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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE

February 14, 2018

Members of the Transportation Authority Board Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority Holland, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the *Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority* (the "Authority") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and have issued our report thereon dated February 14, 2018. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

Our Responsibility in Relation to the Financial Statement Audit

As communicated in our engagement letter dated November 28, 2017, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express opinions about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing 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 over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Authority solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

We have provided our findings regarding internal control over financial reporting and compliance noted during our audit in a separate letter to you dated February 14, 2018. In addition, we noted a certain other matter which is included in Attachment A to this letter.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We performed the audit according to the planned scope and timing previously communicated to you in our engagement letter and in our meeting about planning matters on November 28, 2017.

Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, and our firm has complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence.

Qualitative Aspects of the Authority's Significant Accounting Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Authority is included in Note 1 to the financial statements.

There have been no initial selections of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during the year.

No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments.

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements were:

- Management's estimate of the useful lives of depreciable capital assets is based on the length of time it is believed that those assets will provide some economic benefit in the future.
- Management's estimate of the accrued compensated absences is based on current hourly rates and policies regarding payment of sick and vacation banks.
- Management's estimate of the allowance for uncollectible receivable balances is based on past experience and future expectation for collection of various account balances.

We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates and determined that they are reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole and in relation to the applicable opinion units.

Significant Difficulties Encountered During the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Further, professional standards require us to also communicate the effect of uncorrected misstatements related to prior periods on the relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures, and the financial statements as a whole and each applicable opinion unit. In addition, professional standards require us to communicate to you all material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures. None of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to the Authority's financial statements or the auditors' report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management, which are included in Attachment C to this letter.

Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

Other Significant Matters, Findings, or Issues

In the normal course of our professional association with the Authority, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, operating and regulatory conditions affecting the entity, and operational plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as the Authority's auditors.

Other Information in Documents Containing Audited Financial Statements

Our responsibility for the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, as described by professional standards, is to evaluate the presentation of the supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole and to report on whether the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole. We made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Upcoming Changes in Accounting Standards

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) are continually changing in order to promote the usability and enhance the applicability of information included in external financial reporting. While it would not be practical to include an in-depth discussion of every upcoming change in professional standards, Attachment B to this letter contains a brief overview of recent pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and their related effective dates. Management is responsible for reviewing these standards, determining their applicability, and implementing them in future accounting periods.

This information is intended solely for the use of the governing body and management of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Rehmann Loham LLC

Attachment A - Comments and Recommendations

For the September 30, 2017 Audit

During our audit, we became aware of a certain other matter that is an opportunity for strengthening internal control and/or improving operating efficiency. This memorandum summarizes our comment and recommendation regarding this matter. Our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting is described in our report, dated February 14, 2018, issued in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. This memorandum does not affect that report or our report dated February 14, 2018, on the financial statements of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority.

Budget Amendments

The Authority is required to follow the budgetary guidelines discussed in State of Michigan Public Act 2 of 1968, the *Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act*, and the Uniform Budget Manual (the "Manual"). According to the Manual, it is the interpretation of the Michigan Department of Treasury that "there is no authority to amend the budget after year-end." For the year ended September 30, 2017, the Authority included grant-related budget amendments in the financial statements that were entered subsequent to year-end. Additionally, we noted that the Authority to amend the budget currently rests with management, rather than with the Board. We recommend that the Authority review its budget processes for compliance with State regulations, and ensure that all necessary budget amendments are approved by the Board prior to year-end.

Attachment B - Upcoming Changes in Accounting Standards / Regulations For the September 30, 2017 Audit

The following pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) have been released recently and may be applicable to the Authority in the near future. We encourage management to review the following information and determine which standard(s) may be applicable to the Authority. For the complete text of these and other GASB standards, visit www.gasb.org and click on the "Standards & Guidance" tab. If you have questions regarding the applicability, timing, or implementation approach for any of these standards, please contact your audit team.

GASB 75 ■ Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions

Effective 06/15/2018 (your FY 2018)

This standard builds on the requirements of GASB 74 by requiring employers that provide other postemployment benefits (OPEB) to recognize a net OPEB liability on their statements of net position. It mirrors the new accounting and financial reporting requirements of GASB 68 for pension benefits.

GASB 81 ■ Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements

Effective 12/15/2017 (your FY 2018)

This standard addresses the accounting for split-interest agreements for which the government serves as the intermediary and/or the beneficiary. It requires governments to record assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources at the inception of the agreement when serving as intermediary, or when the government controls the present service capacity of a beneficial interest. We do not expect this standard to have any significant effect on the Authority.

GASB 83 ■ Certain Asset Retirement Obligations

Effective 06/15/2019 (your FY 2019)

This standard addresses accounting and financial reporting for certain asset retirement obligations--legally enforceable liabilities associated with the retirement of a tangible capital asset. We do not expect this standard to have any significant effect on the Authority.

GASB 84 ■ Fiduciary Activities

Effective 12/15/2019 (your FY 2020)

This standard establishes new criteria for determining how to report fiduciary activities in governmental financial statements. The focus is on whether the government is controlling the assets, and who the beneficiaries are. Under this revised standard, certain activities previously reported in agency funds may be reclassified in future periods. Due to the number of specific factors to consider, we will continue to assess the degree to which this standard may impact the Authority.

GASB 85 ■ Omnibus 2017

Effective 06/15/2018 (your FY 2018)

This standard includes a variety of small technical revisions to previously issued GASB statements. We do not expect this standard to have any significant effect on the Authority.

Attachment B - Upcoming Changes in Accounting Standards / Regulations For the September 30, 2017 Audit

GASB 86 ■ Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues

Effective 06/15/2018 (your FY 2018)

This standard provides guidance for reporting the in-substance defeasance of outstanding debt obligations using existing resources. Qualifying transactions will remove both the assets placed into trust and the related debt obligation from the government's statement of net position. We do not expect this standard to have any significant effect on the Authority.

GASB 87 ■ Leases

Effective 12/15/2020 (your FY 2021)

This standard establishes a single model for reporting all leases (including those previously classified as operating and capital). Lessees will now report offsetting intangible lease assets and lease liabilities equal to the present value of future lease payments. Lessors will report offsetting lease receivables and deferred inflows of resources.

Attachment C - Management Representations For the September 30, 2017 Audit

The following pages contain the written representations that we requested from management.



February 14, 2018

Rehmann Robson 2330 East Paris Ave. SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of *Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority* (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, for the purpose of expressing opinions on whether the basic financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows, where applicable, and the budgetary comparison for the general fund of the Authority in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted for governments in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in the light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

We confirm that, having made such inquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves as of February 14, 2018:

Financial Statements

- 1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement letter dated November 28, 2017, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the various opinion units referred to above in accordance with U.S. GAAP. We have reviewed, approved, and taken responsibility for the financial statements and related notes.
- 2. We have reviewed and approved the various adjusting journal entries that were proposed by you for recording in our books and records and reflected in the financial statements.
- 3. We acknowledge our responsibility for 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.
- 4. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
- 5. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
- 6. Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP. For the purposes of this letter, related parties mean members of the governing body; board members; administrative officials; immediate families of administrative officials, board members, and members of the governing body; and any companies affiliated with or owned by such individuals.
- 7. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.

