

**GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO  
PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD  
PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU**

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
JUNE 30, 2021**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

**To the Commissioner of the  
Government of Puerto Rico Public  
Service Regulatory Board  
Puerto Rico Energy Bureau**

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the governmental activities and the general fund of the **Government of Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (the Bureau)**, an Executive Agency of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the **Bureau's** basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 from material misstatement.

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

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

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, and the general fund of the **Bureau** as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Emphasis of a matter

As described on **Note 17**, on March 15, 2022, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's Plan of Adjustment was confirmed and approved. Accordingly, at that date the Plan became effective. As a result of the plan, the **Bureau** paid \$39,500,000.

### Other Matters

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Schedule on pages **3** through **12** and **45**, respectively, 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 the 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 of the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.



**LOPEZ VEGA, CPA, PSC**

San Juan, Puerto Rico

November 23, 2022

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Puerto Rico Society of Certified  
Public Accountants was affixed to  
the record copy of this report.



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## Organization

The Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (**the Bureau**), formerly known as the Puerto Rico Energy Commission, was created under the provisions of Act No. 57 of May 27, 2014, the Puerto Rico Energy Transformation and Relief Act. Under the provisions of this Act, the **Bureau** is the governmental agency that regulates the energy industry in Puerto Rico. The **Bureau** was created with the primary intention of regulating the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA), which is the government-owned corporation that controls the monopoly of the distribution and transmission of all energy in Puerto Rico, as well as producing approximately 70% of all energy consumed in the Island. Before the **Bureau** came into existence, PREPA regulated both itself and the energy industry without any oversight. The **Bureau** began its operations on August 14, 2014, the date in which its president was appointed.

Organizationally, the **Bureau** is overseen by a Board of Directors comprised of three (3) commissioners appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The **Bureau** is also supported by an executive director who works together with the Puerto Rico Energy Affairs Administration and provides technical advice to the commissioners.

The **Bureau** shall be the key component for the faithful and transparent execution of the Puerto Rico Energy Reform. It shall be an independent government entity in charge of regulating, overseeing, and ensuring compliance with the public policy on energy of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. As a part of the energy reform, the **Bureau** shall adopt rules to ensure high efficiency in the generation of electricity based on fossil fuels. This shall lead to a more efficient use of fuel and, consequently, to lower energy production costs.

A key mission of the **Bureau** shall be to evaluate the plans PREPA is required to submit. In accordance with Act No. 57, PREPA shall submit to the **Bureau** an "Energy Relief Plan" regarding its obligation to efficiently generate electric power, various operational issues, and the integration of the renewable energy, among other mandates. Moreover, PREPA shall submit, for the evaluation of the **Bureau**, an integrated resource plan consisting of a twenty (20) year planning period. By evaluating and following up on these plans, the **Bureau** shall be able to guarantee the orderly and integrated development of the electrical system, thus ensuring reliability, efficiency, and transparency thereof, and the provision of electric power services at reasonable prices.

The **Bureau** shall approve the electricity rates proposed by PREPA and other electric power companies in the Island, and shall oversee all types of operations, processes, and mandates pertaining to the efficiency of the energy sector. It shall be the entity in charge of overseeing PREPA and other power producers, promoting the diversification of the energy sources as well as the reduction of energy costs.

The management of the **Bureau** provides this Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") for the readers of the **Bureau's** basic financial statements. This MD&A provides a narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the **Bureau** for the year ended June 30, 2021, and is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements, which have the following components: (1) government-wide financial statements; (2) fund financial statements; (3) notes to the financial statements, and (4) required supplementary information. The MD&A is designed to: (a) assist the reader in focusing on significant financial matters; (b) provide an overview of the **Bureau's** financial activities; (c) identify any material changes from the original budget; and (d) highlight individual fund matters. We encourage readers to review this information together with the **Bureau's** basic financial statements that follow.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### Government-Wide Highlights

- The **Bureau** reported total current assets amounting \$39,945,320 at June 30, 2021. The major category of current assets consisted of cash balance available amounting to \$39,750,456, which represents 99.5% of total current assets at that date.
- The **Bureau's** capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, amounted to \$687,359.
- Total liabilities at June 30, 2021 amounted to \$1,019,207. The major categories of liabilities consisted of accounts payable (\$663,754), accrued liabilities (\$39,590) and accrued compensated absences (\$315,863).
- Total net position as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$39,949,528.

### General Fund Highlights

- Total General Fund revenues for year ended June 30, 2021 amounted to \$18,568,873, including appropriations from PREPA and regulatory charges of \$18,476,312 which represents 99.5%.
- Total expenditures for year ended June 30, 2021 amounted to \$5,981,469. Also, during the fiscal year 2021, the **Bureau** recognized transfers of funds to the Independent Consumer Protection Office (ICPO) by \$792,000.
- The General Fund balance as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$39,241,976.

### Major Financial Elements

#### Revenues

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the **Bureau**. General Fund revenues are broadly based on appropriations from PREPA amounting to \$18,475,362, energy regulatory charges amounting to \$950 for a total of \$18,476,312, and other revenues (including interest revenues) amounting to \$92,561.

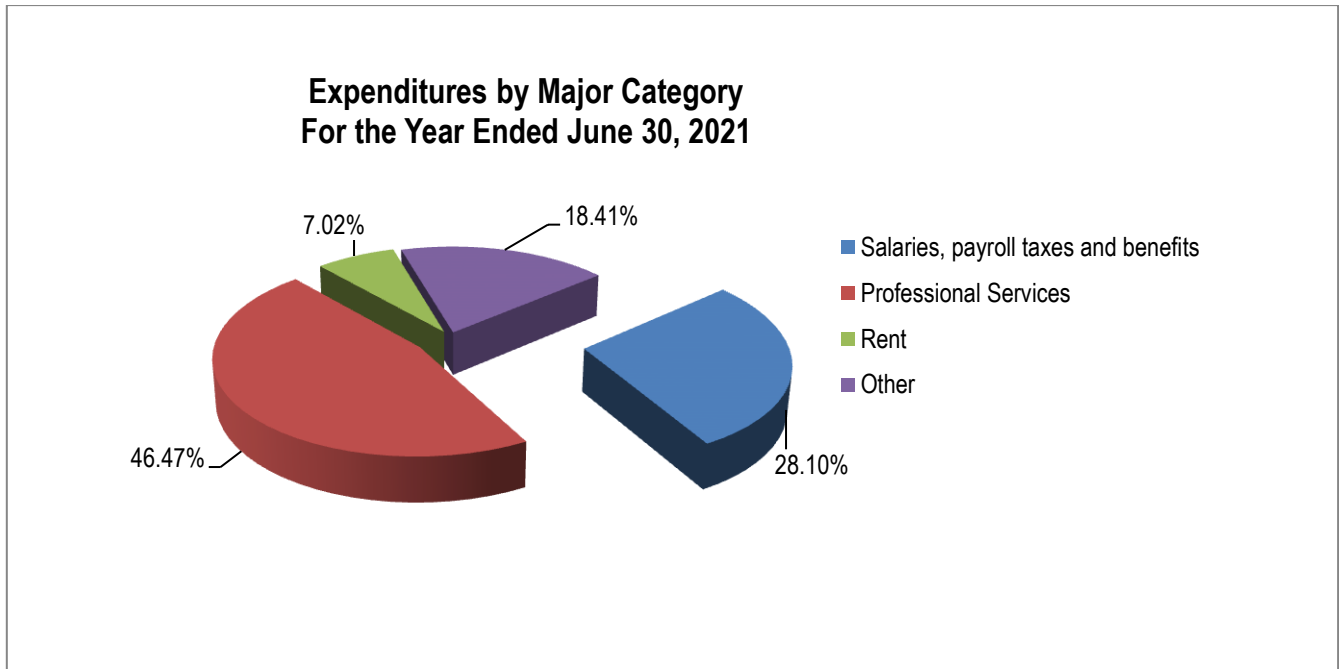
#### Expenditures

Expenditures consist principally of salaries and employee benefits, professional services, rent, utilities, materials and supplies and capital outlays. Total operating expenditures amounted to \$5,981,469. The most significant expenditures were employees' salaries, payroll taxes and benefits (\$1,903,410) and professional services (\$3,147,888), which represents 31.8% and 52.6% of total expenditures, respectively. Also, during the period, the **Bureau** recognized transfers to the ICPO amounting to \$792,000.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

