(449,713)		(2,010,108)
Materials and supplies		(457,928)		(197,756)
Prepaid expenses		36,509		107,845
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		3,982,696		3,060,525
Accounts payable to the City of Brantford		(105,939)		230,095
Interest paid on long term debt		1,015,945		1,629,686
Finance costs		(1,661,645)		(1,743,017)
Due to affiliates		(160,564)		127,192
Customer deposits		(78,216)		195,216
	\$	1,006,170	\$	1,845,258
Other items not affecting each.				
Other items not affecting cash:				
		2020		2019
Post-employment benefits	\$	22 200	\$	(39,000)
Vested sick leave	Φ	32,200	Ф	(38,900)
Derivative liabilities		(44.004)		(61,883)
Delivative liabilities		(14,304)		(21,237)
	\$	17,896	\$	(122,020)

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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22. Amortization:

	2020	2019
Amortization of capital assets Amortization of capital assets charged to distribution	\$ 3,842,494	\$ 3,557,438
operations and maintenance	244,814	244,701
	\$ 4,087,308	\$ 3,802,139

23. Capital disclosures:

The Company's main objectives when managing capital are to:

- ensure ongoing access to funding to maintain and improve the electricity distribution system;
- ensure compliance with covenants related to its credit facilities; and
- closely align its capital structure with the deemed capital structure established by the OEB.

As at December 31, 2020, the Company's definition of capital includes equity and long-term debt. This definition remains unchanged from prior years. As at December 31, 2020, equity amounts to \$47,257,898 (2019 - \$47,686,379) and long-term debt, amounts to \$59,258,199 (2019 - \$49,347,944). The Company's capital structure as at December 31, 2020 is 56% debt and 44% equity (2019 - 51% debt and 49% equity). There have been no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year.

The Company's long-term debt agreements include both financial and non-financial covenants. As at December 31, 2020, the Company was in compliance with all covenants.

24. Financial instruments:

All financial instruments are initially recorded on the statement of financial position at fair value except for certain related party transactions. They are subsequently valued either at fair value or amortized cost depending on the classification selected by the Company for the financial instrument.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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24. Financial instruments (continued):

(a) Interest rate risk:

Interest is paid on customer deposits at a market rate reset quarterly as directed by the Ontario Energy Board.

A term facility loan bears interest at a floating rate and thus, the carrying value approximates fair value. However, the Company has entered into an interest rate swap transaction, derivative instrument, the effect of which is to fix the interest rate on the \$724,000 term facility loan at 4.71% on the \$25,000,000 term facility loan at 2.54%. The potential replacement cost to the Company of the interest rate swaps, representing estimated fair value as presented on the balance sheet, was \$3,109,811 (2019 - \$720,354), which was in the favour of Royal Bank. The Company entered into these interest rate swap transactions to fix the interest rate over the long-term and intends to hold this to maturity at which time there should be no replacement cost.

(b) Credit risk:

The Company grants credit to its customers in the normal course of business and monitors their financial condition and reviews the credit history of new customers. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, certain of the Company's customers have experienced loss of employment, business shut-downs and other disruptions. The extension of the OEB's winter disconnection ban negatively impacted the Company's ability to exercise the full extent of its collection tools to manage the credit risk. In response to the increased collection risk, the Company has increased its loss allowance for expected credit losses to adjust for the higher level of expected customer defaults on accounts receivable.

The Company is currently holding customer deposits on hand in the amount of \$2,003,318 (2019 - \$2,081,534) which is reflected on the Statement of Financial Position. Customer deposits are limited to those allowed under the OEB's Retail Settlement Code. Allowances of \$1,649,000 (2019 - \$1,264,000) are also maintained for potential credit losses. The Company's accounts receivable do not reflect the concentrated risk of default from exposure to large customers. At December 31, 2020, the outstanding amounts receivable from the largest ten customers represented \$1,843,223 or 19% (2019 - \$2,600,133 or 25%) of the total outstanding accounts receivable. Management believes that it has adequately provided for any exposure to normal customer and retailer credit risk.

(c) Liquidity risk:

The Company's objective is to have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due. The Company monitors its cash balances and cashflows generated from operations to meet its requirements.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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24. Financial instruments (continued):

(d) Prudential support:

The Company is required, through the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO), to provide security to mitigate the company's risk of default based on its expected activity in the electricity market. The IESO could draw on this guarantee if the Company fails to make a payment required by a default notice issued by the IESO. The maximum potential payment is the face value of the bank letter of credit. As at December 31, 2020, the Company provided prudential support in the form of a bank letter of credit of \$13,057,140 (2019 - \$13,057,140).