- 8. The effects of all known actual or possible litigation and claims have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- 9. With regard to items reported at fair value:
 - a. The underlying assumptions are reasonable and they appropriately reflect management's intent and ability to carry out its stated courses of action.
 - b. The measurement methods and related assumptions used in determining fair value are appropriate in the circumstances and have been consistently applied.
 - c. The disclosures related to fair values are complete, adequate, and in conformity with U.S. GAAP.
 - d. There are no subsequent events that require adjustments to the fair value measurements and disclosures included in the financial statements.
- 10. All component units, as well as joint ventures with an equity interest, are included and other joint ventures and related organizations are properly disclosed.
- 11. All funds and activities are properly classified.
- 12. All funds that meet the quantitative criteria in GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis—for State and Local Governments, and GASB Statement No. 37, Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis—for State and Local Governments: Omnibus, for presentation as major are identified and presented as such and all other funds that are presented as major are considered important to financial statement users.
- 13. All components of net position and fund balance classifications have been properly reported.
- 14. All revenues within the statement of activities have been properly classified as program revenues, general revenues, contributions to term or permanent endowments, or contributions to permanent fund principal.
- 15. All expenses have been properly classified in or allocated to functions and programs in the statement of activities, and allocations, if any, have been made on a reasonable basis.
- 16. All interfund and intra-entity transactions and balances have been properly classified and reported.
- 17. Deposit and investment risks have been properly and fully disclosed.
- 18. Capital assets, including infrastructure assets, are properly capitalized, reported, and if applicable, depreciated.
- 19. All required supplementary information is measured and presented within the prescribed guidelines.

Information Provided

- 20. We have provided you with:
 - a. Access to all information, of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the various opinion units referred to above, such as records, documentation, meeting minutes, and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit; and
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- 21. All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
- 22. We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
- 23. We have no knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud that affects the entity and involves:
 - a. Management;
 - b. Employees who have significant roles in internal control; or
 - c. Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- 24. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, vendors, regulators, or others.

- 25. We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
- 26. We have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
- 27. There have been no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with or deficiencies in accounting, internal control, or financial reporting practices.
- 28. The government has no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities.
- 29. We have disclosed to you all guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the government is contingently liable.
- 30. We have identified and disclosed to you the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and grant agreements that could have a direct and material effect on financial statement amounts, including legal and contractual provisions for reporting specific activities in separate funds.

31. There are no:

- a. Violations or possible violations of laws or regulations, or provisions of contracts or grant agreements whose effects should be considered for disclosure in the financial statements or as a basis for recording a loss contingency, including applicable budget laws and regulations.
- b. Unasserted claims or assessments that our lawyer has advised are probable of assertion and must be disclosed in accordance with GASB-62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements.
- c. Other liabilities or gain or loss contingencies that are required to be accrued or disclosed by GASB-62.
- 32. The government has satisfactory title to all owned assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset or future revenue been pledged as collateral, except as disclosed to you.
- 33. We have complied with all aspects of grant agreements and other contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance.
- 34. We have disclosed to you all significant estimates and material concentrations known to management that are required to be disclosed in accordance with GASB-62. Significant estimates are estimates at the balance sheet date that could change materially within the next year. Concentrations refer to volumes of business, revenues, available sources of supply, or markets or geographic areas for which events could occur that would significantly disrupt normal finances within the next year.

Supplementary Information in Relation to the Financial Statements as a Whole

- 35. With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements:
 - a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of the supplementary information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
 - b. We believe the supplementary information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
 - c. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - d. We believe the significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the supplementary information, and the basis for our assumptions and interpretations, are reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances.

Required Supplementary Information

- 36. With respect to the required supplementary information accompanying the financial statements:
 - a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of the required supplementary information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
 - b. We believe the required supplementary information, including its form and content, is measured and fairly presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
 - c. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - d. We believe the significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the required supplementary information, and the basis for our assumptions and interpretations, are reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances.

Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200)

- 37. With respect to federal awards, we represent the following to you:
 - a. We are responsible for understanding and complying with and have complied with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance.
 - b. We are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.
 - c. We believe the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.
 - d. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - e. We believe the significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and the basis for our assumptions and interpretations, are reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances.
 - f. We are responsible for including the auditor's report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains the schedule and that indicates that the auditor has reported on such information.
 - g. When the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is not presented with the audited financial statements, management will make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date of issuance by the entity of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and the auditor's report thereon.
 - h. We have, in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, identified in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, expenditures made during the audit period for all awards provided by federal agencies in the form of grants, federal cost-reimbursement contracts, loans, loan guarantees, property (including donated surplus property), cooperative agreements, interest subsidies, food commodities, direct appropriations, and other assistance.
 - i. We are responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements related to each of our federal programs and have identified and disclosed to you the requirements of laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements that are considered to have a direct and material effect on each major federal program; and we have complied, in all material respects, with these requirements.
 - j. We have provided to you our interpretations of any compliance requirements that have varying interpretations.
 - k. We are responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance requirements applicable to federal programs that provide reasonable assurance that we are managing our federal awards in compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of

contracts and grant agreements that could have a material effect on our federal programs. Also, no changes have been made in the internal control system to the date of this letter that might significantly affect internal control, including any corrective action taken with regard to significant deficiencies, including material weaknesses, reported in the schedule of findings and questioned costs.

 We have made available to you all contracts and grant agreements (including amendments, if any) and any other correspondence with federal agencies or pass-through entities relating to

federal programs.

m. We have received no requests from a federal agency to audit one or more specific programs as a

major program.

n. We have identified and disclosed to you all amounts questioned and any known noncompliance with the requirements of federal awards, including the results of other audits or program reviews. We also know of no instances of noncompliance occurring subsequent to the end of the period audited.

o. We have charged costs to federal awards in accordance with applicable cost principles, including amounts claimed or used for matching determined in accordance with relevant guidelines in the

Uniform Guidance.

p. We have made available to you all documentation related to the compliance requirements, including information related to federal program financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements.

q. Federal program financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements are supported by the books and records from which the basic financial statements have been prepared (and are prepared on a basis consistent with the schedule of expenditures of federal awards).

r. The copies of federal program financial reports provided to you are true copies of the reports submitted, or electronically transmitted, to the respective federal agency or pass-through entity,

as applicable.

s. We are responsible for and have accurately prepared the summary schedule of prior audit findings to include all findings required to be included by the Uniform Guidance, and we have provided you with all information on the status of the follow-up on prior audit findings by federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, including all management decisions.

t. We have disclosed to you the findings received and related corrective actions taken for previous audits, attestation engagements, and internal or external monitoring that directly relate to the objectives of the compliance audit, including findings received and corrective actions taken from the end of the period covered by the compliance audit to the date of the auditor's report.

u. We are responsible for and have accurately completed the appropriate sections of the Data Collection Form as required by the Uniform Guidance, and we are responsible for preparing and implementing a correction action plan for each audit finding.

v. We have disclosed all contracts or other agreements with service organizations and disclosed to you all communications from these service organizations relating to noncompliance at the organizations.

w. We have reviewed, approved, and taken responsibility for the financial statements and related notes.

x. We have disclosed to you the nature of any subsequent events that provide additional evidence with respect to conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period that affect noncompliance during the reporting period.

Tim Vagle, Director of Finance

Linda LeFebre, Director

Macatawa Area
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Year Ended September 30, 2017

Single Audit Act Compliance



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

February 14, 2018

Members of the Transportation Authority Board Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority Holland, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated February 14, 2018, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain other procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	CFDA	Passed	Pass-through /	Federal
Federal Agency / Cluster / Program Title	Number	Through	Grantor Number	Expenditures
U.S. Department of Transportation				
Federal Transit Cluster:				
Section 5307 current year (operating)	20.507	Direct	MI-2017-021	\$ 1,200,000
Section 5307 (capital grant)	20.507	Direct	MI-90-X680	9,580
Section 5307 (capital grant)	20.507	Direct	MI-2017-002	288,000
				1,497,580
Section 5339 (capital grant)	20.526	Direct	MI-2016-014	32,054
Total Federal Transit Cluster				1,529,634
Transit Services Programs Cluster:				
New Freedom Program	20.513	MDOT	2017-0084/P1	187,358
Section 5310 (capital grant)	20.513	MDOT	2012-0121/P17	636,480
Total Transit Services Programs Cluster				823,838
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Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				\$ 2,353,472

See notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority (the "Authority") under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Authority, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the Authority.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Authority's financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.