### Expenditures (continued)

The following chart presents expenditures (including transfers) of the **Bureau** by major category for the year ended June 30, 2021:



## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This MD&A is intended to serve as an introduction to the **Bureau's** basic financial statements. The **Bureau's** basic financial statements comprise of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements; (2) fund financial statements; and (3) notes to basic the financial statements. This report also contains additional required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves. These components are described below. The basic financial statements include two kinds of financial statements that present different views of the **Bureau's** operations, the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. Finally, the notes to the basic financial statements explain some of the information reported in the financial statements and provide more detail.

### Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements provide a broad view of the **Bureau's** operations in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The statement provides both short and long-term information about the **Bureau's** financial position, which assists in assessing the **Bureau's** economic condition at the end of the period.

## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Government-wide Financial Statements (continued)

These financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This basically means they follow methods that are similar to those used by most businesses. They take into account all revenue and expenses connected with the period even if the cash involved has not been received or paid. The government-wide financial statements include two statements:

- **Statement of Net Position** – This presents all of the government's assets and liabilities with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the **Bureau's** net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the **Bureau** is improving or deteriorating.
- **Statement of Activities** – This presents information showing how the government's net position changes during the most recent period. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenue and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future fiscal periods (such as earned but unused vacation leave). This statement also presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenue for each function of the **Bureau**.

### Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The **Bureau**, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with fiscal-related governmental requirements. The fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the **Bureau's** administration, reporting the **Bureau's** operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements. All of the funds of the **Bureau** are classified as governmental funds.

The services provided by the **Bureau** are financed through governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of expendable resources.

They also focus on the balances of expendable resources available at the end of the period. Such information may be useful in evaluating the governments near term financial requirements. This approach is known as using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified-accrual basis of accounting.

These statements provide a detailed short term view of the **Bureau's** finances that assist in determining whether there will be adequate financial resources available to meet the current needs of the **Bureau**. Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.



## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Fund Financial Statements (continued)

By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds' balance sheet and the governmental funds' statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and the governmental activities. This reconciliation is presented on the page immediately following the government-wide financial statements.

The **Bureau** has only one major governmental fund which is the general fund. This major fund is presented in the governmental funds' balance sheet and in the governmental funds' statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance. There are no remaining non-major governmental funds that shall be grouped and presented in the governmental fund financial statements.

### Notes to Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to fully understand the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements.

### Required Supplementary Information

The statements and notes are followed by the required supplementary information that contains the budgetary comparison schedule for the General Fund.

## GENERAL FUND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

- Total revenues of the general fund for the year ended June 30, 2021 amounted to \$18,568,873.
- Total expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2021 amounted \$6,773,469 including transfers to the ICPO amounting to \$792,000.
- Total revenues exceeded total expenditures and transfers by \$11,795,404.

The focus of the **Bureau's** governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the **Bureau's** financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. As of the end of fiscal year 2021, the **Bureau's** governmental funds reported an ending fund balance of \$39,241,976.

### Net Position

The net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. Total assets and total liabilities of the **Bureau** at June 30, 2021 amounted to \$40,968,735 and \$1,019,207, respectively, resulting in a net position of \$39,949,528.

## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Net Position (continued)

A portion of the **Commission's** net position reflects its investment in capital assets such as computer and office equipment, and leasehold improvements. The **Bureau** uses these capital assets to provide its regulatory services; consequentially, these assets are not available for future spending. The net investment in capital assets amounted to \$687,359 as of June 30, 2021.

Total current assets amounted to \$39,945,320 as of June 30, 2021, which are mainly composed of cash (\$39,750,456), due from AFI (\$170,322) and accounts receivable (\$24,542).

Total liabilities amounted to \$1,019,207 and are composed of accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$703,344, and accrued and compensated absences of \$315,863.

A condensed summary of the statement of net position of the **Bureau** as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

### Condensed Statement of Net Position As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, a restated

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020 As Restated</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Current assets	\$ 39,945,320	\$ 27,831,518
Due from OAT	336,056	336,056
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>687,359</u>	<u>626,764</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 40,968,735</u>	<u>\$ 28,794,338</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Current liabilities	\$ 766,517	\$ 430,883
Long-term liabilities	<u>252,690</u>	<u>183,750</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,019,207</u>	<u>614,633</u>
<b>Net position:</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	687,359	626,764
Unrestricted	<u>39,262,169</u>	<u>27,552,941</u>
Total net position	<u>39,949,528</u>	<u>28,179,705</u>
Total liabilities and net position	<u>\$ 40,968,735</u>	<u>\$ 28,794,338</u>

## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

#### Changes in Net Position

The **Bureau's** change in net position amounted to \$11,769,823 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, which represents 63.4% of the **Bureau's** total revenues from contributions made by the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA), energy regulatory charges and other revenues.

#### Condensed Statement of Activities

For the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, as restated

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u> <u>As Restated</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Program revenues		
Energy regulatory services	\$ 18,476,312	\$ 20,000,000
General Revenues		
Interest	78,252	139,971
Other revenues	<u>14,309</u>	<u>51,500</u>
Total revenues	18,568,873	20,191,471
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Energy regulatory services	<u>6,007,050</u>	<u>4,697,165</u>
Change in net position before transfers and Impairment loss on cash deposits	12,561,823	15,494,306
<b>Transfer to the ICPO</b>	(792,000)	(612,000)
<b>Impairment on cash deposits</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>(999)</u>
<b>Change in net position</b>	11,769,823	14,881,307
<b>Net position, beginning of year, as restated</b>	<u>28,179,705</u>	<u>13,298,398</u>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 39,949,528</u>	<u>\$ 28,179,705</u>

## GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

### *Current Year's Budget*

On April 11, 2019, the Government enacted Law No. 17 to create the "Puerto Rico Energy Public Policy Act" for the purposes of establishing the Puerto Rico public policy on energy. Section 6.6 ("Budget and Regulatory Fees") of Law No. 17 establish that beginning Fiscal Year 2019-2020, the annual budget of the **Bureau** shall be twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) which shall be computed on the basis of a regulatory fee to be determined by the **Bureau**, from the annual gross income of the Electric Power Authority created by virtue of Act No. 83 of May 2, 1941, and electric power service Companies in Puerto Rico.

The Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority or any electric power service company that operates the transmission and distribution network shall be required to collect from other electric power companies, pay and transfer the regulatory fee to the Energy Bureau as follows: a first payment of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year and a second payment of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) on or before January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Any delay in the payment of the regulatory fee shall entail a penalty equal to the interest rate applicable to private obligations as established by the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Institutions.

The provisions of this Section shall apply to every electric power service Company under the jurisdiction of the Energy Bureau; provided that the contractual obligations to existing co-generators under agreements in effect as of the effective date of this Act are not impaired. No agreement entered into under Act No. 120-2018, shall exempt contracting companies from the payment of the regulatory fee described in this Section.

Also, as described on **Note 12**, under the provisions of Act No. 57, the **Bureau** shall appropriate by (\$792,000) of these funds to be provided to the Independent Consumer Protection Office (ICPO) for its operations.

Under Law 170-2019, Article 6.16 of Act 57-2014, was amended in order to modify the budget of the Energy Bureau and the way in which the regulatory charges are to be collected to cover the budget of the Energy Bureau.

The General Fund's budget for the year ended June 30, 2021 was \$19,331,000. Actual total revenues amounted to \$18,568,873 and total expenditures amounted to \$6,773,469 (including transfers to the Independent Consumer Protection Office of \$792,000), resulting in an excess of revenues over expenditures of \$11,795,404.

During the fiscal year 2020-2021, the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) directly collected the electric service companies the regulatory fees in accordance with the provisions of the law, as amended. For the fiscal year 2020-2021, the Authority appropriate to the Energy Bureau the amount of \$18,475,362, after having credited the amount of \$1,524,638 of annual charges to the electric service companies that the Energy Bureau had collected in the fiscal years ended on June 30, 2019, and 2020, respectively.

### *Next Year's Budget*

The General Fund budget for the fiscal year 2021-2022 amounted to \$19,301,000.

## GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

### CAPITAL ASSETS

The capital assets of the **Bureau** are those assets that are used in the performance of its functions. The investment in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$687,359. Additional information on the **Bureau's** capital assets can be found in the **Note 8** of the basic financial statements.

#### *Depreciation Expense*

This expense is determined and recorded using a straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), depreciation expense is calculated based on the original cost of the asset less an estimated salvage value, where applicable. For the year ended June 30, 2021, depreciation expense recorded on books amounted to \$119,233, and is presented in the statement of activities.

### LONG-TERM DEBT

Total accrued compensated absences owed by the **Bureau** amounted to \$315,863 as of June 30, 2021. Additional information on the **Bureau's** long-term liabilities can be found in the **Note 9** of the basic financial statements.

- **Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic**

As explain in **Note 15**, on March 12, 2020, Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico declared a state of emergency across the island due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. Furthermore, on March 15, 2020, the Governor signed an executive order (EO 2020-023), which established the closure of all private and government operations, except for those related to essential services. This order was extended through June 30, 2021, by the signing of a new executive order (EO 2020-44). Executive Order 2020-44 eased the COVID-19 lockdown restrictions, reduced the curfew hours, allowed some businesses to operate at 50% capacity, and authorized the opening of the majority of businesses and activities (except nightclubs, game rooms, and casinos) including on Sundays. The new order also called on government management employees to return to work on June 16, 2020.

The **Bureau's** operational and programmatic performance has been impacted due to resources constraints and challenges associated with social distancing and remote work policies put in place.

On July 1, 2020, the **Bureau's** administrative and programmatic work was resumed as usual, following the protective measures established by the COVID 19 Contingency Plan issued by the **Bureau**.

## **ECONOMIC FACTORS (CONTINUED)**

### **Contacting The Bureau's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the **Bureau's** finances for all those with an interest in the **Bureau's** finances. If you have questions about this report, please contact the **Government of Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (the Bureau)**, World Plaza Building, 268 Ave. Muñoz Rivera, Suite 702, San Juan, Puerto Rico 000918.

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 39,750,456
Accounts receivable	24,542
Due from AFI	<u>170,322</u>
Total current assets	<u>39,945,320</u>
Non-current assets:	
Due from OAT	336,056
Capital assets, net	<u>687,359</u>
Total non-current assets	<u>1,023,415</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 40,968,735</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 663,754
Accrued liabilities	39,590
Accrued compensated absences, current portion	<u>63,173</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>766,517</u>
Non-current liabilities:	
Accrued compensated absences, non-current portion	<u>252,690</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>252,690</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,019,207</u>
<b>Net position</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	687,359
Unrestricted	<u>39,262,169</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 39,949,528</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements  
 are integral part of this statement.

Functions / Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues Operating Grants and Contributions	Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:			
Energy Regulatory Services	<u>\$ 6,007,050</u>	<u>\$ 18,476,312</u>	\$ 12,469,262
General Revenues:			
Other revenues			14,309
Interest			<u>78,252</u>
Change in net position before transfers			12,561,823
Transfers to ICPO			<u>(792,000)</u>
Change in net position			11,769,823
Net position, at beginning of year, as restated			<u>28,179,705</u>
Net position, at end of year			<u>\$ 39,949,528</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are integral part of this statement.



	<u>General Fund</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$ 39,750,456
Accounts receivable	24,542
Due from AFI	<u>170,322</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 39,945,320</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 663,754
Accrued liabilities	<u>39,590</u>
Total liabilities	<u>703,344</u>
 <b>FUND BALANCE</b>	
Assigned	
Energy regulatory services	<u>39,241,976</u>
Total fund balance	<u>39,241,976</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 39,945,320</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements  
 are integral part of this statement.

Total fund balance per Fund Financial Statements	\$ 31,241,976
Amounts reported to governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements.	687,359
Other accounts receivable are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements.	336,056
Liabilities of accrued compensated absences that are not to be paid with current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in fund financial statements.	<u>(315,863)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 39,949,528</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements  
are integral part of this statement.

	<b>General Fund</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>	
Appropriations from PREPA	\$ 18,475,362
Energy regulatory charges	950
Interest	78,252
Other revenues	<u>14,309</u>
Total revenues	<u>18,568,873</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Salaries and benefits	1,711,228
Payroll taxes	192,182
Professional services	3,147,888
Office supplies	38,558
Rent	475,372
Insurance	68,916
Capital outlays	179,828
Other	<u>167,497</u>
Total expenditures	<u>5,981,469</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures before transfers	12,587,404
Transfers to ICPO	<u>(792,000)</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures and transfers	11,795,404
Fund balance, at beginning of year	<u>27,446,572</u>
Fund balance, at end of year	<u>\$ 39,241,976</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are integral part of this statement.

Excess of revenues over expenditures- total governmental funds	\$ 11,795,404
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the statement of activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation expense for the period.	60,595
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. This includes the increase in the accrued compensated absences debt.	<u>(86,176)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 11,769,823</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements  
are integral part of this statement.

## Note 1 - Governmental environment

### Organization

The Puerto Rico Energy Commission, presently known as the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (“the **Bureau**”), was created on May 27, 2014 under the provisions of the “Puerto Rico Energy Transformation and Relief Act”. Under the provisions of this Act, the **Bureau** is the governmental agency that regulates the energy industry in Puerto Rico. The **Bureau** was created with the primary intention of regulating the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA), which is the government-owned corporation that controls the monopoly of distribution and transmission of energy in Puerto Rico, as well as producing approximately 70% of all energy consumed on the Island. The **Bureau** began its operations on August 14, 2014, the date in which its president was appointed. The **Bureau** shall be the key component for the faithful and transparent execution of the Puerto Rico Energy Reform. It shall be an independent government entity in charge of regulating, overseeing, and ensuring compliance with the public policy on energy of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Organizationally, the **Bureau** is overseen by a Board of Directors comprised of three (3) commissioners appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The **Bureau** is also supported by an executive director who works together with the Puerto Rico Energy Affairs Administration and provides technical advice to the commissioners.

