

**CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET  
SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

May 5, 2015

To the Board of Directors  
Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation  
3163 Airport Drive  
Jamestown, New York 14701

**Report of Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (CTASC), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise CTASC's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of CTASC, as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the respective changes in financial position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other-Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on page 3 and 4 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 5, 2015, on our consideration of CTASC's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering CTASC's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Johnson, Mackowiak & Associates, LLP*

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**CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014**

This discussion and analysis of the Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (CTASC) financial performance provides an overview of CTASC's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2014. This document should be read in conjunction with CTASC's financial statements which begin on page 5.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- On November 6, 2014 CTASC refunded the 2000 Series bonds and reissued 2014 Series bonds in the amount of \$34,765,000. The sale of the bonds provided for the complete refunding of the 2000 series, purchase of the 2005 series S4B, provided \$600,000 of excess proceeds to Chautauqua County for the capital expansion of the Sherman Department of Public Facilities maintenance facilities, and created a \$120,000 CTASC operating reserve. The highlight of the bond sale was the \$600,000 payment to the county and the purchase of the 2005 S4B tranche. The S4B tranche was projected to never pay off which would have resulted in a probable default by 2060. If projected TSR's (Tobacco Settlement Revenues) maintain their rate of decline, the county may expect to once again receive residual payments from the TSRs.
- CTASC's net deficit decreased \$1,224,992 as a result of this year's activity.
- Total assets decreased by approximately \$363,806,000 from 2013 to 2014, primarily as a result of the above referenced refinancing of debt and decreases in unamortized bond discount costs on capital appreciation bonds. Total liabilities decreased by approximately \$366,550,000, as a result of the refinancing of debt and the amortization of the bond discount costs of the capital appreciation bonds, net of repayments of debt.
- Tobacco settlement revenues increased by approximately \$283,694 from 2013 to 2014.

**USING THIS REPORT**

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The statement of net position (deficit) and the statement of activities provide information regarding CTASC as a whole and present a longer-term view of CTASC's finances. Financial statements for each fund start on page 7. For governmental activities, these statements show how services were financed in the overall operation of CTASC in greater detail than CTASC-wide financial statements.

**REPORTING CTASC AS A WHOLE**

The Statements of Net Position (Deficit) and Statements of Activities

The statements of net position (deficit) and statements of activities show information about CTASC as a whole. These statements include all assets and liabilities of CTASC using the accrual basis of accounting which is used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report CTASC's net position (deficit) and the changes to it. CTASC's net position (deficit) – the difference between assets and liabilities – is a way to measure CTASC's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in CTASC's net position (deficit) are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

In the statements of net position (deficit) and the statements of activities, CTASC reports all its basic services as governmental activities. These services are primarily economic development.

## **REPORTING CTASC'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS**

### Fund Financial Statements

Our discussion and analysis of CTASC's major funds begins on page 7 and provide detail of CTASC's most significant funds on an individual basis rather than the Corporation taken as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by state or local law or by the nature of the federal and state funding for their operation: Currently CTASC utilizes two governmental funds (Capital Projects and Debt Service).

### Governmental Funds

The two funds of CTASC are considered governmental funds. This section focuses on how revenue flows into and out of this fund and the balance of the fund at year-end which is available for future spending. These funds are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting which measures cash and financial assets that can be readily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of CTASC's general operations and the basic services it provides. This information helps determine the financial resources that can be spent to finance CTASC programs. The relationship between the governmental activities (accrual basis) and the governmental funds (modified accrual basis) is provided in reconciliations on pages 8 and 10.

## **FACTORS BEARING ON THE CORPORATION'S FUTURE**

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the Corporation was aware of the following circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- Prior to August 2013, the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) participants continued to withhold approximately 12% of the expected payments due to the dispute regarding the Non-Participating Manufacturers (NPM) percentage of market share growth. In August 2013, New York State was successful through arbitration in winning the NPM dispute for the payment year. The arguments for the other years in dispute follow the same principals so it is fair to presume that the State will be successful for all the other years. The payment for this settlement on the 2003 NPM holdback was distributed to CTASC during the 2014 calendar year. It is also expected that the MSA participants will no longer hold back the NPM disputed amounts which will result in a greater cash flow to the corporation.
- As of February 2013, the three Original Participating Manufacturers (OPM) in the Master Settlement agreement with a market share totaling 80% were rated at BBB- or above by Moody's Investors Service. As discussed in the notes to the financial statements, the tobacco settlement revenues are dependent upon the volume of cigarettes shipped in the United States, which is primarily a function of domestic cigarette consumption.
- Fitch, Inc. published updated Tobacco Settlement ABS Criteria on August 8, 2014. For 2014, the aggregate MSA payment was 18.46% lower than the amount in 2013. This drop is due to the one time settlement payment received by 20 settling states and territories from the tobacco companies in 2013 regarding the NPM dispute. This decline was partially offset by a settlement of 2003 disputed payments to the remaining states.

