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MANAGEMENT'S REPORT

The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared by management of Toronto Hydro Corporation (the "Corporation"), who are responsible for the integrity, consistency and reliability of the information presented. The Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and applicable securities legislation.

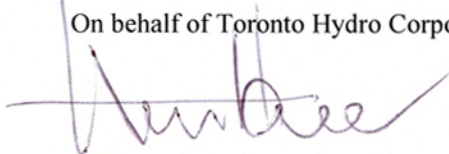
The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements necessarily involves the use of estimates and assumptions based on management's judgments, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting period cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods. Estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience, current conditions and various other assumptions believed to be reasonable in the circumstances, with critical analysis of the significant accounting policies followed by the Corporation as described in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements includes information regarding the estimated impact of future events and transactions. Actual results in the future may differ materially from the present assessment of this information because future events and circumstances may not occur as expected. The Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality in light of information available up to February 28, 2013.

In meeting its responsibility for the reliability of financial information, management maintains and relies on a comprehensive system of internal control and internal audit, which is designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate, and that the Corporation's assets are safeguarded and transactions are properly authorized and executed. The system includes formal policies and procedures and appropriate delegation of authority and segregation of responsibilities within the organization. An internal audit function evaluates the effectiveness of these internal controls and reports its findings to management and the Audit Committee of the Corporation, as required.

The Board of Directors, through its Audit Committee, is responsible for overseeing management in the performance of its financial reporting and internal controls. The Audit Committee is composed of independent directors and meets periodically with management, the internal auditors and the external auditors to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues, to satisfy itself that each group has properly discharged its respective responsibility and to review the Consolidated Financial Statements before recommending approval by the Board of Directors. The Audit Committee also considers, for review by the Board of Directors and approval by the shareholder, the appointment of the external auditors. The external auditors have direct and full access to the Audit Committee, with and without the presence of management, to discuss their audit and their findings as to the integrity of the financial reporting and the effectiveness of the system of internal controls.

The Consolidated Financial Statements were reviewed by the Audit Committee, and on their recommendation, were approved by the Board of Directors. The Consolidated Financial Statements have been examined by KPMG LLP, independent external auditors appointed by the Corporation's shareholder. The external auditors' responsibility is to express their opinion on whether the Consolidated Financial Statements are fairly presented in accordance with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The attached Independent Auditors' Report outlines the scope of their examination and their opinion.

On behalf of Toronto Hydro Corporation's management:

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Anthony Haines".

Anthony Haines
President and Chief Executive Officer

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Jean-Sebastien Couillard".

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholder of Toronto Hydro Corporation

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Toronto Hydro Corporation, which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income, shareholder's equity and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, and notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Toronto Hydro Corporation as at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 and its consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income, shareholder's equity and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 in accordance with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

Chartered Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants
Toronto, Canada
February 28, 2013

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

[in thousands of Canadian dollars]

As at December 31	2012 \$	2011 \$
		<i>[note 25]</i>
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents	76,592	154,256
Investments	-	34,002
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts <i>[note 16[b]]</i>	175,159	183,272
Unbilled revenue <i>[note 16[b]]</i>	278,086	262,058
Income tax receivable	7,879	11,312
Inventories <i>[note 5]</i>	7,555	6,891
Regulatory assets <i>[note 9]</i>	1,658	-
Other assets <i>[note 6]</i>	5,363	5,409
Total current assets	552,292	657,200
Property, plant and equipment, net <i>[note 7]</i>	2,526,666	2,399,497
Intangible assets, net <i>[note 8]</i>	134,080	112,982
Regulatory assets <i>[note 9]</i>	119,556	143,038
Other assets <i>[note 10]</i>	12,442	12,423
Deferred income tax assets <i>[note 18]</i>	194,318	202,367
Total assets	3,539,354	3,527,507
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities <i>[note 16[b]]</i>	383,371	412,412
Restructuring accrual <i>[note 12]</i>	11,954	-
Customers' advance deposits	40,048	40,238
Deferred conservation credit	20,316	13,359
Debentures <i>[note 13]</i>	470,050	-
Post-retirement benefits <i>[note 14]</i>	9,925	7,915
Other liabilities <i>[note 21]</i>	1,850	2,182
Regulatory liabilities <i>[note 9]</i>	-	7,293
Total current liabilities	937,514	483,399
Customers' advance deposits	6,790	15,800
Debentures <i>[note 13]</i>	999,540	1,469,527
Post-retirement benefits <i>[note 14]</i>	243,965	236,411
Other liabilities <i>[note 21]</i>	9,385	11,301
Regulatory liabilities <i>[note 9]</i>	196,809	203,919
Asset retirement obligations <i>[note 15]</i>	5,079	4,902
Total liabilities	2,399,082	2,425,259
Commitments, contingencies and subsequent events <i>[notes 2, 21 and 22]</i>		
Shareholder's equity		
Share capital <i>[note 19]</i>	567,817	567,817
Retained earnings	572,455	534,431
Total shareholder's equity	1,140,272	1,102,248
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity	3,539,354	3,527,507

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



Clare R. Copeland, Director



Brian Chu, Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

[in thousands of Canadian dollars, except for per share amounts]

Year ended December 31	2012 \$	2011 \$
Revenues	2,852,477	2,823,470 <i>[note 25]</i>
Costs		
Purchased power	2,275,209	2,236,541
Operating expenses	245,173	262,241
Depreciation and amortization	141,572	151,022
	2,661,954	2,649,804
Income before the following:	190,523	173,666
Net financing charges	(73,977)	(75,324)
Gain on disposals of property, plant and equipment	1,805	3,885
Restructuring costs <i>[note 12]</i>	(27,796)	-
Income before income taxes	90,555	102,227
Income tax expense <i>[note 18]</i>	4,565	6,295
Net income and comprehensive income	85,990	95,932
Basic and fully diluted net income per share <i>[note 23]</i>	85,990	95,932

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY

[in thousands of Canadian dollars]

Year ended December 31	2012 \$	2011 \$
Share capital <i>[note 19]</i>	567,817	567,817
Retained earnings, beginning of year	534,431	471,562
Net income	85,990	95,932
Dividends <i>[notes 19 and 20]</i>	(47,966)	(33,063)
Retained earnings, end of year	572,455	534,431
Total shareholder's equity	1,140,272	1,102,248

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

[in thousands of Canadian dollars]

Year ended December 31	2012 \$	2011 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		<i>[note 25]</i>
Net income	85,990	95,932
Adjustments for non-cash items		
Depreciation and amortization	141,572	151,022
Change in other non-current assets	(17)	1,166
Change in other non-current liabilities	(202)	(792)
Post-retirement benefits	9,564	44,299
Deferred income taxes <i>[note 18]</i>	889	(601)
Gain on disposals of property, plant and equipment	(1,805)	(3,885)
Changes in non-cash working capital balances <i>[note 24]</i>	(15,562)	58,855
Net cash provided by operating activities	220,429	345,996
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment <i>[note 7]</i>	(248,321)	(384,262)
Purchase of intangible assets <i>[note 8]</i>	(42,057)	(52,805)
Purchase of investments	-	(84,041)
Proceeds from investments	34,000	50,000
Net change in regulatory assets and liabilities	14,581	(66,379)
Proceeds on disposals of property, plant and equipment	2,665	4,974
Net cash used in investing activities	(239,132)	(532,513)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Dividends paid <i>[notes 19 and 20]</i>	(47,966)	(33,063)
Decrease in customers' advance deposits	(9,200)	(8,214)
Proceeds from debentures	-	299,850
Increase in debt issuance costs	-	(1,900)
Repayment of debentures	-	(245,057)
Repayment of capital lease liability	(1,795)	(994)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(58,961)	10,622
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents during the year	(77,664)	(175,895)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	154,256	330,151
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	76,592	154,256
Supplementary cash flow information		
Total interest paid	75,520	79,552
Total income taxes paid (recovered)	(598)	10,299

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.



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1. INCORPORATION

On June 23, 1999, Toronto Hydro Corporation [the "Corporation"] was incorporated under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario), and is wholly-owned by the City of Toronto [the "City"]. The incorporation was required in accordance with the provincial government's *Electricity Act, 1998* (Ontario) ["Electricity Act"].

The Corporation supervises the operations and provides corporate, management services and strategic direction to two subsidiaries incorporated under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario) and wholly-owned by the Corporation:

- [i] Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited ["LDC"] (incorporated June 23, 1999) – distributes electricity to customers located in the City and is subject to rate regulation. LDC is also engaged in the delivery of Conservation and Demand Management ["CDM"] activities; and
- [ii] Toronto Hydro Energy Services Inc. ["TH Energy"] (incorporated June 23, 1999) – provides street lighting services.

The principal business of the Corporation and its subsidiaries is the distribution of electricity by LDC.

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

These audited consolidated financial statements of the Corporation have been prepared in accordance with United States ["US"] Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ["GAAP"] with respect to the preparation of annual financial information, and are presented in Canadian dollars. These are the Corporation's first US GAAP annual consolidated financial statements. The Corporation's consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with Part V of Canadian GAAP until December 31, 2011. The comparative consolidated financial statements have been adjusted retroactively from the consolidated financial statements previously presented to conform to the presentation of the Corporation's 2012 consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with US GAAP.

A reconciliation of the consolidated balance sheets between Canadian GAAP and US GAAP as at January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011 and a reconciliation of net income for the year ended December 31, 2011 accompany the consolidated financial statements [note 25].

The Corporation has evaluated the events and transactions occurring after the consolidated balance sheet date through February 28, 2013 when the Corporation's consolidated financial statements were available to be issued after the approval by the Corporation's Board of Directors, and identified the events and transactions which required recognition in the consolidated financial statements and/or disclosure in the notes to the consolidated financial statements [note 19].

3. REGULATION

In April 1999, the Government of Ontario began restructuring Ontario's electricity industry. Under regulations passed pursuant to the restructuring, LDC and other electricity distributors have been purchasing their electricity from the wholesale market administered by the Independent Electricity System Operator ["IESO"] and recovering the costs of electricity and certain other costs at a later date in accordance with procedures mandated by the Ontario Energy Board [the "OEB"].

The OEB has regulatory oversight of electricity matters in Ontario. The *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (Ontario) sets out the OEB's authority to issue a distribution licence that must be obtained by owners or operators of an electricity distribution system in Ontario. The OEB prescribes licence requirements and conditions including,

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among other things, specified accounting records, regulatory accounting principles, separation of accounts for separate businesses, and filing process requirements for rate-setting purposes.

