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August 23, 2023

Brandon Frey, Executive Secretary Louisiana Public Service Commission Galvez Building, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor 602 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

> Re: Annual Report of the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 LPSC Docket Nos. U-29203, U-30981, U-32764, U-35991 and U-36350 CNO Docket No. UD-22-01

Dear Secretary Frey:

Pursuant to the orders issued in LPSC Docket Nos. U-29203, U-30981, U-32764, U-35991, U-36350; CNO Docket No. UD-22-01; the Restoration Law (Act 55 of the 2007 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, as amended by Act 293 of the 2021 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session); and the Louisiana Electric Utility Storm Recovery Securitization Act (Act 64 of the 2006 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, as amended by Act 293 of the 2021 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session), the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation ("LURC") hereby submits an Annual Report to the Louisiana Public Service Commission for the July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 Fiscal Year. LURC serves as the borrower in securitization transactions that financed system restoration costs incurred by Entergy Louisiana, LLC ("ELL") and the legacy Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C. entity ("EGSL") in Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Gustav, Ike, Isaac, Laura, Delta, Zeta, Ida and Winter Storm Uri and to replenish storm reserves for these companies. LURC also serves as the borrower in a securitization transaction that financed system restores. LLC ("ENO") to provide initial funding of storm recovery reserves for future storms. These transactions are collectively referred to herein as the "LURC Securitizations".

## I. LURC's Ongoing Compliance Activities

Since its previous Annual Report to the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC") dated August 30, 2022, LURC has conducted required ongoing statutory, contractual compliance and reporting obligations. Such obligations performed by LURC include:

- preparation of an annual operating budget and report as required by the Restoration Law and the Financing Orders issued by the LPSC and the New Orleans City Council ("CNO");
- 2) provision of annual compliance statements as required by the Loan Agreements of each bond issuance to the bond issuer, indenture trustee and rating agencies;

- 3) preparation and delivery of interim and annual compiled financial statements;
- preparation and delivery of an Annual Fiscal Report packet to the Division of Administration's Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy ("OSRAP") and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor ("LLA");
- 5) monitoring of monthly and semi-annual servicer certificates from ELL, EGSL and ENO and related true-up procedures, as required by the Servicing Agreements;
- 6) monitoring of monthly and annual account statements issued by the applicable indenture trustee and special public trust trustee;
- 7) conducting regular meetings of the LURC Board of Directors (and special meetings as necessary);
- 8) managing and performing LURC's document retention program as mandated by the Louisiana Secretary of State; and
- 9) managing various ordinary corporate reporting matters.

As set forth in the respective Loan Agreements for the LURC Securitizations, and as required by the LLA and OSRAP, LURC's accountants have prepared an operating budget and have compiled quarterly and annual financial statements as of LURC's fiscal year-end which were approved by the LURC Board at its regular meeting conducted on August 22, 2023. Attached hereto are LURC's Fiscal Year Ending 2024 annual operating budget (Exhibit A); and annual Compiled Financial Statements as of June 30, 2023 (Exhibit B).

Additionally, pursuant to the Financing Orders issued by the LPSC and the CNO, the applicable Servicer of the LURC Securitizations (ELL or ENO), shall submit semi-annual mandatory periodic adjustments to the System Restoration Charge or Storm Recovery Charge, as applicable. These semi-annual filings are evaluated by Henderson Ridge Consulting, Inc., as LURC's regulatory accountant, which issues a report of agreed upon procedures that is likewise submitted to the LPSC/CNO, prior to any adjustments to the System Restoration Charge or Storm Recovery Charge. These filings will be made available upon request.

Importantly, bonds have matured for two of the LURC Securitizations: ELL/EGSL Gustav/Ike on or about July 31, 2022 and ELL/EGSL Katrina/Rita on or about July 31, 2018. As a result, adjustment filings will be submitted and reviewed in March of each year until any and all benefits are distributed to ratepayers pursuant to the Financing Order. Benefits associated with both of these securitizations continue to flow to customers through the applicable Storm Cost Offset rider despite cessation of the monthly surcharges.

Further, monthly surcharges for the LURC Securitizations will continue to be assessed until those bonds mature, on the following anticipated schedule:

TRANSACTION	MATURITY DATE
2014 ELL/EGSL Isaac	August 2026
2022 ELL Laura/Delta/Zeta/Uri/Ida (partial)	August 2037
2022 ENO Storm Reserve Fund	September 2037
2023 ELL Ida (remainder)	December 2037

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# II. ENO -Storm Reserve Fund Securitization

Hurricanes Zeta and Ida caused extensive damage to and caused power outages throughout ENO's service area in 2020 and 2021, respectively. ENO met the immediate liquidity needs created by the cost of recovery from these storms by making withdrawals from ENO's previously established storm reserve escrow account. However, the cost to restore services to homes and businesses significantly exceeded the amount of available storm reserve funds. ENO was left with no storm recovery reserves and with remaining storm recovery costs. In response, ENO and LURC together sought permission from the CNO in February 2022 to securitize an amount sufficient to replenish storm recovery reserve funds and for financing of remaining storm recovery and related costs. The CNO ultimately approved securitization of approximately \$209 million, issuing a Financing Order on October 6, 2022. Thereafter, the State Bond Commission issued its approval and the transaction closed on December 16, 2022 at which time the bonds were issued.

# III. ELL - Ida Securitization

During the pendency of the ELL Laura/Delta/Zeta/Uri transaction, Hurricane Ida struck southeast Louisiana in August 2021 causing catastrophic damage to ELL's facilities resulting in extensive power outages. The LPSC permitted ELL and LURC to expand the amount to be recovered in the Laura/Delta/Zeta/Uri transaction to include \$1 billion to be held in escrow in anticipation of a formal request for authority to recover amounts incurred related to Hurricane Ida. Thereafter, in 2022 ELL and LURC filed an application requesting authority to recover a total of approximately \$2.6 billion for costs related to Hurricane Ida, including the \$1 billion escrow fund previously approved, as well as additional costs associated with Laura/Delta/Zeta/Uri recovery. The LPSC ultimately approved securitization of \$2.6 billion and issued a Financing Order on January 27, 2023. Following approval by the State Bond Commission, the transaction closed on March 29, 2023, at which time the bonds were issued.

## IV. Legislative Auditor and OSRAP

In the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, as in prior years, LURC was required to participate in an annual financial statement audit by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. The LLA reported on May 24, 2023 that LURC's 2022 annual financial statements fairly presented the financial position of LURC's major enterprise funds in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The LLA's report included a finding that certain LURC accounts were not secured pursuant to La. R.S. 49:321 to which LURC responded. A copy of the LLA's Financial Statement Audit for the Year Ending June 30, 2022, including LURC's response, will be made available upon request. Additionally, the LLA's audit of LURC's 2023 financial statements is expected to commence in the coming months.

Additionally, LURC will submit its Annual Fiscal Report ("AFR") to OSRAP on or before August 31, 2023. LURC is required to submit an AFR due to the inclusion of LURC's financial status in the State of Louisiana's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. A copy of LURC's 2023 AFR will be made available upon request. LPSC Executive Secretary Frey August 23, 2023 Page 4 of 4

Finally, LURC has complied with the Division of Administration's Boards and Commissions electronic database requirements pursuant to La. R.S. 24:513.2 and has submitted a Schedule of Expenditures and Federal Awards to OSRAP.