## **CONTACTING CTASC'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide the citizens of Chautauqua County, customers, and creditors with a general overview of CTASC's finances and to show CTASC's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Darin Schulz, 3200 Deerwood Drive, Ashville, NY 14710.

**CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**  
**STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION (DEFICIT)**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

**ASSETS**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>Restated 2013</u>
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 186,537	\$ 231,186
Restricted investments	2,270,873	3,253,801
Capital assets, net	-	-
Unamortized bond discount:		
Series 2000 Bonds	-	104,020
Series 2005 Turbo Capital Appreciation Bonds	79,078,537	442,245,605
Series 2014/2005 Bonds	492,427	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 82,028,374</u>	<u>\$ 445,834,612</u>

**LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION (DEFICIT)**

**LIABILITIES:**

Bonds payable:

Due and payable within one year	\$ 530,000	\$ 270,000
Due and payable after one year	34,235,000	27,545,000
Turbo Capital Appreciation Bonds payable	84,714,716	458,214,716

**TOTAL LIABILITIES**

119,479,716      486,029,716

**DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:**

Unavailable revenue - refinancing of debt	<u>3,968,754</u>	<u>-</u>
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**TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

3,968,754      -

**NET POSITION (DEFICIT):**

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	-	-
Restricted for debt service	2,270,873	3,253,801
Restricted for capital program	186,537	231,186
Unrestricted deficit	(43,877,506)	(43,680,091)

**TOTAL NET POSITION (DEFICIT)**

(41,420,096)      (40,195,104)

**TOTAL LIABILITIES DEFERRED INFLOW  
OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION (DEFICIT)**

\$ 82,028,374      \$ 445,834,612



**CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**  
**STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

	2014	Restated 2013
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
General and administrative expenses	\$ 63,542	\$ 76,970
Distributions to Chautauqua County for capital program	-	-
Interest expense	3,281,026	1,892,321
Bond accretion	418,476	1,174,697
Bond issuance cost	48,939	31,905
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,175,893</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
<b>Tobacco settlement :</b>		
Revenue	2,443,859	2,160,165
	<b>Net tobacco settlement revenues</b>	<b>2,160,165</b>
<b>Investment income:</b>		
Interest income	52,399	134,497
Investment gain (loss)	90,733	(308,869)
	<b>Total investment income (loss)</b>	<b>(174,372)</b>
	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>1,985,793</b>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION (DEFICIT)</b>	(1,224,992)	(1,190,100)
<b>NET POSITION (DEFICIT), beginning of year</b>	(40,195,104)	(38,240,630)
<b>CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE (See Note 2)</b>	-	(764,374)
<b>NET POSITION (DEFICIT), end of year</b>	\$ (41,420,096)	\$ (40,195,104)

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

CHAUTAQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION  
 BALANCE SHEETS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
 DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

	2014				2013			
	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds		
<b>ASSETS:</b>								
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 175,833	\$ 10,704	\$ 186,537	\$ 231,186	\$ -	\$ 231,186	\$ 231,186	
Restricted investments	-	2,270,873	2,270,873	-	3,253,801	3,253,801	3,253,801	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 175,833</u>	<u>\$ 2,281,577</u>	<u>\$ 2,457,410</u>	<u>\$ 231,186</u>	<u>\$ 3,253,801</u>	<u>\$ 3,484,987</u>		
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>								
Restricted for capital program	\$ 175,833	-	\$ 175,833	\$ 231,186	-	\$ 231,186	\$ 231,186	
Restricted for debt service	-	2,281,577	2,281,577	-	3,253,801	3,253,801	3,253,801	
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 175,833</u>	<u>\$ 2,281,577</u>	<u>\$ 2,457,410</u>	<u>\$ 231,186</u>	<u>\$ 3,253,801</u>	<u>\$ 3,484,987</u>		

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**CHAUTAQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**  
**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