The OEB's authority and responsibilities include the power to approve and fix rates for the transmission and distribution of electricity, the power to provide continued rate protection for rural and remote electricity customers, and the responsibility for ensuring that electricity distribution companies fulfill their obligations to connect and service customers.

LDC is required to charge its customers for the following amounts (all of which, other than distribution charges, represent a pass through of amounts payable to third parties):

- [i] *Distribution Charges.* Distribution charges are designed to recover the costs incurred by LDC in delivering electricity to customers and the OEB-allowed rate of return. Distribution charges are regulated by the OEB and are comprised of a fixed charge and a usage-based (consumption) charge. The volume of electricity consumed by LDC's customers during any period is governed by events largely outside LDC's control (principally, sustained periods of hot or cold weather which increase the consumption of electricity, and sustained periods of moderate weather which decrease the consumption of electricity).
- [ii] *Electricity Price and Regulated Adjustments.* The electricity price and regulated adjustments represent the pass through of the commodity and other costs of electricity.
- [iii] *Retail Transmission Rate.* The retail transmission rate represents a pass through of wholesale costs incurred by distributors in respect of the transmission of electricity from generating stations to local areas. Retail transmission rates are regulated by the OEB.
- [iv] *Wholesale Market Service Charge.* The wholesale market service charge represents a pass through of various wholesale market support costs. Retail rates for the recovery of wholesale market service charges are regulated by the OEB.

LDC is required to satisfy and maintain prudential requirements with the IESO, which include credit support with respect to outstanding market obligations in the form of letters of credit, cash deposits or guarantees from third parties with prescribed credit ratings.

a) Electricity Distribution Rates

Regulatory developments in Ontario's electricity industry, including current and possible future consultations between the OEB and interested stakeholders, may affect LDC's electricity distribution rates and other permitted recoveries in the future.

LDC's electricity distribution rates for 2011 were determined through an application under the Cost of Service ["COS"] framework. The COS framework sets electricity distribution rates using a detailed examination of evidence and an assessment of the costs incurred by an electricity distributor to provide services to its customers.

On July 7, 2011, the OEB issued its decision regarding LDC's electricity distribution rates for 2011. The decision provided for a distribution revenue requirement and rate base of \$522,044,000 and \$2,298,227,000, respectively. In addition, the decision provided for capital program spending levels and operating, maintenance and administration spending levels of \$378,800,000 and \$238,000,000, respectively.

On August 26, 2011, LDC filed a rate application, following the COS framework, with the OEB seeking approval of separate and successive revenue requirements and corresponding electricity distribution rates for 2012, 2013 and

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2014. Pursuant to the Incentive Regulation Mechanism ["IRM"] framework, the OEB established, as a preliminary issue in this application, that it would consider the question of whether the application filed by LDC under the COS framework was acceptable or whether it should be dismissed. The IRM framework provides for a standard adjustment to an electricity distributor's rates based on a formulaic calculation with the possibility to request an Incremental Capital Module ["ICM"] to address specific capital expenditure needs that occur during the IRM term, and are not otherwise funded by the formulaic calculation. In order to determine whether a distributor is eligible for the ICM, the OEB conducts a review of the application by way of a detailed examination of a distributor's evidence and consideration of a number of criteria, such as materiality, need and prudence.

LDC filed evidence supporting its position for electricity distribution rates to be set under the COS framework for 2012, 2013 and 2014. The OEB established a process by which a portion of LDC's evidence was tested during an oral hearing held in November 2011.

On January 5, 2012, the OEB rendered its decision on the preliminary issue and dismissed LDC's COS framework application for 2012, 2013 and 2014. In its decision, the OEB found that LDC was not permitted to deviate from the standard IRM framework cycle. Accordingly, LDC was required to file its request for electricity distribution rates for 2012, 2013, and 2014 pursuant to the IRM framework and to use the ICM to request the capital needed for infrastructure renewal.

On January 25, 2012, LDC filed a motion with the OEB to review the OEB's January 5, 2012 decision [the "Motion"].

On February 6, 2012, LDC filed a notice of appeal with the Ontario Divisional Court regarding the OEB's January 5, 2012 decision [the "Appeal"].

On May 10, 2012, LDC filed an application for electricity distribution rates for 2012, 2013, and 2014 using the IRM framework, including the filing of an ICM application [the "IRM/ICM Application"]. The formulaic adjustment, requested by LDC, follows the guidelines provided by the OEB and seeks to increase the current revenue requirement by 0.68% to \$525,500,000 for 2012, \$529,100,000 for 2013 and \$532,700,000 for 2014. The 2013 and 2014 formulaic adjustment may be subject to change depending on future inflation and market data.

The IRM/ICM Application proposed by LDC requests rate riders to enable the recovery of capital expenditures. Accordingly, the amount of capital expenditures included in LDC's proposed IRM/ICM Application amounts to \$448,700,000 for 2012, \$534,500,000 for 2013 and \$439,500,000 for 2014.

On August 16, 2012, the OEB issued its decision on the issues list for the application filed May 10, 2012. In that decision, the OEB stated that further procedural steps would be determined pending LDC's response to the OEB as to whether LDC would continue to pursue the Motion and the Appeal. On August 20, 2012, LDC filed a notice of abandonment with the Ontario Divisional Court thereby terminating the Appeal. On the same date, LDC advised the OEB that it would withdraw its Motion for review.

While the IRM/ICM Application proposed by LDC has been under consideration by the OEB, capital spending in 2012 has been maintained at a reduced amount. As it was no longer practical to achieve the previously requested capital spending of \$448,700,000 in 2012, an update to the IRM/ICM Application was submitted by LDC on October 31, 2012 modifying the requested capital expenditures for 2012 and 2013 to \$283,000,000 and \$579,100,000, respectively, and requesting that consideration for 2014 be deferred to a second phase of the proceeding, once LDC has received a decision from the OEB in respect of phase one. On November 3, 2012, the OEB accepted LDC's request for a two-phase proceeding: phase one comprising LDC's 2012 and 2013 work program proposals and phase two comprising LDC's 2014 work program proposal.

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The current application is expected to be subject to an in-depth review by the OEB. There can be no assurance that the OEB will allow for the total or partial recovery of the capital expenditure balances requested in the current application. The financial effect of the OEB decision will be recorded in the period it becomes known and could be material to the Corporation's financial performance.

b) Street Lighting Activities

On June 15, 2009, the Corporation filed an application with the OEB seeking an electricity distribution licence for a new wholly-owned legal entity to which the Corporation intended to transfer the street lighting assets of TH Energy. Concurrently, the Corporation filed another application with the OEB seeking approval for the merger of LDC and the new legal entity. The main objective of these applications was to transfer the street lighting assets to the regulated electricity distribution activities of LDC to increase the overall safety of the related infrastructure.

On February 11, 2010, the OEB issued its decision in regard to these applications. In its decision, the OEB agreed that, under certain conditions, the treatment of certain types of street lighting assets as regulated assets is justified. The OEB ordered the Corporation to provide a detailed valuation of the street lighting assets and to perform an operational review to determine which street lighting assets could become regulated assets. The Corporation performed a detailed asset operational review and financial valuation of the street lighting assets, which was submitted to the OEB on January 31, 2011.

On August 3, 2011, the OEB issued its final decision allowing the transfer of a portion of the street lighting assets to the new wholly-owned legal entity (1798594 Ontario Inc.), and for LDC to amalgamate with the new legal entity. On January 1, 2012, the Corporation completed the asset transfer and amalgamation.

c) CDM Activities

On March 31, 2010, the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure of Ontario, under the guidance of sections 27.1 and 27.2 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (Ontario), directed the OEB to establish CDM targets to be met by electricity distributors. Accordingly, on November 12, 2010, the OEB amended LDC's distribution licence to require LDC, as a condition of its licence, to achieve 1,304 Gigawatt-Hours of energy savings and 286 Megawatts of summer peak demand savings, over the period beginning January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2014.

Effective January 1, 2011, LDC entered into an agreement with the Ontario Power Authority ["OPA"] in the amount of approximately \$50,000,000 to deliver CDM programs extending from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2014. As at December 31, 2012, LDC received approximately \$35,366,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$19,875,000] from the OPA for the delivery of CDM programs. All programs to be delivered are fully funded and paid in advance by the OPA. Amounts received but not yet spent are presented under current liabilities as deferred conservation credit. Upon the expiration of the agreement, LDC is required to repay to the OPA any excess funding received for program administration less any cost efficiency incentives. These programs are expected to support the achievement of the mandatory CDM targets described above.

On December 21, 2012, the Minister of Energy of Ontario issued a direction to the OPA under subsection 25.32(4.1) of the *Electricity Act* to extend the funding time period for OPA-contracted province-wide CDM initiatives under the *Green Energy Act, 2009* (Ontario) framework to December 31, 2015.

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4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

b) Regulation

The following regulatory treatments have resulted in accounting treatments which differ from US GAAP for enterprises operating in an unregulated environment:

Regulatory Assets and Liabilities

The Corporation has determined that its assets and liabilities arising from rate-regulated activities qualify for the application of regulatory accounting treatment in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 980 – “Regulated Operations” [“ASC 980”], which includes accounting principles prescribed by the OEB in the “Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors”. Under rate-regulated accounting, the timing and recognition of certain expenses and revenues may differ from those otherwise expected under US GAAP in order to appropriately reflect the economic impact of regulatory decisions regarding the Corporation’s regulated revenues and expenditures. These timing differences are recorded as regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities on the Corporation’s consolidated balance sheets and represent existing rights and obligations regarding cash flows expected to be recovered from or refunded to customers, based on decisions and approvals by the OEB. Regulatory assets and liabilities can be recognized for rate-setting and financial reporting purposes only if the OEB directs the relevant regulatory treatment or if future OEB direction is judged to be probable. In the event that the disposition of these balances was assessed to no longer be probable, the balances would be recorded in the Corporation’s consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income in the period that the assessment is made. The measurement of regulatory assets and liabilities is subject to certain estimates and assumptions, including assumptions made in the interpretation of the regulation and the OEB’s decisions.

Regulatory assets and liabilities are classified as current if they are expected to be recovered from, or refunded to, customers within 12 months after each reporting period. All other regulatory asset and liability balances are classified as long-term on the consolidated balance sheets.

