# THE ONTARIO NFWA TRUST AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2014

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

#### To the Trustee of The Ontario NFWA Trust

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **The Ontario NFWA Trust** (the "Trust"), which comprise the statement of net assets as at December 31, 2014, and the statement of operations and comprehensive income (loss), change in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditors' Responsibility

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 comply with ethical requirements and 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 auditors consider 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of 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 in our audit is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets of the Trust as at December 31, 2014, the result of its operations, change in its net assets and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

Toronto, Canada March 11, 2015

Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

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### **STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS**

As at December 31		
(millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Assets		
Investments (Note 3)		
Cash and cash equivalents	52	53
Short-term investments (Note 8)	102	35
Fixed income investments (Note 8)	2,500	2,110
Pooled funds (Note 8)	476	456
	3,130	2,654
Other		
Investment income receivable (Note 4)	15	13
Receivable for investment transactions	63	35
	78	48
	3,208	2,702
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accruals (Note 5)	1	1
Payable for investment transactions	93	33
	94	34
Net assets	3,114	2,668

# STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

Years Ended December 31		
(millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Investment income (Note 6)		
Interest	99	92
Net realized gains (losses)	39	(4)
	138	88
Expenses		
Investment management and administration fees (Note 9)	3	3
Net investment income	135	85
Net unrealized gains (losses) (Note 6)	150	(130)
Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)	285	(45)

### **STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

(millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Net assets, beginning of year	2,668	2,559
Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)	285	(45)
Contributions (Note 7)	161	154

## **STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

Years Ended December 31		
(millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Operating activities		
Interest received	97	90
Management and administration fees paid	(3)	(3)
Proceeds from realized gains (losses) on investments	39	(4)
Payments for investments purchased in prior year	(33)	(44)
Proceeds for investments purchased in prior year	35	44
Purchase of investments	(297)	(252)
Cash flow used in operating activities	(162)	(169)
Financing activities		
Contributions (Note 7)	161	154
Cash flow provided by financing activities	161	154
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(1)	(15)
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1	53	68
Cash and cash equivalents, December 31	52	53

#### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE ONTARIO NEWA TRUST

Bill C-27, the Nuclear Fuel Waste Act ("NFWA"), received royal assent on June 13, 2002 and was proclaimed into force on November 15, 2002. Bill C-27 is a key component of the Government of Canada's 1996 Policy Framework for Radioactive Waste. Under this policy, the Federal Government, through effective oversight, will ensure that the long-term management of radioactive waste is carried out in a comprehensive, integrated and economically sound manner.

As required under the NFWA, owners of nuclear fuel waste established, by incorporation, the Nuclear Waste Management Organization ("NWMO"), whose purpose is to propose to the Government of Canada approaches for the management of nuclear fuel waste and to implement the approach that is selected by the Federal Government. In accordance with the NFWA, the NWMO submitted its recommendations for a long-term nuclear used fuel waste management strategy to the Federal Government in November 2005. In June 2007, the Federal Government selected the NWMO's recommended option, titled Adaptive Phased Management.

Upon the NFWA coming into force in November 2002, the owners of nuclear fuel waste were required to establish trust funds and to make annual payments into those trust funds to finance the long-term management of nuclear fuel waste. Accordingly, Ontario Power Generation Inc. ("OPG") established The Ontario NFWA Trust (the "Trust") and made an initial deposit of \$500 into the Trust fund on November 25, 2002. Under the NFWA, OPG is required to make a contribution to the Trust each year within 30 days of the submission of the NWMO's Annual Report to the federal Minister of Natural Resources. The annual contribution amount to the Trust was \$100 up to 2007. Since 2008, the annual contribution amount is based on the funding formula approved by the federal Minister of Natural Resources.

The funds in the Trust will be used for the purposes of managing nuclear used fuel waste. These financial statements do not portray the funding requirements of the long-term management of nuclear fuel waste obligations.

The primary objective of the Trust is to meet the payment obligations associated with the disposal costs associated with high-level used nuclear fuel. In order to meet these liability payments, the long-term return objective of the Used Fuel Segregated Fund, of which the Trust is a part, is to achieve a total annual real return of 3.25 percent, which equals the rate of change in the Ontario Consumer Price Index plus 3.25 percent compounded annually. In 2014, the actual rate of return of the Trust was 10.3 percent (2013 – loss of 1.4 percent).

A Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures ("SIPP") was established for the Trust, which sets out the investment framework of the Trust, including the investment assumptions, permitted investments and various investment constraints. Further, the SIPP establishes the long-term target asset mix of the Trust, considered in the context of the Used Fuel Segregated Fund, which considers its funded status and investment objectives in relation to its projected long-term liability profile and cash flows, historical experience of investment vehicles, the appropriate level of diversification to optimize risk and return, and the risk preferences of OPG and the Province. The management of OPG and the Province monitor investment compliance quarterly with the SIPP.