	2014				2013			
	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Total Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>								
Tobacco settlement revenue	\$ 2,443,859	\$ -	\$ 2,443,859	\$ 2,443,859	\$ 2,160,165	\$ -	\$ 2,160,165	\$ 2,160,165
Interest income	730	51,669	52,399	52,399	747	133,750	134,497	134,497
Investment earnings (loss)	-	90,733	90,733	90,733	-	(308,869)	(308,869)	(308,869)
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>2,444,589</u>	<u>142,402</u>	<u>2,586,991</u>	<u>2,586,991</u>	<u>2,160,912</u>	<u>(175,119)</u>	<u>1,985,793</u>	<u>1,985,793</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>								
Bond interest expense	-	3,281,026	3,281,026	3,281,026	-	1,877,850	1,877,850	1,877,850
Bond principal	-	270,000	270,000	270,000	-	265,000	265,000	265,000
General and administrative expenses	63,542	-	63,542	63,542	76,970	-	76,970	76,970
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>63,542</u>	<u>3,551,026</u>	<u>3,614,568</u>	<u>3,614,568</u>	<u>76,970</u>	<u>2,142,850</u>	<u>2,219,820</u>	<u>2,219,820</u>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<u>2,381,047</u>	<u>(3,408,624)</u>	<u>(1,027,577)</u>	<u>(1,027,577)</u>	<u>2,083,942</u>	<u>(2,317,969)</u>	<u>(234,027)</u>	<u>(234,027)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>								
Operating transfers in	-	2,436,400	2,436,400	2,436,400	142,088	2,205,524	2,347,612	2,347,612
Operating transfers out	(2,436,400)	-	(2,436,400)	(2,436,400)	(2,205,524)	(142,088)	(2,347,612)	(2,347,612)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<u>(2,436,400)</u>	<u>2,436,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,063,436)</u>	<u>2,063,436</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	<u>(55,353)</u>	<u>(972,224)</u>	<u>(1,027,577)</u>	<u>(1,027,577)</u>	<u>20,506</u>	<u>(254,533)</u>	<u>(234,027)</u>	<u>(234,027)</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES, beginning of year</b>	<u>231,186</u>	<u>3,253,801</u>	<u>3,484,987</u>	<u>3,484,987</u>	<u>210,680</u>	<u>3,508,334</u>	<u>3,719,014</u>	<u>3,719,014</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 175,833</u>	<u>\$ 2,281,577</u>	<u>\$ 2,457,410</u>	<u>\$ 2,457,410</u>	<u>\$ 231,186</u>	<u>\$ 3,253,801</u>	<u>\$ 3,484,987</u>	<u>\$ 3,484,987</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION  
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEETS  
TO THE STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION (DEFICIT)  
DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>Restated 2013</b>
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 2,457,410</b>	<b>\$ 3,484,987</b>
 <b>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net deficits are different because:</b>		
Property and equipment used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the governmental funds.		
Governmental property and equipment	34,189	34,189
Less accumulated depreciation	(34,189)	(34,189)
	-	-
Deferred inflow of resources related to the refinancing of debt are not reported in the governmental funds financial statements. The resulting gain is reported in the statement of net assets as a deferred inflow of resources. The difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is amortized to interest expense over a period at a time that is the shorter of the remaining life of or the life of the new debt.		
	(3,968,754)	-
Bond discounts are reported as other financing uses in governmental funds financial statements. However, in the statement of net assets, bond discounts are reported as a component of bonds payable and amortized over the lives of the related debt.		
	79,570,964	442,349,625
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period from currently available financial resources and are therefore not reported in the governmental funds financial statements. Those liabilities consist of:		
Governmental bonds payable	(119,479,716)	(486,029,716)
<b>NET POSITION (DEFICIT) OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>\$ 41,420,096</b>	<b>\$ 40,195,104</b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**  
**IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES**  
**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

	2014	Restated 2013
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS</b>	\$ (1,027,577)	\$ (234,027)
 <b>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:</b>		
Governmental funds report the cost of debt issuance as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of debt issuance is amortized over the lives of the related debt.	(48,939)	(46,376)
Governmental funds report bond proceeds net of repayment of debt. However, in the statement of activities, bond accretion, which results in an increase in the amount of the bond due is recognized.	(418,476)	(1,174,697)
Governmental funds report bond principal payments as other financing uses. However, in the statement of activities, bond principal payments are recognized as liabilities and written down as they are paid.	270,000	265,000
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION (DEFICIT) OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	\$ (1,224,992)	\$ (1,190,100)

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION

#### Overview

Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation ("CTASC"), a component unit of Chautauqua County, New York (the County), is a special purpose, bankruptcy remote local development corporation organized under the provisions of Section 1411 of the New York State Not-For-Profit Corporation Law. CTASC is governed by a Board of three directors, consisting of the County Executive for Chautauqua County, New York; the Director of Finance for Chautauqua County, New York; and an independent director. Although legally separate from the County, the Corporation is a component unit of the County, and accordingly, is included in the County's financial statements as a discretely presented component unit.

Pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the County, CTASC purchased from the County all of its future rights, title and interest in the Tobacco Settlement Revenues (TSR's) under the Master Settlement Agreement ("MSA"). The MSA was entered into on November 23, 1998, among the attorneys general of 46 states (including New York), the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Territory of the Northern Marianas and the four largest United States tobacco manufacturers: Philip Morris Incorporated, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation and Lorillard Tobacco Company. The MSA resolved cigarette smoking-related litigation between the Settling States. The MSA also imposed certain tobacco advertising and marketing restrictions, among other things. Neither the County nor CTASC is a party to the MSA.