## V. Ongoing Corporate Matters

The LURC continues to take the necessary actions to maintain its corporate existence in good standing, such as submission of annual reports to the Secretary of State, compliance with the requirements of the Restoration Law, including annual election of officers, submission of annual reports to the LPSC and preparation of an annual operating budget.

Since its creation in late 2007, the LURC has conducted regular and special board meetings as necessary to conduct business related to LURC's corporate activities and the LURC Securitizations.

Should you have any questions regarding the information contained in this Annual Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

## LONG LAW FIRM, L.L.P.

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#### LOUISIANA UTILITIES RESTORATION CORPORATION REVENUES AND EXPENSES BUDGET CASH BASIS FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

	ELL	EGSL	ENO	TOTAL
OPERATING REVENUES				
System Restoration Charges				
Isaac Issuance	24,300,000	7,715,000		32,015,000
Series 2022A Issuance	288,000,000	÷.		288,000,000
Series 2022 ENO Issuance		-	22,800,000	22,800,000
Series 2023 Issuance	154,300,000		-	154,300,000
Total Operating Revenues	466,600,000	7,715,000	22,800,000	497,115,000
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Interest Expense				
Isaac Issuance	2,453,691	632,257	-	3,085,948
Series 2022A Issuance	44,750,000	2	120	44,750,000
Series 2022 ENO Issuance	2	-	13,030,877	13,030,877
Series 2023 Issuance	88,697,735	-		88,697,735
Bond Principal Obligations				
Isaac Issuance	22,452,911	6,578,380	-	29,031,291
Series 2022A Issuance	162,748,291	-	-	162,748,291
Series 2022 ENO Issuance			8,973,578	8,973,578
Series 2023 Issuance	63,362,399			63,362,399
Entergy Servicing Fees	4,993,515	150,000	205,980	5,349,495
Legal Fees				
Long Law Firm	196,000	15,000	90,000	301,000
Accounting and Auditing Fees				
Deloitte	490,000	180,000	200,000	870,000
LaPorte CPAs & Business Advisors	70,000	25,000	25,000	120,000
Louisiana Legislative Auditor	59,500	8,513	25,000	93,013
Other Professional Fees				
Henderson Ridge Consulting	235,600	85,100	63,250	383,950
Rating Agency Fees	139,160	35,750	48,000	222,910
Trustee Fees	47,500	5,000	20,000	72,500
Total Operating Expenses	390,696,302	7,715,000	22,681,685	421,092,987
Net Operating Revenues in				
Excess of Expenses	\$ 75,903,698 \$	6 -	\$ 118,315 \$	6 76,022,013

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**Compiled Financial Statements** 

June 30, 2023



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#### Accountant's Compilation Report

To the Board of Directors Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation Baton Rouge, LA

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of the major enterprise funds of the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation (the Corporation), a special-purpose government and discrete component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Corporation's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We did not audit or review the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis information on pages 2 through 5 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is presented for additional analysis and, although not a required 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 and for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Such information is the responsibility of management. The required supplementary information was subject to our compilation engagement. We have not audited or reviewed the required supplementary information and we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on such information.

We are not independent with respect to the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Metairie, LA August 14, 2023

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis

This section of the financial report of the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation (the Corporation) represents management's analysis of the Corporation's financial performance for the year ended June 30, 2023. This should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the corresponding note disclosures of the Corporation, which follow this section.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis is an element of the reporting model established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34 issued in June 1999.

## **Financial Highlights**

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the main financial activities of the Corporation were as follows:

- The Corporation caused the issuance of Storm Recovery Bonds of \$209,300,000 to replenish and fund ENO's storm recovery reserves and pay or reimburse upfront financing costs associated with the issuance of storm recovery bonds ("Storm Recovery Bonds Series 2022").
- The Corporation caused the issuance of System Restoration Bonds of \$1,491,485,000 to help cover system restoration costs incurred by ELL as a result of Hurricanes Ida, Laura, Delta, Zeta and Winter Storm Uri ("System Restoration Bonds Series 2023").
- The Corporation collected \$355,574,196 in system restoration charges for the Entergy Louisiana, LLC (ELL) Program, \$11,700,021 in system restoration charges for the Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C. (EGSL) Program and \$8,338,975 in system restoration and storm recovery charges for the Entergy New Orleans, L.L.C. (ENO) Program.
- The Corporation paid \$96,414,522 in interest and \$119,876,306 in principal obligations on the Series 2010-ELL Program, Series 2014-ELL Program and Series 2022-ELL Program System Restoration Bonds.
- The Corporation paid \$1,041,825 in interest and \$17,690,912 in principal obligations on the Series 2010-EGSL Program and Series 2014-EGSL Program System Restoration Bonds.
- The Corporation paid \$2,695,367 to ELL in servicing fees.

## **Overview of the Financial Statements**

These financial statements consist of two basic sections - Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section) and the basic financial statements (including the notes to the financial statements).

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

## **Basic Financial Statements**

The basic financial statements present information for the Corporation as a whole, in a format designed to make the statements easier for the reader to understand. The statements in this section include the Statement of Net Position; the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; and the Statement of Cash Flows.

The *Statement of Net Position* (page 6) presents the current and long-term portions of assets and liabilities separately. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is net position and may provide a useful indicator of the financial position of the Corporation.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (page 7) presents information showing how the Corporation's assets changed as a result of operations from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Regardless of when cash is affected, all changes in net position are reported when the underlying transactions occur. As a result, there are transactions included that will not affect cash until future fiscal years.

The *Statement of Cash Flows* (pages 8 and 9) presents information showing how the Corporation's cash changed as a result of operations from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The Statement of Cash Flows is prepared using the direct method and includes the reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities (indirect method) as required by GASB Statement No. 34.

The condensed Statements of Net Position as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023	2022	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Current Assets	\$ 276,332,676	\$ 103,208,228	\$ 173,124,448	167.74 %
Noncurrent Assets	1,776,781		1,776,781	nm
Total Assets	278,109,457	103,208,228	174,901,229	169.46 %
Current Liabilities	333,629,919	152,070,857	181,559,062	119.39 %
Noncurrent Liabilities	4,658,028,640	3,221,354,622	1,436,674,018	44.60 %
Total Liabilities	4,991,658,559	3,373,425,479	1,618,233,080	47.97 %
Net Position - Unrestricted (Deficit)	\$ (4,713,549,102)	\$ (3,270,217,251)	\$ (1,443,331,851)	(44.14) %

## Statements of Net Position June 30, 2023 and 2022

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

The increase in current and noncurrent assets resulted from new reserve accounts funded by proceeds from the issuance of the Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds in May 2022, the issuance of the Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds in December 2022 and the issuance of the Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds in March 2023, as well as the establishment of escrow accounts to hold the trust distributions related to the Series 2022A and 2023 System Restoration Bonds.

The increase in current and noncurrent liabilities represents the respective current and long-term maturities on the Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds issued during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2022, the Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds issued during the second quarter of fiscal year 2023 and the Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds issued during the third quarter of fiscal year 2023.

