

# **Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation**

a component unit of the State of Alaska

## **Financial Statements**

With Independent Auditor's Report

June 30, 2012

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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors  
Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation  
Anchorage, Alaska

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation (NTSC), a component unit of the State of Alaska, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which collectively comprise NTSC's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of NTSC's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of NTSC, as of June 30, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note A to the financial statements, NTSC's repayment of long-term debt is dependent on several factors, including the continued financial capability of participating cigarette manufacturers to pay tobacco settlement revenues and future cigarette consumption.

To the Board of Directors  
Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation  
Anchorage, Alaska

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3-5 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

*Mikunda, Cottrell & Co.*

Anchorage, Alaska  
September 14, 2012

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues and activities and to identify significant changes in the financial position of Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation (NTSC) during the year ended June 30, 2012. This information should be read in conjunction with the Independent Auditors' Report, financial statements and accompanying notes.

NTSC is a component unit of the State of Alaska ("the State").

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NTSC's annual financial statements consist of two parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis and basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include government-wide presentation, governmental fund presentation and Notes to Financial Statements. The financial statements for June 30, 2012 are intended to facilitate and enhance understanding of NTSC's financial position and results of operations for the current fiscal year.

The government-wide financial statements of NTSC, which include the *Statement of Net Assets* and the *Statement of Activities*, are presented to display information about NTSC as a whole and are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

The *Statement of Net Assets* (Exhibit A) answers the question, "How is our financial health at the end of the year?" This statement includes all assets and liabilities. Over time, changes in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of NTSC is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* (Exhibit B) accounts for all of the revenues and expenses. This statement measures the success of NTSC's operations over the past year and can be used to determine whether NTSC has successfully recovered all of its costs through its revenue sources. This statement helps answer the question "Is NTSC as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?"

The *Reconciliation of the Statement of Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities* (Exhibit C) is provided to assist readers in understanding the differences between government-wide and governmental fund financial statements.

The *Notes to Financial Statements* provide additional information that is essential to obtain a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide financial statements. The Notes to Financial Statements follow Exhibit C.

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

(in thousands)

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
Investments	\$ 36,493	\$ 36,627
Total assets	39,303	39,606
Bonds, net	365,871	370,677
Total liabilities	367,265	372,094
Restricted net assets	36,336	36,478
Unrestricted net assets (deficit)	(364,298)	(368,966)
Total net assets (deficit)	(327,962)	(332,488)

There were no significant changes in total assets for the year ended June 30, 2012.

Total liabilities decreased \$4.8 million primarily as a result of principal paydowns on bonds for the year ended June 30, 2012.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The total net asset deficit decreased \$4.5 million due to the changes in the unrestricted net asset deficit balances. The deficit balance of unrestricted net assets decreased primarily due to an excess of revenues over expenses during the year ended June 30, 2012. There were no significant changes in restricted net assets.

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

(in thousands)

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
Tobacco settlement revenue	\$ 23,993	\$ 23,538
Total revenue	24,072	23,598
Interest expense	19,198	22,845
Total expenses	19,546	23,191
Changes in net assets	4,526	407

There were no significant changes in total revenues for the year ended June 30, 2012.

Total expenses decreased \$3.6 million during the year ended June 30, 2012 due primarily to a decrease in interest expense.

**FUNDS**

The debt service fund is restricted solely to debt service activities.

The general fund is the operating fund of NTSC. It represents all of NTSC's activities not presented in another fund.

**DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

As of June 30, 2012, NTSC had \$365.8 million of revenue bonds, net of discount and accreted value, secured solely by future tobacco settlement revenue and investment earnings. Significant debt activity during fiscal year 2012 consisted of debt service payments of \$24.1 million of which \$17.8 million represented interest and \$6.3 million represented principal paydowns.