CTASC financed the purchase through the issuance of Tobacco Settlement Revenue Bonds and the Residual Certificate. The Residual Certificate represents the entitlement to receive all amounts required to be distributed after payment of debt service, operating expenses and certain other costs as set forth in the Indenture. Payments on the Residual Certificate from TSR collections are subordinate to payments on the bonds and payment of certain other costs specified in the Indenture. Excess TSR's not required by CTASC to pay various expenses, debt service or required reserves with respect to the bonds are generally transferred to the CTASC Residual Trust, as owner of the Residual Certificate. The County is the beneficial owner of the Trust and thus the funds received by the Trust are transferred to the County.

### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

The entity-wide financial statements of CTASC, which include the statement of net deficit and the statement of activities, are presented to display information about the reporting entity as a whole, in accordance with Statements No. 34 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The statement of net deficit and the statement of activities are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

CTASC's governmental fund financial statements are presented using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized when it becomes susceptible to accrual, which is when it becomes both measureable and available to finance expenditures in the current fiscal period. Measureable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recognized when the related liability is incurred, except for unmatured interest on bonds payable, which is recognized when due.

#### Property, Equipment and Depreciation

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed over the estimated useful lives of the property and equipment on the straight-line method in the entity-wide financial statements. The governmental funds financial statements recognize property and equipment acquisitions as an expense in the period in which they are acquired. Depreciation is not recognized in the governmental funds financial statements.

#### Bond Premiums and Discounts

Bond premiums and discounts are capitalized and amortized over the lives of the related debt using the straight-line method in the entity-wide financial statements. The governmental funds financial statements recognize bond premiums and discounts during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuance are reported as other financing uses.

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense is recognized on the accrual basis in the entity-wide financial statements. Interest expenditures are recognized when paid in the individual governmental funds financial statements.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires CTASC's management to make estimates and assumptions in determining the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Tax Status

The Corporation is exempt from federal income tax under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Corporation believes that it has appropriate support for any tax position taken, and as such, does not have any uncertain tax positions that are material to the financial

## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

CTASC's cash and cash equivalents are currently limited to bank deposits, U.S. Government securities, and Insured Money Market funds. At December 31, 2014, the Corporation's cash and cash equivalents consisted of insured Money Market funds of \$120,375 and bank deposits of \$186,537. At December 31, 2013, the Corporation's cash and cash equivalents consisted of Insured Money Market funds of \$1,687,149 and bank deposits of \$231,186. Investments with an original maturity date of three months or less are classified as cash and cash equivalents. Bank deposits up to \$250,000 are insured by Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

All deposits of the Corporation, including money market deposits, are insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. Excess deposits are not secured.

### Accounting and Reporting Changes

During June 2012, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 67 - *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by state and local governmental pension plans. This Statement results from a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of existing standards of accounting and financial reporting for pensions with regard to providing decision-useful information, supporting assessments of accountability and interperiod equity, and creating additional transparency. This Statement replaces the requirements of Statements No. 25, *Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Note Disclosures for Defined Contribution Plans*, and No. 50, *Pension Disclosures*, as they relate to pension plans that are administered through trusts or equivalent arrangements that meet certain criteria. The requirements of Statements 25 and 50 remain applicable to pension plans that are not administered through trusts covered by the scope of this Statement and to defined contribution plans that provide postemployment benefits other than pensions. CTASC implemented Statement No. 67, effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014, with retroactive application for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013. The adoption of Statement No. 67 had no effect on CTASC's financial

During January 2013, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 69 - *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations. As used in this Statement, the term government combinations includes a variety of transactions referred to as mergers, acquisitions, and transfers of operations. CTASC implemented Statement No. 69, effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014, with retroactive application for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013. The adoption of Statement No. 69 had no effect on CTASC's financial statements.

During April 2013, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 70 - *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Financial Guarantees*. Some governments extend financial guarantees for the obligations of another government, a not-for-profit entity, or a private entity without directly receiving equal or approximately equal value in exchange (a nonexchange transaction). As a part of this nonexchange financial guarantee, a government commits to indemnify the holder of the obligation if the entity that issued the obligation does not fulfill its payment requirements. Also, some governments issue obligations that are guaranteed by other entities in a nonexchange transaction. The objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments that extend and receive nonexchange financial guarantees. CTASC implemented Statement No. 70, effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014, with retroactive application for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013. The adoption of Statement No. 70 had no effect on CTASC's financial

During November 2010, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 61 - *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting for a governmental financial reporting entity. This Statement modifies certain requirements for inclusion of component units in the financial reporting entity. CTASC implemented Statement No. 61, effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013. The adoption of Statement No. 61 had no effect on CTASC's financial statements.