On August 12, 2018, Law No. 211 was enacted for the Execution of the Reorganization Plan of the Public Service Regulatory Board of Puerto Rico and amendments to several related laws adopted pursuant to the Law No. 122 of December 18, 2017. Under the provisions of this Law, the former Puerto Rico Energy Commission will be part of the PSRB and is known hereafter as the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

Accordingly, the Law No. 211 creates the Public Service Regulatory Board of Puerto Rico (PSRB) under the plan submitted by the Governor and approved by the Legislative Assembly. The PSRB will consolidate under a new administrative and functional structure the Telecommunications Regulatory Board, the Public Service Bureau, the Independent Office of Consumer Protection, the Energy Administration of Puerto Rico and the Energy Commission.

The PSRB will operate as an independent agency and will be endowed with the capacity and powers necessary to comply with this Act and the Reorganization Plan of the Public Service Regulatory Board of Puerto Rico. This Law allows government activities of essential public services to be integrated into a single entity directed by a collegiate body, whose main mission will be to regulate, supervise and manage more efficiently the instrumentalities that are part of the component.

Under the provisions of Law No. 211, the PSRB will create and operate the Puerto Rico Telecommunications Bureau, the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (formerly known as the Puerto Rico Energy Commission) and the Puerto Rico of Transportation and Other Public Services. The President of the PSRB, in coordination with the Commissioners of each Bureau, will prepare, administer, request, manage, receive, and formulate annual budgets, as well as determine the use and control of equipment, materials and all property transferred, always respecting the operational and functional independence of each Bureau.

**Note 1 - Governmental environment (continued)**

**Organization (continued)**

All funds available, of any nature, that come from the budgets, powers and or functions performed by the Bureaus, and that are transferred to the PSRB for administration, shall be used to cover the operational expenses of the PSRB and each of the Bureaus in compliance with the purposes for which they were intended, subject to the terms, restrictions, limitations and or requirements imposed on them by the applicable state or federal laws.

Beginning with the fiscal year 2019-2020 and subsequent years, the President, in coordination with the Executive Director and the Commissioners of each Bureau, shall prepare the annual budget of the Bureaus. The Executive Director shall submit the budget of the Bureaus to the Office of Management and Budget and to the Legislative Assembly for the inclusion and approval of their budgetary allocations.

The PSRB shall be composed of two (2) associate members and one (1) President, all appointed by the Governor of Puerto Rico with the advice and consent of the Senate of Puerto Rico, and may only be removed for just cause. Initially, the President shall hold office for a term of six (6) years and associate members shall hold office for a term of three (3) and two (2) years, respectively. The members of the PSRB who succeed the President and associate members, shall hold office for a term of four (4) years. The members of the Board shall be citizens of the United States of America and residents of Puerto Rico, and shall be of legal age, possess recognized professional capacity, moral probity, knowledge and experience in the field of public administration and government management, academic preparation and experience in matters under the jurisdiction of, at least, one of the regulatory instrumentalities consolidated in the Plan. However, one of the members must have experience in matters under the jurisdiction of the Energy Bureau.

On April 11, 2019, the Government enacted Law No. 17 to create the "Puerto Rico Energy Public Policy Act" for the purposes of establishing the Puerto Rico public policy on energy.

The financial statements of the **Bureau** have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. The GASB periodically updates its existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, which along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units.

Also, the **Bureau** has prepared the required supplementary information titled Management's Discussion and Analysis, which precedes the basic financial statements and the Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund, which succeeds the notes to the financial statements.

**Note 1 - Governmental environment (continued)**

**Financial reporting entity**

The financial reporting entity included in this report consists of the financial statements of the **Bureau** (primary government) and organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable. In addition, the primary government may determine, through exercise of management's professional judgment, that the inclusion of an organization that does not meet the financial accountability criteria is necessary in order to prevent the reporting entity's financial statements from being misleading. Other entities should be evaluated as potential component units if they are closely related to, or financially integrated with, the primary government. It is a matter of professional judgment to determine whether the nature and the significance of a potential component unit's relationship with the primary government warrant inclusion in the reporting entity. An entity should be considered a component unit if it meets any of the following three conditions:

1. The primary government appoints a voting majority of the entity's governing body, and either:
  - A financial benefit/burden exist between the primary government and the entity or;
  - The primary government can impose its will on the entity.
2. The entity is fiscally dependent on the primary government and there is a financial benefit/burden between the primary government and the entity.
3. It would be necessary to include the entity as a component unit since the primary government's financial statements would be misleading without it.

Based on the above criteria, there are no potential component units which should be included as a part of the financial statements.

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies**

**a. GASB No. 34**

The accompanying basic financial statements of the **Bureau** have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted (GAAP) in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB). In June 1999, the GASB issued Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments* (GASB No. 34). This Statement establishes financial reporting requirements for state and local governments. The **Bureau** has adopted the provisions of GASB No. 34 as well as others statements referred to below.

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

**b. Basic of presentation - fund accounting**

The accounts of the **Bureau** are organized on the basis of governmental funds. Each fund is accounted for by a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues and expenditures. Fund financial statements report detailed information about the **Bureau's** current financial resources. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

**c. Governmental funds**

The **Bureau** reports the following major governmental fund:

**General Fund** - This is the **Bureau's** primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial operations, except for those required to be accounted for in another fund, if any.

**d. Measurement focus and basis of accounting**

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured in the financial statements, while basis of accounting refers to the timing in which transactions are recognized in the operating statements. The governmental funds use a current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified-accrual basis of accounting.

Under the modified-accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual, i.e. when they become both measurable and available. Measurable means that the amount of the transaction can be determined or reasonably estimated. 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. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, i.e., that the liability will be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

**e. Government-wide financial statements**

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities and display information of all the activities of the **Bureau**, as a whole. The **Bureau's** activities are considered governmental type. The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This approach differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Therefore, governmental fund financial statements include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide financial statements and the statements for governmental funds.



**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

**f. Net position**

Net position is the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources in the government-wide financial statements. Net position might be reported in three (3) categories:

- 1) **Net investment in capital assets** - it consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of long-term debt that is attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
- 2) **Restricted net position** - results, when constraints placed on net position use, are externally imposed by grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3) **Unrestricted net position** - this consists of net position that does not meet the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources that are imposed by management, but can be removed or modified.

**g. Net position flow assumption**

Sometimes, the **Bureau** will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted - net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the **Bureau's** policy to consider restricted - net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position applied.

**h. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources**

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/ expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The government has three (3) items that qualify for reporting in this category:

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

**h. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources (continued)**

- 1) **Government-mandated or voluntary non-exchange transactions received before the time requirements have been met** - Federal and state grants received before the beginning of the fiscal year to which they pertain are recognized as deferred inflows of resources on both the balance sheet of the governmental funds and in the government-wide statement of net position. The amounts deferred would be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) in the period in which the time requirements are fulfilled.
- 2) **Unavailable revenue reported under the modified-basis of accounting** - Amounts collected or to be collected after the availability period are recognized as unavailable revenue in the governmental funds balance sheet. The amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) in the period that the amounts become available. Since this deferred inflow of resources is the result of the modified-accrual basis of accounting, it is only reported in the governmental fund financial statements.
- 3) **Deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to pensions** - Amounts reported for changes in calculation of the net pension liability that result from: a) differences between expected and actual experience; b) changes of assumptions; c) net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments; d) changes in proportion and difference between the **Bureau's** contributions and proportionate share contributions; and e) the **Bureau's** contributions subsequent to the measurement date.