For purposes of charging indirect costs to federal awards, the Authority has not elected to use the 10 percent de minimis cost rate as permitted by \$200.414 of the Uniform Guidance.

3. PASS-THROUGH AGENCIES

The Authority receives certain federal grant as subawards from non-federal entities. Pass-through entities, where applicable, have been identified in the Schedule with an abbreviation, defined as follows:

Pass-through	
Agency	
Abbreviation	Pass-through Agency Name

MDOT Michigan Department of Transportation

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

February 14, 2018

Members of the Transportation Authority Board Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority Holland, Michigan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the *Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority* (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 14, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

February 14, 2018

Members of the Transportation Authority Board Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority Holland, Michigan

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the compliance of the *Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority* (the "Authority") with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Authority's major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2017. The Authority's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Independent Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Authority's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the requirement of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2017.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe that a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements			
Type of auditors' report issued:	Unmodified		
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes X no		
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yesXnone reported		
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes <u>X</u> _no		
Federal Awards			
Internal control over major programs:			
Material weakness(es) identified?	yesXno		
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yesXnone reported		
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified		
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2CFR 200.516(a)?	yes <u>X</u> no		
Identification of major programs:			
CFDA Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster		
20.513	Transit Services Programs Cluster		
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000		
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	X		

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None reported

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None reported

Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

None reported

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

February 14, 2018

Members of the Transportation Authority Board Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority Holland, Michigan

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the *Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority* (the "Authority"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as 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.

Independent Auditors' 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 auditors' 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 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 major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Authority as of September 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a 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 assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The agency fund combining schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The Michigan Bureau of Passenger Transportation Schedules and Reconciliations of OAR Schedules to Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance for Governmental Fund are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued, under separate cover, our report dated February 14, 2018 on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority (the "Authority"), we offer readers of the Authority's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that is furnished in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the Authority exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$12,305,515 (net position). Of this amount, \$3,309,633 was unrestricted and may be used to meet the Authority's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- · The Authority's total net position increased by \$865,789 from operations during fiscal 2017.
- · As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Authority's General Fund reported an ending fund balance of \$3,290,263, an increase of \$460,258.
- · Total fund balance was 62.2% of total General Fund expenditures.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority'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 required by the Michigan Bureau of Passenger Transportation (BPT) in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

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

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two 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 Authority is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. 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).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Authority 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 Authority are all classified as public transportation. The Authority has no business-type activities.

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 Authority, 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 Authority can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

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 a government'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 change in fund balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Authority maintains one individual governmental fund, the General Fund. Information is presented in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and change in fund balance.

The Authority adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. The budgetary comparison statement has been provided herein to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary Funds. The Authority maintains one type of proprietary fund. The *Internal Service Fund* is used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the Authority's various functions. The Authority uses an internal service fund to account for compensated absences of the Authority. Because these services predominately benefit governmental rather than business-type functions, they have been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

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 Authority's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

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.

Supplementary Information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain information required by the Bureau of Passenger Transportation (BPT).

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Statement of Net Position

As previously stated, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Authority, assets exceeded liabilities by \$12,305,515 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

	Governmental Activities			
	2017	2016		
Current and other assets	\$ 3,655,140	\$ 3,155,376		
Capital assets, net	8,995,882	8,588,054		
Total assets	12,651,022	11,743,430		
Total liabilities	345,507	303,704		
Net position:				
Investment in capital assets	8,995,882	8,588,054		
Unrestricted	3,309,633	2,851,672		
Total net position	\$12,305,515	\$11,439,726		

A substantial portion of the Authority's net position, \$8,995,882 (73.1 percent), reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, vehicles, equipment and infrastructure). The Authority uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending.

The Authority may use the remaining balance of unrestricted net position of \$3,309,633 (26.9 percent) to meet its ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Authority is able to report positive balances in both categories of net position.

Statement of Activities

	Governmental Activities		
	2017	2016	
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 310,661	\$ 310,407	
Operating grants and contributions	2,994,559	2,904,908	
Capital grants and contributions	1,329,500	1,502,315	
General revenues:			
Property taxes	1,077,321	1,002,570	
Unrestricted investment earnings	12,505	5,433	
Total revenues	5,724,546	5,725,633	
Expenses:			
Public transportation	4,858,757	4,803,745	
Change in net position	865,789	921,888	
Net position, beginning of year	11,439,726	10,517,838	
Net position, end of year	\$12,305,515	\$11,439,726	

Management's Discussion and Analysis

The Authority's net position increased by \$865,789 during the current fiscal year. The Michigan Department of Transportation pays transit agencies by formula a percentage of their eligible expenses under Act 51 up to a maximum of 60% for Small Urban and Rural Transit agencies and a maximum of 40% for Large Urban agencies. MAX is a Small Urban Agency and is eligible to receive up to 60% of its eligible expenses under Act 51. MDOT estimates the available revenue and determines the percentage paid to agencies. At the end of its fiscal year, MDOT then reconciles expenses and transit agencies are asked to either pay back overpayments or receive additional funding based on eligible expenses. A second time after all audits are received from transit agencies, MDOT performs the reconciliation process again and transit agencies are either asked to pay back overpayments or receive additional funding. Below is a Five Year history of the percentages paid by MDOT to transit agencies for operating assistance: 2013- 36.24%, 2014- 38.48%, 2015- 39.30%, 2016-36.34%, 2017- 38.30%. Capital grant revenue decreased by \$172,815 from prior fiscal year. This is due to the fact that we concentrated on retaining and using grants for bus purchases and not extra grants for office equipment or hardware/software upgrades.

Financial Analysis of the Authority's Funds

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

The overall results of General Fund operations were an increase in fund balance of \$460,258. The growth was a result of lower expenditures and an increase in property tax revenue.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The original revenue and other financing sources budget was \$4,439,877 and as amended was \$6,198,349 which represents an increase of \$1,758,472. The original expenditure budget was \$4,439,877 and as amended was \$6,058,349 which represents an increase of \$1,618,472. The primary reason for the increase in final budget revenues and expenditures was due to additional federal funding received for bus acquisitions made during the current fiscal year. The Authority budgets for the full amount of grant revenue and expenditures in the year the grant is received even though the projects can span multiple years, which resulted in grant revenue and capital outlay expenditures being less than the final amended budget.

Actual expenditures came in \$764,808 less than the amended budget. Actual payroll, health insurance, legal, fuel and commercial insurance and snow removal expenses came in less than projected. Vacant positions and unexpended grant funds contributed to the favorable expenditure budget variance.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The Authority invested \$1,343,171 in land, buildings, equipment and vehicles during the fiscal period to service Authority users.

Governmental Activities

	2017	2016		
Land	\$ 249,289	\$	249,289	
Land improvements, net	498,104		535,315	
Buildings, equipment and vehicles, net	 8,248,489		7,803,450	
Total capital assets, net	\$ 8,995,882	\$	8,588,054	

Additional information on the Authority's capital assets can be found in Note 6 of this report.