Ratings on NTSC's bonds are subject to change as the companies that rate the bonds analyze numerous factors that may affect NTSC's ability to pay interest on and principal of its outstanding obligations. Therefore, there has been no attempt to list the ratings as of the date of this report. However, current ratings are available through the following Nationally Recognized Municipal Securities Repositories (NRMSIR):

**Bloomberg Municipal Repository**  
100 Business Park Drive  
Skillman, New Jersey 08558

**FT Interactive Data**  
Attn: NRMSIR  
100 William Street  
New York, New York 10038

**DPC Data Inc.**  
One Executive Drive  
Fort Lee, NJ 07024

**Standard & Poor's J. J. Kenny Repository**  
55 Water Street  
45th Floor  
New York, NY 10041

Additional information on NTSC's long-term debt can be found in the Notes to Financial Statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**ECONOMIC FACTORS**

Tobacco settlement revenue, the primary revenue source for NTSC, is dependent on future tobacco product sales. If the consumption of tobacco products increases, then NTSC's tobacco settlement revenue will increase; if consumption decreases, revenue will also decrease. If consumption remains consistent, tobacco settlement revenue will remain stable.

**CONTACTING NTSC'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of NTSC's finances and to show NTSC's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact NTSC at (907) 330-8396.

**NORTHERN TOBACCO SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**

**EXHIBIT A**

(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET / STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

June 30, 2012

(in thousands of dollars)

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Governmental Funds Balance Sheet Total</u>	<u>Adjustments*</u>	<u>Statement of Net Assets Total</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Investments	\$ 157	\$ 36,336	\$ 36,493	\$ -	\$ 36,493
Interest receivable	-	-	-	-	-
Unamortized costs of issuance	-	-	-	2,810	2,810
Total Assets	<u>157</u>	<u>36,336</u>	<u>36,493</u>	<u>2,810</u>	<u>39,303</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Bond interest payable	-	-	-	1,394	1,394
Intergovernmental payable	-	-	-	-	-
Long-term debt:					
Due within one year	-	-	-	645	645
Due after one year	-	-	-	367,928	367,928
Unamortized bond discount	-	-	-	(7,919)	(7,919)
Accreted value	-	-	-	5,217	5,217
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>367,265</u>	<u>367,265</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>					
Fund balances:					
Unassigned	157	-	157		
Restricted for debt service	-	36,336	36,336		
Total Fund Balances	<u>157</u>	<u>36,336</u>	<u>36,493</u>		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 157</u>	<u>\$ 36,336</u>			
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
Restricted for debt service					36,336
Unrestricted net assets, (deficit)					(364,298)
Total Net Assets (deficit)				<u>\$ (364,455)</u>	<u>\$ (327,962)</u>

**\*Adjustments:**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:

Governmental funds report costs of debt issuance as expenditures. The Statement of Net Assets capitalizes the costs of issuance and amortizes such items over the life of the debt.

2,810

Long-term debt and interest payable are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.

(369,967)

Governmental funds report bond discounts as other financing uses. The Statement of Net Assets records bond discounts as a contra-liability to long-term debt and amortizes such items to interest expense over the life of the debt.

7,919

Governmental funds report accreted value at the time the bonds are redeemed. The Statement of Net Assets amortizes such items as a reduction to expense over the life of the debt.

(5,217)

Net assets of governmental activities

\$ (327,962)

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**NORTHERN TOBACCO SECURITIZATION CORPORATION****EXHIBIT B**

(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)

**STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES /  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

For the Year Ended June 30, 2012

*(in thousands of dollars)*

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Adjustments (Exhibit C)</u>	<u>Statement of Activities</u>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES</b>					
Tobacco settlement revenues	\$ -	\$ 23,993	\$ 23,993	\$ -	\$ 23,993
Investment interest	-	73	73	-	73
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	-	6	6	-	6
Total revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>24,072</u>	<u>24,072</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,072</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>					
Current:					
Insurance and financing	52	-	52	-	52
General and administrative	15	-	15	-	15
Costs of issuance	-	-	-	126	126
(Gain)/loss on extinguishment of bonds	-	-	-	155	155
Debt Service:					
Principal	-	6,305	6,305	(6,305)	-
Interest	-	17,837	17,837	1,361	19,198
Total expenditures/expenses	<u>67</u>	<u>24,142</u>	<u>24,209</u>	<u>(4,663)</u>	<u>19,546</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(67)</u>	<u>(70)</u>	<u>(137)</u>	<u>4,663</u>	<u>4,526</u>
Transfers - internal activities	<u>72</u>	<u>(72)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	5	(142)	(137)	137	-
Change in net assets	-	-	-	4,526	4,526
<b>FUND BALANCES and NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)</b>					
Beginning of year	<u>152</u>	<u>36,478</u>	<u>36,630</u>	<u>(369,118)</u>	<u>(332,488)</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 157</u>	<u>\$ 36,336</u>	<u>\$ 36,493</u>	<u>\$ (364,455)</u>	<u>\$ (327,962)</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**NORTHERN TOBACCO SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**

**EXHIBIT C**

(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

For the Year Ended June 30, 2012

(in thousands of dollars)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (137)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.	6,305
Governmental funds report costs of debt issuance as expenditures. The Statement of Activities amortizes such items over the life of the debt.	(126)
Gains and losses on extinguishment of bonds include unamortized costs of issuance and bond discount amounts in the Statements of Activities. Governmental funds expense such items and thus do not include them in the gain/loss calculation.	(155)
<i>Adjustments to Debt Service-Interest:</i>	
Governmental funds report accreted value at the time the bonds are redeemed. The statement of Net Assets amortizes the accreted value to interest expense over the life of the debt.	(1,025)
Governmental funds report bond discount as a financing use. The Statement of Activities amortizes the bond discount over the life of the bond issue to interest expense.	(359)
Bond interest is reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds when paid. Interest expense is reported in the Statement of Activities when incurred.	23
Change in net assets of government activities	<u>\$ 4,526</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Notes to Financial Statements

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

**NOTE A: THE NORTHERN TOBACCO SECURITIZATION CORPORATION**

The Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation (NTSC) is a not-for-profit corporation. It was incorporated on September 29, 2000, under the Alaska Nonprofit Corporation Act and provisions of the Alaska Statutes creating the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, as amended. NTSC was formed as a subsidiary of Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) pursuant to House Bill No. 281 of the Alaska Legislature. NTSC is legally independent and separate from AHFC, and there is no financial accountability between NTSC and AHFC.

NTSC is a component unit of the State of Alaska (State) and is presented as a component of the special revenue and debt service funds in the State's financial statements. As a subsidiary of AHFC, NTSC is a government instrumentality of the State but has legal existence independent of and separate from the State. The Board of Directors of NTSC is comprised of the Commissioners of the Alaska Departments of Revenue, Health & Social Services, and Community & Economic Development, or their designees, and two independent members of the public appointed by the Governor.

The purpose of NTSC is to purchase from the State portions of its future right, title and interest in the Tobacco Settlement Revenues (TSRs) under the Master Settlement Agreement and the Consent Decree and Final Judgment (MSA). The MSA resolved tobacco-related litigation between the settling states and the Participating Manufacturers (PMs), released the PMs from past and present tobacco-related claims of the settling states, and provides for a continuing release of future tobacco-related claims, in exchange for certain payments to be made to the settling states, as well as certain tobacco advertising and marketing restrictions, among other things.

In October 2000, pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the State, the State sold to NTSC 40% of its future right, title and interest in the TSRs. Specifically, these rights include a 40% share of TSRs received by the State starting January 10, 2002, and in perpetuity under the MSA. When NTSC's obligations under the bonds have been fulfilled, the TSRs revert back to the State under a residual certificate. Consideration paid by NTSC to the State for TSRs consisted of a cash amount sent to the State's custodial trust accounts and a residual certificate assigned to the State.