Allowance for funds used during construction

The OEB provides for the inclusion of an Allowance for Funds Used During Construction [“AFUDC”] when capitalizing construction-in-progress assets, until such time as the asset is substantially complete. A concurrent credit of the same amount is made to net financing charges when the allowance is capitalized. The interest rate for capitalization is prescribed by the OEB and modified on a periodic basis, and is applied to the balance of the construction-in-progress assets on a simple interest basis. The interest rate for capitalization for the period from January 1, 2012 to March 31, 2012 was 3.92%, from April 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012 was 3.51%, and from October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 was 3.23% [January 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011 - 4.29%; October 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 - 3.92%]. AFUDC is included in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets for financial reporting purposes, charged to operations through depreciation and amortization expense over the useful lives of the related assets and recovered through future revenue.

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c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in bank accounts and short-term investments with terms to maturity of 90 days or less from their date of acquisition.

d) Investments

Investments with terms to maturity of greater than 90 days from their date of acquisition are classified as held to maturity, included in current assets and carried at cost.

e) Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable are recorded at the invoiced amount and overdue amounts bear interest at OEB-approved rates. The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced through an allowance for doubtful accounts and the amount of the related impairment loss is recognized in the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income. Subsequent recoveries of receivables previously provisioned and written off are credited to the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income. Management estimates uncollectible accounts receivable after considering historical loss experience and the characteristics of existing accounts.

f) Inventories

Inventories consist primarily of small consumable materials mainly related to the maintenance of the electricity distribution infrastructure. The Corporation classifies all major construction related components of its electricity distribution system infrastructure to property, plant and equipment. Once capitalized, these items are not depreciated until they are put into service. Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and market, with cost determined on an average cost basis net of a provision for obsolescence.

g) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost and are removed from the accounts at the end of their estimated average useful lives, except in those instances where specific identification allows their removal at retirement or disposition. The cost of property, plant and equipment represents the original cost, consisting of direct materials and labour, contracted services, AFUDC, and overhead directly attributable to the capital project.

Capital contributions received are used to finance additions to property, plant and equipment of LDC. According to the accounting principles prescribed by the OEB, capital contributions received are treated as a credit to property, plant and equipment. The amount is subsequently depreciated by a charge to accumulated depreciation and a credit to depreciation expense at an equivalent rate to that used for the depreciation of the related property, plant and equipment.

In the event that facts and circumstances indicate that property, plant and equipment may be impaired, an evaluation of recoverability is performed. For purposes of such an evaluation, the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the asset are compared to the carrying amount of the asset to determine if a write-down is required. The impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value, which is determined by the estimated future discounted cash flows.

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Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives at the following annual rates:

Distribution lines	1.7% to 5.0%
Transformers	3.3% to 5.0%
Stations	2.5% to 10.0%
Meters	2.5% to 6.7%
Buildings	1.3% to 5.0%
Rolling stock	12.5% to 25.0%
Other capital assets	4.0% to 20.0%
Equipment and tools	10.0% to 16.7%
Assets under capital lease	14.3% to 25.0%
Computer hardware	16.7% to 25.0%
Communications	10.0% to 20.0%

Construction in progress relates to assets not currently in use and therefore is not depreciated.

h) Intangible assets

Effective January 1, 2012, the Corporation revised its estimate of useful life of its Customer Care and Billing Customer Information System from five years to ten years as a result of an analysis completed related to the useful life assessment. This change has been accounted for on a prospective basis in the consolidated financial statements effective January 1, 2012. The change in estimate reduced amortization expense by approximately \$4,000,000 for the year ended December 31, 2012 with an offsetting increase in the carrying value of intangible assets. The change in estimate will decrease future amortization expense by \$4,000,000 per year over the term of the original useful life with no impact to the final year of the original useful life, and thereafter increase future amortization expense by \$4,000,000 per year.

Intangible assets are stated at cost. Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives at the following annual rates:

Computer software	10.0% to 25.0%
Contributions	4.0%

Software in development and contributions for work in progress relate to assets not currently available for use and therefore are not amortized. Contributions represent payments made to Hydro One Networks Inc. for dedicated infrastructure pursuant to an agreement in order to receive connections to transmission facilities.

i) Deferred financing costs

One-time costs incurred in relation to the Corporation's debenture offerings and costs of arranging the Corporation's revolving credit facilities are capitalized within other assets on the consolidated balance sheets. Debt issuance costs are amortized over the term of the related debentures, using the effective interest method of amortization, and are included in net financing charges. Financing costs relating to revolving credit facilities are amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the facility, and are included in net financing charges. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred for financial instruments classified as held for trading.

j) Restructuring

Restructuring charges are recorded based upon planned employee termination dates, site closure and consolidation plans, and contract terminations. Restructuring charges can include severance costs to eliminate a specified number

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of employee positions, infrastructure charges to vacate facilities and consolidate operations, and contract cancellation costs. The timing of associated cash payments is dependent upon the type of restructuring charge and can extend over a multi-year period.

k) Workplace Safety and Insurance Act

The Corporation is a Schedule 1 employer for workers' compensation under the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997* (Ontario) [the "WSIA"]. As a Schedule 1 employer under the WSIA, the Corporation is required to pay annual premiums into an insurance fund established under the WSIA and recognizes expenses based on funding requirements.

l) Revenue recognition

Revenue from the sale of electricity is recorded on the basis of cyclical billings and includes an estimated amount for electricity delivered and not yet billed, the amount of which is impacted by energy demand, customer class usage patterns and composition, and weather conditions.

Other revenues, which include revenues from electricity distribution related services, revenues from the delivery of street lighting services and revenues from demand billable activities, are recognized as the services are rendered.

In the course of its operations, the Corporation collects Harmonized Sales Tax ["HST"] from its customers. When customers are billed, a current liability for HST is recognized which corresponds to the revenue derived from the services provided by the Corporation. When expenses are incurred by the Corporation, a current asset for HST is recorded which corresponds to the expenditures derived from the goods or services received by the Corporation. The Corporation's revenues and expenses exclude HST. This net asset or liability is settled with the appropriate government authority.

m) Financial instruments

At inception, all financial instruments which meet the definition of a financial asset or financial liability are recorded at fair value, unless fair value cannot be reliably determined. Gains and losses related to the measurement of financial instruments are reported in the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income. Subsequent measurement of each financial instrument will depend on the consolidated balance sheet classification elected by the Corporation. The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount of consideration that would be agreed upon in an arm's length transaction between willing parties.

The following summarizes the accounting classification the Corporation has elected to apply to each of its significant categories of financial instruments:

Cash equivalents and short-term investments	Held for Trading
Investments	Held to Maturity
Accounts receivable and unbilled revenue	Loans and Receivables
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Other Financial Liabilities
Obligations under capital lease	Other Financial Liabilities
Customers' advance deposits	Other Financial Liabilities
Debentures	Other Financial Liabilities

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The Corporation uses the following methods and assumptions to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which carrying amounts are included in the consolidated balance sheets:

- Cash equivalents, comprising short-term investments, are classified as “Held for Trading” and are measured at fair value. The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.
- Investments are classified as “Held to Maturity” and are measured at amortized cost, which, upon initial recognition, is considered equivalent to fair value. The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.
- Accounts receivable and unbilled revenue are classified as “Loans and Receivables” and are measured at amortized cost, which, upon initial recognition, are considered equivalent to fair value. Subsequent measurements are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.
- Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are classified as “Other Financial Liabilities” and are initially measured at fair value. Subsequent measurements are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.
- Obligations under capital lease are classified as “Other Financial Liabilities” and are initially measured at fair value. Subsequent measurements are based on a discounted cash flow analysis and approximate the carrying value as management believes that the fixed interest rates are representative of current market rates.
- Customers’ advance deposits are classified as “Other Financial Liabilities” and are initially measured at fair value. Subsequent measurements are recorded at cost plus accrued interest. The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of the current portion, and the long-term portion approximates the carrying value, taking into account interest accrued on the outstanding balance.
- Debentures are classified as “Other Financial Liabilities” and are initially measured at fair value. The carrying amounts of the debentures are carried at amortized cost, based on an initial fair value as determined at the time using a quoted market price for similar debt instruments. The fair value of the debentures is calculated by discounting the related cash flows at the estimated yield to maturity of similar debt instruments [note 16[a]]. While the Corporation has the option to redeem some or all of the debentures at its discretion, this option has no value and has not been recorded in the consolidated financial statements.

n) Fair value measurements

The Corporation utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. A fair value hierarchy exists that prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs used to measure fair value. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources, while unobservable inputs reflect the Corporation’s assumptions with respect to how market participants would price an asset or liability. The fair value hierarchy includes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

- Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis;

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- Level 2: Other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the assets or liabilities, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs, supported by little or no market activity, used to measure the fair value of the assets or liabilities to the extent that observable inputs are not available.

o) Employee future benefits

Multi-employer pension plan

The Corporation provides a pension plan for its full-time employees through the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System ["OMERS"]. OMERS is a multi-employer, contributory, defined benefit pension plan established in 1962 by Ontario for employees of municipalities, local boards and school boards. Both participating employers and employees are required to make plan contributions based on participating employees' contributory earnings. The OMERS plan is accounted for as a defined contribution plan where the Corporation recognizes the expense related to this plan as contributions are made, since it is not practicable to determine the Corporation's portion of pension obligations or the fair value of plan assets. The Corporation is not responsible for any other contractual obligations other than the contributions.

Post-retirement benefits other than pension

The Corporation has a number of unfunded benefit plans providing post-retirement benefits (other than pension) to its employees. The Corporation pays certain medical, dental and life insurance benefits under unfunded defined benefit plans on behalf of its retired employees. The Corporation pays accumulated sick leave credits, up to certain established limits based on service, in the event of retirement, termination or death of certain employees.

The Corporation periodically measures its accumulated benefit obligation for accounting purposes as at December 31 of the applicable year. The latest actuarial valuation was performed as at January 1, 2012.

The cost of providing benefits under the defined benefit plans is determined using the projected unit credit method and based on assumptions that reflect management's best estimate. All actuarial gains and losses and prior service costs are recognized in other comprehensive income ["OCI"] as they arise and subsequently reclassified to a regulatory asset on the consolidated balance sheets. This results in the full recognition of the benefit obligation as a liability on the consolidated balance sheets.