**i. Non-exchange transactions**

GASB Statement No. 33, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Transactions" established accounting and financial reporting standards for non-exchange transactions involving financial or capital resources (for example, most taxes, grants and private donations). In non-exchange transactions, a government gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in return. This is different from an exchange transaction, in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Under the provisions of this Statement, the provider and the recipient should recognize the non-exchange transaction as an expense/expenditure and revenue, respectively, when all eligibility requirements are satisfied.

**j. Capital assets**

Property and equipment purchased or acquired is carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. The **Bureau's** capitalization policy is to capitalize individual amounts exceeding \$500. Other costs incurred for repair and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Capital assets utilized in the governmental funds are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds financial statements. Depreciation expense is recorded in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation on all assets is calculated on the straight-line basis over the asset's estimated useful life. There is no depreciation recorded for land and construction in progress. The estimated useful lives of capital assets are as follows: 1) Office and computer equipment and furniture five (5) years; 2) Leasehold improvements ten (10) years.

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

**k. Compensated absences**

The **Bureau's** employees accumulate vacations and sick leave. Compensated absences are recorded as a liability if (1) are earned on the basis of services already performed by employees, (2) it is probable that will be paid (in the form of paid time off, cash payments at termination or retirement, or some other means) and (3) are not contingent on a specific event (such as illness). The **Bureau's** employees accumulate unpaid vacation and sick leave and associated employee-related costs when earned (or estimated to be earned) by the employee.

On February 4, 2017, the Government enacted Law No. 8 for the Administration and Transformation of the Human Resources of the Government of Puerto Rico. Effective on that date, this Law established and recognizes that the government is a Single Employer. Under the provisions of this law annual vacation days were reduced from thirty (30) to fifteen (15) days. The vacation days may be accumulated to a maximum of sixty (60) days.

Also, the employees hire before the effectiveness of this law, will be granted annually with eighteen (18) days of sick leave. In addition, the employees hire after the effectiveness of this law, will be granted annually with twelve (12) days of sick leave. In both cases, the sick leave days may be accumulated to a maximum of ninety (90) days. Under the provisions of Law No. 176 of December 16, 2019, annual/sick leave days were increase to 18 days.

On December 16, 2019, the Government enacted Law No. 176 to amend the provisions of Law No. 8. Accordingly, annual vacation days were increase to 30 days, which may be accumulated up to sixty (60) days.

The accrual of compensated absences includes estimated payments that are related to payroll. The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements. For governmental funds financial statements, only the matured amount that is normally expected to be paid using expendable available financial resources is reported as liability. The non-current portion of the liability is not reported. Separation from the employment prior to the use of all or part of the sick leave terminates all rights for compensation, except for employees with ten years of services, who are entitled to sick leave pay up to the maximum allowed. The **Bureau** accrues a liability for compensated absences which meet the following criteria: a) The **Bureau's** obligations relating to employee's rights to receive compensation for future absences are attributable to employee's services already rendered; b) The obligations relate to right that vest or accumulate; c) Payment for the compensation is probable; d) The amount can be reasonably estimated.

In accordance with the above criteria and requirements as established by GASB No. 16, the **Bureau** has accrued a liability for compensated absences, which has been earned but not taken by the **Bureau's** employees. For the government-wide statements, the current portion is the amount estimated to be used in the following year. For the governmental funds statements, the matured portion of compensated absences is only considered and represents a reconciling item between the fund level and government-wide presentation. Accrued compensated absences as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$404,463.

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

**i. Fund balance reporting**

GASB Statement No. 54 establishes standards for fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. Additionally, the definitions of the general fund, special revenue fund type, capital projects fund type, debt service fund type, and permanent fund type are clarified by the provisions in this Statement. Interpretations of certain terms within the definition of the special revenue fund type have been provided and, for some governments, those interpretations may affect the activities they choose to report in those funds. The capital projects fund type definition also was clarified for better alignment with the needs of preparers and users. Definitions of other governmental fund types also have been modified for clarity and consistency.

GASB No. 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below:

**Non-spendable** - such balance is associated with inventories, prepaid and long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned).

**Restricted** - this category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purpose stipulated by constitution, external source providers or through enabling legislation.

**Committed** - this classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the entities' highest level decision making authority.

**Assigned** - this classification is intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be committed.

**Unassigned** - it is the residual classification for the government's general fund and includes all expendable amounts no contained in the other classifications.

**m. Fund balance flow assumptions**

Sometimes, the **Bureau** will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the **Bureau's** policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

**Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

**n. Use of estimates**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the basis financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**o. Reclassification**

Certain reclassifications have been made in the accompanying financial statements which affect the comparability with the financial statements issued for previous fiscal years.

**p. Subsequent events**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through November 23, 2022, which is the date the financial statement were available to be issued, for events requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2021.

**Note 3 - Cash**

**Deposits**

The **Bureau** is authorized to deposit only in bank institutions approved by the Department of the Treasury of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Such deposits should be kept in separate accounts in the name of the **Bureau**. Under the Commonwealth's statutes, public funds deposited in commercial banks must be fully collateralized for the amount deposited in excess of federal depository insurance.

**Custodial credit risk**

Custodial credit risk - deposits: is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The **Bureau** maintains cash deposits in one commercial bank located in Puerto Rico. Under Commonwealth of Puerto Rico statutes, public funds deposited in commercial banks must be fully collateralized for the amount deposited in excess of insurance provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). All securities pledged as collateral by the **Bureau** are held by agents designated by the Puerto Rico Secretary of Treasury but not in the **Bureau's** name. At June 30, 2021, total deposits in the commercial bank amounted to \$39,750,456. All deposits are carried at cost plus accrued interest, if any.

**Note 4 - Risk financing**

The **Bureau** carries commercial insurance to cover casualty, theft, claims and other losses. The **Bureau's** current insurance policies have not been cancelled or terminated. For workers compensation, the State Insurance Fund Corporation, a component unit of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, provides the workers compensation to the **Bureau's** employees in case of injuries in the workplace.

**Note 5 - Accounts receivable**

The accounts receivable balance as of June 30, 2021 amounted to \$24,542. These accounts receivable are mostly composed of regulatory fees billed by the **Bureau** to applicable electric power service companies in Puerto Rico for regulatory fees billed by the **Bureau** and other receivable (See **Note 6**).

**Note 6 - Regulatory fees**

The **Bureau** shall impose and collect fees pursuant the provisions of Section 6.16 of Act No. 57 in order to generate sufficient income to cover its operating expenses and those of the Commonwealth Energy Public Policy Office (CEPPO). The annual fee shall be fixed by the **Bureau** proportionally on the basis of the gross income earned by any person under the jurisdiction of the **Bureau** from the provision of electric power services, or electric power transmission services. These fees shall be paid to the **Bureau** on a quarterly basis, pursuant the regulations promulgated by the **Bureau**. The **Bureau** shall review annually the fee to be imposed on persons under its jurisdiction, in accordance with Section 6.16.

