

Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation

a component unit of the State of Alaska

Financial Statements

June 30, 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

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

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation (NTSC), a blended component unit of the State of Alaska, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise NTSC's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the governmental activities and each major fund of NTSC, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of NTSC and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matter

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 manufactures to pay tobacco settlement revenues and future cigarette consumption. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the NTSC's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 NTSC's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about NTSC's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis and pension schedules be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric Sully LLP".

Boise, Idaho
October 20, 2023

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, 2023. 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, 2023, 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 Position* 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 Position* (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 position 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.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Tobacco settlement revenue received by NTSC in fiscal year 2023 was \$18.5 million, compared to \$17.6 million in fiscal year 2022.
- Bond principal in the amount of \$11.6 million was paid in fiscal year 2023.
- Bond interest totaling \$7.6 million was paid in fiscal year 2023.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

(in thousands)

	2023	2022
Investments	\$ 15,974	\$ 16,117
Interest receivable	66	5
Total assets	<u>16,040</u>	<u>16,122</u>
Deferred outflow of resources	18,052	18,531
Intergovernmental payable	14	-
Bonds, net	296,528	308,742
Bond interest payable	588	623
Total liabilities	<u>297,130</u>	<u>309,365</u>
Restricted net position	15,831	15,902
Unrestricted net position (deficit)	<u>(278,869)</u>	<u>(290,614)</u>
Total net position (deficit)	<u>\$ (263,038)</u>	<u>\$ (274,712)</u>

There were no significant changes in total assets, total liabilities, or total net position as of June 20, 2023.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

(in thousands)

	2023	2022
Tobacco settlement revenue	\$ 18,544	\$ 17,551
Investment interest	652	38
Net change in fair value of investments	(27)	27
Realized loss on investments	(1)	(2)
Total revenue	<u>19,168</u>	<u>17,614</u>
Interest expense	6,927	7,799
Insurance and financing	48	503
General and administrative	40	25
Amortization of deferred outflow of resources	479	454
Other expenses	-	6,762
Total expenses	<u>7,494</u>	<u>15,543</u>
Excess of revenues over expenses	<u>11,674</u>	<u>2,071</u>
Changes in net position	<u>\$ 11,674</u>	<u>\$ 2,071</u>

In fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, tobacco revenues received by NTSC were higher compared to the prior year. Due to the bond issuance and redemption of the prior outstanding bonds in fiscal year 2022, other expenses and insurance and financing expenses associated with the bond issuance were no longer present in the fiscal year 2023. The reduced expenses and the increase in tobacco revenues resulted in a large change in net position compared to the prior year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FUNDS

NTSC has two 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 the debt service fund.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

As of June 30, 2023, NTSC had \$296.5 million in outstanding revenue bonds, net of premium and accreted value, secured solely by future tobacco settlement revenue and investment earnings. Significant debt activity during fiscal year 2023 consisted of debt service payments of \$19.2 million of which \$7.6 million represented interest and \$11.6 million represented principal paydown.

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 information is available through the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access service ("EMMA") at <http://emma.msrb.org>.

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

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 or finance@ntscak.us.

NORTHERN TOBACCO SECURITIZATION CORPORATION

(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET / STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

As of June 30, 2023

(in thousands of dollars)

EXHIBIT A

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Governmental Funds Balance Sheet Total	Adjustments*	Statement of Net Position Total
ASSETS					
Investments	\$ 209	\$ 15,765	\$ 15,974	\$ -	\$ 15,974
Interest receivable	-	66	66	-	66
Total Assets	209	15,831	16,040	-	16,040
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES	-	-	-	18,052	18,052
LIABILITIES					
Bond interest payable	-	-	-	588	588
Intergovernmental payable	-	-	-	14	14
Long-term debt:					
Due within one year	-	-	-	4,680	4,680
Due after one year	-	-	-	256,290	256,290
Unamortized bond Premium	-	-	-	28,954	28,954
Accreted value	-	-	-	6,604	6,604
Total Liabilities	-	-	-	297,130	297,130
FUND BALANCES					
Fund balances:					
Unassigned	209	-	209		
Restricted for debt service	-	15,831	15,831		
Total Fund Balances	209	15,831	16,040		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 209	\$ 15,831	\$ 16,040		
NET POSITION					
Restricted for debt service				-	15,831
Unrestricted (deficit)				-	(278,869)
Total Net Position (deficit)				\$ (279,078)	\$ (263,038)

*Adjustments:

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different than the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet totals because:

Total Fund Balances	\$ 16,040
Deferred outflow of resources related to the purchase of future tobacco settlement revenues.	18,052
General and administrative expense that was incurred during the period and will be paid in the next period. The Statement of Net Position reports this amount as an expense in the year incurred.	(14)
Interest payable and long-term debt are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.	(261,558)
Governmental funds report bond premiums as other financing uses when incurred. The Statement of Net Position records bond premiums as a liability to long-term debt and amortizes such items to interest expense over the life of the debt.	(28,954)
Governmental funds report accreted value at the time the bonds are redeemed. The Statement of Net Position amortizes such items as a reduction to expense over the life of the debt.	(6,604)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ (263,038)

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 Ending June 30, 2023

(in thousands of dollars)

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds	Adjustments (Exhibit C)	Statement of Activities
GENERAL REVENUES					
Tobacco settlement revenues	\$ -	\$ 18,544	\$ 18,544	\$ -	\$ 18,544
Investment interest	-	652	652	-	652
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	-	(27)	(27)	-	(27)
Realized gain (loss) on investments	-	(1)	(1)	-	(1)
Total revenues	-	19,168	19,168	-	19,168
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES					
Current:					
Insurance and financing	48	-	48	-	48
General and administrative	26	-	26	14	40
Amortization of deferred outflow of resources	-	-	-	479	479
Principal	-	11,600	11,600	(11,600)	-
Interest	-	7,576	7,576	(649)	6,927
Total expenditures/expenses	74	19,176	19,250	(11,756)	7,494
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(74)	(8)	(82)	11,756	11,674
Other financing sources/uses:					
Transfers - internal activities	63	(63)	-	-	-
Total other finances sources (uses)	63	(63)	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances	(11)	(71)	(82)	82	-
Change in net position	-	-	-	11,674	11,674
FUND BALANCES and NET POSITION (DEFICIT)					
Beginning of year	220	15,902	16,122	(290,834)	(274,712)
End of year	\$ 209	\$ 15,831	\$ 16,040	\$ (279,078)	\$ (263,038)

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

NORTHERN TOBACCO SECURITIZATION CORPORATION

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

For the Year Ending June 30, 2023

*(in thousands of dollars)***EXHIBIT C**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different than the Total Governmental Funds because:

Net change in fund balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (82)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.	11,600
General and administrative expense that was incurred during the year and will be paid in the next year. The Statement of Net Position reports this amount as an expense in the year incurred.	(14)
Amortization of deferred outflow of resources is an expenditure on the Statement of Net Position but does not affect the governmental funds.	(479)
<i>Adjustments to Debt Service-Interest:</i>	
Governmental funds report accreted value at the time the bonds are redeemed. The Statement of Net Position amortizes the accreted value to interest expense over the life of the debt.	(3,357)
Governmental funds report bond premium as a financing use when incurred. The Statement of Activities amortizes the bond premium to interest expense over the life of the debt.	3,971
Bond interest is reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds when paid. Interest expense is reported in the Statement of Activities when incurred.	35
Change in net position of government activities	<u>\$ 11,674</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Notes to Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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 an affiliate 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 ("the State") and is presented as a component of the special revenue and debt service funds in the State's financial statements. 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, and Commerce, Community & Economic Development, or their designees, and two independent members of the public recommended 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 July 2021, pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the State, the State extended NTSC's right, title and interest in the previously purchased TSRs until such time as NTSC's obligations under the 2021 bonds have been fulfilled, after which the TSRs revert back to the State under residual certificates.

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 TSRs 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 TSRs 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") and basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include a Governmental Funds Balance Sheet / Statement of Net Position, 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 Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the activities of NTSC. 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 NTSC's long-term debt.

NOTE C: ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Assets

The assets reported are investments stated at fair value based on quoted market prices. Because the bonds were issued to purchase a future revenue stream, no other assets are reported, resulting in a negative fund balance.

Long-Term Debt

NTSC reports long-term debt at face value, net of discounts. Bond discounts 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, in their entirety, during the period incurred. 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.

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 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 discounts are expensed in the current period rather than capitalized and amortized over the life of the related debt. For fiscal year 2023 no such gains or losses are reported in the financial statements.

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.

Notes to Financial Statements

Fund Balances and Net Position

The General Fund balance is unassigned, meaning it is the total of net resources of the General Fund in excess of nonspendable, restricted or committed funds balance. Its financial resources are used to pay NTSC's operating expenditures. At the government-wide level the Net Position balance has an unrestricted deficit balance. There is no formal policy for the order in which the Corporation spends restricted, committed, and unassigned funds.

