



# SASKATCHEWAN WATER CORPORATION

Second Quarter Report September 30, 2023



# **CORPORATE PROFILE**

SaskWater is committed to providing the highest level of service to its customers.

That promise is reflected in the corporation's vision, mission and values.

#### Vision

To be Saskatchewan's choice for water services.

#### Mission

 To create trusted and sustainable water solutions for a vibrant Saskatchewan.

#### Values

- ACCOUNTABILITY We are accountable for our decisions, communication, behaviours and results.
- TEAMWORK We act as a team that collaborates and supports one another and other provincial organizations to be successful.
- CREATIVITY We foster creative thinking and innovative ideas.
- STEWARDSHIP We put health and safety first and respect and support the environment and communities where we live and work.
- RECOGNITION We recognize and acknowledge each other for our contributions and celebrate success.

#### About SaskWater

SaskWater is Saskatchewan's commercial Crown water utility, helping communities, First Nations and industry gain access to reliable and professional water and wastewater services.

SaskWater provides professional water and wastewater services to 75 communities, 10 rural municipalities, 78 rural pipeline groups, 15 industrial and 258 commercial and end user customers.

SaskWater serves approximately 117,400 people in Saskatchewan.

The corporation owns nine water treatment plants, three wastewater facilities, 135.5 kilometres of canal and 1,055 kilometres of pipeline. SaskWater also owns or leases 42 booster and pump stations.

SaskWater also maintains customer-owned systems and provides operator training to 29 Saskatchewan First Nations communities.





# FINANCIAL & OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

		Three N	/lontl	าร	Six Months							
		Ended Sept	temb	er 30		<b>Ended Sept</b>	temb	er 30				
		2023		2022		2023		2022				
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (\$ thousands):												
Total revenue	\$	18,921	\$	18,207	\$	36,651	\$	34,852				
Total expenses		14,614		14,311		29,295		27,686				
Operating income		4,307		3,896		7,356		7,166				
Net finance income (expense)		(443)		(612)		(1,044)		(1,348)				
Net income	\$	3,864	\$	3,284	\$	6,312	\$	5,818				
Other comprehensive income/(loss)		(872)		(12)		(1,005)		(557)				
Total comprehensive income	\$	2,992	\$	3,272	\$	5,307	\$	5,261				
Dividends	\$	832	\$	1,539	\$	1,620	\$	3,201				
Debt Ratio				=		60.87 %		50.50 %				
OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS (cubic meters):												
Non-potable water distributed	10	),182,210	ģ	9,813,743	19	9,219,902	19	9,244,304				
Potable water distributed	2	2,465,173	3	2,452,472		4,721,597	,	4,526,826				

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

#### Introduction

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) highlights the primary factors that affected the financial results and operations of SaskWater for the six-months ended September 30, 2023. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34 – Interim Financial Reporting using accounting policies consistent with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The SaskWater Board of Directors approved these interim financial statements at their meeting on November 22, 2023. For additional information, refer to SaskWater's 2022-23 Annual Report.

## **Background**

SaskWater's five measurable strategic objectives to guide the corporation are: Customer Focus, Growth, Operational Excellence & Innovation, Leadership & Culture and Corporate Reputation.

SaskWater employs provincially certified operators supported by a team of highly qualified technicians, technologists and professional engineers. In addition to operating its own systems, the company also provides certified operation and maintenance for water and wastewater systems.

SaskWater owns nine water treatment plants, six serving regional customers and three as stand-alone systems. In addition, SaskWater also operates three regional systems supplied by potable water treated by the City of Saskatoon, the Buffalo Pound Water Treatment Plant and the City of Lloydminster.

Non-potable water is provided primarily to industrial customers in the areas surrounding Saskatoon, Buffalo Pound Lake and along the Saskatoon South East Water Supply system.

SaskWater currently owns and operates regional wastewater treatment facilities in Nipawin and Fort Qu'Appelle and a municipal wastewater facility serving Pierceland. SaskWater can address new demands for water and wastewater services from municipal customers through further:

- Development of service clusters for cost-effective delivery of services to customers.
- Implementation of proven treatment plant technologies that exceed regulatory requirements and ensure quality control is maintained.
- By ensuring the company has the people and the training to meet anticipated demand for services.