Since liabilities payable from restricted assets exceed restricted assets, the Corporation is reporting a deficit in net position, which is required to be presented as unrestricted. Restricted net position represents those assets that are not available for spending as a result of bond agreements.

The condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023	2022	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Operating Revenues - System				
Restoration Charges (Net)	\$ 377,032,166	\$ 132,491,063	\$ 244,541,103	184.57 %
Nonoperating Revenues -				
Interest Income	3,868,659	42,383	3,826,276	9,027.86 %
Other Income	-	5,000	(5,000)	(100.00) %
Trust Distribution Income	1,737,784		1,737,784	nm
Total Revenues	382,638,609	132,538,446	250,100,163	188.70 %
Operating Expenses	5,053,708	1,585,274	3,468,434	218.79 %
Nonoperating Expenses -				
Purchase of Storm Recovery Property	200,000,000	-	200,000,000	nm
Trust Capital Contribution	1,457,675,748	3,163,571,872	(1,705,896,124)	(53.92) %
Interest Expense	150,801,394	18,388,532	132,412,862	720.08 %
Underwriters' Discount	5,422,303	9,265,920	(3,843,617)	(41.48) %
Bond Issuance Costs	7,017,307	4,689,682	2,327,625	49.63 %
Total Expenses	1,825,970,460	3,197,501,280	(1,371,530,820)	(42.89) %
Change in Net Position	\$ (1,443,331,851)	\$ (3,064,962,834)	\$ 1,621,630,983	(52.91) %

#### Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

### Management's Discussion and Analysis

The operating revenues of the Corporation are derived from system restoration and storm recovery charges collected by ELL, EGSL, and ENO from their customers to satisfy the debt service requirements of the Corporation. The increase in operating revenues resulted from the system restoration charges assessed to meet the required principal payments on the Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds issued during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2022, the Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds issued during the third quarter of fiscal year 2023.

The increase in operating expenses is related to the Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds, 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds, and 2023 System Restoration Bonds servicing fees.

The decrease in non-operating expenses resulted from the costs associated with the Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds and Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds issuance being greater than the costs associated with the Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds issuance in the prior year. The significant increase in interest expense resulted from the obligations related to the issuances of the Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds, Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds, and Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds.

#### Contacting the Management of the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Corporation's finances and to demonstrate the Corporation's accountability for the funds it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, please contact the Registered Agent for the Corporation as follows:

> Ms. Jamie Hurst Watts Long Law Firm, L.L.P. 1800 City Farm Drive Building 6 Baton Rouge, LA 70806

## LOUISIANA UTILITIES RESTORATION CORPORATION Statement of Net Position June 30, 2023

	Enterprise Funds							
		ELL		EGSL		ENO		
		Program		Program		Program		Total
Assets								
Current Assets - Restricted								
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2)	\$	221,666,169	\$	8,527,815	\$	13,323,364	\$	243,517,348
Receivables, Net (Note 4)		30,181,840		407,140		2,226,348		32,815,328
Total Current Assets		251,848,009		8,934,955		15,549,712		276,332,676
Noncurrent Assets - Restricted								
Escrow Cash Equivalents - Restricted (Note 3)		1,776,781		-				1,776,781
Total Assets		253,624,790	_	8,934,955		15,549,712		278,109,457
Liabilities								
Current Liabilities - Restricted								
Accounts Payable		2,027,771		96,266		167,692		2,291,729
Accrued Interest Payable		61,061,392		281,064		5,884,745		67,227,201
Current Portion of Bonds Payable, Net (Note 5)		248,560,511		6,576,900		8,973,578	_	264,110,989
Total Current Liabilities		311,649,674	_	6,954,230		15,026,015		333,629,919
Noncurrent Liabilities - Restricted								
Bonds Payable, Net (Note 5)		4,440,697,846		17,004,372		200,326,422		4,658,028,640
Total Liabilities		4,752,347,520		23,958,602		215,352,437		4,991,658,559
Net Position - Unrestricted (Deficit)	\$(	4,498,722,730)	\$	(15,023,647)	\$	(199,802,725)	\$(	4,713,549,102)

## LOUISIANA UTILITIES RESTORATION CORPORATION Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Enterprise Funds							
		ELL		EGSL		ENO		
		Program		Program		Program		Total
Operating Revenues								
System Restoration Charges	\$	356,418,628	\$	10,081,354	\$	10,578,987	\$	377,078,969
(Increase) Decrease in Allowance for								
Uncollectible Accounts		(40,579)		7,440		(13,664)		(46,803)
Total Operating Revenues (Note 6)		356,378,049		10,088,794	_	10,565,323		377,032,166
Operating Expenses								
Non-Shareholder Capital Contributions		(9,838)		(9,250)		-		(19,088)
Servicing Fees		4,026,510		162,204		119,400		4,308,114
Professional Services		366,654		270,966		48,292		685,912
Ongoing Financing Costs		39,385	_	39,385	_		_	78,770
Total Operating Expenses		4,422,711		463,305		167,692		5,053,708
Operating Income		351,955,338		9,625,489		10,397,631		371,978,458
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)								
Interest and Dividend Income		3,507,699		256,890		104,070		3,868,659
Trust Distribution Income		1,737,784		-				1,737,784
Purchase of Storm Recovery Property (Note 7)				-	(	200,000,000)		(200,000,000)
Trust Capital Contribution (Note 8)	(1	,457,675,748)				0 <del>1</del> 2	(	1,457,675,748)
Interest Expense		(144,135,851)		(780,798)		(5,884,745)		(150,801,394)
Underwriters' Discount		(4,309,926)		-		(1,112,377)		(5,422,303)
Bond Issuance Costs		(3,710,003)	_	•		(3,307,304)		(7,017,307)
Total Nonoperating Revenues								
(Expenses), Net	(1	,604,586,045)		(523,908)	1	(210,200,356)	(	1,815,310,309)
Change in Net Position	(1	,252,630,707)		9,101,581		(199,802,725)	(	1,443,331,851)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	(3	,246,092,023)		(24,125,228)		-	(	3,270,217,251)
Net Position, End of Year	\$ (4	,498,722,730)	\$	(15,023,647)	\$	(199,802,725)	\$ (	4,713,549,102)