Long-Term Debt. The Authority had no long-term debt at September 30, 2017 or 2016.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

Service levels remain at ten (10) fixed routes and paratransit service (demand response) to residents in the City of Holland, City of Zeeland, and Holland Charter Township. Limited demand response service is provided to Zeeland Charter Township. The Authority continues to receive Section 5310 funding for the operation of evening service from 7pm to 12 midnight. Section 5310 Federal funds are allocated to the State of Michigan. On July 31, 2017 MAX began providing demand response service to Park Township under a three year contract. This service expansion will provide an estimated 23,000 annual trips.

In 2016, the voters renewed the 0.40 millage tax rate that is good until December 31, 2021. Overall property values are increasing significantly but taxable value increases are limited to the rate of inflation per State law. As properties are sold, the taxable values are uncapped. The net growth in taxable value has been in the three percent range. The unemployment rate within the City has dropped and all indications point to a very solid economic growth in the years ahead.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority finances for all those with an interest in the Authority's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Mrs. Michelle McKellips, Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority, 270 River Ave., Holland, Michigan 49423.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Net Position

September 30, 2017

	Activities
Assets	
Cash and pooled investments \$	3,201,983
Receivables, net	366,745
Prepaid items	86,412
Capital assets:	
Not being depreciated	249,289
Being depreciated, net	8,746,593
Total assets	12,651,022
Liabilities	
Payables	233,398
Unearned revenue	4,088
Compensated absences, due within one year	108,021
Total liabilities	345,507
Net position	
Investment in capital assets	8,995,882
Unrestricted	3,309,633
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Total net position \$	12,305,515

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Functions / Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue
Governmental activities Public transportation	\$ 4,858,757	\$ 310,661	\$ 2,994,559	\$ 1,329,500	\$ (224,037)
General revenues Property taxes Investment earnings - un	nrestricted				1,077,321 12,505
Total general revenues					1,089,826
Change in net position					865,789
Net position, beginning of	year				11,439,726
Net position, end of year					\$ 12,305,515

Balance Sheet

Governmental Fund September 30, 2017

	General Fund
Assets	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 3,093,962
Receivables:	
Accounts	19,790
Taxes, net	47,733
Due from other governmental units	299,222
Prepaid items	86,412
Total assets	\$ 3,547,119
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 32,660
Accrued payroll and benefits	95,404
Due to other governmental units	105,334
Unearned revenue	4,088
Total liabilities	237,486
Deferred inflow of resources	
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	19,370
Fund balance	
Nonspendable - prepaids	86,412
Unassigned	3,203,851
Total fund balance	3,290,263
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balance	\$ 3,547,119

Reconciliation

Fund Balance for Governmental Fund to Net Position of Governmental Activities September 30, 2017

Fund balance - governmental fund

\$ 3,290,263

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 fund statement.

Capital assets not being depreciated Capital assets being depreciated, net

249,289 8,746,593

The focus of governmental funds is on short-term financing. Accordingly, some assets will not be available to pay for current-period expenditures. Those assets (such as certain receivables) are offset by deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds, and thus are not included in fund balance.

Unavailable property taxes

19,370

Net position of governmental activities

\$ 12,305,515

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance

Governmental Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	General Fund
Revenues	
Property taxes	\$ 1,079,618
Passenger fares	272,770
Intergovernmental:	
Federal	2,353,472
State	1,833,358
Local	87,420
Charges for services	37,891
Contributions	49,809
Interest income	 12,505
Total revenues	 5,726,843
Expenditures	
Current:	
Public transportation:	
Management and administration	643,753
Personal services - customer	
service and marketing	305,272
Routine operations	2,464,708
Maintenance	535,213
Capital outlay	 1,344,595
Total expenditures	 5,293,541
Revenues over expenditures	 433,302
Other financing sources	
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	18,271
Insurance recoveries	 8,685
Total other financing sources	 26,956
Net change in fund balance	460,258
Fund balance, beginning of year	 2,830,005
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 3,290,263

Reconciliation	
Net Change in Fund Balance of Governmental Fund to Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2017	
Net change in fund balance - governmental fund	\$ 460,258
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of activities are different because:	
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.	
Purchase of capital assets	1,343,171
Depreciation expense	(914,520)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	(18,271)
Loss from sale of capital assets	(2,552)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial	
resources are not reported as revenues in the funds, but rather are deferred	
to the following fiscal year.	
Net change in unavailable property taxes	(2,297)

\$ 865,789

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

Change in net position of governmental activities

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance

Budget and Actual - General Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Actual Over (Under) Final Budget
Revenues			.	
Property taxes	\$ 924,600	\$ 924,600	\$ 1,079,618	\$ 155,018
Passenger fares	307,500	307,500	272,770	(34,730)
Intergovernmental: Federal	1,392,000	2,829,994	2,353,472	(476,522)
State	1,653,927	1,974,405	1,833,358	(141,047)
Local	83,950	83,950	87,420	3,470
Charges for services	62,500	62,500	37,891	(24,609)
Contributions	-	-	49,809	49,809
Interest income	5,300	5,300	12,505	7,205
Total revenues	4,429,777	6,188,249	5,726,843	(461,406)
Expenditures				
Current: Public transportation:				
Management and administration Personal services - customer	676,050	676,050	643,753	(32,297)
service and marketing	318,200	318,200	305,272	(12,928)
Routine operations	2,795,800	2,795,800	2,464,708	(331,092)
Maintenance	609,100	609,100	535,213	(73,887)
Other services and charges	40,727	40,727	-	(40,727)
Capital outlay		1,618,472	1,344,595	(273,877)
Total expenditures	4,439,877	6,058,349	5,293,541	(764,808)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(10,100)	129,900	433,302	303,402
Other financing sources				
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	1,000	1,000	18,271	17,271
Insurance recoveries	9,100	9,100	8,685	(415)
				(110)
Total other financing sources	10,100	10,100	26,956	16,856
Net change in fund balance	-	140,000	460,258	320,258
Fund balance, beginning of year	2,830,005	2,830,005	2,830,005	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 2,830,005	\$ 2,970,005	\$ 3,290,263	\$ 320,258

Statement of Net Position

Proprietary Fund September 30, 2017

Governmental Activities

Internal Service Fund

Assets

Current assets:

Cash and pooled investments \$ 108,021

Liabilities

Current liabilities:

Compensated absences 108,021

Net position

Unrestricted \$ -

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Fund Net Position

Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	vernmental Activities
	Internal Service Fund
Operating revenues	
Charges for services	\$ 106,231
Operating expenses Personal services	106,231
Change in net position	-
Net position, beginning of year	
Net position, end of year	\$ -

Statement of Cash Flows

Proprietary Fund

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	vernmental Activities
	Internal Service Fund
Cash flows from operating activities	
Cash receipts for interfund services	\$ 8,138
Cash and pooled investments, beginning of year	 99,883
Cash and pooled investments, end of year	\$ 108,021
Reconciliation of change in fund net position to net cash provided by operating activities: Change in net position Adjustment to reconcile change in net position to net cash provided by operating activities: Change in:	\$ -
Compensated absences	 8,138
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 8,138

Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities

September 30, 2017

	Agency Funds
Assets	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 57,284
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 6,525
Other liabilities and deposits	1,216
Due to other governmental units	 49,543
Total liabilities	\$ 57,284

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Notes to Financial Statements

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority (the "Authority") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Authority's accounting policies are described below.

Reporting Entity

The Authority is a municipal corporation governed by an elected, nine-member Authority Board. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the financial position and related activity for the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority. The Authority was formed on July 1, 2007 from the former Macatawa Area Transportation System enterprise fund of the City of Holland, Michigan (the "City"). The Authority has no component units and is not reported as a component unit of any other governmental unit.

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 nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

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. 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.