The Debt Service Fund balance is restricted. All its financial resources are restricted for debt service payments. At the government-wide level the Net Position 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, 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, 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 or Fitch (if rated by Fitch), or 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 or 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.

Investment Valuation

NTSC categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

NTSC measures its investments in money market funds of \$15,973,825 using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security or backer. Per policy, NTSC mitigates its credit risk by limiting investments to those permitted under the terms of the governing bond indenture, 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, 2023, as described by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations, are shown below.

Notes to Financial Statements

Investment	Moody's	Fitch	Fair Value
Money market funds	Aaa-mf	AAAmf	\$ 15,973,825
Total investments			\$ 15,973,825

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 under the terms of the governing bond indenture 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, 2023, NTSC had investment balances greater than 5 percent of its total investments with the following issuer(s):

Issuer	Investment Fair Value	Percentage of Portfolio
Morgan Stanley	\$ 15,973,825	100.00%

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. Per its policy, NTSC mitigates interest rate risk by structuring investment maturities to meet cash requirements as outlined in the governing bond indenture 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 as of June 30, 2023:

	Investment Fair Value	Modified Duration
Money market funds	\$ 15,973,825	0.000
Total Investment	<u>\$ 15,973,825</u>	
Portfolio modified duration		<u>0.000</u>

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.

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NOTE E: DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

The Government Accounting Standards Board has defined deferred outflows of resources as the consumption of resources that are applicable to a future period. The Corporation's deferred outflows of resources at June 30, 2023, were the purchased rights of future Tobacco Settlement Revenues of \$18,052,000.

NOTE F: LONG-TERM DEBT

On July 1, 2021, NTSC issued \$282,480,000 of its Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2021, A, B-1, and B-2. These bonds were issued to fully redeem the series 2006 bonds. The Series 2021 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 2021A and 2021B-1 bonds bear interest at fixed annual rates, from 4.000% to 5.000%, payable semi-annually until June 1, 2050. The Series 2021B-2 bonds accrete interest at 3.400%, compounded semi-annually, until June 1, 2066.

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 sinking fund and term maturity principal and interest that NTSC must pay as of the specific distribution dates. A failure to make an interest payment or a term maturity principal payment (June 1 of 2023, 2031, and 2050) constitutes an event of default under the indenture. A failure to make a sinking fund payment does not constitute an event of default under the indenture. Debt service requirements, through 2028 and in five-year increments thereafter to maturity, are shown below:

Years Ended June 30	Series 2021 Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 4,680,000	\$ 7,156,750	\$ 11,836,750
2025	4,415,000	6,922,750	11,337,750
2026	4,290,000	6,702,000	10,992,000
2027	4,950,000	6,487,500	11,437,500
2028	5,200,000	6,240,000	11,440,000
2029-2033	26,880,000	27,210,000	54,090,000
2034-2038	28,215,000	20,990,800	49,205,800
2039-2043	29,755,000	15,075,000	44,830,000
2044-2048	26,560,000	9,440,200	36,000,200
2049-2053	31,370,000	2,303,800	33,673,800
2054-2058	-	-	-
2059-2063	-	-	-
2064-2068	94,655,483	335,694,518	430,350,000
	<u>\$ 260,970,483</u>	<u>\$ 444,223,318</u>	<u>\$ 705,193,800</u>

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The activity for long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2023, is summarized in the following schedule (in thousands):

TOTAL ACTIVITY	June 30, 2022	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2023	Due Within One Year
Series 2021 bonds payable	\$ 272,570	\$ -	\$ (11,600)	\$ 260,970	\$ 4,680
Plus: Accreted value	3,246	3,358	-	6,604	-
Plus: Premium	32,926	-	(3,972)	28,954	-
Total long-term debt	\$ 308,742	\$ 3,358	\$ (15,572)	\$ 296,528	\$ 4,680

At June 30, 2023, NTSC maintained a debt service reserve account for the Series 2021 bonds of \$10,895,000, which meets or exceeds the minimum amount required under the governing bond indenture.

NOTE G: 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 or paid for the year ended June 30, 2023.

NOTE H: 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 I: 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 NTSC is required to prepare, execute, file or deliver pursuant to the bond indenture and 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, 2023, was approximately \$9,000. This amount was included as a portion of General and Administrative Expenditures/Expenses.