## LOUISIANA UTILITIES RESTORATION CORPORATION Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Enterprise Funds							
		ELL		EGSL		ENO		
		Program		Program		Program		Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities								
System Restoration Charges Received	\$	355,574,196	\$	11,700,021	\$	8,338,975	S	375,613,192
Non-Shareholder Capital Contributions		9,838		9,250		-		19,088
Servicing Fees Paid		(2,472,137)		(223,230)		-		(2,695,367)
Professional Services Paid		(338,397)		(290,011)		-		(628,408)
Ongoing Financing Costs Paid		(39,385)		(39,385)	_	-		(78,770)
Net Cash Provided by Operating								
Activities		352,734,115	_	11,156,645	-	8,338,975	_	372,229,735
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities								
Proceeds from Sale of Bonds		1,491,485,000		114		209,300,000		1,700,785,000
Purchase of Storm Recovery Property				-		200,000,000)		(200,000,000)
Trust Capital Contribution		(1,457,675,748)		1	`	-		(1,457,675,748)
Bond Issuance Costs		(3,710,003)				(3,307,304)		(7,017,307)
Underwriters' Discount		(4,309,926)		-		(1,112,377)		(5,422,303)
Trust Distribution Income		1,737,784		-		-		1,737,784
Bond Principal Obligations Paid		(119,876,306)		(17,690,912)		-		(137,567,218)
Interest Paid on Bonds		(96,414,522)	_	(1,041,825)		-		(97,456,347)
Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Non-Capital Financing Activities		(188,763,721)		(18,732,737)		4,880,319		(202,616,139)
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Cash Flows from Investing Activities Interest and Dividends Received		3,507,699		256,890		104,070	_	3,868,659
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities		3,507,699		256,890		104.070		2,000,000
Activities	-	3,307,099		200,090		104,070		3,868,659
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		167,478,093		(7,319,202)		13,323,364		173,482,255
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year		55,964,857		15,847,017				71,811,874
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	223,442,950	\$	8,527,815	\$	13,323,364	\$	245,294,129
Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents to the								
Statement of Net Position								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	221,666,169	\$	8,527,815	\$	13,323,364	\$	243,517,348
Escrow Cash Equivalents - Restricted		1,776,781			-	-		1,776,781
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	223,442,950	\$	8,527,815	\$	13,323,364	\$	245,294,129
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## LOUISIANA UTILITIES RESTORATION CORPORATION Statement of Cash Flows (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Enterprise Funds							
		ELL Program		EGSL Program		ENO Program		Total
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net								
Cash Provided by Operating Activities								
Operating Income	\$	351,955,338	\$	9,625,489	\$	10,397,631	\$	371,978,458
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to								
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities								
Increase (Decrease) in Allowance for								
Uncollectible Accounts		40,579		(7,440)		13,664		46,803
Changes in Assets and Liabilities								1000 • 1000 v
(Increase) Decrease in Receivables		(844,432)		1,618,667		(2,240,012)		(1,465,777)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	-	1,582,630		(80,071)		167,692	_	1,670,251
Net Cash Provided by Operating								
Activities	\$	352,734,115	\$	11,156,645	\$	8,338,975	\$	372,229,735

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Introduction

The Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation (the Corporation) was created by Act 55 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature codified under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes (R.S.) 45:1311 through 1328 (the Restoration Law). The Corporation is a nonprofit, special-purpose public entity that is an instrumentality of the State of Louisiana.

In 2005, Louisiana was struck by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, causing unprecedented damages to the infrastructure of Entergy Louisiana, Inc. As of October 1, 2015, Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C. (EGSL) and Entergy Louisiana, LLC (ELL) were combined into a single operating company ultimately referred to as Entergy Louisiana, LLC. As a result of that transaction, and pursuant to Assignment and Assumption Agreements executed in connection therewith, the combined Entergy Louisiana, LLC succeeded both EGSL and ELL as the servicer for the existing programs. ELL and EGSL previously funded and paid for the majority of the system restoration costs using internally generated funds, borrowings from the Entergy Money Pool, and proceeds of debt issuances. The severity of the resulting damage to utilities and the importance of maintaining a reliable and reasonably priced source of electricity to the State's economic recovery prompted the Louisiana Legislature to assist electric utilities by authorizing a new financing structure to provide utilities with low-cost capital. As a result, the Louisiana Legislature passed the Restoration Law, which authorized the creation of the Corporation for the purpose of making the capital contribution and financing that contribution through the issuance of system restoration bonds.

Pursuant to Act 55 as originally enacted, a utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Public Service Commission (LPSC) must apply to the LPSC for a Financing Order under the Restoration Law to authorize the issuance of system restoration bonds. Likewise, a utility subject to the jurisdiction of the New Orleans City Council (CNO) must apply to the CNO for a Financing Order. If the LPSC/CNO determines, in its discretion, that certain criteria in the Restoration Law are met, the LPSC/CNO may issue a Financing Order that, among other things, authorizes the Corporation to impose system restoration charges on the customers of a utility; authorizes the Corporation to pledge the system restoration property to an authorized issuer under the Restoration Law as security for a loan of the proceeds of the system restoration bonds issued by the issuer; authorizes the petitioning utility to serve as collection agent for the system restoration charges; and requires the Corporation to transfer the net proceeds from the issuance of such bonds to the utility for the public good as a non-shareholder contribution to capital. The proceeds of the bonds would serve as the mechanism by which non-shareholder capital contributions are paid by the Corporation to a utility company in an amount that would adequately satisfy the following expenditures: (1) system restoration costs previously incurred for damages; (2) the establishment of a storm damage reserve account for each entity that would be used to fund system restoration costs in the event of future damages due to hurricanes and other storms; and (3) bond issuance costs.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Introduction (Continued)

The Financing Order is adopted for the following purposes: (1) to approve and authorize the financing and capital contribution; (2) to authorize the issuance of system restoration bonds in one or more series; (3) to approve the structure of the proposed financing and capital contribution; (4) to create system restoration property solely in favor of the Corporation, including the right to impose and collect system restoration charges in an amount to be calculated as provided in a Financing Order; and (5) to approve the form of tariff to impose the system restoration charges on behalf of the Corporation.

In 2008, Louisiana was struck by Hurricanes Gustav and Ike which caused extensive damage to infrastructure and caused power outages throughout ELL's and EGSL's systems. In response, ELL and EGSL, in conjunction with the Corporation, filed separate applications for Financing Orders under the Restoration Law, which were approved by the LPSC on April 21, 2010, and were issued by the LPSC on April 30, 2010. The funds for the non-shareholder capital contributions to ELL were obtained through the issuance of \$468,900,000 of Series 2010 System Restoration Bonds, dated July 22, 2010 (the 2010-ELL Program), in four tranches. The funds for the non-shareholder capital contributions to EGSL were obtained through the issuance of \$244,100,000 of Series 2010 System Restoration Bonds, dated July 22, 2010 (the 2010-ELL Program), in three tranches.

In 2012, Louisiana was struck by Hurricane Isaac which caused extensive damage to infrastructure and caused power outages throughout ELL's and EGSL's systems. In response, ELL and EGSL, in conjunction with the Corporation, filed a Joint Application for Financing, Quantification, and Ancillary Orders under the Restoration Law, which were approved by the LPSC on June 18, 2014, and were issued by the LPSC on August 6, 2014. The funds for the non-shareholder capital contributions to ELL were obtained through the issuance of \$243,850,000 of Series 2014 System Restoration Bonds, dated August 6, 2014 (the 2014-ELL Program), in two tranches. The funds for the non-shareholder capital contributions to EGSL were obtained through the issuance of \$71,000,000 of Series 2014 System Restoration Bonds, dated August 6, 2014 (the 2014-ELL Program), in two tranches. The funds for the non-shareholder capital contributions to EGSL were obtained through the issuance of \$71,000,000 of Series 2014 System Restoration Bonds, dated August 6, 2014 (the 2014-ELL Program), in one tranche.