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.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as is the internal service fund. 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. After March 1, any delinquent taxes on real property are paid by the County which is responsible for collecting any outstanding taxes on real property as of that date. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Agency funds, a type of fiduciary fund, are unlike all other types of funds, reporting only assets and liabilities. Therefore, agency funds cannot be said to have a measurement focus. They do, however, use the accrual basis of accounting to recognize receivables and payables.

Notes to Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as 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 government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Intergovernmental revenue, charges for services and interest are all considered to be susceptible to accrual if collected within 180 days of fiscal year end. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

Property taxes, intergovernmental revenue, charges for services and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and as such have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Authority.

The Authority reports the following major governmental fund:

The *General Fund* is the Authority's primary operating fund. It accounts for all the financial resources of the Authority, except those accounted for and reported in another fund.

Additionally, the Authority reports the following fund types:

The *Internal Service Fund* is used to report the financing of services provided by the Authority on a cost reimbursement basis, specifically the accumulation of funds for future payments of compensated absences.

Agency funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments in a purely custodial capacity.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

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 Authority's internal service fund are charges to the General Fund for payments of compensated absences. Operating expenses for the internal service fund include the cost of services. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Restricted net position consists of assets that are subject to restrictions beyond the government's control. The restrictions may be externally imposed or imposed by law. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Notes to Financial Statements

Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Equity

Cash and Pooled Investments

The Authority considers cash and pooled investments to be cash and cash equivalents for statement of cash flow purposes. Investments within pooled cash and investments are not identifiable to specific funds and the assets can be withdrawn at anytime similar to a demand deposit account.

Investments displayed on the financial statement and included in the cash and pooled investment caption are recorded at fair value.

State statutes and Authority policy authorize the Authority to invest in:

Bonds, securities, other obligations and repurchase agreements of the United States, or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.

Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts or depository receipts of a qualified financial institution.

Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.

Bankers' acceptances of United States banks.

Obligations of the State of Michigan and its political subdivisions, that, at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by at least one standard rating service.

Mutual funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 with the authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a public corporation.

External investment pools as authorized by Public Act 20 as amended through December 31, 1997.

Receivables

All receivables are recorded at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

Due from Other Governmental Units

Amounts due from other governments include amounts due from grantors for specific programs and capital projects. Program and capital grants are recorded as receivables and revenue at the time reimbursable costs are incurred. Revenues received in advance of costs being incurred are unearned.

Prepaid Items

The Authority made certain payments to vendors prior to year-end for services that will be performed in the next fiscal year. In these situations, the Authority records an asset to reflect the investment in future services.

Notes to Financial Statements

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets having a useful life in excess of two years and whose initial cost exceeds \$500. Capital assets are stated at historical cost or estimated historical cost where actual cost information is not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated acquisition cost as of the donation date.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

Depreciation on the capital assets (including infrastructure) of the primary government is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Years
Land improvements	15-20
Buildings	15-45
Machinery and equipment	5-15
Office equipment and furniture	5-20
Vehicles	7-10

The eligible depreciation of \$17,198, reported in the supplementary expenditure schedules required by the State of Michigan Bureau of Passenger Transportation (BPT), includes only the depreciation of assets purchased with local funds where the useful life of the asset purchased has been approved by the BPT.

Compensated Absences

It is the Authority's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused paid time off and compensatory time benefits, subject to certain limitations. All vacation and compensatory time pay is accrued when incurred.

Property Taxes

Properties are assessed as of December 31 and become a lien at that time. The related property taxes are levied and billed on July 1 of the following year, and are due without penalty on or before August 15. Summer tax bills include the Authority's property taxes. Real property taxes that have not been collected as of March 1 are turned over to Ottawa and Allegan Counties for collection. The counties advance the Authority 100 percent for the delinquent real property taxes. Collection of delinquent personal property and industrial facilities taxes remains the responsibility of the Authority.

Notes to Financial Statements

Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the Authority has numerous transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services. The accompanying financial statements generally reflect operating subsidies as transfers.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting, from property tax receivables. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

Fund Equity

Governmental funds report nonspendable fund balance for amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Restricted fund balance is reported when externally imposed constraints are placed on the use of resources by grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Committed fund balance is reported for amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Authority Board (the government's highest level of decision-making authority). A formal resolution of the Authority Board is required to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment. The Authority reports assigned fund balance for amounts that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The Authority currently has no assigned fund balance, as the Authority Board has not yet given the authority for the making of such assignments. Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund.

When the government incurs an expenditure for purposes for which various fund balance classifications can be used, it is the government's policy to use restricted fund balance first, then committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and finally unassigned fund balance.

Risk Management

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, employee injuries (workers' compensation), as well as medical benefits provided to employees. The buildings occupied by the Authority are owned by the City of Holland and are insured by the City. Building contents, general liability and vehicles are insured by commercial policies owned by the Authority.

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 amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Notes to Financial Statements

2. BUDGETARY INFORMATION

The Authority follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. The Authority's Executive Director is responsible for submitting the proposed operating budget for the following fiscal year to the Authority Board. The Authority Board, during its review, holds a public hearing to obtain taxpayer comments. The budget is legally enacted by resolution of the Board.
- 2. The Authority Financial Officer is authorized to transfer budget amounts between accounts within the same department of any fund upon written request by a department or division head and approval by the Authority's Executive Director. Any revisions that alter total appropriations of any fund must be approved by the Authority Board. Budgeted appropriations lapse each year; however, appropriations for continuing projects and programs which the Authority intends to complete are included in the budget of the ensuing year.
- Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Authority Board during the year.
 The budgets have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
 Supplemental appropriations were necessary during the year.
- 4. The budget has been adopted on a department level basis; expenditures at this level in excess of amounts budgeted are a violation of Michigan law.
- 5. Annual budgets are legally adopted for the General Fund as required by the Uniform Budgeting Act (P.A. 621 of 1978) of the State of Michigan.
- 6. Informal annual budgets are also adopted for the internal service fund.

P.A 621 of 1978, as amended, provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount budgeted. During the year ended September 30, 2017, the Authority had no budget violations.

3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Authority reported cash and pooled investments as of September 30, 2017 under the following classifications:

	Governmental Activities		Agency Funds		Totals	
Cash and pooled investments	\$	3,201,983	\$	57,284	\$ 3,259,267	
For note disclosure purposes, these amount are classif		s follows:				
Petty cash Checking and savings accounts Certificates of deposit (due within one year)					\$ 900 847,494 2,410,873	
Total					\$ 3,259,267	

Notes to Financial Statements

Investment and Deposit Risk

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits might not be returned. State law does not require and the Authority's investment policy does not have specific limits in excess of state law pertaining to custodial credit risk. As of yearend, \$1,871,644 of the Authority's bank balance of \$3,266,916 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Credit Risk. State law limits investments to specific government securities, certificates of deposits and bank accounts with qualified financial institutions, commercial paper with specific maximum maturities and ratings when purchased, bankers' acceptances of specific financial institutions, qualified mutual funds and qualified external investment pools as identified above. The Authority's investment policy does not have specific limits in excess of state law pertaining to investment credit risk. The Authority did not have any investments at year-end.

Interest Rate Risk. Interest rate risk is the risk that the market rate of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates. State law limits the allowable investments and the maturities of some of the allowable investments as identified in the summary of significant accounting policies. The Authority's investment policy does not have specific limits in excess of state law on investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The Authority did not have any investments at year-end.

Concentration of Credit Risk. Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Authority's investment in a single issuer. State law limits allowable investments but does not limit concentration of credit risk as identified in the list of authorized investments in the summary of significant accounting policies.