## Highlights

#### Non-potable Water

Non-potable water is primarily distributed to large industrial customers, especially in the potash mining sector. Non-potable volumes are relatively unchanged year over year, down 0.1%, while revenues are up 7.8% compared to the previous year due to contract terms and an increase in irrigated acres served which are not currently metered.

#### **Potable Water**

Potable water volumes have increased 4.3%, for the six-month period ended September 30, 2023, compared to the same period in 2022-23. Potable water is primarily supplied to municipal customers. Seasonal fluctuations are more often noted during the first and second quarters and are influenced by temperature and precipitation and the resulting impact on such uses as lawn and garden watering. Water volumes within municipalities tend to be more stable during the third and fourth quarters of the year. The change in water consumption in the first six months of 2023-24 has been impacted by the decreased rainfall across the province in the spring and early summer as major customers in most areas have increased usage over the previous year. Potable water revenues are up 7.1% due to the increased water usage.

#### **Services**

Service revenues include certified operation and maintenance where SaskWater provides operator expertise to run customer owned facilities; project management which is largely related to pre-construction engineering services while project proponents complete their feasibility analysis; operator training support to 29 First Nations and northern project management which relates to engineering services to northern Saskatchewan communities primarily in conjunction with the Ministry of Government Relations.

Revenues from all major services are down approximately 3.2% from 2022-23. This decrease is predominantly from the certified operation and maintenance line of business, which saw a 4.7% decrease.

#### Other

There was also an increase of 11.9% in other revenue for the first six months of 2023-24. This was due to one-time transactions to provide additional services and to hook up two new ROAM customers.

#### Expenses

Expenses have increased 5.8% for the six-month period ended September 30, 2023, from the same period in 2022. The operational increases in OM&A and amortization costs were considered normal given operating conditions year-over-year. There was also a significant increase in bulk water purchase costs, resulting from increased potable water sales in the Saskatoon service area.

#### Net Finance Income (Expense)

Finance costs include debt servicing costs on funds borrowed to support investments and earnings on debt retirement funds that are set aside to retire capital market debts on their maturity. Net debt servicing costs are down approximately 22.6% year-over-year due to increased finance income, resulting from increased earnings on debt retirement funds and increased interest on accounts receivable. Finance expense has also decreased to an increase in the amount of interest allocated to ongoing capital projects.

#### Other Comprehensive Income

Other comprehensive income primarily consists of market value gains and losses on debt retirement funds, which are outside of management's control.



## **Statement of Financial Position**

(unaudited - thousands of dollars)

		as at		as at			
	Sente	as at ember 30, 2023		March 31, 2023	Change		
Assets							
Current Assets							
Cash	\$	2,294	\$	2,535	\$	(241)	
Trade and other receivables	·	65,451	·	9,340	•	56,111 <sup>°</sup>	
Prepaid expenses		586		730		(144)	
Inventories		827		817		` 10 <sup>′</sup>	
Current portion of deferred charges		17		17		-	
		69,175		13,439		55,736	
Deferred Charges		825		291		534	
Investment - debt retirement funds		15,712		15,612		100	
Right-of-use assets		3,034		3,195		(161)	
Property, plant and equipment		411,682		349,626		62,056	
	\$	500,428	\$	382,163	\$	118,265	
Liabilities and Provice of Saskatchewan's Equity Current Liabilities							
Trade and other payables	\$	20,909	\$	6,280	\$	14,629	
Notes payable		41,250		8,000		33,250	
Dividends payable		832		2,168		(1,336)	
Current portion of deferred credits		35		35		-	
Current portion of deferred revenue		7,332		7,332		-	
Current portion of lease liabilities		791		791		-	
Current portion of long-term debt		2,100		2,100			
		73,249		26,706		46,543	
Deferred credits		198		215		(17)	
Deferred revenue		240,660		187,457		53,203	
Lease liabilities		2,331		2,482		(151)	
Long-term debt Employee benefits		100,818 611		85,818 611		15,000	
Employee beliefits		417.867		303.289		114,578	
		117,007		000,200		111,070	
Province of Saskatchewan's Equity							
Equity Advance		8,700		8,700		(4.005)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss)		(2,031) 75,892		(1,026) 71,200		(1,005)	
Retained Earnings		,		,		4,692	
		82,561		78,874		3,687	
	\$	500,428	\$	382,163	\$	118,265	