Act 293 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature amended the Restoration Law and the Louisiana Electric Storm Recovery Securitization Act (Act 64) to include, among other provisions, authorization to create special public trusts or to participate as an assignee in certain financial transactions for the purpose of providing an alternate financing mechanism available to the LPSC and the CNO, as applicable. The Corporation may create trusts in movable property and serve as a beneficiary along with a utility, or participate as an assignee, by and with the express approval of the LPSC or the CNO, including authorization in a financing order. Such trust shall own, administer, and distribute the trust property contributed and earned for the benefit of its beneficiaries, and, when applicable, a pledgee. A financing order shall require the Corporation to transfer the net proceeds of the system restoration bonds to a trust whose beneficiary is the related utility that is collecting the applicable system restoration charges.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Introduction (Continued)

Throughout 2020 and 2021, Louisiana was struck by Hurricanes Laura, Delta, Zeta, Ida, and winter storm Uri which caused extensive damage to infrastructure and caused power outages throughout ELL's systems. In response, ELL and the Corporation filed the first supplemental joint application with the LPSC seeking authority to cause the issuance of system restoration bonds in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of \$1.86 billion of net system restoration costs, the costs of re-establishing storm damage reserves for ELL's operations that are subject to the jurisdiction of the LPSC in the amount of \$290 million in a restricted storm reserve escrow account, and issuance costs. On this date, ELL also filed the second supplemental joint application requesting an order, separate from the Financing Order, approving a tariff to implement ancillary adjustments relating to the system restoration process. On September 30, 2021, ELL and the Corporation filed a third supplemental joint application requesting the establishment of a \$1 billion Hurricane Ida Escrow to be added to the aggregate principal amount. On February 23, 2022, the LPSC approved all applications and the issuance of the Financing Order, which was issued on March 2, 2022.

The approvals contained in the Financing Order include authorization to issue system restoration bonds in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of: (a) \$2,056,849,979 of system restoration costs; (b) the costs of re-establishing regular storm damage reserves for ELL's operations that are subject to the jurisdiction of the LPSC in the amount of \$290,000,000 in a restricted storm damage reserve escrow account; (c) the costs of funding and financing a special Hurricane Ida Escrow storm damage reserve escrow fund in the amount of \$1,000,000,000 in a separate restricted reserve escrow account; (d) issuance costs; and (e) certain carrying costs. This bond transaction closed on May 19, 2022.

On June 20, 2022, ELL and the Corporation filed the first supplemental joint application with the LPSC seeking authority to cause the issuance of system restoration bonds in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of \$2.58 billion of net system restoration costs, less the previously applied Hurricane Ida Escrow proceeds of \$1 billion and issuance costs. On this date, ELL also filed the second supplemental joint application requesting an order, separate from the Financing Order, approving a rate rider to implement ancillary adjustments relating to the system restoration process. On January 18, 2023, the LPSC approved all applications and the issuance of the Financing Order, which was issued on January 27, 2023.

The approvals contained in the Financing Order include authorization to issue system restoration bonds in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of: (a) \$1,395,201,831 of system restoration costs; (b) issuance costs; and (c) certain carrying costs. This bond transaction closed on March 29, 2023.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Introduction (Continued)

Hurricanes Zeta and Ida caused extensive damage to infrastructure and caused power outages throughout Entergy New Orleans, L.L.C.'s (ENO) systems. ENO met the liquidity needs created by the storm recovery costs by making withdrawals from ENO's previously-established securitized storm reserve escrow account. But the costs to restore service to homes and businesses in New Orleans after Hurricane Ida were significantly above ENO's available storm reserves, and ENO currently has no storm recovery reserves. In response, ENO and the Corporation filed the Securitization Application with the CNO on February 4, 2022 requesting permission to establish a new Storm Recovery Reserve and fund a related escrow account in the amount of \$150 million to be used to fund storm recovery activity after future storms, or for interim and/or permanent financing of Hurricane Ida costs; plus upfront financing costs, which were estimated to be \$5 million and are subject to further adjustment and review pursuant to the Issuance Advice Letter; plus the cost of credit enhancements and other mechanisms designed to promote the credit guality and marketability of the storm recovery bonds, if any, On August 19, 2022, the CNO Utility Advisors filed their Advisor's Report of Their Findings Regarding the Securitization Application in Docket No. US-22-01 that recommended increasing the storm recovery bonds' principal amount to be \$200 million (from \$150 million) plus upfront issuance costs. On October 6, 2022, the Council approved the application and issued the Financing Order.

The approvals contained in the Financing Order include authorization to issue storm recovery bonds consisting of one or more tranches in an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$206 million equal to the sum of: (a) the cost of funding and replenishing its storm recovery reserve in the amount of \$200,000,000 in a restricted escrow account, plus; (b) upfront financing costs, which were estimated to be \$5,980,000 and were subject to further adjustment and review pursuant to the Issuance Advice Letter, including the debt service reserve subaccount, plus the cost of credit enhancements and other mechanisms designed to promote the credit quality and marketability of the storm recovery bonds. This bond transaction closed on December 16, 2022.

To generate funds to meet the principal and interest obligations on the system restoration bonds and the storm recovery bonds, the customers of ELL and ENO are assessed system restoration and storm recovery charges. ELL and ENO, in their capacity as servicers, collect the charges from each customer, which are billed to each customer as part of their standard monthly invoices, on behalf of the Corporation. ELL and ENO then remit the collected system restoration and storm recovery charges into accounts maintained by the trustees for the benefit of the Corporation. These fees, and the corresponding rights to these fees, are considered system restoration and storm recovery property and serve as collateral for the bonds. In the event that system restoration charges remitted by ELL or storm recovery charges remitted by ENO are not sufficient to meet principal and interest obligations, the Corporation can withdraw funds from Debt Service Reserve Subaccounts (DSRSs) established for each utility company, which were created by a portion of the monies from the corresponding bond issuances. The DSRSs will be replenished to the required balances as established in the corresponding Financing Orders with system restoration and storm recovery charges collected subsequent to the withdrawal of funds. On a semiannual basis, system restoration and storm recovery charges are reviewed by the Corporation to determine if the charges are at a sufficient level to meet bond principal and interest obligations along with other necessary expenses of the Corporation. Any adjustments to the charges to customers are made as a result of each review.

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Introduction (Continued)

Pursuant to Act 55, as amended by Act 293, the Corporation has the following powers and may be involved in the following activities: (1) enter into the bond issuance agreement and corresponding transactions involving the collection of and the remittance of system restoration charges as prescribed in the LPSC/CNO-approved Financing Order; (2) employ individuals as deemed necessary to perform the duties of the Corporation; (3) acquire, sell, pledge, or transfer system restoration property; (4) borrow monies from an issuer of system restoration bonds as needed to meet the requirements of the Financing Order; (5) sue or be sued in the name of the Corporation; (6) negotiate and enter into contracts as deemed necessary; (7) engage in activities that are permitted of nonprofit organizations in the State of Louisiana as long as those activities are not prohibited by the Financing Order; (8) maintain separate accounts and records corresponding to each utility company for which the Corporation receives system restoration charges; (9) prepare an annual operating budget and submit to the LPSC for approval; (10) perform any other acts as deemed necessary to carry out the requirements of the Financing Order; and (11) participate in financing transactions contemplated by the Louisiana Electric Utility Storm Recovery Securitization Act R.S. 45:1226-1240.