The SIPP is reviewed and approved annually by the Deputy Minister of Finance on behalf of the Province of Ontario (the "Province").

OPG and the Ontario Financing Authority ("OFA"), an agency of the Province, jointly make decisions on the Trust's asset mix and investment manager selection and retention. There is a risk that OPG and the OFA may have differing priorities respecting these matters that could impact asset mix and investment decisions.

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The Trustee of the Trust is CIBC Mellon Trust Company. CIBC Mellon Global Securities Services Company is an independent custodian of the Trust's assets under the custody agreement dated September 20, 2010. The Province and OPG are the beneficiaries of the Trust. The Trust is part of the Used Fuel Segregated Fund set up by OPG pursuant to the Ontario Nuclear Funds Agreement.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the Trust have been prepared by management in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("US GAAP"), which is consistent with the basis of accounting followed by OPG.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

In June 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board updated Topic 946 "Investment Companies" by issuing Accounting Standards Update, "2013-08 Financial Services – Investment Companies, Amendments to the Scope, Measurement, and Disclosure Requirements" (Revised Topic 946). The update was effective for reporting periods beginning on or after December 15, 2013.

The Trust meets the definition of an investment company under the Revised Topic 946, which requires all investments to be recorded at fair value. Since the investments of the Trust were previously recorded at fair value, there were no measurement differences upon adoption of the update.

Other than OPG and the Province, there are no related parties to the Trust.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on deposit and money market securities with a maturity of less than 90 days on the date of purchase. All other money market securities with a maturity on the date of purchase that is greater than 90 days, but less than one year, are recorded as short-term investments. These securities are valued at the lower of cost and market. Interest earned on cash and cash equivalents, and short-term investments is recognized as interest income.

#### Valuation of Investments

Financial assets and liabilities are measured at fair value with gains and losses recognized in income. Financial assets purchased and sold where the contract requires the asset to be delivered within an established time frame are recognized on a trade-date basis. All derivatives are recorded at fair value in the statements of net assets. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred for financial instruments.

Fair value is defined as the amount at which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Where a quoted bid price in an active market is available, the fair value is based on the quoted bid price at the end of the reporting period. In the absence of a quoted price in an active market, the Trust determines fair value using a valuation technique that makes maximum use of observable market inputs.

Investments are presented in the financial statements at fair value with the changes between fair value and average cost recorded as unrealized gains or losses on the value of the investments.

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The carrying value of the cash and short-term investments approximates their fair value due to their immediate or short-term maturity.

The market values of foreign investments are translated into Canadian dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at the close of each business day. Purchases and sales of foreign securities and income and expenses are translated into Canadian dollars at the exchange rates prevailing on the transaction dates. The gains and losses arising from foreign exchange transactions are recorded in the statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

Securities traded on a national securities exchange are valued at the bid price on the last business day of the period. Listed securities for which no trades are recorded on the last business day of the period are valued at the last reported traded price on the last business day on which the security was traded. Pooled funds are valued based on the unit value of the pooled fund as reported by the investment manager and are presented as a separate category in the statements of net assets. Securities transactions are recorded on the trade date. Dividends are accrued as of the ex-dividend date. Stock dividends are recorded in income based on the market value of the security. The realized gains and losses on the sale of securities are calculated with reference to the average cost of the securities and included in net realized gains or losses on the statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss). The Trust follows the accrual method of recording investment income.

For certain other investments that do not have an established fair value, the fair value is estimated based on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings or net realizable value using available information.

#### **Forward Foreign Exchange Contracts**

The Trust may enter into forward foreign exchange contracts for risk management purposes where such activity is consistent with its investment objectives.

The changes in the year-end value of forward foreign exchange contracts receivable have been included in the investments on the statements of net assets, with the net unrealized gain or loss included as part of the net unrealized gains or losses on the statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

The gain or loss arising from the difference between the value of the original forward foreign exchange contract and the contract at close or delivery is realized and recorded in net realized gains or losses on the statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

#### **Taxation**

Any income earned by the Trust is exempt under paragraph 149(1)(z.2) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), as it was created pursuant to subsection 9(1) of the NFWA and no person other than those specified in the paragraph are beneficially interested in the Trust. Accordingly, the Trust has made no provision for income taxes in these financial statements.