Any other person or electric power service company that earns profit from the generation of electric power shall pay a fee to the **Bureau** that shall not exceed .25% of its annual gross income earned from the provision of such services in Puerto Rico. No electric power service company that has entered into a power purchase agreement, an interconnection agreement or a wheeling agreement with PREPA may claim a refund for or include the expenses incurred in connection with the annual fee paid to the **Bureau** in the computation of rates, the capacity fee, energy fee or any other fee or sum of money that such electric power service company collects from PREPA under such power purchase agreement, interconnection agreement, or wheeling agreement. The following table shows the amount revenues of the Bureau derived from the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority appropriations and the regulatory fees charges to the electrical power companies in Puerto Rico for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

	<b>Amount</b>
Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority	\$ 18,475,362
Electrical Power Service Companies	<u>950</u>
Total	<u>\$ 18,476,312</u>

**Note 7 - Due from AFI/OAT**

**Due from AFI**

On July 14, 2020, the **Bureau** entered into an agreement with the Autoridad para el Financiamiento de la Infraestructura de Puerto Rico" ("AFI"). Under the provisions of the agreement, the **Bureau** shall paid AFI \$305,919 to perform certain improvements on **Bureau's** office facilities. The improvements performed by AFI amounted to \$135,597, including the acquisition and installation of furniture of \$85,607. Accordingly, the Bureau made a claim to AFI for the remaining unexpended amount of \$170,322.

**Due from OAT**

On February 3, 2015, AFI and the **Bureau** entered into a Lease Agreement for certain offices owned by AFI located in World Plaza Building (the building) in San Juan (See **Note 11**). As per Articles 8 and 9 of the Agreement, AFI is required to reimburse to the **Bureau** the cost of repairs and improvements that would be made to the leased facilities up to a limit, which is based on the space leased by the **Bureau**. The claim made by the **Bureau** amounted to \$336,056 and was determined by the officers of the company that administers the building facilities.

Subsequently, on September 29, 2020, the building was acquired by the Oficina de Administración de Tribunales (OAT). Accordingly, the outstanding claim made by the **Bureau** shall be assumed by OAT.

**Note 8 - Capital assets**

Capital assets' activity of the **Bureau** for the year ended June 30, 2021, consisted of the following:

	<u>Balance as of July 1, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Balance as of June 30, 2021</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Office equipment	\$ 79,458	\$ 129,838	\$ -	\$ 209,296
Computer equipment	215,771	-	-	215,771
Leasehold improvements	<u>651,555</u>	<u>49,990</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>701,545</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>946,784</u>	<u>179,828</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,126,612</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Office equipment	(46,207)	(26,641)	-	(72,848)
Computer equipment	(105,018)	(27,436)	-	(132,454)
Leasehold improvements	<u>(168,795)</u>	<u>(65,156)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(233,951)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(320,020)</u>	<u>(119,233)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(439,253)</u>
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 626,764</u>	<u>\$ 60,595</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 687,359</u>

Depreciation expense amounting to \$119,233 was charged to the Energy Regulatory Services function in the government-wide statement of activities.



**Note 9 - Long-term liabilities**

Long-term liabilities consists of compensated absences balances of accrued vacation and sick leave and represents the **Bureau's** commitment to fund such costs from future assignments. The following summarizes the activity of the compensated absences obligations as of June 30, 2021:

	<u>Balance as of June 30, 2020 as restated</u>	<u>Net Change</u>	<u>Balance as of June 30, 2021</u>	<u>Due within one year</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Compensated absences	\$ 229,687	\$ 86,176	\$ 315,863	\$ 63,173
	<u>\$ 229,687</u>	<u>\$ 86,176</u>	<u>\$ 315,863</u>	<u>\$ 63,173</u>

**Note 10 - Employees' pension plan**

As of June 30, 2021, the **Bureau** is in the process of evaluating a pension plan for its employees. As of that date, the **Bureau's** employees might be entitled to participate in the Employee's Retirement System of the Government of Puerto Rico (ERS).

In order to be covered by and participate in the ERS, the **Bureau's** governance body shall submit a resolution and an application to the ERS establishing their interest to be accepted into the ERS. Once completed and submitted to the ERS, the application will be subject to the evaluation and approval of the ERS's Board of Trustees.

As of the date of the financial statements, the **Bureau** has not issued a resolution and/or made a decision in order to establish a pension plan for its employees.

**Note 11 - Commitments**

The **Bureau** has non-cancelable operating leases with the Public Finance Administration (AFI), primarily for the **Bureau's** administrative facilities, that expire on July 31, 2021 over minimum term of five (5) years and can be renewed for additional terms, as provided in each contract. For the period ended June 30, 2021, rent expenditures for the **Bureau** amounted to \$475,372 under such operating leases. Additional future payments are dependent upon lease agreement renewal.

On July 30, 2021, the **Bureau** renewed the lease agreement for a period of five (5) commencing on August 1, 2021 and expiring on July 31, 2026. The new lease agreement calls for monthly payments of \$44,400. The new agreement was entered with OAT, which acquire the Word Plaza Building on September 29, 2020.



**Note 11 - Commitments (continued)**

The future minimum payments of these leases for the next five (5) fiscal years and thereafter, are as follows:

<u>Year ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2022	\$ 526,233
2023	532,805
2024	532,805
2025	532,805
2026	532,805
Thereafter	<u>44,400</u>
	<u>\$ 2,701,853</u>

**Note 12 - Transfers to ICPO and PREA**

***Independent Consumer Protection Office (ICPO)***

Under the provisions of Act No. 57 of May 27, 2014, Section 6.41 provides for the creation of the Independent Consumer Protection Office (ICPO). The ICPO was created to educate, advice, assist, and represent electric power customers in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Act No. 57 establishes the following in relation to the Office:

- Shall have the administrative support of the **Bureau**, the Commonwealth Energy Public Policy Office, PREPA and any other electric power company certified in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- Shall be composed of a Director, appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of six (6) years as well as of the personnel and external consultants necessary to fully carry out the duties and functions of the ICPO.

Also, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 57, the ICPO shall receive an annual appropriation of the amounts appropriated to the **Bureau**. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the **Bureau** recognized transfers of funds to the ICPO by \$792,000.

***Puerto Rico Energy Administration (PREA)***

The provisions of Section 6.1 of Act No. 57 of May 27, 2014, provides for the creation of the Puerto Rico Energy Administration (PREA). The PREA was created as an independent and autonomous governmental entity that will provide support to the **Bureau**, to the State Office of Public Energy Policy (SOPEP) and the Independent Consumer Protection Office (ICPO). The PREA will provide support to those entities to regulate, supervise and ensure compliance with the public energy policy of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

**Note 12 - Transfers to ICPO and PREA (continued)**

***Puerto Rico Energy Administration (PREA) (continued)***

The PREA will be directed by an Administrator and will be the administrative and operational support of the **Bureau**, the SOPEP and the ICPO that are established through Act No. 57. In its capacity as administrative and operational support, the PREA will offer these entities administrative services, such as human resources management, procurement, budget, finance, technology, maintenance and others.

The PREA's Administrator will be appointed by a majority vote of the President of the **Bureau**, the Executive Director of the SOPEP, and the Director of the ICPO. Due to the financial crisis of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico the Office of Management and Budget of Puerto Rico (OMBPR) was not able to provide a budget appropriation to provide funds for the operations of PREA.