### **Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income/(Loss)**

(unaudited - thousands of dollars)

	Three months ended September 30						Six months ended September 30					
		Actual 2023		Actual 2022		Act vs Act Variance		Actual 2023		Actual 2022	<b>/</b>	Act vs Act Variance
Revenue (Note 4)												
Water sales and treatment	\$	15,945	\$	14,956	\$	989	\$	30,746	\$	28,683	\$	2,063
Services		1,067		1,094		(27)		2,114		2,183		(69)
Other		1,909		2,157		(248)		3,791		3,986		(195)
		18,921		18,207		714		36,651		34,852		1,799
Expenses												
Salaries and benefits		3,684		3,755		71		7,319		7,415		96
Operations, maintenance, and administration		2,942		2,904		(38)		6,173		5,564		(609)
Amortization of property, plant and equipment		4,058		3,915		(143)		8,098		7,819		(279)
Bulk water purchases		3,684		3,512		(172)		7,213		6,438		(775)
Saskatchewan taxes		246		225		(21)		492		450		(42)
		14,614		14,311		(303)		29,295		27,686		(1,609)
Operating income/(loss)		4,307		3,896		411		7,356		7,166		190
Finance income		112		119		(7)		254		75		179
Finance expense		(555)		(731)		176		(1,298)		(1,423)		125
Net finance income/(expense) (Note 5)		(443)		(612)		169		(1,044)		(1,348)		304
Net income (loss)		3,864		3,284		580		6,312		5,818		494
Other comprehensive income/(loss)												
Debt retirement fund valuation gain/(loss)		(872)		(12)		(860)		(1,005)		(557)		(448)
Realized gain/(loss) on debt retirement fund redemptions		-		-		-		-		-		-
Reclassification of reallized gain/(loss) to net finance expense		-		-		-		-		-		-
Net actuarial gain/(loss) on retirement allowance		-		-				-		-		-
Total other comprehensive income/(loss)		(872)		(12)		(860)		(1,005)		(557)		(448)
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	\$	2,992	\$	3,272	\$	(280)	\$	5,307	\$	5,261	\$	46

#### Statement of Cash Flows

(unaudited - thousands of dollars) Three months ended September 30 Six months ended September 30 2023 2022 2023 2022 **Operating activities** Net income 3,284 6,312 5,818 \$ 3,864 \$ \$ Items not affecting cash from operations: 8.098 7.818 Amortization of property, plant and equipment 4.058 3.915 Amortization of deferred revenue (1,857)(1,787)(3,702)(3.575)Net financing (income) expense 612 443 1,044 1,348 Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment (21)(3)(12)(7)Change in non-cash working capital items: (37,856)(56,111)(6,436)Trade and other receivables (4,032)Prepaid expenses 221 266 85 144 Inventories (10)16 (Addition) amortization of deferred charges 3 (473)(534)8 Addition (amortization) of deferred credits (9)(17)(18)(8)Trade and other payables (1,710)(1,130)14,432 1,166 Deferred revenue 4,543 56,905 40,156 8,195 Interest paid (929)(585)(1,889)(1,377)Interest received 154 35 214 54 Cash provided by operating activities 6,106 5,058 24,879 13,081 **Investing activities** (69,114)Property, plant and equipment expenditures (41,739)(9,031)(14,945)Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment 2 10 9 Cash used in investing activities (41,737)(9,031)(69, 104)(14,936)**Financing activities** Lease payments (170)(337)(260)(135)10,000 Proceeds from long-term debt 15,000 Proceeds from (Repayments of) notes payable 28,250 5,000 33,250 7,000 Repayment of long-term debt Debt retirement fund installments (135)(135)(973)(873)Debt retirement fund redemptions Dividends paid (788)(1,662)(2,956)(3.853)**Equity Contributions** Cash provided by financing activities 37,157 3,068 43,984 2,014 **Change in Cash** 1,526 (905)(241)159 Cash, Beginning of Period 768 3,585 2,535 2,521 2,294 2,294 Cash, End of Period \$ \$ 2,680 \$ \$ 2,680