Actuarial gains or losses are amortized into net periodic benefit cost for the current period when the net cumulative unrecognized actuarial gains or losses in the regulatory asset at the end of the previous reporting period exceed 10% of the accumulated benefit obligation at that date. These gains or losses are recognized over the expected average remaining service period of active employees participating in the plans.

The prior service costs in the regulatory asset are recognized as an expense on a straight-line basis over the average remaining service period of employees active at the date of amendment.

The effects of a curtailment loss are recognized in the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income when its occurrence is probable and reasonably estimable. The effects of a curtailment gain are recognized in the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income when the related employees terminate or the plan suspension or amendment is adopted. The effects of a settlement gain or loss are recognized in the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income in the period in which a settlement occurs.

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p) Asset retirement obligations

The Corporation recognizes a liability for the future removal and handling costs for contamination in distribution equipment and for the future environmental remediation of certain properties. Initially, the liability is measured at present value and the amount of the liability is added to the carrying amount of the related asset. In subsequent periods, the capitalized amount is depreciated over the useful life of the related asset and the liability is adjusted quarterly for the discount applied upon initial recognition of the liability ["accretion expense"] and for changes in the underlying assumptions. The liability is recognized when the asset retirement obligation ["ARO"] is incurred and when the fair value can be reasonably estimated.

The Corporation has not recorded a liability related to certain AROs as a reasonable estimate of fair value could not be made. The Corporation does not recognize an ARO for active properties which support LDC's distribution operations since it cannot reasonably determine the amount of any remediation costs related to possible contamination, and a reliable estimate cannot be made until environmental site assessments have been completed. The Corporation expects to use the majority of its installed assets in perpetuity. If, at some future date, a particular asset is shown not to meet the perpetuity assumption, it will be reviewed to determine if an ARO exists.

q) Customers' advance deposits

Security deposits from electricity customers are cash collections to guarantee the payment of electricity bills. The electricity customer security deposits liability includes related interest amounts owed to the customers with the debit charged to net financing charges. Deposits that are refundable upon demand are classified as a current liability.

Security deposits on Offers to Connect are cash collections from specific customers to guarantee the payment of additional costs relating to expansion projects. This liability includes related interest amounts owed to the customers with the debit charged to net financing charges. Deposits are classified as a current liability when the Corporation no longer has an unconditional right to defer payment of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

r) Income Taxes

Under the Electricity Act, the Corporation is required to make Payments In Lieu of Corporate Taxes ["PILs"] to the Ontario Electricity Financial Corporation. These payments are calculated in accordance with the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the *Taxation Act, 2007* (Ontario) as modified by regulations made under the Electricity Act and related regulations. This effectively results in the Corporation paying taxes similar to what would be imposed under the Federal and Ontario Tax Acts.

The Corporation uses the liability method of accounting for income taxes. Under the liability method, current income taxes payable are recorded based on taxable income. The Corporation recognizes deferred income tax assets and liabilities for the future tax consequences of events that have been included in the consolidated financial statements or income tax returns. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the carrying value of assets and liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets and their respective tax basis using the enacted tax rates by the consolidated balance sheet date in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Tax benefits associated with income tax positions taken, or expected to be taken, in a tax return are recorded only when it is more likely than not that they will be realized, and are measured at the largest amount of the benefit that has a likelihood greater than 50 percent of being realized upon settlement. Deferred income tax assets are evaluated and unless realization is considered more likely than not, a valuation allowance is established.

ASC 980 requires the recognition of deferred income tax assets and liabilities and related regulatory liabilities and assets for the amount of deferred income taxes expected to be refunded to, or recovered from, customers in future

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electricity distribution rates. As at December 31, 2012, LDC recorded a deferred income tax asset and a corresponding regulatory liability of \$193,276,000 with respect to its rate-regulated activities that will be included in the rate-setting process [note 9]. These amounts include a gross up to reflect the income tax benefits associated with reduced revenues resulting from the realization of deferred tax assets. Deferred income taxes that are not included in the rate-setting process are charged or credited to the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income.

The benefits of the refundable apprenticeship and co-operative investment tax credits ["ITCs"] are credited against the related expense in the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income. All other types of ITCs are recorded as a reduction to income tax expense in the current period to the extent that realization of such benefit is more likely than not.

s) Use of estimates

The preparation of the Corporation's consolidated financial statements in accordance with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions which affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the year. The estimates are based on historical experience, current conditions and various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities as well as identifying and assessing the accounting treatment with respect to commitments and contingencies. Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to unbilled revenue, regulatory assets and liabilities, environmental liabilities and AROs, employee future benefits, income taxes (including deferred income taxes), and revenue recognition. Actual results could differ from those estimates, including changes as a result of future decisions made by the OEB, the Ministry of Energy of Ontario, or the Ministry of Finance of Ontario ["Ministry of Finance"].

t) Future Accounting Pronouncements

A number of new standards and interpretations are not yet effective for the year ended December 31, 2012, and have not been applied in preparing these consolidated financial statements. The Corporation continues to analyze these standards and had initially determined that the following could have a significant effect on the consolidated financial statements.

In December 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update ["ASU"] No. 2011-11, "Balance Sheet (Topic 210): *Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ["ASU 2011-11"]. The amendments require an entity to disclose both gross and net information about financial instruments and transactions eligible for offset in the consolidated balance sheets. ASU 2011-11 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning on or after January 1, 2013. Retrospective application is required. The ASU No. 2013-01, "Balance Sheet (Topic 210): *Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*", was issued in January 2013 to amend the scope of ASU 2011-11 to clarify that the disclosure requirements are limited to derivatives, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, and securities borrowing and lending transactions that are either offset in the consolidated balance sheets or subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar agreements. Based on the Corporation's analysis, the adoption of these amendments are not expected to have an impact on the Corporation's consolidated balance sheets or significantly impact disclosures.

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5. INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Fuses	2,137	1,625
Consumables, tools and other maintenance items	1,968	1,745
Drums and reels	1,115	938
Other	2,335	2,583
	7,555	6,891

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Corporation recognized operating expenses of \$6,934,000 related to inventory used to service electrical distribution assets [2011 - \$9,196,000].

6. CURRENT PORTION OF OTHER ASSETS

Current portion of other assets consists of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Prepaid expenses	4,382	4,089
Deferred financing costs	981	1,320
	5,363	5,409

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7. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment consist of the following:

	2012			2011		
	Cost \$	Accumulated depreciation \$	Net book value \$	Cost \$	Accumulated depreciation \$	Net book value \$
Land	16,747	—	16,747	16,761	—	16,761
Distribution lines	2,978,511	1,488,060	1,490,451	2,850,401	1,441,333	1,409,068
Transformers	672,981	377,900	295,081	652,102	360,398	291,704
Stations	286,229	145,601	140,628	277,905	137,246	140,659
Meters	243,152	133,789	109,363	238,459	124,117	114,342
Buildings	160,368	69,248	91,120	154,932	62,403	92,529
Rolling stock	73,239	43,834	29,405	78,016	43,154	34,862
Other capital assets	70,850	47,889	22,961	68,802	44,108	24,694
Equipment and tools	45,613	33,936	11,677	44,208	31,785	12,423
Assets under capital lease	13,538	2,948	10,590	14,269	1,251	13,018
Computer hardware	50,511	40,003	10,508	44,625	35,602	9,023
Communications	32,082	26,597	5,485	31,537	23,912	7,625
Construction in progress	292,650	—	292,650	232,789	—	232,789
	4,936,471	2,409,805	2,526,666	4,704,806	2,305,309	2,399,497

For the year ended December 31, 2012, AFUDC in the amount of \$994,000 [2011 - \$3,786,000] was capitalized to property, plant and equipment and credited to net financing charges.

As at December 31, 2012, the net book value of stranded meters related to the deployment of smart meters amounting to \$17,647,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$20,366,000] was included in property, plant and equipment. In the absence of rate regulation, property, plant and equipment would have been \$17,647,000 lower as at December 31, 2012 [December 31, 2011 - \$20,366,000 lower].

For the year ended December 31, 2012, capital contributions in the amount of \$22,061,000 [2011 - \$36,381,000] were credited to property, plant and equipment.

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Corporation recorded depreciation expense of \$120,613,000 [2011 - \$125,210,000] of which \$1,985,000 [2011 - \$1,177,000] related to assets under capital lease.

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8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets consist of the following:

	2012			2011		
	Cost \$	Accumulated amortization \$	Net book value \$	Cost \$	Accumulated amortization \$	Net book value \$
Computer software	242,254	174,410	67,844	222,598	154,186	68,412
Contributions	19,649	2,175	17,474	14,059	1,440	12,619
Software in development	14,210	—	14,210	15,598	—	15,598
Contributions for work in progress	34,552	—	34,552	16,353	—	16,353
	310,665	176,585	134,080	268,608	155,626	112,982

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Corporation acquired \$42,057,000 of intangible assets [2011 - \$52,805,000]. Contributions for work in progress relate to payments for connection projects to increase electricity distribution system capacity. All intangible assets are subject to amortization when they become available for use. Software in development and contributions for work in progress relate to assets not currently available for use and therefore are not amortized.

For the year ended December 31, 2012, \$19,656,000 of software in development was transferred to computer software [2011 - \$49,907,000].

For the year ended December 31, 2012, AFUDC in the amount of \$1,331,000 [2011 - \$1,419,000] was capitalized to intangible assets and credited to net financing charges.

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Corporation recorded amortization expense on intangible assets of \$20,959,000 [2011 - \$25,812,000].

As at December 31, 2012, estimated future amortization expense related to intangible assets is as follows:

	\$
2013	17,940
2014	17,741
2015	16,815
2016	13,850
2017	11,481

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9. REGULATORY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Regulatory assets consist of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$ [note 25]
Accounting policy changes	61,499	64,785
Smart meters	55,599	61,422
Regulatory assets recovery account	2,466	931
Settlement variances	1,071	14,119
Other	579	1,781
Total regulatory assets	121,214	143,038
Less: Current portion of regulatory assets	1,658	—
Long-term portion of regulatory assets	119,556	143,038

Regulatory liabilities consist of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$ [note 25]
Deferred income taxes	193,276	200,436
Income and other taxes variance account	2,398	2,365
Regulatory assets recovery account	—	7,293
Other	1,135	1,118
Total regulatory liabilities	196,809	211,212
Less: Current portion of regulatory liabilities	—	7,293
Long-term portion of regulatory liabilities	196,809	203,919

For the year ended December 31, 2012, LDC disposed of approved net regulatory liabilities amounting to \$8,838,000 through permitted distribution rate adjustments [2011 - \$34,528,000].