During March 2012, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 65 - *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. CTASC implemented Statement No. 65, effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013.

As a result of the implementations of GASB Statement No. 65, net position of governmental activities at December 31, 2012 has been restated for unamortized bond issuance cost of \$764,374.

During March 2012, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 66 - *Technical Corrections - 2012 - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 10 and 62*. The objective of this Statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for a governmental financial reporting entity by resolving conflicting guidance that resulted from the issuance of two pronouncements, Statements No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, and No. 62, *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements*. CTASC implemented Statement No. 66, effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013. The adoption of Statement No. 66 had no effect on CTASC's financial statements.

### Future Impacts of Accounting Pronouncements

CTASC has not completed the process of evaluating the impact that will result from adopting Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, effective for the year ending December 31, 2015; *GASB Statement No. 71 - Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date*, effective for the year ending December 31, 2015; and GASB Statement No. 72 - *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, effective for the year ending December 31, 2016.

CTASC is therefore unable to disclose the impact that adopting these GASB Statements will have on its financial position and results of operation when such statements are adopted.

**NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS**

Investments are reported at fair value. The Corporation's trustee holds investments for the funds included in the financial statements. The Corporation invests in authorized investments as described in the bond resolution such as obligations of the United States of America.

**Custodial Credit Risk** - For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Corporation will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Corporation's investments at December 31, 2014 and 2013 were in U.S. Government and Municipal Obligations.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** - The Corporation places no limit on the amount that it may invest within any one issuer. The Corporation's investments at December 31, 2014 and 2013 were in the U.S. Government and Municipal Obligations.

**Interest Rate Risk** - The Corporation's investment policies are governed by resolution of the Board of Directors. It is the policy of CTASC to diversify its deposits and investments by maturity scheduling as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from interest

**Fair Value Measurements** - Fair values of assets measured on a recurring basis at December 31, 2014 and 2013, are as follows:

Investment Description	2014		2013	
	Cost	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 120,375	\$ 120,375	\$ 1,687,149	\$ 1,687,149
Debt Service -				
U.S. Government Agencies	1,813,872	1,787,786	1,762,729	1,566,652
Municipal Obligations	363,895	362,712	-	-
Total Investments	<u>\$ 2,298,142</u>	<u>\$ 2,270,873</u>	<u>\$ 3,449,878</u>	<u>\$ 3,253,801</u>

**Credit Quality Ratings - Municipal Obligations** - During 2014, the Corporation invested in various NYS Municipal Obligations. At December 31, 2013 the Corporation did not have any investments in NYS Municipal Obligations.

The credit quality rating of these investments at December 31, 2014 are as follows:

Municipal Obligation	Fair Value	CUSIP No.	Maturity Date	Moody's
Long Island New York Pwr Auth Utilities Revenue	<u>\$ 362,712</u>	5426903R1	9/1/2022	Baa1

**NOTE 4 - PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION**

Property, equipment and depreciation consist of the following:

	Year ended December 31, 2014			
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:				
Property and equipment that is depreciated:				
Office improvements	\$ 3,277	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,277
Furniture and fixtures	30,912	-	-	30,912
Total depreciable historical cost	<u>34,189</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,189</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Office improvements	3,277	-	-	3,277
Furniture and fixtures	30,912	-	-	30,912
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>34,189</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,189</u>
Total depreciable historical cost, net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>



**NOTE 4 - PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION, Continued**

Property, equipment and depreciation consist of the following:

	Year ended December 31, 2013			
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements/ Reclassifications	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:				
Property and equipment that is depreciated:				
Office improvements	\$ 3,277	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,277
Furniture and fixtures	30,912	-	-	30,912
Total depreciable historical cost	<u>34,189</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,189</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Office improvements	3,277	-	-	3,277
Furniture and fixtures	30,912	-	-	30,912
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>34,189</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,189</u>
Total depreciable historical cost, net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**NOTE 5 - BOND REFINANCING**

On November 6, 2014 CTASC refunded the Series 2000 Bonds and reissued Series 2014 Bonds in the amount of \$34,765,000. The sale of the bonds provided for the complete refunding of the Series 2000 Bonds, purchase of the Series 2005 S4B Bonds, provided \$600,000 of excess proceeds to Chautauqua County for the capital expansion of the Sherman Department of Public Facilities maintenance facility, and created a \$120,000 operating reserve. See Note 7.