In August 2001, pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the State, the State sold to NTSC an additional 40% of its future right, title and interest in the TSRs. Specifically these rights include a 40% share of TSRs received by the State starting January 10, 2002, and in perpetuity under the MSA. This 40% share is above and beyond the 40% share originally purchased from the State by NTSC in October 2000. When NTSC's obligations under the bonds have been fulfilled, the TSRs revert back to the State under a residual certificate. Consideration paid by NTSC to the State for TSRs consisted of a cash amount sent to the State's custodial trust accounts and a residual certificate assigned to the State.

In August 2006, pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the State, the State sold to NTSC the residual interest the State previously retained in connection with the issuance of the prior bonds.

The bonds of NTSC are asset-backed instruments secured solely by the TSRs, and NTSC's right to receive TSRs is expected to produce funding for its obligations. The TSR payments are dependent on a variety of factors, some of which are:

- the financial capability of the participating cigarette manufacturers to pay TSRs,
- future cigarette consumption which impacts the TSR payment, and
- future legal and legislative challenges against the tobacco manufacturers and the master settlement agreement providing for the TSRs.

Changes in these factors could affect the amount of funds available to pay scheduled debt service requirements.

Notes to Financial Statements

**NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

***Basis of Presentation***

NTSC's annual financial statements include a Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section and basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include a Governmental Funds Balance Sheet / Statement of Net Assets, a Statement of Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances / Statement of Activities, a Reconciliation of the Statement of Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities, and Notes to Financial Statements. The financial statements are intended to facilitate and enhance understanding of NTSC's financial position and results of operations for the current fiscal year.

***Government-wide and Governmental Fund Financial Statements***

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Changes in Net Assets report information on all of the activities of NTSC. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances are provided for governmental funds.

***Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation***

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, NTSC considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

The General Fund is the operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources not required to be accounted for in the Debt Service fund. The Debt Service Fund accounts for the financial resources accumulated for payments of principal and interest of the Corporation's long-term debt.

**NOTE C: ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

***Investments***

All investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices.

***Intergovernmental Receivable and Intergovernmental Payable***

The outstanding balance is receivable from or payable to Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, and is the net result of payments made by AHFC to vendors on behalf of NTSC and the periodic reimbursements and prepayments to AHFC from NTSC for those vendor expenses.

***Long-Term Debt***

NTSC reports long-term debt at face value, net of discounts. Bond discounts and issuance costs are capitalized and amortized over the life of the related debt in the entity-wide financial statements. The governmental fund financial statements recognize bond discounts and bond issuance costs, in their entirety, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as expenditures.

Notes to Financial Statements

Gains and losses associated with the extinguishment of long-term debt are recognized in the current period for both the entity-wide and governmental financial statements. In the entity-wide statements, such gains and losses arise from the difference between the repurchase price and the par value of the bonds, along with any forfeited unamortized bond discount and costs of issuance amounts. In the governmental fund statements, such gains and losses arise solely due to the difference between the repurchase price and the par value of the bonds, because bond discount and costs of issuance are expensed in the current period rather than capitalized and amortized over the life of the related debt.

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

***Fund Balances and Net Assets***

The General Fund balance is unassigned. Its financial resources are used to pay Corporate operating expenditures. At the government-wide level the Net Asset balance has an unrestricted deficit balance.

The Debt Service Fund balance is restricted. All its financial resources are restricted for debt service payments. At the government-wide level the Net Asset balance is also restricted due to bond indenture requirements.