The regulatory assets and liabilities of the Corporation are as follows:

a) Accounting Policy Changes

This regulatory asset account relates to the accounting policy changes upon adoption of US GAAP, primarily related to the expected future electricity distribution charges to customers arising from timing differences in the recognition of actuarial losses and prior service costs of other post-retirement benefits [note 25]. The amount is amortized over the same period as the corresponding actuarial losses and prior service costs. The period in which recovery is expected cannot be determined at this time.

b) Smart Meters

The smart meters regulatory asset account relates to Ontario's decision to install smart meters throughout Ontario. LDC substantially completed its smart meter project as at December 31, 2010. In connection with this initiative, the OEB ordered LDC to record all expenditures and related revenues from 2008 to 2010 to a regulatory asset account

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and allowed LDC to keep the net book value of the stranded meters in property, plant and equipment. Effective January 1, 2011, LDC has recorded smart meter costs in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets as a regular distribution activity as directed by the OEB. LDC expects to apply to the OEB in the future for both the transfer of the 2008 to 2010 smart meter costs from regulatory assets to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, and the transfer of the net book value of the stranded meters from property, plant and equipment to regulatory assets.

As at December 31, 2012, smart meter capital expenditures, net of accumulated depreciation, totalling \$52,865,000 were recorded to regulatory assets [December 31, 2011 - \$59,227,000]. These expenditures would otherwise have been recorded as property, plant and equipment and intangible assets under US GAAP for unregulated businesses. In the absence of rate regulation, property, plant and equipment and intangible assets would have been \$50,234,000 and \$2,631,000 higher, respectively, as at December 31, 2012 [December 31, 2011 - \$54,825,000 and \$4,402,000 higher, respectively].

For the year ended December 31, 2012, smart meter depreciation expense of \$6,361,000 [2011 - \$6,361,000] were deferred which would have been expensed under US GAAP for unregulated businesses. In the absence of rate regulation, for the year ended December 31, 2012, depreciation expense would have been \$6,361,000 higher [2011 - \$6,361,000 higher].

For the year ended December 31, 2012, smart meter customer revenues of \$5,889,000 were deferred [2011 - \$5,866,000]. In the absence of rate regulation, for the year ended December 31, 2012, revenue would have been \$5,889,000 higher [2011 - \$5,866,000 higher].

c) Regulatory Assets Recovery Account

The Regulatory Assets Recovery Account ["RARA"] consists of balances of regulatory assets or regulatory liabilities approved for disposition by the OEB through rate riders. The RARA is subject to carrying charges following the OEB prescribed methodology and related rates.

On April 9, 2010, the OEB approved the disposition of net regulatory liabilities of \$68,140,000, consisting of credit balances for settlement variances and income and other taxes variances of \$58,225,000 and \$11,900,000, respectively, and intangible assets debit balance of \$1,985,000, over a two-year period commencing on May 1, 2010 and ending on April 30, 2012.

On October 29, 2010, the OEB approved the disposition of regulatory assets of \$5,296,000, for amounts in connection with the contact voltage remediation activities, for the period commencing on November 1, 2010 and ending on April 30, 2012.

On February 22, 2011, the OEB approved the disposition of the Late Payment Penalties Settlement regulatory asset of \$7,526,000, over a 21-month period commencing on August 1, 2011 and ending on April 30, 2013.

On July 7, 2011, the OEB approved the disposition of net regulatory liabilities of \$8,572,000, consisting of credit balances for settlement variances, income and other taxes variances and 2008 RARA residual of \$7,460,000, \$3,373,000, and \$789,000, respectively, and an International Financial Reporting Standards ["IFRS"] cost debit balance of \$3,050,000, over a nine-month period commencing on August 1, 2011 and ending on April 30, 2012.

d) Settlement Variances

This account is comprised of the variances between amounts charged by LDC to customers, based on regulated rates, and the corresponding cost of non-competitive electricity service incurred by LDC. The settlement variances

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relate primarily to service charges, non-competitive electricity charges and the global adjustment. Accordingly, LDC has deferred the variances between the costs incurred and the related recoveries in accordance with the criteria set out in the accounting principles prescribed by the OEB.

The balance for settlement variances continues to be calculated and attracts carrying charges in accordance with the OEB's direction. For the year ended December 31, 2012, settlement variances of \$12,249,000 were disposed through rate adjustments [2011 - \$34,938,000].

e) *Deferred Income Taxes*

This regulatory liability account relates to the expected future electricity distribution rate reduction for customers arising from timing differences in the recognition of deferred income tax assets [note 4[r]].

As at December 31, 2012, LDC recorded a deferred income tax asset and a corresponding regulatory liability of \$193,276,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$200,436,000] with respect to its rate-regulated activities that will be included in the rate-setting process.

f) *Income and Other Taxes Variance Account*

The income and other taxes variance regulatory liability account relates to the differences that have resulted from a legislative or regulatory change to the tax rates or rules assumed in the rate adjustment model. As at December 31, 2012, the balance in this account consisted of an over-recovery from customers of \$2,398,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$2,365,000].

10. OTHER ASSETS

Other long-term assets consist of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Prepaid expenses	7,191	7,279
Deferred financing costs	5,251	5,144
	12,442	12,423

11. CREDIT FACILITIES AND SHELF PROSPECTUS

The Corporation is a party to a credit agreement with a syndicate of Canadian chartered banks which establishes a revolving credit facility ["Revolving Credit Facility"]. On October 10, 2012, the credit agreement was amended and restated to increase the amount the Corporation may borrow under the Revolving Credit Facility from \$400,000,000 to \$600,000,000 and to extend the Revolving Credit Facility's maturity date from May 3, 2013 to October 10, 2017. An amount up to \$210,000,000 (formerly \$140,000,000) is available in the form of letters of credit. The Revolving Credit Facility may be used for general corporate purposes, letter of credit requirements and financing capital expenditures of LDC. As at December 31, 2012, refinancing costs of \$1,148,000 related to the renewal have been recorded as deferred financing cost. Borrowings under the credit agreement bear interest at short-term floating rates with reference to the Corporation's credit rating.

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The Revolving Credit Facility contains a negative pledge, customary covenants and events of default. The Corporation's Revolving Credit Facility also limits the debt to capitalization ratio to a maximum of 75%. As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation was in compliance with all covenants included in its Revolving Credit Facility.

Additionally, the Corporation is a party to:

- a demand facility with a Canadian chartered bank for \$75,000,000 (increased from \$50,000,000 on October 10, 2012) for the purpose of issuing letters of credit mainly to support LDC's prudential requirements with the IESO ["Prudential Facility"]; and
- a demand facility with a second Canadian chartered bank for \$20,000,000 for the purpose of working capital management ["Working Capital Facility"].

As at December 31, 2012, no amounts had been drawn under either the Revolving Credit Facility or the Working Capital Facility [December 31, 2011 - \$nil]. As at December 31, 2012, \$49,227,000 had been drawn on the Prudential Facility [December 31, 2011 - \$45,077,000].

The Corporation filed a base shelf prospectus dated December 10, 2012 with the securities commissions or similar regulatory authorities in each of the provinces of Canada. These filings allow the Corporation to make offerings of unsecured debt securities of up to \$1,500,000,000 during the following 25-month period [note 13].

12. RESTRUCTURING

In the first quarter of 2012, the Corporation's Board of Directors approved a workforce restructuring program aimed at reducing operating expenditures for LDC. The program was approved following the decision by the OEB to deny the request of LDC to set its electricity distribution rates for 2012, 2013 and 2014 under the COS framework. In preparing its revised application using the IRM framework, LDC concluded that significant cost reductions were necessary to manage its business within the confines of the expected allowed electricity distribution rates provided by the IRM framework [note 3[a]]. The main component of these operating cost reduction initiatives was a workforce restructuring program, which included the severance of management employees and a voluntary exit incentive program for targeted unionized positions.

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the costs incurred as a result of these operating cost reduction initiatives amounted to \$27,796,000 and were comprised of ongoing termination charges of \$23,668,000 and one-time termination incentive charges of \$4,128,000, of which \$11,954,000 remains unpaid as at December 31, 2012.

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13. DEBENTURES

Debentures consist of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Senior unsecured debentures		
Series 1 – 6.11% due May 7, 2013	224,993	224,976
Series 2 – 5.15% due November 14, 2017	249,861	249,835
Series 3 – 4.49% due November 12, 2019	249,956	249,951
Series 5 – 6.11% due May 6, 2013	245,057	245,057
Series 6 – 5.54% due May 21, 2040	199,859	199,857
Series 7 – 3.54% due November 18, 2021	299,864	299,851
Total debentures	1,469,590	1,469,527
Less: Current portion of debentures	470,050	—
Long-term portion of debentures	999,540	1,469,527

All debentures of the Corporation rank equally.

The Corporation may redeem some or all of the debentures at any time prior to maturity at a price equal to the greater of the Canada Yield Price (determined in accordance with the terms of the debentures) and par, plus accrued and unpaid interest up to and excluding the date fixed for redemption. Also, the Corporation may, at any time and from time to time, purchase debentures for cancellation, in the open market, by tender or by private contract, at any price. The debentures contain certain covenants which, subject to certain exceptions, restrict the ability of the Corporation and LDC to create security interests, incur additional indebtedness or dispose of all or substantially all of their assets. The Corporation's unsecured debentures limit consolidated funded indebtedness to a maximum of 75% of total consolidated capitalization. As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation was in compliance with its covenants.

14. EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS

Pension

The Corporation provides a pension plan for its full-time employees through OMERS. Details of the plan are as follows:

Pension Plan	Funded Status as at December 31, 2012	Contributions	
		2012 \$	2011 \$
OMERS	86%	16,718	14,115

The OMERS plan assets are pooled together to provide benefits to plan participants and the plan assets are not segregated in separate accounts for each member entity. As at December 31, 2012, the OMERS plan financial statements disclosed an actuarial deficit of approximately \$9,900,000,000, which is being addressed through increases in contribution rates for participating employers and employees. For the year ended December 31, 2012,

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the total contributions of all participating employers and employees were approximately \$3,200,000,000. The Corporation's contributions represent less than five percent of total contributions to the plan.