Accordingly, on June 1, 2016, the PREA entered into a collaborative agreement with the **Bureau**, the SOPEP and the ICPO. Under this agreement these governmental entities will transfer funds for the PREA operations until the OMBPR is able to provide a budget appropriation or the PREA can have its own funds. During fiscal year 2020 no transfers of funds to PREA were approved and recognized on the **Bureau's** basic financial statements.

**Note 13 - Adoption of new accounting pronouncements**

Effective July 1, 2020, the **Bureau** adopted the provisions of the following GASB Statements:

- **GASB Statement No. 84 - "Fiduciary Activities"**: The objective of this Statement is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. This Statement establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments. The focus of the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. Separate criteria are included to identify fiduciary component units and postemployment benefit arrangements that are fiduciary activities. This Statement also provides for recognition of a liability to the beneficiaries in a fiduciary fund when an event has occurred that compels the government to disburse fiduciary resources. Events that compel a government to disburse fiduciary resources occur when a demand for the resources has been made or when no further action, approval, or condition is required to be taken or met by the beneficiary to release the assets. The requirements of this Statement, which were postponed one year by GASB Statement No. 95, are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Earlier application is encouraged.
- **GASB Statement No. 90 - "Majority Equity Interest – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and 61"**: The primary objectives of this Statement are to improve the consistency and comparability of reporting a government's majority equity interest in a legally separate organization and to improve the relevance of financial statement information for certain component units. It defines a majority equity interest and specifies that a majority equity interest in a legally separate organization should be reported as an investment if a government's holding of the equity interest meets the definition of an investment.

**Note 13 - Adoption of new accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 90 - “Majority Equity Interest – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and 61” (continued)**

A majority equity interest that meets the definition of an investment should be measured using the equity method, unless it is held by a special-purpose government engaged only in fiduciary activities, a fiduciary fund, or an endowment (including permanent and term endowments) or permanent fund. Those governments and funds should measure the majority equity interest at fair value. For all other holdings of a majority equity interest in a legally separate organization, a government should report the legally separate organization as a component unit, and the government or fund that holds the equity interest should report an asset related to the majority equity interest using the equity method.

This Statement establishes that ownership of a majority equity interest in a legally separate organization results in the government being financially accountable for the legally separate organization and, therefore, the government should report that organization as a component unit. This Statement also requires that a component unit in which a government has a 100 percent equity interest account for its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources at acquisition value at the date the government acquired a 100 percent equity interest in the component unit. Transactions presented in flows statements of the component unit in that circumstance should include only transactions that occurred subsequent to the acquisition.

The requirements of this Statement, which were postponed one year by GASB Statement No. 95, are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Earlier application is encouraged. The requirements should be applied retroactively, except for the provisions related to (1) reporting a majority equity interest in a component unit and (2) reporting a component unit if the government acquires a 100 percent equity interest. Those provisions should be applied on a prospective basis.

The implementation of these statements has not significant impact on the **Bureau’s** financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements**

- **GASB Statement No. 87 - “Leases”**: The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments.

This Statement increases the usefulness of governments’ financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 87 - “Leases” (continued)**

Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities.

The requirements of this Statement, which were postponed 18 months by GASB No. 95, are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged.

- **GASB Statement No. 89 - “Accounting for Interest Costs Incurred Before the End of a Construction Period”:** The objectives of this Statement are (1) to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period and (2) to simplify accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. This Statement establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. Such interest cost includes all interest that previously was accounted for in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs 5–22 of Statement No. 62, *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements*, which are superseded by this Statement.

This Statement requires that interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred for financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. As a result, interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period will not be included in the historical cost of a capital asset reported in a business-type activity or enterprise fund.

This Statement also reiterates that in financial statements prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus, interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period should be recognized as an expenditure on a basis consistent with governmental fund accounting principles

The requirements of this Statement, which were postponed one year by GASB Statement No. 95, are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Earlier application is encouraged.

- **GASB Statement No. 91 - “Conduit Debt Obligations”** - The primary objectives of this Statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 91 - “Conduit Debt Obligations” (continued)**

This Statement achieves those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures.

This Statement requires issuers to disclose general information about their conduit debt obligations, organized by type of commitment, including the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the issuers’ conduit debt obligations and a description of each type of commitment. Issuers that recognize liabilities related to supporting the debt service of conduit debt obligations also should disclose information about the amount recognized and how the liabilities changed during the reporting period.

The requirements of this Statement, which were postponed one year by GASB Statement No. 95, are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged.

- **GASB Statement No. 92 - “Omnibus 2020”**

Effective Date: The requirements of this Statement are effective as follows:

- The requirements related to the effective date of Statement 87 and Implementation Guide 2019-3, reinsurance recoveries, and terminology used to refer to derivative instruments are effective upon issuance.
- The requirements related to intra-entity transfers of assets and those related to the applicability of Statements 73 and 74 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2021.
- The requirements related to application of Statement 84 to postemployment benefit arrangements and those related to nonrecurring fair value measurements of assets or liabilities are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.
- The requirements related to the measurement of liabilities (and assets, if any) associated with asset retirement obligations in a government acquisition are effective for government acquisitions occurring in reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

Earlier application is encouraged and is permitted by topic.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 93 - “Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates”** - Some governments have entered into agreements in which variable payments made or received depend on an interbank offered rate (IBOR)—most notably, the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR). As a result of global reference rate reform, LIBOR is expected to cease to exist in its current form at the end of 2021, prompting governments to amend or replace financial instruments for the purpose of replacing LIBOR with other reference rates, by either changing the reference rate or adding or changing fallback provisions related to the reference rate.

The objective of this Statement is to address those and other accounting and financial reporting implications that result from the replacement of an IBOR. This Statement achieves that objective by:

- Providing exceptions for certain hedging derivative instruments to the hedge accounting termination provisions when an IBOR is replaced as the reference rate of the hedging derivative instrument’s variable payment.
- Clarifying the hedge accounting termination provisions when a hedged item is amended to replace the reference rate.
- Clarifying that the uncertainty related to the continued availability of IBORs does not, by itself, affect the assessment of whether the occurrence of a hedged expected transaction is probable.
- Removing LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate for the qualitative evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap
- Identifying a Secured Overnight Financing Rate and the Effective Federal Funds Rate as appropriate benchmark interest rates for the qualitative evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap
- Clarifying the definition of reference rate, as it is used in Statement 53, as amended
- Providing an exception to the lease modifications guidance in Statement 87, as amended, for certain lease contracts that are amended solely to replace an IBOR as the rate upon which variable payments depend.
- The requirements of this Statement were postponed one year by GASB Statement No. 95. The removal of LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate is effective for reporting periods ending after December 31, 2021. All other requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2020. Earlier application is encouraged.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 94 - “Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements”** - The primary objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs). As used in this Statement, a PPP is an arrangement in which a government (the transferor) contracts with an operator (a governmental or nongovernmental entity) to provide public services by conveying control of the right to operate or use a nonfinancial asset, such as infrastructure or other capital asset (the underlying PPP asset), for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Some PPPs meet the definition of a service concession arrangement (SCA), which the Board defines in this Statement as a PPP in which (1) the operator collects and is compensated by fees from third parties; (2) the transferor determines or has the ability to modify or approve which services the operator is required to provide, to whom the operator is required to provide the services, and the prices or rates that can be charged for the services; and (3) the transferor is entitled to significant residual interest in the service utility of the underlying PPP asset at the end of the arrangement.