# Statement of Changes in Equity

(unaudited - thousands of dollars)													
	Th	ree	months ended Septe	mb	er 30, 2023				Six I	months ended Septembe	er 30, 2023		
		-	Accumulated other							Accumulated other			
	Equity		comprehensive		Retained	Total		Equity		comprehensive	Retained		Total
	 Advances		income (loss)		earnings	Equity		Advances		income (loss)	earnings		Equity
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 8,700	\$	(1,158)	\$	72,860	\$ 80,402	\$	8,700	\$	(1,026) \$	71,200	\$	78,874
Net income	-		-		3,864	3,864		-		-	6,312		6,312
Other comprehensive income (loss)	 -		(873)		-	(873)	_	-		(1,005)	-		(1,005)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the period	-		(873)		3,864	2,991		-		(1,005)	6,312		5,307
Dividends declared	-		-		(832)	(832)		-		-	(1,620)		(1,620)
Balance, end of period	\$ 8,700	\$	(2,031)	\$	75,892	\$ 82,561	\$	8,700	\$	(2,031) \$	75,892	\$	82,561
												\$ 78,87 6,31 (1,00 5,30 (1,62 \$ 82,56  Tota Equit \$ 78,18 5,81 (55 5,26 (3,20	
	 TI		months ended Septe Accumulated other	mt	er 30, 2022				Six ı	months ended Septembe Accumulated other	er 30, 2022	ed Total Equity  00 \$ 78,874  12 6,312 - (1,005)  12 5,307  20) (1,620)  92 \$ 82,561  22  ed Total Equity  36 \$ 78,189  118 5,818 - (557)  118 5,261  101 (3,201)	
	Carrity	4	comprehensive		Retained	Total		Equity		comprehensive	Retained		Total
	Equity Advances		income (loss)		earnings	Equity		Advances		income (loss)	earnings		
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 8,700	\$	(1,392)	\$	71,208	\$ 78,516	\$	8,700	\$	(847) \$	70,336	\$	78,189
Net income	_		-		3,284	3,284		-		-	5,818		5,818
Other comprehensive income (loss)	-		(12)		-	(12)		-		(557)	-		(557)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the period	-		(12)		3,284	3,272		-		(557)	5,818		5,261
Dividends declared	-		-		(1,539)	(1,539)		-		-	(3,201)		(3,201)
Balance, end of period	\$ 8,700	\$	(1,404)	\$	72,953	\$ 80,249	\$	8,700	\$	(1,404) \$	72,953	\$	80,249

#### Notes to the Financial Statements - unaudited September 30, 2023

#### 1. General Information

The Saskatchewan Water Corporation (the Corporation) is a corporation located in Canada. The address of the Corporation's registered office and principal place of business is 200-111 Fairford Street East, Moose Jaw, SK, S6H 1C8.

The Corporation was established on July 1, 1984 under the authority of The Water Corporation Act which remained in effect until December 31, 2002. On October 1, 2002 The Saskatchewan Water Corporation Act was proclaimed.

By virtue of The Crown Corporations Act, 1993, the Corporation has been designated as a subsidiary of Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan (CIC). Accordingly, the financial results of the Corporation are included in the consolidated financial statements of CIC, a Provincial Crown corporation. As the Corporation is a Provincial Crown corporation, it is not subject to Federal or Provincial income taxes in Canada, but is subject to Provincial corporate capital tax.

The principal activity of the Corporation is to construct, acquire, manage or operate works and to provide services in accordance with any agreements that it enters into pursuant to *The Saskatchewan Water Corporation Act*.

#### 2. Basis of Preparation

#### a) Statement of compliance

The unaudited condensed interim financial statements (herein referred to as the interim financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34 - Interim Financial Reporting as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). These interim financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Saskatchewan Water Corporation's March 31, 2023 audited financial statements.

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the IASB (IFRS). The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of these interim financial statements conform with those used in the Corporation's most recent annual financial statements and have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these interim financial statements except as discussed in the "Use of estimates and judgements" and the "New standards and amendments to standards" sections of this note.

The condensed interim financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on November 22, 2023.

#### b) Basis of measurement

These interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following:

- Financial instruments that are accounted for at fair value through other comprehensive income.
- Provisions.
- Employee benefit obligations.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements - unaudited September 30, 2023

#### 2. Basis of Preparation (continued)

#### c) Interim measurement

SaskWater's sales to municipal customers are seasonal, with the first and second quarters being the strongest periods, reflecting hotter weather and higher outdoor water usage.

#### d) Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Canadian Dollars, which is the Corporation's functional currency.