4. RECEIVABLES AND DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES

Receivables are comprised of the following at year-end:

Accounts	\$ 19,790
Taxes *	47,733
Due from other governments	299,222
Total	\$ 366,745

^{*} Net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$2,246.

Governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. At the end of the current fiscal year, deferred inflows of resources reported in the General Fund for property taxes receivable was \$19,370.

Notes to Financial Statements

5. PAYABLES

Payables are comprised of the following at year-end:

Accounts payable \$ 32,660
Accrued payroll and benefits 95,404
Due to other governmental units 105,334

Total \$ 233,398

6. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the Authority for the year ended September 30, 2017, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions Disposals Transfers		-		Transfers	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depre	ciated:						
Land	\$ 249,289	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 249,289		
Capital assets, being depreciat	ed:						
Land improvements	756,481	-	-	-	756,481		
Buildings	5,140,721	4,900	-	-	5,145,621		
Machinery and equipment	877,779	16,472	(49,995)	-	844,256		
Office furniture and							
equipment	98,322	-	-	-	98,322		
Vehicles	5,293,339	1,321,799	(693,934)	-	5,921,204		
	12,166,642	1,343,171	(743,929)	-	12,765,884		
Less accumulated depreciation	for:						
Land improvements	(221,166)	(37,211)	-	-	(258,377)		
Buildings	(413,119)	(117,137)	-	-	(530,256)		
Machinery and equipment	(570,664)	(59,580)	29,172	-	(601,072)		
Office furniture and							
equipment	(45,141)	(9,052)	-	-	(54,193)		
Vehicles	(2,577,787)	(691,540)	693,934	-	(2,575,393)		
	(3,827,877)	(914,520)	723,106	-	(4,019,291)		
Total capital assets							
being depreciated, net	8,338,765	428,651	(20,823)		8,746,593		
Governmental activities							
capital assets, net	\$ 8,588,054	\$ 428,651	\$ (20,823)	\$ -	\$ 8,995,882		

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:

Public transportation \$ 914,520

Notes to Financial Statements

7. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

In the normal course of its activities, the Authority has become a party in various legal actions, including property tax assessment appeals. Management of the Authority is of the opinion that the outcome of such actions will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Authority and, therefore, has not reflected loss reserves in the financial statements.

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor programs, principally the Federal and State governments. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the transit agency. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Authority expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

8. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

The Authority participates in a defined contribution retirement plan which is administered by the Michigan Employees' Retirement System of Michigan (MERS) for nonbargaining employees. The defined contribution provisions of the plan require the Authority to contribute up to 8% of covered employee payroll. The participants direct their investments under defined contribution provisions. The Authority contributed \$85,781 and employees contributed \$20,667 to the defined contribution plan.

9. COST ALLOCATION PLAN

The Authority maintains a cost allocation plan for which the methodology has been approved by the Michigan Bureau of Passenger Transportation (BPT). The allocation plan is for the Section 5310 Services. This cost allocation plan was adhered to in the preparation of the financial statements. There is no cost allocation plan in place for the charter services due to the fact that; 1) the trolley was purchased with all local funds; 2) the Authority maintains a separate operating and revenue budget for the charter services; and 3) the expenses for the charter services are subtracted out as ineligible for the purpose of calculating State operating assistance.

10. LEASE COMMITMENT

The Authority leases the Padnos Transportation Center from the City for \$1 per year. The current lease term expires at June 30, 2018. The lease automatically renews each June 30 for an indefinite term, unless either party gives notice of termination to the other party at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the current lease term in effect at the time of the notice. The City has title to this building and all improvements, fixtures or other types of fixed property appurtenant to the buildings and property located thereon. The Authority is responsible for insurance on building content, but is not required to pay real estate taxes. The building is insured through the City's self-insurance pool.

11. TAX ABATEMENTS

The City of Holland and Holland Charter Township have offered tax incentives and abatements to create jobs, stimulate investment, provide affordable housing, rehabilitate existing residential, commercial and industrial properties, clean up environmentally contaminated properties, redevelop functionally obsolete properties, encourage high tech innovation, and enhance economic growth in the region.

Notes to Financial Statements

Several incentive programs provided by the City of Holland and Holland Charter Township as of December 31, 2016, and the amount of taxes abated for each of the programs for the year ended September 30, 2017, were as follows:

Industrial Facility Tax Exemption (IFT)	\$ 22,346
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)	5,673
New Personal Property Exemption	4,255
Michigan Renaissance Zone	12,026
Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act	12,127
	\$ 56,427

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Combining Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities

Agency Funds September 30, 2017

	Spen	ployees' lexible Iding Plan Fund	Imprest Payroll Fund		Total
Assets					
Cash and pooled investments	\$	1,216	\$	56,068	\$ 57,284
Liabilities Accounts payable Other liabilities and deposits Due to other governmental units	\$	- 1,216 -	\$	6,525 - 49,543	\$ 6,525 1,216 49,543
Total liabilities	\$	1,216	\$	56,068	\$ 57,284

Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities

Agency Funds For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

		Balance tober 1, 2016	Additions	Deletions		Balance ember 30, 2017
Employees' Flexible Spending Plan Fun Assets	d					
Cash and pooled investments	\$	1,559	\$ 1,804	\$	2,147	\$ 1,216
Liabilities Other liabilities and deposits	\$	1,559	\$ 1,804	\$	2,147	\$ 1,216
Imprest Payroll Fund Assets						
Cash and pooled investments	\$	34,326	\$ 1,163,897	\$	1,142,155	\$ 56,068
Liabilities						
Accounts payable Due to other governmental units	\$	3,542 30,784	\$ 648,681 515,216	\$ 	645,698 496,457	\$ 6,525 49,543
Total liabilities	\$	34,326	\$ 1,163,897	\$	1,142,155	\$ 56,068
Total All Agency Funds Assets						
Cash and pooled investments	\$	35,885	\$ 1,165,701	\$	1,144,302	\$ 57,284
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$	3,542	\$ 648,681	\$	645,698	\$ 6,525
Other liabilities and deposits Due to other governmental units		1,559 30,784	1,804 515,216		2,147 496,457	1,216 49,543
Total liabilities	\$	35,885	\$ 1,165,701	\$	1,144,302	\$ 57,284

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MICHIGAN BUREAU OF PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULES

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Federal and State Agency / Pass- Through Grantor / Program Title	CFDA Number	Pass-through / Grantor Number	Program Award Amount
U.S. Department of Transportation			
Direct assistance:			
Federal Transit Operating Grant - Section 5307	20.507	MI-2017-021	\$ 1,200,000
Capital Grant - Section 5307	20.507	MI-90-X680	280,283
Capital Grant - Section 5307	20.507	MI-2016-014	258,196
Capital Grant - Section 5307	20.507	MI-2017-002	360,000
Capital Grant - Section 5339	20.526	MI-2016-014	149,555
Passed through the Michigan Department			
of Transportation:			
New Freedom program:			
Operating assistance	20.513	2017-0084/P1	140,000
Operating - Mobility Management	20.513	2017-0084/P1	65,000
Capital Grant - Section 5339	20.513	2012-0121/P17	795,600
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			3,248,634
Michigan Department of Transportation			
Operating assistance - Act 51:			
Year ended September 30, 2017	n/a	n/a	1,522,774
Year ended September 30, 2016	n/a	n/a	(15,942)
Year ended September 30, 2014	n/a	n/a	150
Total Michigan Department of Transportation			1,506,982
Total Expenditures of Federal and State Awards			\$ 4,755,616