For 2012, OMERS contribution rates were 8.3% up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings ["YMPE"] and 12.8% over YMPE for normal retirement age of 65 [2011 - 7.4% up to YMPE and 10.7% over YMPE for normal retirement age of 65].

As at December 31, 2012, OMERS had approximately 266,000 active members, of which approximately 1,700 members had a current relationship with the Corporation.

Post-retirement benefits other than pension

a) Benefit Obligations

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Balance, beginning of year	244,326	200,027
Service cost	5,151	3,908
Interest cost	11,657	11,507
Benefits paid	(8,069)	(7,495)
Actuarial loss	825	36,379
Balance, end of year	253,890	244,326

b) Amounts recognized in regulatory assets

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Net actuarial loss	61,477	63,698
Prior service cost	22	1,087
Total recognized in regulatory assets [note 9]	61,499	64,785

As at December 31, 2012, the estimated net actuarial loss and prior service cost that are expected to be amortized from regulatory asset to net periodic benefit cost in 2013 are \$2,026,000 and \$8,000, respectively.

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c) Components of net periodic benefit costs

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Service cost	5,151	3,908
Interest cost	11,657	11,507
Amortization of net actuarial loss	3,046	633
Amortization of prior service cost	1,065	1,091
Net periodic benefit cost	20,919	17,139
Capitalized as part of property, plant and equipment	7,305	6,758
Charged to operations	13,614	10,381

d) Expected benefit payments

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid over the next five years, and in the aggregate for the five fiscal years thereafter:

	Post-retirement Benefits \$
2013	10,134
2014	8,183
2015	8,392
2016	9,076
2017	9,524
2018-2022	55,912

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e) Significant assumptions

	2012 %	2011 %
Accrued benefit obligation as at December 31:		
Discount rate	4.25	4.75
Rate of compensation increase	4.00	4.00
Benefit costs for years ended December 31:		
Discount rate	4.75	5.75
Rate of compensation increase	4.00	4.00
Assumed health care cost trend rates as at December 31:		
Rate of increase in dental costs assumed for next year	4.00	4.00
Rate of increase in medical costs assumed for next year		
For pre July 2000 retirements	6.50	7.00
For other retirements	8.00	8.50
Rate that medical cost trend rate gradually declines to		
For pre July 2000 retirements	5.00	5.00
For other retirements	5.00	5.00
Year that the medical cost trend rate reaches the ultimate trend rate		
For pre July 2000 retirements	2016	2016
For other retirements	2019	2019

f) Sensitivity analysis

Assumed health and dental care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for health and dental care plans. A one-percentage-point change in assumed health and dental care cost trend rates would have the following effects for 2012:

	Increase \$	Decrease \$
Total of current service and interest cost (at 4.75%)	2,534	(2,223)
Accrued benefit obligation as at December 31, 2012 (at 4.25%)	32,347	(28,380)

Assumed interest rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the total accrued benefit obligation and expense. A one-percentage-point change in assumed interest rates would have the following effects:

	Increase \$	Decrease \$
Accrued benefit obligation as at December 31, 2012	(39,382)	48,344
Estimated net periodic benefit cost for fiscal 2013	(2,653)	4,719

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15. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The reconciliation between the opening and closing ARO liability balances is as follows:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Balance, beginning of year	4,902	5,005
ARO liabilities settled in the year	(313)	(688)
Accretion expense	174	173
Revision in estimated cash flows	316	412
Balance, end of year	5,079	4,902

16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

a) *Recognition and measurement*

The fair values of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, net accounts receivable, unbilled revenue, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and customers' advance deposits approximate their carrying values as at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 [note 4[m]].

The carrying value and fair value of the Corporation's other financial instruments consist of the following:

	2012 \$		2011 \$	
	Carrying value	Fair value ⁽¹⁾	Carrying value	Fair value ⁽¹⁾
Obligations under capital lease	11,235	11,235	13,172	13,172
Senior unsecured debentures				
Series 1 – 6.11% due May 7, 2013	224,993	228,749	224,976	238,359
Series 2 – 5.15% due November 14, 2017	249,861	283,971	249,835	284,126
Series 3 – 4.49% due November 12, 2019	249,956	280,381	249,951	275,575
Series 5 – 6.11% due May 6, 2013	245,057	249,108	245,057	259,578
Series 6 – 5.54% due May 21, 2040	199,859	256,678	199,857	245,096
Series 7 – 3.54% due November 18, 2021	299,864	316,973	299,851	306,696

⁽¹⁾ The fair value measurement of financial instruments for which the fair value has been disclosed is included in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

b) *Financial Risks*

The following is a discussion of financial risks and related mitigation strategies that have been identified by the Corporation for financial instruments. This is not an exhaustive list of all risks, nor will the mitigation strategies eliminate all risks listed.

The Corporation's financial activities provide for a variety of financial risks, particularly credit risk, interest rate risk and liquidity risk.

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Credit risk

The Corporation is exposed to credit risk from financial instruments as a result of the risk of counterparties defaulting on their obligations. The Corporation monitors and limits its exposure to credit risk on a continuous basis.

The Corporation's credit risk associated with accounts receivable is primarily related to electricity bill payments from LDC customers. LDC has approximately 719,000 customers, the majority of which are residential. LDC collects security deposits from certain customers in accordance with direction provided by the OEB. As at December 31, 2012, LDC held security deposits in the amount of \$46,838,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$56,038,000], of which \$25,666,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$22,700,000] were related to security deposits on Offers to Connect to guarantee the payment of additional costs relating to expansion projects.

The Corporation did not have any single customer that generated more than 10% of total consolidated revenues for the years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.

Credit risk associated with accounts receivable is as follows:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Total accounts receivable	185,857	196,259
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	(10,698)	(12,987)
Total accounts receivable, net	175,159	183,272
Of which:		
Outstanding for not more than 30 days	153,513	155,274
Outstanding for more than 30 days and not more than 120 days	18,231	24,777
Outstanding for more than 120 days	14,113	16,208
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	(10,698)	(12,987)
Total accounts receivable, net	175,159	183,272

Reconciliation between the opening and closing allowance for doubtful accounts balances is as follows:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Balance, beginning of year	(12,987)	(11,912)
Provision for doubtful accounts	(6,586)	(10,272)
Write-offs	9,285	9,854
Recoveries	(410)	(657)
Balance, end of year	(10,698)	(12,987)

Unbilled revenue represents amounts for which the Corporation has a contractual right to receive cash through future billings and are unbilled at period-end. As at December 31, 2012, total unbilled revenue was \$278,086,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$262,058,000]. Unbilled revenue is considered current.

As at December 31, 2012, there were no significant concentrations of credit risk with respect to any class of financial assets or counterparties. The Corporation's maximum exposure to credit risk is equal to the carrying value of its financial assets.

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Interest rate risk

The Corporation is exposed to interest rate risk through holding certain financial instruments, and short-term borrowings under the Corporation's Revolving Credit Facility [note 11] may expose the Corporation to fluctuations in short-term interest rates. The Corporation attempts to minimize interest rate risk by issuing long-term fixed rate debt, and by extending or shortening the term of its short-term money market investments by assessing the monetary policy stance of the Bank of Canada, while ensuring that all payment obligations are met on an ongoing basis.

Cash balances, which are not required to meet day-to-day obligations of the Corporation, are either held in bank accounts or invested in Canadian money market instruments, exposing the Corporation to fluctuations in short-term interest rates. These fluctuations could impact the level of interest income earned by the Corporation.

As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation has limited exposure to interest rate risk since its significant obligations are either non-interest bearing or bear fixed interest rates, its financial assets are predominately short-term in nature and mostly non-interest bearing, and its revenue is governed by a specified rate of return pricing structure set by the OEB. The Corporation estimates that a 100 basis point increase (decrease) in short-term interest rates, with all other variables held constant, would result in a decrease (increase) of approximately \$300,000 per annum to net financing charges.

The Corporation is also exposed to fluctuations in interest rates for the valuation of its post-retirement benefit obligations [note 14[f]].

Liquidity risk

The Corporation is exposed to liquidity risk related to commitments associated with financial instruments. The Corporation monitors and manages its liquidity risk to ensure access to sufficient funds to meet operational and investing requirements. The Corporation's objective is to ensure that sufficient liquidity is on hand to meet obligations as they fall due while minimizing net financing charges. The Corporation has access to credit facilities and debt capital markets and monitors cash balances daily to ensure that sufficient levels of liquidity are on hand to meet financial commitments as they come due.

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Liquidity risks associated with financial commitments are as follows:

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	2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$	2016 \$	2017 \$	Due after 5 years \$
Financial liabilities						
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	383,371	—	—	—	—	—
Obligations under capital lease	2,338	2,329	2,322	2,310	2,310	1,157
Senior unsecured debentures						
Series 1 – 6.11% due May 7, 2013	225,000	—	—	—	—	—
Series 2 – 5.15% due November 14, 2017	—	—	—	—	250,000	—
Series 3 – 4.49% due November 12, 2019	—	—	—	—	—	250,000
Series 5 – 6.11% due May 6, 2013	245,057	—	—	—	—	—
Series 6 – 5.54% due May 21, 2040	—	—	—	—	—	200,000
Series 7 – 3.54% due November 18, 2021	—	—	—	—	—	300,000
Interest payments on debentures	60,160	45,800	45,800	45,800	45,800	314,230
	915,926	48,129	48,122	48,110	298,110	1,065,387

Hedging and Derivative risk

As at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Corporation had not entered into hedging and derivative financial instruments.

Foreign exchange risk

As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation had limited exposure to the changing values of foreign currencies. While the Corporation purchases goods and services which are payable in US dollars, and purchases US currency to meet the related payables commitments when required, the impact of these transactions is not material to the consolidated financial statements.

17. FINANCIAL GUARANTEES

The City has authorized the Corporation to provide financial assistance to its subsidiaries, and LDC to provide financial assistance to other subsidiaries of the Corporation, in the form of letters of credit and guarantees, for the purpose of enabling them to carry on their businesses, up to an aggregate amount of \$500,000,000. As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation had drawn letters of credit in the amount of \$49,227,000 [note 11] on its Prudential Facility in respect of the operations of LDC.

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18. INCOME TAXES

The Corporation's effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2012 was 5.04% [2011 – 6.16%]. Income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2012 was \$4,565,000 [2011 - \$6,295,000]. The effective tax rate and income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2012 was lower than the year ended December 31, 2011 due to a reduction in the statutory tax rate from 28.25% to 26.50% and changes in permanent and temporary differences between accounting and tax treatments.