**NOTE D: INVESTMENTS**

**Deposit and Investment Policies**

Investments are made under the terms of the governing bond indenture. The following types of investments are considered eligible:

- Direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed as to timely payment of principal and interest by, FHLMC, FNMA or the Federal Farm Credit System;
- Demand and time deposits in, certificates of deposit of, and bankers' acceptances issued by, any bank, trust company, savings and loan, or savings bank provided such instruments have been rated at least "A-1+" by S&P, "P-1" by Moody's and "F1" by Fitch (if rated by Fitch);
- General obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, any state of the United States or the District of Columbia receiving one of the two highest long-term unsecured debt rating categories available for such securities from S&P and Moody's and Fitch (if rated by Fitch);
- Commercial or finance company paper rated "A-1+" by S&P, "P-1" by Moody's and "F1" by Fitch (if rated by Fitch);
- Repurchase obligations rated in one of the two highest long-term rating categories by S&P and Moody's and Fitch (if rated by Fitch) or collateralized at a minimum level of 102%;
- Interest-bearing or discount securities issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof rated "A-1+" by S&P, "P-1" by Moody's and "F1" by Fitch (if rated by Fitch);
- Taxable money market funds rated in one of the two highest categories by Moody's and Fitch (if rated by Fitch), and at least "AAm" or "Aam-G" by S&P;
- Investment agreements or guaranteed investment contracts rated in one of the two highest long-term rating categories by S&P, Moody's and Fitch (if rated by Fitch) or collateralized at a minimum level of 102%;
- Other obligations, securities, agreements or contracts which are non-callable and acceptable to each rating agency.

Notes to Financial Statements

**Credit Risk**

Credit risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security or backer. NTSC mitigates its credit risk by limiting investments to those permitted in the respective bond indentures, diversifying the investment portfolio, and pre-qualifying firms with which NTSC administers its investment activities.

The credit quality ratings of NTSC's investments as of June 30, 2012, as described by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations, are shown below (in thousands).

<b>Investment</b>	<b>Moody's</b>	<b>S &amp; P</b>	<b>Investment Fair Value</b>
Commercial paper	P-1	A-1+	\$ 36,369
Money market funds	AAAm	-	124
			<u>\$ 36,493</u>

**Concentration Risk**

Concentration risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of NTSC's investment in a single issuer. Concentration limits are not established in the bond indentures and governing agreements for trust investments. NTSC has not established a formal concentration risk policy for its investments.

***Investment Holdings Greater than Five Percent of Total Portfolio***

The following investment holdings, summarized by issuer, are trusted investments which have no established concentration limits. Investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government and investments in mutual funds are excluded from this summary. As of June 30, 2012 NTSC had investment balances greater than 5 percent of NTSC's total investments with the following issuers (in thousands)

<b>Issuer</b>	<b>Investments Fair Value</b>	<b>Percentage Of Total Portfolio</b>
Alianz Finance Corp	\$ 36,369	99.66 %

**Custodial Credit Risk**

For investments, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of failure of the custodian or counterparty holding the investment, NTSC will not be able to recover the value of the investment. NTSC has not established a formal custodial credit risk policy for its investments.

**Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that the market value of investments will decline as a result of changes in general interest rates. NTSC mitigates interest rate risk by structuring investment maturities to meet cash requirements as outlined in the bond indentures and contractual agreements.

***Modified Duration***

Modified duration estimates the sensitivity of an investment to interest rate changes. The following table shows the modified duration of NTSC's investments (in thousands) as of June 30, 2012:

	<b>Investment Fair Value</b>	<b>Modified Duration</b>
Commercial Paper	\$ 36,369	0.178
Money market funds	124	0.000
	<u>\$ 36,493</u>	
Portfolio modified duration		0.178

***Investment Term***

The investment term of all debt security investments by contractual maturity is one year or less. Expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

Notes to Financial Statements

**NOTE E: LONG-TERM DEBT**

On October 13, 2000, NTSC issued \$116,050,000 of its Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2000, to purchase the initial 40% portion of TSRs from the State. On August 2, 2001, NTSC issued an additional \$126,790,000 of its Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2001, to purchase an additional 40% portion of TSRs from the State.