#### 3. INVESTMENTS

The fair values and historical costs of the investments as at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are summarized as follows:

	2014		2013	
	Fair	Historical	Fair	Historical
	Value	Cost	Value	Cost
Cash and cash equivalents	52	52	53	53
Short-term investments	102	101	35	35
Fixed income investments				
Domestic	2,453	2,332	2,033	2,047
Other	47	46	77	77
Pooled funds	476	475	456	468
Total investments	3,130	3,006	2,654	2,680

A breakdown of the domestic fixed income by industry as at December 31, 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

	2014	2013
Domestic fixed income		
Government	1,642	1,286
Financial	438	413
Utilities	77	71
Real estate	57	42
Telecommunications	48	42
Other	191	179
	2,453	2,033

The proportion of each category of investments as a percentage of net assets as at December 31, 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

	2014		2013	
	Fair	Fair % of	Fair	% of
	Value	Net Assets	Value	Net Assets
		404		201
Cash and cash equivalents	52	1%	53	2%
Short-term investments	102	3%	35	1%
Fixed income investments	2,500	80%	2,110	79%
Pooled funds	476	15%	456	17%
Total investments	3,130	99%	2,654	99%
Net assets	3,114		2,668	

The only investment with a fair value greater than 5% of the net assets of the fund as at December 31, 2014 and 2013 is an investment in an investment grade corporate bond fund with a cost of \$333 (2013 – \$354) and fair value of \$331 (2013 – \$345) as at December 31, 2014.

Issuers representing aggregated investments of greater than 5% of net assets as at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

	2014		2013	
	Principal	Fair	Principal	Fair
	Amount	Value	Amount	Value
Province of Ontario	626	725	490	530
Fixed income funds	n/a	476	n/a	456
Government of Canada	390	450	360	380
Province of Quebec	167	200	175	195
		1,851		1,561

Represents a total of 46,452,031 units (2013 – 45,958,573) in four separate funds of the same issuer.

#### 4. INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVABLE

Investment income receivable of 15 (2013 – 13) mainly comprises interest receivable from cash, short-term investments and fixed income investment.

#### 5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUALS

Accounts payable and accruals consist of the following as at December 31, 2014 and 2013:

	2014	2013
Investment management fees and other fees	1	1

#### 6. INVESTMENT INCOME, NET REALIZED GAINS (LOSSES), AND NET UNREALIZED GAINS (LOSSES)

Investment income, net realized gains (losses) and net unrealized gains (losses) for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 consist of the following:

	2014	2013
Investment income Interest income on cash, short-term investments, and bonds and debentures	99	92
Net realized gains (losses) Realized gains (losses)	39	(4)
Net unrealized gains (losses) Unrealized gains (losses)	150	(130)

#### 7. CONTRIBUTIONS

Cash contributions to the Trust during the year were \$161 (2013 – \$154).

#### 8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### **Risks Associated with Financial Instruments**

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument might fail to meet its obligation under the terms of a financial instrument, thereby resulting in a financial loss for the other party to the transaction. The Trust is primarily exposed to credit risk through its fixed income allocation, which is invested in federal, provincial and corporate debt. Credit risk is governed by the SIPP, which requires fixed income investments to comply with various investment constraints that ensure prudent diversification and minimum credit rating quality. Investment compliance with the SIPP is monitored quarterly by an external third-party vendor and reported quarterly to management of OPG and the OFA.

The table below summarizes the Trust's exposure to debt instruments with the following credit ratings as at December 31, 2014 and 2013:

Rating	2014	2013
AAA	24.7%	26.0%
AA	37.6%	33.0%
A	25.7%	28.9%
BBB	11.1%	11.5%
Less than BBB or not rated	0.9%	0.6%
	100.0%	100.0%

Credit ratings are obtained from Standard & Poor's, Moody's and/or the Dominion Bond Rating Services. In the case where more than one rating is obtained for a security, the lowest rating has been used.

#### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Trust may be unable to meet its financial obligations due at any point in time. The approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that the Trust has sufficient liquidity to meet its financial obligations when due without incurring unacceptable losses.

#### Market Risk

Market risk is defined as the risk that an investment's value decreases due to changes in underlying market factors including, but not limited to, concentration risk, currency risk and interest rate risk.

Market risk is managed by the Trust through its diversified asset mix, which in accordance with the SIPP is expected to be reviewed at least every five years. The review generally coincides with the preparation and approval of reference plans that provide detailed cost estimates for high-level used fuel disposal. The target asset mix of the Trust, including tolerance ranges around the target allocation to various asset classes, is governed by the SIPP. Compliance with the target asset mix ranges is monitored monthly internally and on a quarterly basis by an external third-party vendor and reported quarterly to management of OPG and the OFA.