Income tax expense differs from the amount that would have been recorded using the combined statutory Canadian federal and Ontario income tax rate. Reconciliation of income tax expense computed at the statutory income tax rate to the income tax provision is set out below:

Consolidated Statements of Net Income and Comprehensive Income

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Rate reconciliation		
Income before income taxes	90,555	102,227
Statutory Canadian federal and provincial income tax rate	26.50%	28.25%
Expected income tax expense	23,997	28,879
Temporary differences not benefited in LDC	(16,133)	(16,032)
Impact of change in expected future tax rate on existing deferred income tax balances	(1,803)	—
Other	(1,496)	(6,552)
Income tax expense	4,565	6,295
Effective tax rate	5.04%	6.16%
Components of income tax expense		
Current tax	6,322	9,419
Deferred income tax related to the origination and reversal of temporary differences	889	(601)
Non-refundable ITCs	(2,646)	(2,523)
Income tax expense	4,565	6,295

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Consolidated Balance Sheets

Significant components of the Corporation's deferred tax assets are as follows:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	91,818	110,161
Regulatory adjustments	51,218	50,109
Post-retirement benefits liability	50,667	44,885
Other taxable temporary differences	9,932	6,482
Capital loss carryforwards	5,220	5,147
Non-capital loss carryforwards	7	503
Valuation allowance	(14,544)	(14,920)
Deferred income tax assets	194,318	202,367

Realization of the Corporation's deferred tax assets is considered more likely than not other than for certain capital loss carryforwards and allowed tax depreciation, for which a valuation allowance has been established.

As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation accumulated non-capital losses for income tax purposes of approximately \$28,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$2,011,000], which are available to reduce taxable income in future years. As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation also accumulated taxable capital losses of \$19,698,000 [December 31, 2011 - \$19,698,000] which are available to offset capital gains in future years.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Balance, beginning of year	7,004	(449)
Increases for tax positions taken in the current year	248	374
Increases for tax positions taken in prior years	—	6,633
Decreases for tax positions taken in prior years	(39)	—
Settlements with tax authorities	(1,939)	446
Reductions resulting from the expiry of limitation periods	—	—
Balance, end of year	5,274	7,004

As at December 31, 2012, \$5,274,000 of unrecognized tax benefits [December 31, 2011 - \$7,004,000] would have a favourable effect on the effective tax rate, if recognized. No interests and penalties have been accrued, since the Corporation is of the view that none are expected to be payable. During the next 12 months, unrecognized tax benefits are not expected to significantly change.

As at December 31, 2012, the Corporation's tax years still open to examination by taxing authorities include 2007 and subsequent years. Other than in respect of the fair market revaluation of the Corporation's assets on October 1, 2001 pursuant to Section 7 of Ontario Regulation 162/01 of the Electricity Act, tax years prior to 2007 are closed to further examination.

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19. SHARE CAPITAL

Share capital consists of the following:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Authorized The authorized share capital of the Corporation consists of an unlimited number of common shares		
Issued and outstanding 1,000 common shares	567,817	567,817

Dividends

The shareholder direction adopted by the City with respect to the Corporation provides that the Board of Directors of the Corporation will use its best efforts to ensure that the Corporation meets certain financial performance standards, including those relating to the credit rating and dividends.

Subject to applicable law, the shareholder direction provides that the Corporation will pay dividends to the City each year amounting to the greater of \$25,000,000 or 50% of the Corporation's consolidated net income for the year. The dividends are not cumulative and are payable as follows:

- [i] \$6,000,000 on the last day of each of the first three fiscal quarters during the year;
- [ii] \$7,000,000 on the last day of the fiscal year; and
- [iii] the amount, if any, by which 50% of the Corporation's annual consolidated net income for the year exceeds \$25,000,000, within ten days after the approval of the Corporation's audited consolidated financial statements for the year by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Corporation declared and paid dividends totalling \$47,966,000 [2011 - \$33,063,000] to the City.

On February 28, 2013, the Board of Directors of the Corporation declared dividends in the amount of \$23,995,000. The dividends are comprised of \$17,995,000 with respect to net income for the year ended December 31, 2012, payable to the City on March 8, 2013, and \$6,000,000 with respect to the first quarter of 2013, payable to the City on March 28, 2013.

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20. RELATED PARTIES

For the Corporation, transactions with related parties include transactions with the City. All transactions with the City are conducted at prevailing market prices and normal trade terms.

Transactions with Related Parties Summary	2012 \$	2011 \$
Revenues	222,032	210,449
Operating expenses and capital expenditures	26,259	30,582
Dividends	47,966	33,063

Transactions with Related Parties Summary	2012 \$	2011 \$
Accounts receivable	7,810	8,412
Unbilled revenue	17,018	12,439
Other assets	7,279	7,279
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	38,020	25,085
Advance deposits	8,926	8,714

Revenues represent amounts charged to the City primarily for electricity, street lighting and ancillary services. Operating expenses and capital expenditures represent amounts charged by the City for purchased road cut repairs, property taxes and other services. Dividends represent dividends paid to the City [note 19].

Accounts receivable represent receivables from the City primarily for electricity, street lighting and ancillary services. Unbilled revenue represents receivables from the City related to the provision of electricity and other services provided and not yet billed. Other assets represent amounts primarily for prepaid land leases from the City. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities represent amounts payable to the City relating to road cut repairs and other services, as well as funds received from the City for the construction of electricity distribution assets. Advance deposits represent funds received from the City for future expansion projects.

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21. COMMITMENTS

Future capital commitments and operating lease obligations

As at December 31, 2012, the future minimum annual lease payments under property operating leases and future commitments with remaining terms from one to five years and thereafter were as follows:

	Future capital commitments ⁽²⁾	Operating lease obligations and other
	\$	\$
2013	15,278	9,091
2014	—	8,999
2015	—	8,052
2016	—	6,666
2017	—	1,992
Thereafter	—	—
Total amount of future minimum payments ⁽¹⁾	15,278	34,800

⁽¹⁾ Refer to note 16 for repayments of senior unsecured debentures excluded from the table above.

⁽²⁾ Reflect estimated capital contributions payable to Hydro One Networks Inc. under the Toronto Midtown Transmission Reinforcement Project.

The Corporation has the option to renew its two major property operating leases at the end of the current lease term for an additional five years at the then fair rental value.

Operating lease expense for the year ended December 31, 2012 was \$6,547,000 [2011 - \$5,271,000].

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Capital lease obligations

As at December 31, 2012, the future minimum annual lease payments under capital leases with remaining lease terms from one to five years and thereafter were as follows:

	\$
2013	2,338
2014	2,329
2015	2,322
2016	2,310
2017	2,310
Thereafter	1,157
Total amount of future minimum lease payments	12,766
Less: interest and executory costs	1,531
	11,235
Current portion included in Other liabilities	1,850
Long-term portion included in Other liabilities	9,385

22. CONTINGENCIES

a) Legal Proceedings

In the ordinary course of business, the Corporation is subject to various litigation and claims with customers, suppliers, former employees and other parties. On an ongoing basis, the Corporation assesses the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes as well as potential ranges of probable costs and losses. A determination of the provision required, if any, for these contingencies is made after an analysis of each individual issue. The provision may change in the future due to new developments in each matter or changes in approach, such as a change in settlement strategy. The Corporation and its subsidiaries are subject to various legal actions that arise in the normal course of business and if damages were awarded under these actions, the Corporation and its subsidiaries would make a claim under their liability insurance which the Corporation believes would cover any damages which may become payable by the Corporation and its subsidiaries in connection with these actions.

Christian Helm Class Action

On December 6, 2010, a statement of claim in a proposed class action was issued against LDC. The claim sought general and special damages in the amount of \$100,000,000 for disgorgement of unjust gains allegedly resulting from the receipt of interest on overdue accounts in contravention of the *Interest Act* (Canada). On April 30, 2012, a settlement reached by the parties was approved by Order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. Pursuant to the terms of the Order, LDC was required to pay the amount of \$5,836,000 plus costs in settlement of all claims, substantially all of which had been paid as at December 31, 2012. The Corporation accrued a liability to cover the expected settlement in 2010. The action has been dismissed, and the claims by all class members have been released.

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2 Secord Avenue

An action was commenced against LDC in September 2008 in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice under the *Class Proceedings Act, 1992* (Ontario) seeking damages in the amount of \$30,000,000 as compensation for damages allegedly suffered as a result of a fire and explosion in an underground vault at 2 Secord Avenue on July 20, 2008. This action is at a preliminary stage. The statement of claim has been served on LDC, a statement of defence and third party claim have been served by LDC and a third party defence and counterclaim against LDC seeking damages in the amount of \$51,000,000 have been filed. A certification order has been issued. Affidavits of documents have been produced by LDC to the other parties and examinations for discovery have commenced and are continuing. Given the preliminary status of this action, it is not possible to reasonably quantify the effect, if any, of this action on the financial performance of the Corporation. If damages were awarded, LDC would make a claim under its liability insurance which the Corporation believes would cover any damages which may become payable by LDC in connection with the action.

On December 20, 2010, LDC was served with a statement of claim by the City seeking damages in the amount of \$2,000,000 as a result of the fire at 2 Secord Avenue. A statement of defence and a third party claim have been served. Given the preliminary status of this action, it is not possible to reasonably quantify the effect, if any, of this action on the financial performance of the Corporation. If damages were awarded, LDC would make a claim under its liability insurance which the Corporation believes would cover any damages which may become payable by LDC in connection with the action.

By order of the court dated January 24, 2012, the above actions and a smaller non-class action commenced in April 2009 involving the same incident will be tried at the same time or consecutively.

2369 Lakeshore Boulevard West

A third party action was commenced against LDC in October 2009 in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice under the *Class Proceedings Act, 1992* (Ontario) seeking damages in the amount of \$30,000,000 as compensation for damages allegedly suffered as a result of a fire in the electrical room at 2369 Lakeshore Boulevard West on March 19, 2009. Subsequently, in March 2010, the plaintiff in the main action amended its statement of claim to add LDC as a defendant. The plaintiff in the main action seeks damages in the amount of \$10,000,000 from LDC. Both actions are at a preliminary stage and the certification hearing has yet to occur. Statements of defence to the main action and to the third party claim have not been filed. Accordingly, given the preliminary status of these actions, it is not possible at this time to reasonably quantify the effect, if any, of these actions on the financial performance of the Corporation. If damages were awarded, LDC would make a claim under its liability insurance which the Corporation believes would cover any damages which may become payable by LDC in connection with these actions.