On August 17, 2006, NTSC issued \$411,988,000 of its Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2006A, B, and C. These bonds were issued to fully defease the Series 2000 and Series 2001 bonds. Pursuant to the terms of the bond indenture, proceeds from the sale in the amount of \$170,280,000 will be used to fund additional capital projects as appropriated by the Alaska State Legislature. The Series 2006 bonds are secured by and payable solely from the TSRs and investment earnings pledged under the indenture and amounts held in accordance with the indenture. The Series 2006A bonds bear interest at a fixed annual rate, between 4.625% and 5.00%, payable semi-annually until the principal is redeemed. These bonds have scheduled sinking fund maturities of June 1, 2008 to June 1, 2046. The Series 2006B and 2006C bonds accrete interest at 6.125% and 6.375%, compounded semi-annually, to become part of the accreted value until the principal is redeemed.

The term bonds in all Series contain turbo redemption features which require that all TSR collections in excess of operating expenditures and scheduled debt service be applied to the redemption of the term bonds. The turbo redemptions are not scheduled amortization payments and are to be made only from surplus collections, if any. Failure to make a turbo principal payment will not constitute an event of default under the indenture.

**Debt Service Requirements**

Debt service requirements represent the minimum amount of principal and interest that NTSC must pay as of the specific distribution dates in order to avoid a default. Debt service requirements, through 2017 and in five year increments thereafter to maturity, are shown below (in thousands):

<b>Series 2006 Bonds</b>			
<b>Year Ending June 30</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2013	\$ 645	\$ 17,546	\$ 18,191
2014	9,660	17,516	27,176
2015	10,385	17,069	27,454
2016	10,970	16,589	27,559
2017	11,810	16,081	27,891
2018-2022	24,580	75,516	100,096
2023-2027	32,220	69,006	101,226
2028-2032	43,930	59,925	103,855
2033-2037	56,775	47,654	104,429
2038-2042	75,835	31,762	107,597
2043-2046	91,763	135,451	227,214
	<b>\$ 368,573</b>	<b>\$ 504,115</b>	<b>\$ 872,688</b>

The activity for long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2012 is summarized in the following schedule (in thousands):

	<b>July 1, 2011</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Reductions</b>	<b>June 30, 2012</b>	<b>Due Within One Year</b>
Series 2006 bonds payable	\$ 374,878	\$ -	\$ (6,305)	\$ 368,573	\$ 645
Plus: Accreted value	4,192	1,025	-	5,217	-
Less: Discount	(8,393)	-	474	(7,919)	-
Total long-term debt	<b>\$ 370,677</b>	<b>\$ 1,025</b>	<b>\$ (5,831)</b>	<b>\$ 365,871</b>	<b>\$ 645</b>

At June 30, 2012 NTSC maintained a debt service reserve account for the Series 2006 bonds of \$27,605,000 as required under the governing bond indenture.

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**NOTE F: YIELD RESTRICTION AND ARBITRAGE REBATE**

Most of the investments made under NTSC's tax-exempt bond program are subject to rebate provisions or restricted as to yields. The rebate provisions require that a calculation be performed every five years and upon full retirement of the bonds to determine the amount, if any, of excess yield earned and owed to the Internal Revenue Service. There were no excess earnings recorded and paid for the period ending June 30, 2012.

**NOTE G: CONTINGENCIES**

***Tobacco Litigation Risk***

The amount of revenue recognized by NTSC could be adversely impacted by certain third party litigation involving tobacco companies and others.

**NOTE H: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

NTSC entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with AHFC that retains AHFC as Administrator with respect to the preparation of all reports and other instruments and documents that are required by NTSC to prepare, execute, file or deliver pursuant to the bond indentures and the related agreements for a monthly fee. NTSC also entered into a Sub-Lease Agreement with AHFC for office space, overhead and operating services from AHFC for a monthly fee. The cost to NTSC for these services provided by AHFC for the year ended June 30, 2012 was approximately \$9,000. This amount was included as a portion of General and Administrative Expenditures/Expenses.