#### Concentration Risk

Concentration risk is the risk of investment loss due to lack of diversification in the portfolio. The Trust's exposure to concentration risk is governed by the SIPP. For equities, no holding shall represent more than 10 percent of the total market value of each investment manager's equity portfolio. For fixed income investments, no more than 10 percent of each investment manager's portfolio may be invested in the bonds of a single issuer and its related companies, except for Canadian federal and provincial bonds and bonds of their agencies. Investment compliance with the SIPP is monitored quarterly by an external third-party vendor and reported to management of OPG and the OFA.

#### Currency Risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument may decrease due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Trust is exposed to foreign currency risk through the purchase of fixed income instruments denominated in foreign currencies.

As at December 31, 2014 and 2013, the net foreign currency exposure of the Trust, adjusted for foreign currency hedges, was negligible.

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#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk, which includes credit spread risk, is the risk of investment loss due to changes in interest rates and changes in the market price of credit. The Trust is exposed to interest rate risk through its target asset mix, which includes a significant allocation to fixed income securities. Cash and short-term investments with maturity dates of less than one year from the financial statement date have minimal exposure to interest rate fluctuations. The Trust's exposure to interest rate risk is governed by the SIPP, which ensures that the Trust's fixed income exposure is prudently diversified. Investment compliance with the SIPP is monitored quarterly by an external third-party vendor, and reported quarterly to management of OPG and the OFA.

The table below provides a summary of the Trust's fixed income exposures by maturity as at December 31, 2014 and 2013:

	2014	2013
	2014	2013
Fixed income investments		
1 to 5 years	665	638
5 to 10 years	559	499
Over 10 years	1,276	973
	2,500	2,110
Average yield	2.66%	3.88%

Modified duration is a measure of the sensitivity of the price of a fixed income instrument to a change in interest rates. Given the Trust's modified duration of 9.1 years as at December 31, 2014 (2013 – 8.2 years), a parallel shift in the yield curve of +/- 0.5 percent would result in a \$114 (2013 – \$87) impact on the net assets of the Trust with all other variables held constant. Actual results may differ materially from this sensitivity analysis.

#### **Derivatives**

The Trust may enter into derivative contracts, such as forward foreign exchange contracts, for risk management purposes where such activity is consistent with its investment objectives. Forward foreign exchange contracts expose the Trust to counterparty credit risk should the Trust's counterparty to any such transaction default on its contractual obligations. As at December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Trust's net exposure to forward foreign exchange contracts is immaterial.

The Trust may also enter into other derivative contracts, such as futures contracts, to replicate direct investments in underlying securities. As at December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Trust did not hold any futures contracts.

#### **Additional Information on Fair Value**

Financial assets are measured at fair value in accordance with the fair value hierarchy. This hierarchy groups financial assets and financial liabilities into three levels based on the significance of inputs used in measuring the fair value of the financial assets and liabilities. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1: Valuation of inputs is based on unadjusted quoted market prices observed in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Valuation is based on inputs other than quoted prices under Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3: Valuation is based on inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

The level within which the financial asset or financial liability is classified is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following tables provide summaries of assets measured at fair value in the statements of net assets grouped into the fair value hierarchy as at December 31, 2014 and 2013:

2014	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Short-term investments	_	102	-	102
Fixed income investments	-	2,500	-	2,500
Pooled funds	-	476	-	476
	_	3,078	_	3,078

2013	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Short-term investments	-	35	-	35
Fixed income investments	-	2,109	1	2,110
Pooled funds	-	456		456
	-	2,600	1	2,601

There have been no transfers between Levels 1 and 2 in the reporting period.

Changes in the Fair Value of Financial Instruments Classified in Level 3

The following table summarizes the changes in the fair value of financial instruments classified in Level 3 for the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. The Trust classifies financial instruments in this level when the valuation technique is based on at least one significant input that is not observable in the markets or due to a lack of liquidity in certain markets. The valuation technique may also be based, in part, on observable market inputs. The gains and losses presented hereafter may therefore include changes in fair value based on observable and unobservable inputs.

	Fixed Income Investments		
	2014	2013	
Fair value as at January 1	1	-	
Purchases, sales, settlements and other <sup>1</sup>	(1)	1	
Fair value as at December 31	-	1	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes transfers into Level 3

#### 9. INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION FEES

Investment management and administration fees for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

	2014	2013
Investment management fees and other fees	3	3

For the year ended December 31, 2014, the ratio of expenses over net assets was 0.1 percent (2013 - 0.1 percent).

#### 10. PAYMENTS OR WITHDRAWALS

There were no payments or withdrawals made from the Trust relating to the disposal of long-term nuclear fuel waste as permitted under the NFWA.