#### e) Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal or most advantageous market at the measurement date under current market conditions (exit price). The Corporation's own credit risk and the credit risk of the counterparty have been taken into account in determining the fair value of financial assets and liabilities. The Corporation has classified the fair value of its financial instruments as level 1, 2, or 3 (Note 8) as defined below:

- Level 1 Fair Values are determined using inputs that are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities to which the Corporation has immediate access.
- Level 2 Fair Values are determined using inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Debt retirement funds are valued at closing period-end unit prices received from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance. In all other circumstances, valuations are determined with reference to similar actively traded instruments. All long-term debt obligations are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis based on current market yields for similar arrangements.
- Level 3 Fair values are determined based on inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

#### f) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of these interim financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant areas of estimation uncertainty and critical judgments in applying accounting policies are:

- Valuation of trade and other receivables
- Underlying estimates of useful lives and amortization of property, plant and equipment
- Underlying estimates of deferred revenue and infrastructure deposits
- Carrying amounts of provisions and underlying estimates of future cash flows
- Carrying amounts of employee benefits and underlying actuarial assumptions
- Underlying estimates for future commitments and contingencies

#### Notes to the Financial Statements - unaudited September 30, 2023

#### 3. Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of these condensed interim financial statements are consistent with those disclosed in the Corporation's March 31, 2023 audited financial statements.

#### a) Leases

At the inception of a contract, the Corporation determines whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

#### As a lessee

On initial identification of a lease contract, the Corporation recognizes a ROU asset and a lease liability at the commencement of the lease contract. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the future lease payments under the contract, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease contract. Where the implicit rate cannot be readily determined, the Corporation uses its incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments include fixed payments, less any lease incentives, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, the exercise price of a purchase option or optional renewal period that the Corporation is reasonably certain to exercise, and penalties for early termination of a lease contract unless the Corporation is reasonably certain not to terminate early. Subsequently, the lease liability is measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest method. The lease liability is re-measured to reflect any reassessments or lease modifications. Lease payments are allocated between the principal repayment of the lease liability and finance expense. The finance expense on the lease liability is charged to net income over the term of the lease contract to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the lease liability for each period.

The ROU asset is initially measured at cost, which includes the initial lease liability, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received, plus any initial direct costs and restoration costs. The ROU assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the remaining term of lease contract. The ROU assets are subsequently re-measured to reflect any reassessments or lease modifications.

The Corporation has elected not to recognize ROU assets and lease liabilities for lease contracts where the total term of the lease is less than or equal to 12 months or for low value lease contracts. The Corporation recognizes the payments relating to such leases (including principal and interest associated with these leases) as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term. These payments are presented within Operations, maintenance, and administration expense in net income.

#### As a lessor

On initial identification of a lease contract, the Corporation determines whether the contract is a finance lease or an operating lease. If a contract transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset to the customer, then the contract is classified as a finance lease; otherwise, it is classified as an operating lease. Finance income related to finance leases is recognized in a manner that produces a constant rate of return on the net investment in the lease. The net investment in the lease is the aggregate of net minimum lease payments and unearned finance income discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease. Unearned finance income is deferred and recognized in net income over the lease term. Lease payments received by the Corporation under operating leases are recognized as lease revenue within other revenue on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

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#### 3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### a) Leases (continued)

The Corporation applies judgment in determination of the lease term for certain lease contracts with renewal options. The assessment of whether the Corporation is reasonable certain to exercise such options impacts the lease term, which could significantly affects the amount of lease liabilities and right of use assets recorded on the initial recognition of the lease contract.

#### b) Deferred revenue

#### Government grants

Government grants are recognized initially as deferred revenue at fair value when there is reasonable assurance that they will be received and the Corporation will comply with the conditions associated with the grant. Grants that compensate the Corporation for expenses incurred are recognized in net income on a systematic basis in the same periods in which the expenses are recognized. Grants that compensate the Corporation for the cost of an asset are recognized in net income on a systematic basis over the useful life of the asset. There is no change in policy for revenue recognition of government grants as a result of the implementation of IFRS 15.

#### Customer contributions

Customer contributions are received from customers, generally in the form of cash, to assist in the construction of assets to provide services to the contributing customers. Prior to the commencement of construction these amounts are recorded as infrastructure deposits. As construction occurs these amounts are transferred to deferred revenue.

