

AECL NUCLEAR FUEL WASTE TRUST FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2002

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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustee of AECL NUCLEAR FUEL WASTE TRUST FUND

We have audited the balance sheet of **AECL NUCLEAR FUEL WASTE TRUST FUND** as at **December 31, 2002**, and the statements of income and capital and cash flows from the commencement of operation on November 25, 2002 to December 31, 2002. These financial statements are the responsibility of the trustee. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the trust as at **December 31, 2002**, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Toronto
March 17, 2003

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**Balance Sheet
December 31, 2002**

	<u>2002</u>
	\$
Assets	
Current	
Cash and cash equivalent	9,941
Interest receivable	<u>86,760</u>
	96,701
Fixed term securities (note 3)	<u>9,932,680</u>
	<u>10,029,381</u>
 Liabilities	
Capital	<u>10,029,381</u>
	<u>10,029,381</u>

Approved on Behalf of the Trustee

_____, Trustee

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Statement of Income and Capital Period from the commencement of operation on November 25, 2002 to December 31, 2002

	<u>2002</u>
	\$
Interest income	<u>32,672</u>
Expenses	
Trustee fee	<u>3,291</u>
Net income for the period	29,381
Contribution to trust fund	<u>10,000,000</u>
Capital, end of period	<u>10,029,381</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows

Period from the commencement of operation on
November 25, 2002 to December 31, 2002

	<u>2002</u>
	\$
Operating Activities	
Net income for the period	29,381
Changes in other non-cash working capital components (1)	<u>(86,760)</u>
	<u>(57,379)</u>
Investing Activities	
Purchase of fixed-term securities	<u>(9,932,680)</u>
Financing Activities	
Capital contribution	<u>10,000,000</u>
Cash, end of period	<u>9,941</u>
(1) Changes in other non-cash working capital components represented by:	
Interest receivable	<u>(86,760)</u>
Additional Cash Flows Information	
Interest paid	\$ <u>122,882</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements Period Ended December 31, 2002

1. Description of Trust

The Nuclear Fuel Waste Act, an Act respecting the long-term management of nuclear fuel waste, came into force on November 15, 2002. Pursuant to the Act, the trust was settled by Atomic Energy of Canada Limited. Contributions to the trust were made in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- (a) Use of estimates in the preparation of financial statements

The preparation of the financial statements of AECL Nuclear Fuel Waste Trust Fund requires the trustee to make estimates and assumptions, mainly concerning the valuation of items, which affect reported amount of assets, liabilities, net income and related disclosures. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

- (b) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on account and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less. Cost approximates fair value.

- (c) Fixed-term Securities

Fixed-term securities are recorded at the lower of cost or market value.

- (d) Income Taxes

The trust has been exempted from filing income tax return, therefore no provision for income taxes have been recorded.

3. Fixed-term Securities

The term to maturity and market value of the fixed-term securities are as follows

	Within 1 year \$	1 to 5 years \$	Market value \$
Securities issued			
by Canada	487,402	3,466,215	3,996,638
by Provinces	-	2,962,385	2,979,029
Other debt securities	-	3,016,678	3,030,003
	<u>487,402</u>	<u>9,445,278</u>	<u>10,005,670</u>

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4. Financial Instruments

(a) Fair value

The amounts that follow present the fair value of on-and off-balance sheet financial instruments based on the valuation methods and assumptions as set out below.

Fair value represents the amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged between willing parties. The fair value of items which are short term in nature is considered to be equal to book value. The fair value of fixed-term securities is based on quoted market prices.

	Book Value \$	Fair Value \$	Variance favourable (unfavourable) \$
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalent	9,942	9,942	-
Interest receivable	86,760	86,760	-
Fixed term securities	9,932,680	10,005,670	72,990
Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accruals	-	11,600	-

(b) Interest rate risk

The following tables give the detailed maturity dates and average effective rates of the on-and off-balance sheet instruments.

	Less than 3 months \$	Over 3 months to 1 year \$	Over 1 year to 5 years \$	Non interest sensitive \$	Total \$
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents and securities	9,942	487,402	9,445,279	-	9,942,623
Rate	2.6%	2.8%	4.5%	-%	4.4%
Interest receivable				86,760	86,760
Rate				-%	-%
Liabilities					
Accounts payable				-	-
Rate				-%	-%