Current Year Expenditures													
	Total		Federal		State		Local			ior Year's enditures	Award Amount Remaining		
\$	1,200,000 11,975 57,595 360,000 54,521	\$	1,200,000 9,580 - 288,000 32,054	\$	2,395 57,595 72,000 22,467	\$		-	\$	241,255 200,601 - 87,590	\$	27,053 - - 7,444	
	136,159 63,998 795,600 2,679,848		136,159 51,199 636,480 2,353,472		12,799 159,120 326,376			- - -		529,446		3,841 1,002 - 39,340	
_	1,522,774 (15,942) 150 1,506,982		- - - -		1,522,774 (15,942) 150 1,506,982			- - - -		- - - -		- - - -	
\$	4,186,830	\$	2,353,472	\$	1,833,358	\$		-	\$	529,446	\$	39,340	

Schedule of Operating Revenues

Urban Regular Service

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Code	Description		Total
401/402	Farebox revenues		
40100	Passenger fares	\$	261,652
40200	Contract fares	•	-
	Total Farebox revenues		261,652
405:	Charter		
40500	Charter service		-
406.	Auxiliary transit revenues		
40615	Advertising		7,282
40620	Intercity ticket sales		16,105
40699	Other auxiliary transit revenues (cash short/over, nsf charges)		54,671
	Total auviliary transit rayonyas		70 050
	Total auxiliary transit revenues		78,058
	Non-transit revenues		
40720	Rental of buildings and other property		14,504
40760	Gains from sale of capital assets		18,271
40799	Other non-transit revenues (insurance recoveries)		4,287
	Total non-transit revenues		37,062
409 / 400	Local revenues		
4087409:	Local revenues Taxes levied directly for/by transit agency		954,111
40910	Local operating assistance - from surrounding local governments		87,420
40710	Local operating assistance - from surrounding local governments		07,420
	Total Local revenues		1,041,531
411.	State formulas and contracts		
41101	State operating assistance		1,506,982
41101	State operating assistance		1,300,702
413:	Federal contracts		
41302	Federal section 5307 (operating funds only)		1,200,000
414:	Other revenues		
41400	Interest income		12,505
	Tatal an austing accounts	ċ	4 427 700
	Total operating revenues	\	4,137,790

Note

Ineligible expenses are classified appropriately according to the definition in the Local Public Transit Revenue and Expense Manual (R&E Manual). Audit costs are the only costs in which eligibility differs from the State R&E Manual and Federal OMB 2CFR200. The Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority did not incur expenses associated with 40720 Rental of buildings and other property or 40615 Advertising and, therefore, no expenses are subtracted out as ineligible on OAR Schedule 4E on page 31. Amounts equal to the insurance recoveries (\$4,287) are subtracted out as ineligible expenses on OAR Schedule 4E on page 34.

The advertising revenue is generated by a third-party service organization which is responsible for maintaining the advertising posted on the Authority's busses. The third-party service organization pays all costs and collects the gross advertising fees associated with this advertising and remits to the Authority a portion of the net income from advertising. Thus, no expenses are incurred by the Authority in relation to this revenue.

Schedule of Operating Revenues New Freedom

Code	Description	Total
401: 40100	Farebox revenues Passenger fares	\$ 10,653
405: 40500	Charter Charter service	
406: 40615 40699	Auxiliary transit revenues Advertising Other auxiliary transit revenues (cash short/over, court recovery fees, nsf charges)	- -
	Total auxiliary transit revenues	
407: 40720 40799	Non-transit revenues Rental of buildings and other property Other non-transit revenues (insurance recoveries)	 -
	Total non-transit revenues	 -
408/409: 40800 40910	Local revenues Taxes levied directly for/by transit agency Local operating assistance	125,507
	Total local revenues	 125,507
411: 41101	State formulas and contracts State operating assistance	
413: 41302	Federal contracts Federal section 5317	136,159
414: 41400	Other revenues Interest income	
	Total operating revenues	\$ 272,319

Schedule of Operating Expenses Urban Regular Service

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Code	Description	Operations	Maintenance	General Administration	Total
501: 50101 50102 50103	Labor Operators' salaries and wages Other salaries and wages Dispatcher salaries and wages	\$ 1,009,540 288,764 86,154	\$ - 66,632	\$ - 279,708	\$ 1,009,540 635,104 86,154
	Total labor	1,384,458	66,632	279,708	1,730,798
502: 50200 50201	Fringe benefits Other Pensions	517,063 50,330	33,191 3,852	138,655 22,026	688,909 76,208
	Total fringe benefits	567,393	37,043	160,681	765,117
503: 50302 50305 50399	Services Advertising Audit cost Other	- - 10,044	- - 381,711	68,853 9,776 140,095	68,853 9,776 531,850
	Total services	10,044	381,711	218,724	610,479
504: 50401 50402 50499	Materials Fuel and lubricants Tires Other	213,119 9,621 24,245	- - 11,680	- - 38,921	213,119 9,621 74,846
	Total materials	246,985	11,680	38,921	297,586
50500	Utilities			77,580	77,580
506: 50603	Insurance Liability insurance	71,036			71,036
509: 50902 50903 50999	Miscellaneous expenses Travel, meetings and training Association dues and subscriptions Other			25,599 11,784 10,578	25,599 11,784 10,578
	Total miscellaneous expenses			47,961	47,961
51200	Operating leases and rentals	762			762
513: 51300 51300	Depreciation Grant assets Other assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	897,322 17,198	897,322 17,198
	Total depreciation			914,520	914,520

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Schedule of Operating Expenses

Urban Regular Service

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Code	Description	Operations		Mainte	General Maintenance Administration		Total		
550/540: 55007 55008 54000	Ineligible expenses Ineligible depreciation Other ineligible expenses Ineligible prior year refunds and credits	\$	- - 4,287	\$	- - -	\$	897,322 9,258	\$	897,322 9,258 4,287
	Total ineligible expenses		4,287				906,580		910,867
	Total expenses								4,515,839
	Total ineligible expenses								910,867
	Total eligible expenses							\$	3,604,972

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Notes:

Any capital money used to pay for operating expense has been subtracted out as ineligible expense.

Schedule of Operating Expenses

New Freedom

Code	Description	Operations	Maintenance	General Administration	Total	
501.	Labor					
50101	Operators' salaries and wages	\$ 72,298	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,29	8
50102	Other salaries and wages	22,212	5,114	21,530	48,85	
50103	Dispatcher salaries and wages	6,630		<u> </u>	6,63	
	Total labor	101,140	5,114	21,530	127,78	4_
502	Fringe benefits					
50200	Other	48,401	2,469	10,182	61,05	2
50201	Pensions	3,858	295	1,683	5,83	
	Total fringe benefits	52,259	2,764	11,865	66,88	
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	Services			F 220	F 22	0
50302	Advertising	-	-	5,229	5,22	
50305 50399	Audit cost Other	771	29,367	724 9,649	72 [,] 39,78	
30377	Other		27,307	7,047	37,70	_
	Total services	771	29,367	15,602	45,74	0
504	Materials					
50401	Fuel and lubricants	16,671	_	_	16,67	1
50402	Tires	724	_	_	72	
50499	Other	1,860	903	3,006	5,76	
	Total materials	19,255	903	3,006	23,16	
50500	Utilities			5,820	5,82	0
506.	Insurance					
50603	Liability insurance	10,603			10,60	3
30003	Liability insurance	10,003			10,00	
	Miscellaneous expenses					
50902	Travel, meetings and training	-	-	1,954	1,95	
50903	Association dues and subscriptions	-	-	918	91	
50999	Other			758	75	8
	Total miscellaneous expenses			3,630	3,63	0
540/550	Ineligible expenses					
54000	Ineligible prior year refunds and credits	<u>-</u>	-	657	65	7
55000	Ineligible JARC & NF fares	-	-	10,653	10,65	
	3					_
	Total ineligible expenses			11,310	11,31	0
	Total expenses				283,62	9
	Total ineligible expenses				11,31	0
	Total eligible expenses				\$ 272,31	9