When completion of the construction is determined to be a separately identifiable performance obligation, these amounts are recognized directly into net income. When completion of construction is not determined to be separate from the ongoing supply or services performance obligation, these amounts are transferred to deferred revenue and recognized in net income over the term of the contract with the customer. If the contract does not specify a period or automatically continues in effect after an initial term, the revenue shall be recognized over a period no longer than the useful life of the related assets used to provide the ongoing service. There is no change in policy for revenue recognition of customer contributions as a result of the implementation of IFRS 15.

#### c) Contract assets and liabilities

The Corporation recognizes a contract asset or contract liability for the contracts where either party has performed. A contract liability is recorded when the Corporation receives consideration before the performance obligations have been satisfied. A contract asset is recorded when the Corporation has rights to consideration for the completion of a performance obligation when that right is conditional on something other than the passage of time. The Corporation recognizes unconditional rights to consideration separately as a receivable. Contract assets and receivables are evaluated at each reporting period to determine whether there is any objective evidence that they are impaired.

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#### 4. Revenue

	Three months ended September 30 2023 2022					Six months ended Septembe			
						2023		2022	
		(Thou	san	ds)		(Thou	san	ds)	
Water sales and treatment									
Potable water supply	\$	9,003	\$	8,805	\$	17,632	\$	16,470	
Non-Potable water supply		6,749		5,946		12,716		11,799	
Wastewater treatment		193		205		398		414	
		15,945		14,956		30,746		28,683	
Services									
Certified operations & maintenance		709		758		1,399		1,468	
Northern project management		159		159		320		340	
Operator training		191		172		379		365	
Leak detection		-		-		1		-	
ROAM		8		5		15		10	
		1,067		1,094		2,114		2,183	
Other									
Amortization of customer contributions		1,523		1,533		3,045		3,066	
Amortization of government grants - capital related		332		255		651		509	
Miscellaneous revenue		54		369		95		411	
		1,909		2,157		3,791		3,986	
	\$	18,921	\$	18,207	\$	36,651	\$	34,852	

#### 5. Finance income and expenses

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		hree r		hs ber 30	Δľ	_	onths otember 30		
	2023			2022		2023	, cii	2022	
Finance income		(Thou	sand	s)		(Thou:	sand	ds)	
Debt retirement fund earnings (losses)	\$	64	\$	79	\$	132	\$	11	
Amortization of Premiums		9		8		17		18	
Other finance income		39		32		105		46	
		112		119		254		75	
Finance expenses									
Interest expense on short-term debt		398		53		510		70	
Interest expense on long-term debt		774		654		1,477		1,307	
Unwinding of discounts		26		20		12		38	
Other interest expense		-		-		2		-	
Amortization of Discounts and Commissions		7		4		53		8	
Borrowing costs capitalized to qualifying assets		(650)		-		(756)		-	
		555		731	•	1,298		1,423	
Net finance expense	\$	(443)	\$	(612)	\$	(1,044)	\$	(1,348)	

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#### 6. Equity Advance and Capital Disclosure

The Corporation does not have share capital. However, the Corporation has received advances from CIC to form its equity capitalization. The advances reflect an equity investment in the Corporation by CIC.

The Corporation's debt management plan is built on the goal of ensuring the capacity to meet long term obligations and ensuring financial health, while achieving the growth plans of the Corporation.

As a Crown corporation, SaskWater receives its long-term capital funding primarily from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance. SaskWater also has access to a \$30 million line of credit.

The Corporation's capital consists of notes payable, long-term debt and equity, less debt retirement funds.

The Corporation monitors capital on the basis of the debt ratio. The current long-term debt ratio target is 60%, which is consistent with the prior period. The debt ratio is calculated as net debt divided by end of period capitalization as follows:

	September 30, 2023	March 31, 2023
	(Thousa	ands)
Gross long-term debt	\$ 102,918	\$ 87,918
Notes payable	41,250	8,000
Debt retirement funds	(15,712)	(15,612)
Net debt	128,456	80,306
Total equity	82,561	78,874
Capitalization	\$ 211,017	\$ 159,180
Debt ratio	60.9%	50.4%

The Corporation has complied with all externally imposed restrictions on its debt for the period ended September 30, 2023.