The Corporation is governed by a seven-member board of directors comprised of the following: (1) two representatives appointed by the governor who have a background and expertise in financial affairs (these individuals will serve at the pleasure of the governor); (2) the treasurer of the State of Louisiana, or an employee of the Department of the Treasury of Louisiana, as his designee; (3) the chairperson of the House Committee on Commerce, or a member of that committee, as designated by the chairperson; (4) the chairperson of the Senate Committee on Commerce, or a member of that committee, as designated by the chairperson; (5) the executive secretary of the LPSC, or an employee of the LPSC, as his designee; and (6) the president of the CNO, or a designee of the president who shall have a background and expertise in financial affairs. With the exception of elected officials, members of the board shall be confirmed by the Senate.

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## **Basis of Presentation**

The Corporation's financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing U.S. GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations).

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## **Reporting Entity**

Using the criteria in GASB Codification Section 2100, the Division of Administration, Office of Statewide Reporting and Accounting Policy, has defined the governmental reporting entity to be the State of Louisiana. The Corporation is considered a discretely presented component unit of the State of Louisiana because the State exercises oversight responsibility and has accountability for fiscal matters as follows: (1) the Corporation is created as a public corporation and instrumentality of the State of Louisiana and has corporate powers; (2) a majority of the members of the board of directors are either appointed by the governor or are primary government officials; (3) the annual operating budget must be approved by the LPSC, which is part of the primary government; and (4) the primary government has the ability to impose its will on the Corporation, as defined in GASB Statement No. 14 and amended by GASB Statement No. 61.

The State of Louisiana issues an annual comprehensive financial report, which includes the activity contained in the accompanying basic financial statements. Those basic financial statements are audited by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

## Basis of Accounting

For financial reporting purposes, the Corporation is considered a special-purpose government entity engaged only in business-type activities (enterprise funds). Accordingly, the financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when a liability has been incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

The Corporation reports the following major proprietary funds:

- ELL Program Accounts for all activities related to the system restoration property and system restoration charges of Entergy Louisiana, LLC.
- EGSL Program Accounts for all activities related to the system restoration property and system restoration charges of Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C., who combined with Entergy Louisiana, LLC in October 2015.
- ENO Program Accounts for all activities related to the storm recovery property and storm recovery charges of Entergy New Orleans, L.L.C.

## **Cash Equivalents**

Cash equivalents consist of money market funds held by a trustee bank. For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows and Statement of Net Position presentation, all highlyliquid investments (including restricted cash equivalents) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered to be cash equivalents.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Investments

In accordance with the Corporation's investment policy, funds held by the Corporation or the indentured trustees on behalf of the Corporation may be invested and reinvested in investments and securities that are legal investments under the laws of the State of Louisiana in accordance with R.S. 33:2955 and secured, as applicable, in accordance with R.S. 49:321.

The official bond documents authorize the trustee to invest in direct obligations of the United States of America, time deposits or certificates of deposit of an eligible banking institution, commercial paper with the highest available credit rating, money market mutual funds with the highest available credit ratings, and any other investment permitted by each of the rating agencies. The funds held by the Corporation or the indentured trustee on behalf of the Corporation related to the 2014, 2022, 2022A, and 2023 System Restoration and Storm Recovery Bonds, are also authorized to be invested in demand deposits, bankers' acceptances of an eligible banking institution, and certain repurchase obligations.

## **Revenues and Expenses**

The Corporation has classified its revenues and expenses as either operating or nonoperating according to the following criteria:

- Operating Revenues include system restoration charges which are billed to utility customers.
- Nonoperating Revenues include interest and dividend income.
- Operating Expenses generally include costs associated with the collection of system restoration charges, costs of administering the Corporation, and nonshareholder capital contributions, if applicable.
- Nonoperating Expenses include interest paid on debt, amortization of bond discounts, bond issuance costs, trust contributions, and purchase of storm recovery property, if applicable.

## **Restricted Assets and Liabilities**

Restricted assets represent resources set aside for the purpose of funding debt service payments in accordance with the Financing Orders approved by the LPSC. Restricted liabilities are those liabilities payable from restricted assets. All of the assets and liabilities of the Corporation are restricted either by state law or bond indenture.

## **Receivables and Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts**

Receivables represent the balance of system restoration and storm recovery charges that have been invoiced by each utility company to its respective customers but that have not been received by the Corporation from each utility company. The Corporation carries this receivable balance at cost less an allowance for uncollectible accounts. The allowance for uncollectible accounts is based on historical trends of collections of each utility company.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### **Long-Term Obligations**

Bonds payable are reported net of the unamortized portion of the bond discount. Bond discounts are deferred and expensed over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the interest rate method of deferral should be used to expense bond discounts over the life of the bonds. However, the effect of using the straight-line method is not materially different from the results that would have been obtained had the interest rate method been followed.

#### **Income Taxes**

Act 55 stipulates that the activities of the Corporation are not subject to Louisiana income tax and Louisiana franchise tax. Because its income is derived from the exercise of an essential governmental function and will accrue to a state or political subdivision thereof, such income is excludable from federal income tax under Section 115(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

## **Net Position**

Net position comprises the various net earnings from revenues and expenses. Net position generally is classified in the following components:

- Restricted Net Position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities related to those assets. Restricted assets are subject to external constraints required by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted Net Position is the net amount of the assets and liabilities that are not included in the determination of restricted net position.

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

#### **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 required amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## Note 2. Investments

At June 30, 2023, the Corporation's investments totaling \$245,294,129 consisted of thirty-three accounts, sixteen held by the trustee Bank of New York Mellon, fourteen held by the trustee U.S. Bank Trust Company, N.A. and three escrow accounts held by the trustee Hancock Whitney Bank (see Note 3). On the Statement of Net Position, \$243,517,348 of the Corporation's investments are reported as Cash and Cash Equivalents and \$1,776,781 are reported as Escrow Cash Equivalents - Restricted. Each of the accounts held by the trustee Bank of New York Mellon invests in the Dreyfus Government Cash Management Fund, which is a money market mutual fund rated "AAAm" by the Standard & Poor's Investor Services. The accounts held by the trustee U.S. Bank Trust Company, N.A. invests in both the U.S. Bank Money Market Deposit Account, which is an interest-bearing bank demand/time deposit rated "A-1+" by the Standard & Poor's Investor Services, and the First American Money Market Funds which is a U.S. treasury money market fund rated "AAAm" by the Standard & Poor's Investor Services. The escrow accounts held by the trustee Hancock Whitney invests in the Goldman Sachs Financial Square Government Fund, which is a money market fund rated "AAAm" by the Standard & Poor's Investor Services.

The total debt reserve balance in the 2010-ELL Program and 2010-EGSL Program, the 2014-ELL Program and 2014-EGSL Program, the 2022A-ELL Program, the 2022-ENO Program and the 2023-ELL Program of \$49,185,495 is held in separate accounts to satisfy the Debt Service Reserve Requirements provided for by the bond indentures. The 2010-ELL Program and 2010-EGSL Program bond series reserve requirements are \$2,344,500 and \$1,220,500, respectively. The 2014-ELL Program and 2014-EGSL Program bond series reserve requirements are \$1,219,250 and \$355,000, respectively. The 2022A-ELL Program bond series reserve requirement is \$15,967,525. The 2022-ENO Program bond series reserve requirement is \$4,709,250. The 2023-ELL Program bond series reserve requirement is \$22,372,275. The Corporation met all reserve balance requirements at June 30, 2023.