(e) Revolving term facility:

As at December 31, 2020, the Company has been authorized for a revolving term facility of \$14,000,000 (2019 - \$7,000,000) of which NIL had been drawn upon. The facility bears interest at prime and is secured by a general security agreement over all assets of the Company and assignment of related fire insurance.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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24. Financial instruments (continued):

- (f) Fair value of other financial instruments:
 - (i) Establishing fair value:

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, accounts payable to the City, interest payable to the City, and due to/from affiliates approximate their fair values due to the immediate or short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

Fair values for other financial instruments, detailed below, have been estimated with reference to quoted market prices for actual or similar instruments where available, except for certain related party transactions.

Customer deposits fair value approximates carrying value. Interest is paid on deposits on a monthly basis at a market rate, reset quarterly, as directed by the OEB.

The fixed rate long-term debt facility, maturing December 2032, funded by the Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) has an estimated fair value of \$1,795,000 (carrying value - \$1,542,612). The fair value was determined using the present value of the cash flows using the quoted OILC market rate for the debt at December 31, 2020, of 2.4% per annum, (actual rate – 5.14% per annum). The loan is classified as an Other Liability (OL) with no resulting adjustment to carrying value.

The fixed rate long-term debt facility, maturing December 2050, funded by the OILC has an estimated fair value of \$5,555,600 (carrying value - \$4,316,029). The fair value was determined using the present value of the cash flows using the quoted OILC market rate for the debt at December 31, 2020, of 2.85% per annum, (actual rate – 4.95% per annum). The loan is classified as an Other Liability (OL) with no resulting adjustment to carrying value.

The fixed rate long-term debt facility, maturing October 2027, funded by the OILC has an estimated fair value of \$3,093,400 (carrying value - \$2,960,213). The fair value was determined using the present value of the cash flows using the quoted OILC market rate for the debt at December 31, 2020, of 2% per annum, (actual rate – 3.46% per annum). The loan is classified as an Other Liability (OL) with no resulting adjustment to carrying value.

The fixed rate long-term debt facility, maturing December 2042, funded by the OILC has an estimated fair value of \$3,829,600 (carrying value - \$3,333,997). The fair value was determined using the present value of the cash flows using the quoted OILC market rate for the debt at December 31, 2020, of 2.5% per annum, (actual rate – 3.90% per annum). The loan is classified as an Other Liability (OL) with no resulting adjustment to carrying value.

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24. Financial instruments (continued):

- (f) Fair value of other financial instruments (continued):
 - (i) Establishing fair value (continued):

The promissory note payable to the City has an estimated fair value of \$29,282,400 (carrying value - \$24,189,168). The fair value was determined using the present value of the cash flows using the quoted OILC market rate for the debt at December 31, 2020, of 2.5% per annum, (actual rate -4.20% per annum). The loan is classified as an Other Liability (OL) with no resulting adjustment to carrying value.

The carrying values of the two Royal Bank facility loans approximate their fair values as the loans bear interest at current rates.

The fair value of derivative instruments is calculated using pricing models that incorporate current market prices and the contractual prices of the underlying instruments, the time value of money and yield curves.

(ii) Fair value hierarchy:

Financial instruments recorded at fair value on the Statement of Financial Position are classified using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

Level 1 - valuation based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 - valuation techniques based on inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices);

Level 3 - valuation techniques using inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The fair value hierarchy requires the use of observable market inputs whenever such inputs exist. A financial instrument is classified to the lowest level of the hierarchy for which a significant input has been considered in measuring fair value.

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24. Financial instruments (continued):

- (f) Fair value of other financial instruments (continued):
 - (ii) Fair value hierarchy (continued):

The following table presents the financial instruments recorded at fair value in the Statement of Financial Position Sheet, classified using the fair value hierarchy described above:

				otal financial assets and abilities at fair
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	value
Financial assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 14,417,957	\$ - \$	-	\$ 14,417,957
	\$ 14,417,957	\$ - \$		\$ 14,417,957
Derivative liabilities	\$ 3,109,811	- \$	-	\$ 3,109,811
Total financial liabilities	\$ 3,109,811	\$ - \$	-	\$ 3,109,811

During the year, there has been no transfer of amounts between Level 1 and Level 2 and no financial assets or liabilities have been identified as Level 3.