#### 7. Commitments and Contingencies

#### Contractual commitments (Thousands)

As of September 30, 2023, the Corporation has outstanding commitments of \$12,352 (March 31, 2023 - \$67,050) for construction contracts and consulting agreements primarily relating to assets under construction and other service contracts.

The Corporation has provided, in its accounts, for any known claims from lawsuits or other legal proceedings for which there is material risk of liability to the Corporation in accordance with management's best estimates and the advice received from legal counsel. The Corporation intends to account for any differences which may arise between amounts provided and amounts expended in the period in which the claims are resolved.

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#### 8. Financial instruments

#### Fair values

Fair values are the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair values are estimates using present value and other valuation techniques which are significantly affected by the assumptions used concerning the amount and timing of estimated future cash flows and discount rates that reflect varying degrees of risk. Therefore, due to the use of judgment and future-oriented information, aggregate fair value amounts should not be interpreted as being realizable in an immediate settlement of the instruments.

The following summarizes the classification, carrying amounts and fair values of the Corporation's financial instruments:

				Septemb	er-	30-23	March 31, 2023				
				Asset (L	.iat	ility)		ility)			
			С	arrying			С	arrying			
	Classification <sup>1</sup>	Level <sup>2</sup>	A	mount	Fa	air Value	A	Mount	Fa	ir Value	
				(Thou:	san	ds)	(Thousands)				
Financial assets											
Cash	FVTPL	1	\$	2,294	\$	2,294	\$	2,535	\$	2,535	
Trade and other receivables	AC	N/A		65,451		65,451		9,340		9,340	
Debt retirement funds	FVOCI	2		15,712		15,712		15,612		15,612	
Financial liabilities											
Trade and other payables	OL	N/A		(20,909)		(20,909)		(6,280)		(6,280)	
Notes payable	OL	N/A		(41,250)		(41,250)		(8,000)		(8,000)	
Dividends payable	OL	N/A		(832)		(832)		(2,168)		(2,168)	
Long-term debt	OL	2	(	(102,918)		(86,187)		(87,918)		(79,079)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Classification details are as follows:

FVTPL - Fair value through profit and loss

AC - Amortized cost

FVOCI - Fair value through other comprehensive income (loss)

OL - Other liabilities

Level 1 – Where quoted prices are readily available from an active market.

Level 2 – Valuation model not using quoted prices, but still using predominantly observable market inputs, such as market interest rates.

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

Not applicable (N/A) – Financial instruments that are carried at values which approximate fair value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Level details are as follows:

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#### 9. Leases

a)	ROU	assets
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Cost	Bu	ildings	V	ehicles			Total
Opening balance, April 1, 2023 Additions	\$	2,707	\$	(Thou: <b>2,163</b> 132	85 -	\$	<b>4,955</b> 132
Disposals		(31)			-		(31)
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$	2,676	\$	2,295	\$ 85	\$	5,056
Depreciation							
Opening balance, April 1, 2023 Amortization	\$	<b>1,067</b> 155	\$	<b>610</b> 137	\$ <b>83</b>	\$	<b>1,760</b> 293
Disposals		(31)	_		 	_	(31)
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$	1,191	\$	747	\$ 84	\$	2,022
Carrying amounts							
Opening balance, April 1, 2023	\$	1,640	\$	1,553	\$ 2	\$	3,195
Balance at September 30, 2023	<u>\$</u>	1,485	\$	1,548	\$ 1	\$	3,034
b) Lease liabilities							
	Bu	ildings	V	ehicles	ipment		Total
Opening balance, April 1, 2023 Additions	\$	1,710 -	\$	(Thou: <b>1,560</b> 132	3 -	\$	<b>3,273</b> 132
Disposals Lease payments Unwind of discount		(173) 21		(162) 33	(2)		(337) 54
Balance at September 30, 2023	\$	1,558	\$	1,563	\$ 1	\$	3,122
c) Amortization expense							
		Three inded Sep 2023		Six months ended September 30 2023 2022			
		(Thousands)			(Thou	,	
Amortization of PP&E Amortization of ROU assets	\$ 	3,909 149	\$	3,797 118	\$ 7,804 294	\$	7,590 229
Total	\$	4,058	\$	3,915	\$ 8,098	\$	7,819
d) Short term leases					 		

The expense recorded for short term leases was \$57 for the three-month period ended September 30, 2023.