*Credit Risk* is defined as the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment transaction will not fulfill its obligations. The Corporation does not have a formal credit risk policy. However, in practice, credit risk is minimized by investing in money market funds containing underlying securities which are issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies and instrumentalities.

*Custodial Credit Risk* is defined as the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Corporation's deposits may not be returned to it.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 3. Escrow Account - Restricted

Pursuant to the LURC Trust Distributions Escrow Agreements related to the Series 2022A and Series 2023 bonds Financing Orders, Escrow Accounts were created in the name of LURC to hold the Trust Distributions made to LURC by the Trustee as well as investment earnings/losses of the Escrow Account (collectively, Escrowed Property). The Escrowed Property may be invested in eligible investments which include direct obligations of the United States of America; demand deposits, time deposits or certificates of deposit of an eligible banking institution, commercial paper with the highest available credit rating, money market mutual funds with the highest available credit ratings, bankers' acceptances of an eligible banking institution, and certain repurchase obligations.

The Escrowed Property is pledged to bondholders and is to be held in escrow until the bonds are paid off, unless a mandatory redemption event occurs consisting of the following (1) there is a payment default on the bonds, (2) such use will not cause a downgrade or suspension of the credit ratings on the bonds (or the bonds are no longer rated), and (3) additional conditions, if any, imposed by the LURC on the use of such funds are satisfied (any LURC condition cannot exceed a period of six years from the date of the mandatory redemption at issue). Distributions from the Escrow Account, with the exception of Trustee fees, require a certificate signed by an authorized officer of LURC as set forth in the LURC Trust Distributions Escrow Agreement. After the bonds are fully paid, ELL customers will be credited with any remaining monies on a rolling six-year basis.

## Note 4. System Restoration and Storm Recovery Charges Receivable and Revenue

ELL and ENO, in their capacity as servicers, collect funds from their customers through system restoration and storm recovery charges, and then remit those funds to the Corporation, which uses those funds to meet principal and interest obligations on bonds payable, bond issuance costs, if applicable, and ongoing financing costs. During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Corporation received a total of \$355,574,196 and \$11,700,021 from ELL and EGSL, respectively, and a total of \$8,338,975 from ENO.

As reflected on the Statement of Net Position, the system restoration charges receivable of the Corporation as of June 30, 2023 are as follows:

	ELL Program	EGSL Program		ENO Program	Total
System Restoration Charges and					
Storm Recovery Charges Receivable	\$ 30,367,080	\$	409,639	\$ 2,240,012	\$ 33,016,731
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	(185,240)		(2,499)	(13,664)	(201,403)
Total Receivables, Net	\$ 30,181,840	\$	407,140	\$ 2,226,348	\$ 32,815,328

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### Note 5. Long-Term Obligations

The Series 2010 System Restoration Bonds were issued to finance the non-shareholder capital contributions to ELL and EGSL in consideration of expenditures made by the two entities to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, as outlined in the Introduction section in the Notes. The Series 2014 System Restoration Bonds were issued to finance the non-shareholder capital contributions to ELL and EGSL in consideration of expenditures made by the two entities to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricane Isaac, as outlined in the Introduction section in the Notes. The Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds were issued in consideration of expenditures made by ELL to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricanes Laura, Delta, Zeta, Ida, and winter storm Uri, as outlined in the Introduction section in the Notes. The Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds were issued to replenish and fund its storm recovery reserves, as outlined in the Introduction of expenditures made by ELL to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricane susted in consideration of the Notes. The Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds were issued in consideration of expenditures made by ELL to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricanes Laura, Delta, Zeta, Ida, and winter storm Uri, as outlined in the Introduction section of the Notes. The Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds were issued in consideration of expenditures made by ELL to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricanes Laura, Delta, Zeta, Ida, and winter storm Uri, as outlined in the Introduction section of expenditures made by ELL to repair the damages sustained as a result of Hurricanes Laura, Delta, Zeta, Ida, and winter storm Uri, as outlined in the Introduction section in the Notes.

The bonds are secured by system restoration property and storm recovery property as disclosed in the Financing Orders, which consists of the rights to system restoration charges that ELL invoices to its customers and storm recovery charges the ENO invoices to its customers; ELL and ENO then remit all charges collected to the Corporation. The 2022A and 2023 System Restoration Bonds are also secured by assets held in trust.

	Balance June 30, 2022	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2023	Amounts Due Within One Year		
Bonds Payable							
Series 2010-ELL Program	\$ 21,636,964	\$ -	\$ (21,636,964)	\$ -	\$ -		
Series 2010-EGSL Program	11,276,849	-	(11,276,849)				
Series 2014-ELL Program	102,517,229	-	(21,663,613)	80,853,616	22,452,911		
Series 2014-EGSL Program	29,999,895	-	(6,414,063)	23,585,832	6,578,380		
Series 2022A-ELL Program	3,193,505,000	-	(76,575,729)	3,116,929,271	162,748,291		
Series 2022-ENO Program	-	209,300,000	-	209,300,000	8,973,578		
Series 2023-ELL Program	<u> </u>	1,491,485,000		1,491,485,000	63,362,399		
Total Bonds Payable	3,358,935,937	1,700,785,000	(137,567,218)	4,922,153,719	264,115,559		
Less: Discount on Bonds							
Series 2010-ELL Program	(840)		840	-			
Series 2010-EGSL Program	(1,406)		1,406	-	-		
Series 2014-ELL Program	(12,627)	¥	3,097	(9,530)	(3,090		
Series 2014-EGSL Program	(6,040)		1,480	(4,560)	(1,480)		
Total Discount on Bonds	(20,913)		6,823	(14,090)	(4,570)		
Total Bonds Payable, Net	\$ 3,358,915,024	\$ 1,700,785,000	\$ (137,560,395)	\$ 4,922,139,629	\$ 264,110,989		

Long-term obligations as of June 30, 2023 consisted of the following:

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# Note 5. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Detailed summaries, by projects and tranches, of all bonded debt outstanding at June 30, 2023 are as follows:

	Date of Issue	Original Issue	Outstanding June 30, 2022	Issued (Redeemed)	Outstanding June 30, 2023	Final Payment Dates	Final Maturity Dates	Interest Rates	
ELL Program									
Series 2010:									
Tranche A-1	July 22, 2010	\$ 112,000,000	s -	\$ .	s -	Feb. 1, 2014	Feb. 1, 2016	1,11%	
Tranche A-2	July 22, 2010	111,000,000	-	340		Feb. 1, 2017	Feb. 1, 2019	2.47%	
Tranche A-3	July 22, 2010	121,000,000	-		6	Feb. 1, 2020	Feb. 1, 2022	3,45%	
Tranche A-4	July 22, 2010	124,900,000	21,636,964	(21,636,964)		Aug. 1, 2022	Aug, 1, 2024	3,96%	
Series 2014:									
Tranche A-1	August 6, 2014	91,700,000	•		-	Feb. 1, 2020	Feb. 1, 2022	1.66%	
Tranche A-2	August 6, 2014	152,150,000	102,517,229	(21,663,613)	80,853,616	Aug. 1, 2026	Aug. 1, 2028	3.24%	
Series 2022A:									
Tranche A-1	May 19, 2022	750,000,000	750,000,000	(76,575,729)	673,424,271	Feb. 1, 2027	Feb. 1, 2029	3.62%	
Tranche A-2	May 19, 2022	743,505,000	743,505,000		743,505,000	Feb. 1, 2031	Feb. 1, 2033	4.15%	
Tranche A-3	May 19, 2022	700,000,000	700,000,000	1. C.	700,000,000	Feb. 1, 2034	Feb. 1, 2036	4.28%	
Tranche A-4	May 19, 2022	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	•	1,000,000,000	Aug. 1, 2037	Aug. 1, 2039	4.48%	
Series 2023:									
Tranche A-1	March 29, 2023	450,000,000		450,000,000	450,000,000	Jun. 1, 2029	Jun. 1, 2031	5.08%	
Tranche A-2	March 29, 2023	392,000,000	· •	392,000,000	392,000,000	Dec. 1, 2032	Dec. 1, 2034	5.05%	
Tranche A-3	March 29, 2023	649,485,000	•	649,485,000	649,485,000	Dec. 1, 2037	Dec. 1, 2039	5,20%	
EGSL Program Series 2010:									
Tranche A-1	July 22, 2010	97,000,000		-		Feb. 1, 2016	Feb. 1, 2018	1,52%	
Tranche A-2	July 22, 2010	60,000,000				Feb. 1, 2019	Feb. 1, 2021	3,22%	
Tranche A-3 Series 2014:	July 22, 2010	87,100,000	11,276,849	(11,276,849)	•	Aug. 1, 2022	Aug. 1, 2024	3,99%	
Tranche A-1	August 6, 2014	71,000,000	29,999,895	(6,414,063)	23,585,832	Aug. 1, 2026	Aug. 1, 2028	2,86%	
ENO Program Series 2022:									
Tranche A	December 16, 2022	209,300,000		209,300,000	209,300,000	Sept. 1, 2037	Sept. 1, 2039	5.20%	
		\$ 5,922,140,000	3,358,935,937	1,563,217,782	4,922,153,719				
Net Original Discounts Net Accumulated Amortization		(855,901)		(855,901)					
of Discounts			834,988	6,823	841,811	<u>á</u>			
Bonds Payable, Net		\$ 3,358,915,024	\$ 1,563,224,605	\$ 4,922,139,629					

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

## Note 5. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

Debt service requirements, including interest to maturity, are as follows:

Obligations Due June 30,	_	ELL Pro	m	EGSL Program			ENO Program				Total					
		Principal		Interest		Principal	I	nterest		Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest
2024	S	248,563,601	s	135,901,426	s	6,578,380	\$	632,257	\$	8,973,578	\$	13,030,877	\$	264,115,559	s	149,564,560
2025		267,242,828		118,530,103		6,781,780		442,639		10,534,606		10,264,781		284,559,214		129,237,523
2026		278,073,850		113,893,077		6,969,117		247,359		11,089,202		9,710,184		296,132,169		123,850,620
2027		275,948,221		109,030,983		3,256,555		46,569		11,672,996		9,126,390		290,877,772		118,203,942
2028		275,820,240		104,556,374		-		-		12,287,523		8,511,864		288,107,763		113,068,238
2029 - 2033		1,576,939,664		450,570,414						71,849,375		32,147,560		1,648,789,039		482,717,974
2034 - 2038	_	1,766,679,483	_	209,834,535		•				82,892,720		11,135,988	_	1 849 572 203		220,970,523
Total	\$	4,689,267,887	S	1,242,316,912	\$	23,585,832	\$	1,368,824	\$	209,300,000	ŝ	93,927,644	s	4,922,153,719	\$ 1	1,337,613,380

Principal and interest payments for Series ELL and EGSL 2014 and Series ELL 2022A are due semiannually on August 1<sup>st</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup>. Principal and interest payments for Series ENO 2022 are due semiannually on September 1<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>. Principal and interest payments for Series ELL 2023 are due semiannually on December 1<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>. On each payment date, principal will be paid in accordance with the above expected payment schedule, but only to the extent that funds are available. The schedule sets forth the expected payments from the issuance date to the scheduled final payment date. However, the bonds will not be in default if principal is not paid as specified in the schedule unless the principal of any tranche is not paid in full on or before the final maturity date of that tranche.

## Note 6. Pledged Revenues

All ELL and EGSL Program bonds in Note 5 are secured by the pledge of system restoration property, which consists of: (1) all rights and interests to receive system restoration charges invoiced and collected by ELL as authorized in each respective Financing Order; and (2) all collections, claims, rights to payments, and payments arising from the rights and interests to receive system restoration charges, specifically limited to those charges prescribed in the Financing Orders adopted in LPSC Docket Nos, U-30981. U-32764, U-35991-A, and U-36350-A. This system restoration property represents the collateral for the system restoration bonds issued. The minimum estimated amount of the pledged revenues over the 12-year repayment period of all Series 2010 System Restoration Bonds is \$870,349,869, over the 12-year repayment period of all Series 2014 System Restoration Bonds is \$376.953.675, over the 16-year repayment period of all Series 2022A System Restoration Bonds is \$4,391,525,086, and over the 15-year repayment period of all Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds is \$2,150,631,029, which represents all principal and interest obligations on the bonds totaling \$7,789,459,659. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the pledged revenues recognized were \$366,466,843, and the principal and interest requirements for the debt collateralized by those revenues were \$282,483,867.

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## Note 6. Pledged Revenues (Continued)

The ENO Program bonds in Note 5 are secured by the pledge of storm recovery property, which consists of: (1) all rights and interests to receive storm recovery charges invoiced and collected by ENO as authorized in the Financing Order; and (2) all collections, claims, rights to payments, and payments arising from the rights and interests to receive storm recovery charges, specifically limited to those charges prescribed in the Financing Order adopted in Council Docket No. UD-22-01. This storm recovery property represents the collateral for the storm recovery bonds issued. The minimum estimated amount of the pledged revenues over the 15-year repayment period of the Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds is \$303,227,644 which represents all principal and interest obligations on the bonds. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the pledged revenues recognized were \$10,565,323, and the interest requirements for the debt collateralized by those revenues were \$5,884,745.

## Note 7. Storm Recovery Property Purchase

In accordance with the requirements of the Financing Order for the Series 2022 Storm Recovery Bonds, the Corporation used the Bond proceeds to purchase the Storm Recovery Property totaling \$200,000,000 from ENO. Storm Recovery Property includes the right to impose, collect and periodically adjust storm recovery charges sufficient to pay the storm recovery bonds and associated financing costs.

## Note 8. Trust Contribution

In accordance with the requirements of the Financing Orders for the Series 2023 System Restoration Bonds, the Corporation transferred a total of \$1,457,675,748 to the Trustee, as an initial capital contribution, which shall constitute the initial Trust Estate. This amount funds system restoration costs, issuance costs and certain carrying costs. This amount is reflected in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, as Trust Contribution for the period ended June 30, 2023.

## Note 9. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*, in May 2019. This Statement's primary objective is to establish a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuer by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation, establishing additional standards, and improving required note disclosures. Statement No. 91 was implemented by the Corporation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 with no significant impact on the financial statements.