Another third party action was commenced against LDC in October 2009 in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice seeking damages in the amount of \$30,000,000 as compensation for damages allegedly suffered as a result of the fire at 2369 Lakeshore Boulevard West. Subsequently, in March 2010, the plaintiff in the main action amended its statement of claim to add LDC as a defendant. The plaintiff in the main action sought damages in the amount of \$400,000 from LDC. LDC has filed a statement of defence, crossclaim and counterclaim. Examinations for discovery have not taken place, notwithstanding a court ordered timetable to have them completed by February 29, 2012. By order dated December 5, 2012, these actions were dismissed by the court for delay.

On August 29, 2011, LDC was served with a statement of claim by the owner of the building and the property management company for the building seeking damages in the amount of \$2,000,000 as a result of the fire at 2369 Lakeshore Boulevard West. LDC has filed a statement of defence and counterclaim. Given the preliminary status of this action, it is not possible to reasonably quantify the effect, if any, of this action on the financial performance

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of the Corporation. If damages were awarded, LDC would make a claim under its liability insurance which the Corporation believes would cover any damages which may become payable by LDC in connection with the action.

b) OEB PILs Proceeding

The OEB conducted a review of the PILs variances accumulated in regulatory variance accounts for the period from October 1, 2001 to April 30, 2006 for certain Municipal Electricity Utilities ["MEUs"]. On June 24, 2011, the OEB issued its decision for these MEUs and provided guidelines for the calculation and further disposition of the balances accumulated in the PILs regulatory variance accounts. Subsequent to this decision, the OEB issued interrogatories and decisions for other MEUs.

LDC has reviewed the balances of its PILs regulatory variance accounts and applied the guidelines provided by the OEB. As at December 31, 2012, LDC estimated its liability at approximately \$7,048,000. This balance has been recorded in the Corporation's consolidated financial statements. LDC has applied for disposition of the balance as part of its pending IRM/ICM Application filed on May 10, 2012. The amount to be approved by the OEB will be based on the OEB's interpretation and application of its guidelines and the final balance which is yet to be approved by the OEB could differ materially from LDC's estimation of its liability.

c) Payments in Lieu of Additional Municipal and School Taxes

The Ministry of Finance had issued assessments in respect of payments in lieu of additional municipal and school taxes under section 92 of the Electricity Act that were in excess of the amounts LDC believed were payable. The dispute arose as a result of inaccurate information incorporated into Ontario Regulation 224/00. The Corporation worked with the Ministry of Finance to resolve this issue, and as a result the Ministry of Finance issued Ontario Regulation 423/11 on August 31, 2011. The new regulation revoked Ontario Regulation 224/00 and corrected inaccurate information retroactively to 1999.

In May 2012, the Ministry of Finance completed its reassessment as a consequence of the change in regulation. The impact of the reassessment issued was favourable to the Corporation.

23. NET INCOME PER SHARE

The weighted daily average number of shares outstanding for the year ended December 31, 2012 was 1,000 [2011 - 1,000]. Basic and fully diluted net income per share was determined by dividing the net income for the year by the weighted daily average number of shares outstanding.

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24. NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL BALANCES

Changes in non-cash working capital provided (used) cash as follows:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Accounts receivable	8,113	(14,284)
Unbilled revenue	(16,028)	25,835
Income tax receivable	3,433	(4,583)
Inventories	(664)	610
Other current assets	46	(643)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(29,041)	39,093
Restructuring accrual	11,954	—
Deferred conservation credit	6,957	13,316
Other current liabilities	(332)	(489)
	(15,562)	58,855

25. US GAAP TRANSITION

Publicly accountable enterprises in Canada were required to adopt IFRS for interim and annual reporting purposes for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. On September 10, 2010, the Accounting Standards Board granted an optional one-year deferral for IFRS adoption for entities subject to rate regulation. The Corporation elected to take the optional one-year deferral of its adoption of IFRS. In the absence of a definitive plan to consider the issuance of a rate-regulated accounting standard by the International Accounting Standards Board, the Corporation decided to evaluate the option of adopting US GAAP effective January 1, 2012 as an alternative to IFRS. On July 21, 2011, the Ontario Securities Commission granted the Corporation an exemption to allow the Corporation to file financial statements under US GAAP for the years commencing on or after January 1, 2012 but before January 1, 2015. On August 26, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Corporation approved the adoption of US GAAP for financial reporting purposes for the year beginning on January 1, 2012.

These are the Corporation's first annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with US GAAP. The accounting policies set out in note 4 have been applied consistently in preparing the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012 and the comparative periods.

The Corporation has adjusted amounts reported previously in its consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP. For reporting purposes, the transition date to US GAAP is January 1, 2011, which is the commencement of the 2011 comparative period to the Corporation's 2012 consolidated financial statements. An explanation of how the transition from Canadian GAAP to US GAAP has affected the Corporation's consolidated financial statements is set out in the following tables and accompanying notes.

Given the Corporation's exemption to file under US GAAP up to December 31, 2014 by the Ontario Securities Commission, the Corporation is actively monitoring developments by the International Accounting Standards Board on rate-regulated accounting should a future IFRS conversion be required. Although the conversion of the Corporation's general purpose financial statements to IFRS was suspended in 2011, the IFRS conversion work is being managed in such a way that if a future transition to IFRS is required, it can be effectively accomplished.

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The reconciliation of the January 1, 2011 consolidated balance sheet from Canadian GAAP to US GAAP is as follows:

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET				
[in thousands of Canadian dollars]				
As at January 1, 2011	Notes	Canadian GAAP \$	Transitional Adjustments \$	US GAAP \$
ASSETS				
Current				
Regulatory assets	A	—	3,555	3,555
Other	B	805,310	718	806,028
Total current assets		805,310	4,273	809,583
Regulatory assets	A	85,113	29,224	114,337
Other	B	2,448,191	4,132	2,452,323
Total assets		3,338,614	37,629	3,376,243
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY				
Current				
Customers' advance deposits	C	—	50,630	50,630
Post-retirement benefits	A	—	7,415	7,415
Regulatory liabilities	A	—	36,654	36,654
Other	C	639,751	(18,790)	620,961
Total current liabilities		639,751	75,909	715,660
Customers' advance deposits	C	45,462	(31,840)	13,622
Debentures	B	1,164,780	4,850	1,169,630
Post-retirement benefits	A	169,897	22,715	192,612
Regulatory liabilities	A	273,706	(34,005)	239,701
Other		5,639	—	5,639
Total liabilities		2,299,235	37,629	2,336,864
Total shareholder's equity		1,039,379	—	1,039,379
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity		3,338,614	37,629	3,376,243

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The reconciliation of the December 31, 2011 consolidated balance sheet from Canadian GAAP to US GAAP is as follows:

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET				
[in thousands of Canadian dollars]				
As at December 31, 2011	Notes	Canadian GAAP \$	Transitional Adjustments \$	US GAAP \$
ASSETS				
Current				
Other	B	656,278	922	657,200
Total current assets		656,278	922	657,200
Regulatory assets	A	77,322	65,716	143,038
Other	B	2,722,177	5,092	2,727,269
Total assets		3,455,777	71,730	3,527,507
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY				
Current				
Customers' advance deposits	C	—	40,238	40,238
Post-retirement benefits	A	—	7,915	7,915
Regulatory liabilities	A	—	7,293	7,293
Other	C	448,061	(20,108)	427,953
Total current liabilities		448,061	35,338	483,399
Customers' advance deposits	C	35,930	(20,130)	15,800
Debentures	B	1,463,514	6,013	1,469,527
Post-retirement benefits	A	179,541	56,870	236,411
Regulatory liabilities	A	210,280	(6,361)	203,919
Other		16,203	—	16,203
Total liabilities		2,353,529	71,730	2,425,259
Total shareholder's equity		1,102,248	—	1,102,248
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity		3,455,777	71,730	3,527,507

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The reconciliation of net income from Canadian GAAP to US GAAP for the year ended December 31, 2011 is as follows:

RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME FROM CANADIAN GAAP TO US GAAP		
[in thousands of Canadian dollars]		
	Notes	2011 \$
Net income, Canadian GAAP		95,932
Revenues	D	14,212
Purchased power and other	D	1,959
Operating expenses	D, E	(18,694)
Income tax recovery	E	2,523
Net income, US GAAP		95,932

Notes to the transitional adjustments

A. Post-retirement benefits

Under Canadian GAAP, unamortized actuarial gains and losses and unamortized prior service costs are not recorded on the consolidated balance sheets. Under US GAAP, all actuarial gains and losses and prior service costs are fully recognized in OCI in the period in which they arise and are presented within equity as Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ["AOCI"]. Due to the rate-regulated nature of the Corporation's business, the impact to AOCI on transition and the impact to OCI on a go-forward basis will be reclassified to a regulatory asset account [note 9[a]]. This reclassification results in the full recognition of the benefit obligation as a liability on the Corporation's consolidated balance sheets and no balance reported in OCI and AOCI. A portion of the benefit obligation will also be presented as a current liability on the consolidated balance sheets. The current portion is the amount of the actuarial present value of benefits included in the benefit obligation which is expected to be paid in the next 12 months.

B. Debt issuance costs

Under Canadian GAAP, debt issuance costs are netted against the principal balance of the related debenture. Under US GAAP, debt issuance costs are recognized as deferred charges. This presentation difference results in an increase in other current assets and other assets and an offsetting increase to debentures.

C. Customers' advance deposits

Under US GAAP, deposits that are due on demand or will be due on demand within one year from the end of the reporting period have been reclassified as current liabilities.

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D. Demand billable income and expenses

Under US GAAP, associated costs related to demand billable income have been reclassified on the consolidated statements of net income and comprehensive income. There is no impact to the overall net income.

E. Income tax recovery

Under Canadian GAAP, all ITCs are recognized as a reduction of the related expenditure. Under US GAAP, the benefits of the refundable apprenticeship and co-operative ITCs are recognized as a reduction of the related expenditure. All other ITCs are recorded as a reduction of income tax expense in the current period to the extent that realization of such benefits is more likely than not.