(Unaudited)

Schedule of Operating and Contract Expenses Urban Regular Services

		0			General		
	C	perations	Mai	intenance	Adr	ministration	Total
Operating expenses							
Labor	\$	1,384,458	\$	66,632	\$	279,708	\$ 1,730,798
Other fringe benefits		517,063		33,191		138,655	688,909
Pensions		50,330		3,852		22,026	76,208
Audit cost		-		-		9,776	9,776
Other services		10,044		381,711		208,948	600,703
Materials		246,985		11,680		38,921	297,586
Utilities		-		-		77,580	77,580
Insurance		71,036		-		-	71,036
Miscellaneous expenses		-		-		47,961	47,961
Lease and other rentals		762		-		-	762
Depreciation		-				914,520	914,520
Total operating expenses	\$	2,280,678	\$	497,066	\$	1,738,095	\$ 4,515,839

(Unaudited)

Schedule of Operating and Contract Expenses

New Freedom

					C	General		
	Op	Operations		intenance	Adm	Administration		Total
Operating expenses								
Labor	\$	101,140	\$	5,114	\$	21,530	\$	127,784
Other fringe benefits		48,401		2,469		10,182		61,052
Pensions		3,858		295		1,683		5,836
Audit cost		-		-		724		724
Other services		771		29,367		14,878		45,016
Materials		19,255		903		3,006		23,164
Utilities		-		-		5,820		5,820
Insurance		10,603		-		-		10,603
Miscellaneous expenses		-		-		3,630		3,630
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Total operating expenses	\$	184,028	\$	38,148	\$	61,453	\$	283,629

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Operating Assistance Calculation Urban Regular Services For the Year Ended September 30, 2017	
Total expenses	\$ 4,515,839
Less ineligible expenses: Depreciation Other expenses Prior year refunds and credits	897,322 9,258 4,287
Total ineligible expenses	 910,867
Total State eligible expenses	\$ 3,604,972
Eligible expenses for State reimbursement	\$ 3,604,972
Reimbursement percentage	38.9955%
State operating assistance	\$ 1,405,777

(Unaudited)

Schedule of Vehicle Miles

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Public	New	
	Service	Freedom	Total
First quarter (October-December)	190,649	13,981	204,630
Second quarter (January-March)	195,161	15,736	210,897
Third quarter (April-June)	197,450	15,465	212,915
Fourth quarter (July-September)	202,147	15,247	217,394
Total	785,407	60,429	845,836

Note:

The methodology used for compiling mileage on OAR Schedules 4N is an adequate and reliable method for recording vehicle mileage.

(Unaudited)

Schedule of Vehicle Hours For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Public	New	
	Service	Freedom	Total
First quarter (October-December)	16,717	1,095	17,812
Second quarter (January-March)	16,421	1,030	17,451
Third quarter (April-June)	15,866	1,160	17,026
Fourth quarter (July-September)	16,641	1,335	17,976
Total	65,645	4,620	70,265

(Unaudited)

Schedule of Line-Haul Passenger Data and Vehicle Hours For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Vehicle Hours	Regular Passengers	Senior Passengers	Handicapped Passengers	Senior/ Handicapped Passengers	Total Passenger
First quarter (October-December) Second quarter (January-March) Third quarter (April-June) Fourth quarter (July-September)	8,535 8,247 8,209 8,564	51,937 59,833 61,483 55,892	5,877 5,470 6,213 5,756	21,349 19,605 19,604 18,328	- - - -	79,163 84,908 87,300 79,976
Total	33,555	229,145	23,316	78,886		331,347

(Unaudited)

Schedule of Demand Response Passenger Data and Vehicle Hours For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

					Senior/	
	Vehicle	Regular	Senior	Handicapped	Handicapped	Total
	Hours	Passengers	Passengers	Passengers	Passengers	Passenger
First quarter (October-December)	8,182	1,846	847	15,641	-	18,334
Second quarter (January-March)	8,174	2,064	831	15,893	-	18,788
Third quarter (April-June)	7,657	3,372	787	15,243	-	19,402
Fourth quarter (July-September)	8,077	2,046	745	14,719		17,510
Total	32,090	9,328	3,210	61,496		74,034

(Unaudited)

Schedule of New Freedom Passenger Data and Vehicle Hours For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

	Vehicle	Regular	Senior	Handicapped	Senior/ Handicapped	Total
	Hours	Passengers	Passengers	Passengers	Passengers	Passenger
First quarter (October-December)	1,095	2,052	46	1,014	-	3,112
Second quarter (January-March)	1,030	2,101	55	885	-	3,041
Third quarter (April-June)	1,160	2,288	56	823	-	3,167
Fourth quarter (July-September)	1,335	2,341	88	790		3,219
Total	4,620	8,782	245	3,512		12,539

RECONCILIATIONS OF OAR SCHEDULES TO STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE FOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND

Reconciliation

OAR Operating Revenues to Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance for Governmental Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Code	Description	Urban Regular		New Freedom	
401/402: 40100	Farebox revenues Passenger fares	\$	261,652	\$	10,653
40200	Contract fares	Ţ	-	Ţ	-
	Charter				
40500	Charter service		-		-
	Auxiliary transit revenues				
40615	Advertising		7,282		-
40620	Intercity ticket sales		16,105		-
40699	Other auxiliary transit revenues (cash short/over, court				
	recovery fees, nsf charges)		54,671		-
407:	Non-transit revenues				
40720	Rental of buildings and other property		14,504		-
40760 40799	Gains on sales of capital assets Other non-transit revenues (insurance recoveries)		18,271 4,287		- -
408/409:	Local revenues				
40800	Taxes levied directly for/by transit agency		954,111		125,507
40910	Local operating assistance		87,420		-
411:	State formulas and contracts				
41101	State operating assistance		1,506,982		-
413:	Federal contracts				
41302	Federal section 5307 (operating funds only)		1,200,000		136,159
414:	Other revenues				
41400	Interest income		12,505		
	Total operating revenues	\$	4,137,790	\$	272,319

^{*} Cash over and short classified with passenger fares and court fee recoveries with insurance recoveries on the statement of revenues, expenditures and change in fund balance.

[^] Capital and other grants not included on the OAR. OAR only contains current year operating grants.

(Unaudited)

Reconciling Items	Statement Total	Statement Classification		
\$ 465 *	\$ 272,770			
-	\$ 272,770	Passenger fares		
-	\$ 7,282 16,105			
(4,862) *	49,809			
-	14,504	Charges for services and		
	\$ 87,700	contributions		
- 4,398 *	\$ 18,271 8,685 \$ 26,956	Other financing sources		
_	\$ 1,079,618	Property taxes		
-	\$ 87,420	Property taxes Intergovernmental - local		
326,376 ^	\$ 1,833,358	Intergovernmental - state		
1,017,313 ^	\$ 2,353,472	Intergovernmental - federal		
-	\$ 12,505	Interest income		

(Unaudited)

Reconciliation

OAR Operating Expenses to Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance for Governmental Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

Total operating of	expenses per OAR:
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Urban Regular	\$	4,515,839
New Freedom		283,629 4,799,468
Reconciling items: Capital outlay expense is not included on the OAR as those costs are reimbursed by capital		4,777,400
grants, if eligible		1,344,595
Depreciation expense is not reported in the governmental fund as it does not represent expenditures of current available resources		(914,520)
Amounts funded by New Freedom Mobility Management grant and not reported as operating expenditures on the OAR		63,998
Total expenditures per governmental fund statement		5,293,541