**NOTE 6 - DISCOUNT FEES**

The Corporation has incurred discount fees associated with the Series 2014, Series 2005 and Series 2000 Bond issues. These costs are expensed as incurred in the Corporation's governmental fund financial statements. Such discount fees are deferred and amortized over the life of related debt in the government-wide statements. Discount fees for the 2000 Series totaling \$155,787 will be amortized over 40 years (9/15/2000 through 8/31/2040). This Series was refinanced on November 6, 2014 and replaced by the Series 2014 Bonds. The discount fees for the 2005 Series totaling \$221,944 will be amortized over 21 years (12/01/05 - 11/20/2026). The discount fees for the 2014 Series totaling \$495,738 will be amortized over 23 years (11/06/14 - 06/01/2037). This will result in a matching of the amortization of the asset with the related payment of the liability. Balances at December 31, 2014 are as follows:

	2000 Series Discount Fees	2005 Series Discount Fees	2014 Series Discount Fees
Cost	\$ -	\$ 221,944	\$ 495,738
Less: Accumulated Amortization	-	96,947	3,311
Net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 124,997</u>	<u>\$ 492,427</u>

Balances at December 31, 2013 are as follows:

	Discount Fees	2005 Series Discount Fees	Discount Fees
Cost	\$ 155,787	\$ 221,944	\$ -
Less: Accumulated Amortization	51,767	86,371	-
Net	<u>\$ 104,020</u>	<u>\$ 135,573</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**NOTE 7 - BONDS PAYABLE**

**SERIES 2014 BONDS**

**Overview**

As stated above the 2014 Series Bond was created in the refinancing of the 2000 Series Bonds.

The Series 2014 Bonds are issued in fully registered form in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") who acts as Securities Depository for the Series 2014 Bonds. Individual purchases are in book-entry form only, in the principal amount of \$5,000, or integral multiples thereof. Purchasers do not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the

**NOTE 7 - BONDS PAYABLE, Continued**

Interest on the Series 2014 Bonds is payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1 in each year until maturity or prior redemption. Principal of and interest on the Series 2014 Bonds will be paid by the Indenture Trustee to DTC which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its Participants, for subsequent distribution to the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2014 Bonds.

**Security for the Series 2014 Bonds**

Pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated September 1, 2000 (the "TSR Purchase Agreement"), the County sold to CTASC all of its rights, title and interest under the MSA and the Decree, including the County's right to be paid its portion of the State of New York's (the "State") allocable shares of future initial Payments and Annual Payments under the MSA (the "Tobacco Settlement Revenues").

**Debt Service Reserve Account**

Under the Indenture, the Indenture Trustee has established and holds a Debt Service Reserve Account which is funded from Series 2014 Bond proceeds. Except after an Event of Default, CTASC is required to maintain a balance in the Debt Service Reserve Account to the extent of available funds equal to the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2014 Bonds in the current year or any future year. The amount in this account at December 31, 2014 was \$2,270,873. A similar agreement existed related to the Series 2000 Bonds which was refinanced during the year. The amount in the corresponding debt service reserve account at December 31, 2013 was \$2,323,118.

**Maturity**

The following is a summary of maturity of indebtedness:

Description of Issue	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Interest Rate	Outstanding at December 31, 2014
Serial Bonds	11/6/2014	6/1/2037	3.125 - 5.000%	\$ 34,765,000

The following is a summary of maturing debt service requirements for the year ending December 31:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 530,000	\$ 1,771,969	\$ 2,301,969
2016	665,000	1,637,697	2,302,697
2017	675,000	1,615,228	2,290,228
2018	975,000	1,586,384	2,561,384
2019	1,000,000	1,549,822	2,549,822
2020 - 2024	5,655,000	6,968,250	12,623,250
2025 - 2029	7,300,000	5,368,438	12,668,438
2030 - 2034	9,545,000	3,337,200	12,882,200
2035 - 2037	8,420,000	711,750	9,131,750
	<u>\$ 34,765,000</u>	<u>\$ 24,546,738</u>	<u>\$ 59,311,738</u>

The Series 2014 Bonds consist of various Term and Serial Bonds with varying maturity dates. The following is a summary of the maturing debt service requirements that make up the Series 2014 Bonds.

**2022 Term Bond**

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 530,000	\$ 81,953	\$ 611,953
2016	665,000	57,422	722,422
2017	325,000	41,953	366,953
2018	625,000	27,109	652,109
2019	555,000	8,672	563,672
	<u>\$ 2,700,000</u>	<u>\$ 217,109</u>	<u>\$ 2,917,109</u>

**Serial Bonds**

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ -	\$ 75,396	\$ 75,396
2016	-	70,500	70,500
2017	350,000	63,500	413,500
2018	350,000	49,500	399,500
2019	400,000	32,500	432,500
2020 - 2024	450,000	11,250	461,250
	<u>\$ 1,550,000</u>	<u>\$ 302,646</u>	<u>\$ 1,852,646</u>

**2029 Term Bond**

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ -	\$ 239,021	\$ 239,021
2016	-	223,500	223,500
2017	-	223,500	223,500
2018	-	223,500	223,500
2019	45,000	222,375	267,375
2020 - 2024	4,425,000	545,125	4,970,125
	<u>\$ 4,470,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,677,021</u>	<u>\$ 6,147,021</u>

NOTE 7 - BONDS PAYABLE, Continued

2034 Term Bond

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ -	\$ 302,118	\$ 302,118
2016	-	282,500	282,500
2017	-	282,500	282,500
2018	-	282,500	282,500
2019	-	282,500	282,500
2020 - 2024	780,000	1,393,000	2,173,000
2025 - 2029	4,870,000	445,750	5,315,750
	<u>\$ 5,650,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,270,868</u>	<u>\$ 8,920,868</u>

2039 Term Bond

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ -	\$ 324,603	\$ 324,603
2016	-	303,525	303,525
2017	-	303,525	303,525
2018	-	303,525	303,525
2019	-	303,525	303,525
2020 - 2024	-	1,517,625	1,517,625
2025 - 2029	2,430,000	1,421,438	3,851,438
2030 - 2034	3,960,000	221,825	4,181,825
	<u>\$ 6,390,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,699,591</u>	<u>\$ 11,089,591</u>

2048 Term Bond

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ -	\$ 748,878	\$ 748,878
2016	-	700,250	700,250
2017	-	700,250	700,250
2018	-	700,250	700,250
2019	-	700,250	700,250
2020 - 2024	-	3,501,250	3,501,250
2025 - 2029	-	3,501,250	3,501,250
2030 - 2034	5,585,000	3,115,375	8,700,375
2035 - 2037	8,420,000	711,750	9,131,750
	<u>\$ 14,005,000</u>	<u>\$ 14,379,503</u>	<u>\$ 28,384,503</u>

**SERIES 2005 BONDS**

**Overview**

The New York Counties Tobacco Trust V issued \$202,792,505 aggregate principal amount of Tobacco Settlement Pass-Through Bonds in four series. These Series 2005 NYCTT Bonds represent direct, pass-through interest in corresponding bonds of certain series of tobacco settlement asset-backed bonds issued by one or more of the 24 tobacco asset securitization corporations ("TASC") of which CTASC is one. These bonds are subordinate to the Series 2014 bonds discussed above.

There are not scheduled payments of principal or interest on the Series 2005 NYCTT Bonds other than on their respective maturity dates because the bonds are Capital Appreciation Bonds. All interest accretes until both principal and accreted interest is paid. Turbo (accelerated) amortization payments are required to be made against the outstanding principal providing that CTASC receives sufficient TSR's to make the Turbo payments. Since there is no certainty that CTASC will receive sufficient TSR's to make these Turbo payments, the outstanding amount of the bonds and the related discount have not been reduced on the statements of net deficits.

**Security for the Series 2005 Bonds**

In order to secure payment of its Prior Bonds and Series 2005 TASC Bonds, each TASC has pledged to the TASC Trustee all of the TASC's rights, title, and interest whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in (i) the TSR Purchase Agreement and the TSR's (ii) the Pledged Series 2005 Accounts, and all investment earnings on amounts on deposit in or credited to the Pledged Series 2005 Accounts; and (iii) all present and future claims, demands, and causes in action in respect to the foregoing.

**Series 2005 Bond Fund**

A Series 2005 Bond Fund will be established with the Trustee and money will be deposited therein as provided in the Series 2005 Supplemental Indenture. The money in the Bond Fund will be held in trust and, except as otherwise provided in the Series 2005 Supplemental Indenture, will be applied solely to the payment of Debt Service. The Series 2005 Bond Fund includes a Series 2005 Turbo Redemption Account, a Series 2005 Lump Sum Redemption Account and a Series 2005 Extraordinary Payment Account.

**NOTE 7 - BONDS PAYABLE, Continued**

**Maturity**

CTASC originally issued bonds out of three series of the 2005 issuances. As described in Note 5 above, the Series S4B tranche was repurchased during 2014 in the refinancing of CTASC's debt. The total bonds issued and their terms are summarized as follows:

Series	Issuance Amount	Maturity Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity
Series S2	\$ 2,400,150	\$ 3,481,000	6.10%	June 1, 2050
Series S3	\$ 1,820,337	\$ 51,090,000	6.85%	June 1, 2055

What follows is a schedule of Projected TASC Turbo Redemption Payments for the portion of the bonds attributable to CTASC. Although not mandatory redemptions, these are the redemptions originally anticipated based upon projected cash flows. Because these bonds are capital appreciation bonds, there is not differentiation between principal and interest with respect to each payment.

Year	Series 2005 S2	Series 2005 S3	Total
2037	\$ 1,016,494	\$ -	\$ 1,016,494
2038	2,601,330	-	2,601,330
2039	2,604,935	-	2,604,935
2040	2,607,262	-	2,607,262
2041	885,066	1,729,291	2,614,357
2042	-	2,616,311	2,616,311
2043	-	2,620,363	2,620,363
2044	-	2,624,178	2,624,178
2045	-	2,625,985	2,625,985
2046	-	2,628,973	2,628,973
2047	-	2,631,269	2,631,269
2048	-	2,630,497	2,630,497
2049	-	2,636,862	2,636,862
2050	-	2,652,770	2,652,770
2051	-	2,005,028	2,005,028
	<u>\$ 9,715,087</u>	<u>\$ 27,401,527</u>	<u>\$ 37,116,614</u>

**NOTE 8 - EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS**

**A. Government-wide Statements**

In the entity-wide statements, there are three classes of net assets:

**Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt** - This class consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, construction or improvements of these assets.

**Restricted Net Assets** - Restricted net assets report constraints placed on assets that are either legally imposed by creditors (such as through covenants), grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Restrictions of net assets have been recorded in the entity-wide financial statements of the Corporation at December 31, 2014 and 2013 as

Restricted for Capital - represents resources that are committed for future transfers to the CTASC Residual Trust.

Restricted for Debt Service - represents resources that are committed to retiring the outstanding obligations of the

**Unrestricted Net Assets** - Designations are not legally required restrictions, but are segregated for a specific purpose. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Corporation had not designated any unrestricted net assets. The unrestricted net deficit balance represents the outstanding bond liability to be paid off with future rights to receive tobacco revenues.

**B. Fund Statements**

In the fund basis statements there are five classifications of fund balance:

**Non-Spendable** - includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The Corporation did not have any nonspendable fund balance at December 31, 2014 and 2013.

**Restricted** - includes amounts with constraints placed on the use of resources either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments; or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Corporation has established the following restricted fund balances.

Restricted For Capital - represents resources that are restricted for future transfers to the CTASC Residual Trust.

Restricted For Debt Service - represents resources that are contractually committed to the retirement of outstanding debt obligations of the Corporation.

#### **NOTE 8 - EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS, Continued**

**Committed** - includes amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Corporation's highest level of decision making authority, i.e., the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2014 and 2013 the Corporation did not have any committed fund balances.

**Assigned** - includes amounts that are constrained by the Corporation's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The Corporation did not have any assigned fund balances at December 31, 2014 or 2013.

**Unassigned** - includes all other General Fund net assets that do not meet the definition of the above four classifications and are deemed to be available for general use by the Corporation.

**Order of Use of Fund Balance** - The Corporation's policy is to apply expenditures against nonspendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. For all funds, nonspendable fund balances are determined first and then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined.

#### **NOTE 9 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

The operations of the Corporation give rise to certain transactions between funds. Net interfund transfers of \$2,436,400 and \$2,347,612 were made between the governmental funds primarily for debt service during 2014 and 2013, respectively.

#### **NOTE 10 - OPERATING LEASE**

CTASC entered into a three-year operating lease with Chautauqua County for office space for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016. Annual rents amounted to \$8,500 and \$8,000 for the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

#### **NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

As part of the purchase price of the Master Settlement Agreement ("MSA"), CTASC has created a residual trust that is funded by Tobacco Settlement Revenues received by CTASC that are not required to pay expenses, debt service or required reserves with respect to the Series 2000 and Series 2014 Bonds. During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, no residual proceeds were transferred to the trust. The County appoints the governing board of CTASC but is not responsible for the operations of the Corporation.

Chautauqua County provides CTASC financial services. Payments to Chautauqua County for services rendered totaled \$5,000 for each of the years ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013.

#### **NOTE 12 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY**

The primary security and source of payments for the principal and interest on the Series 2000 and Series 2014 Bonds is Tobacco Settlement Revenues pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement and the decree. The Tobacco Settlement Revenues are primarily dependent upon the volume of cigarettes shipped in the United States, which is primarily a function of domestic cigarette consumption.

#### **NOTE 13 - CONTINGENCIES**

Future tobacco settlement revenues are subject to adjustment based upon tobacco consumption, inflation and other potential reductions. Pursuant to the Purchase and Sales Agreement these adjustments and other events could trigger additional debt service reserve requirements.

#### **NOTE 14 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Events and transactions which have occurred from December 31, 2014 through May 5, 2015, the date of these financial statements, have been evaluated by management for the purpose of determining whether there were any events that might require disclosure in these financial



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

May 5, 2015

To the Board of Directors  
Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation  
3163 Airport Drive  
Jamestown, New York 14701

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation ("CTASC"), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise CTASC's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 5, 2015.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

## Compliance and Other Matters

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

## Purpose of this Report

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

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