This Statement also provides guidance for accounting and financial reporting for availability payment arrangements (APAs). As defined in this Statement, an APA is an arrangement in which a government compensates an operator for services that may include designing, constructing, financing, maintaining, or operating an underlying nonfinancial asset for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction.

The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Earlier application is encouraged.

- **GASB Statement No. 96 - “Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements”** - This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA.

To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended. Under this Statement, a government generally should recognize a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability.

A government should recognize the subscription liability at the commencement of the subscription term, which is when the subscription asset is placed into service. The subscription liability should be initially measured at the present value of subscription payments expected to be made during the subscription term.



**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 96 - “*Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*” (continued)**

Future subscription payments should be discounted using the interest rate the SBITA vendor charges the government, which may be implicit, or the government’s incremental borrowing rate if the interest rate is not readily determinable.

A government should recognize amortization of the discount on the subscription liability as an outflow of resources (for example, interest expense) in subsequent financial reporting periods.

This Statement requires a government to disclose descriptive information about its SBITAs other than short-term SBITAs, such as the amount of the subscription asset, accumulated amortization, other payments not included in the measurement of a subscription liability, principal and interest requirements for the subscription liability, and other essential information. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Earlier application is encouraged. Assets and liabilities resulting from SBITAs should be recognized and measured using the facts and circumstances that existed at the beginning of the fiscal year in which this Statement is implemented.

Governments are permitted, but are not required, to include in the measurement of the subscription asset capitalizable outlays associated with the initial implementation stage and the operation and additional implementation stage incurred prior to the implementation of this Statement.

- **GASB Statement No. 97 - “*Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans— an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a supersession of GASB Statement No. 32*”** - The primary objectives of this Statement are to (1) increase consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units in circumstances in which a potential component unit does not have a governing board and the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans) as fiduciary component units in fiduciary fund financial statements; and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 457 deferred compensation plans (Section 457 plans) that meet the definition of a pension plan and for benefits provided through those plans.

This Statement requires that for purposes of determining whether a primary government is financially accountable for a potential component unit, except for a potential component unit that is a defined contribution pension plan, a defined contribution OPEB plan, or another employee benefit plan (for example, certain Section 457 plans), the absence of a governing board should be treated the same as the appointment of a voting majority of a governing board if the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform.



**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 97 - “*Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a supersession of GASB Statement No. 32*” (continued)**

This Statement supersedes the remaining provisions of Statement No. 32, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans*, as amended, regarding investment valuation requirements for Section 457 plans. As a result, investments of *all* Section 457 plans should be measured as of the end of the plan’s reporting period in all circumstances. The requirements of this Statement that are related to the accounting and financial reporting for Section 457 plans are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2021. For purposes of determining whether a primary government is financially accountable for a potential component unit, the requirements of this Statement that provide that for all other arrangements, the absence of a governing board be treated the same as the appointment of a voting majority of a governing board if the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform, are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

Earlier application of those requirements is encouraged and permitted by requirement as specified within this Statement. The Board considered the effective dates for the requirements of this Statement in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and in concert with Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*.

- **GASB Statement No. 98 - “*The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report*”** - This Statement establishes the term annual comprehensive financial report and its acronym ACFR. That new term and acronym replace instances of comprehensive annual financial report and its acronym in generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments. This Statement was developed in response to concerns raised by stakeholders that the common pronunciation of the acronym for comprehensive annual financial report sounds like a profoundly objectionable racial slur. This Statement’s introduction of the new term is founded on a commitment to promoting inclusiveness.

One of the principles guiding the Board’s setting of standards for accounting and financial reporting is the assessment of expected benefits and perceived costs. The Board strives to determine that its standards address significant user needs and that the costs incurred through the application of its standards, compared with possible alternatives, are justified when compared to the expected overall public benefit. Little direct cost will be incurred as a result of instituting the new term. Moreover, there will be no direct benefits in the form of new or improved information for making decisions or assessing accountability. However, establishing a new name for the financial report in response to the concerns of stakeholders benefits all stakeholders. The Board believes that those benefits are qualitative and justify the costs that will result from implementing the new term.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

• **GASB Statement No. 98 - “*The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report*” (continued)**

Unless otherwise specified, pronouncements of the GASB apply to financial reports of all state and local governmental entities, including general purpose governments; public benefit corporations and authorities; public employee retirement systems; and public utilities, hospitals and other healthcare providers, and colleges and universities.

• **GASB Statement No. 99 - “*OMNIBUS 2022*”** - The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The practice issues addressed by this Statement are as follows:

- Classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement No. 53, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Derivative Instruments, that do not meet the definition of either an investment derivative instrument or a hedging derivative instrument.
- Clarification of provisions in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended, related to the determination of the lease term, classification of a lease as a short-term lease, recognition and measurement of a lease liability and a lease asset, and identification of lease incentives.
- Clarification of provisions in Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*, related to (a) the determination of the public-private and public-public partnership (PPP) term and (b) recognition and measurement of installment payments and the transfer of the underlying PPP asset.
- Clarification of provisions in Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*, related to the subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA) term, classification of a SBITA as a short-term SBITA, and recognition and measurement of a subscription liability.
- Extension of the period during which the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) is considered an appropriate benchmark interest rate for the qualitative evaluation of the effectiveness of an interest rate swap that hedges the interest rate risk of taxable debt.
- Accounting for the distribution of benefits as part of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
- Disclosures related to nonmonetary transactions.
- Pledges of future revenues when resources are not received by the pledging government.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- **GASB Statement No. 99 - “OMNIBUS 2022”**
  - Clarification of provisions in Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management’s Discussion and Analysis—for State and Local Governments, as amended, related to the focus of the government-wide financial statements.
  - Terminology updates related to certain provisions of Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position.
  - Terminology used in Statement 53 to refer to resource flows statements.
- **GASB Statement No. 100 - “Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 62** - The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. This Statement defines accounting changes as changes in accounting principles, changes in accounting estimates, and changes to or within the financial reporting entity and describes the transactions or other events that constitute those changes. As part of those descriptions, for (1) certain changes in accounting principles and (2) certain changes in accounting estimates that result from a change in measurement methodology, a new principle or methodology should be justified on the basis that it is preferable to the principle or methodology used before the change. That preferability should be based on the qualitative characteristics of financial reporting—understandability, reliability, relevance, timeliness, consistency, and comparability. This Statement also addresses corrections of errors in previously issued financial statements.”

This Statement prescribes the accounting and financial reporting for (1) each type of accounting change and (2) error corrections. This Statement requires that (a) changes in accounting principles and error corrections be reported retroactively by restating prior periods, (b) changes to or within the financial reporting entity be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period, and (c) changes in accounting estimates be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the current period. The requirements of this Statement for changes in accounting principles apply to the implementation of a new pronouncement in absence of specific transition provisions in the new pronouncement. This Statement also requires that the aggregate amount of adjustments to and restatements of beginning net position, fund balance, or fund net position, as applicable, be displayed by reporting unit in the financial statements.

This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated.

**Note 14 - Future adoption of accounting pronouncements (continued)**

- ***GASB Statement No. 100 - "Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - an amendment of GASB Statements No. 62 (continued)***

Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is affected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). For periods that are earlier than those included in the basic financial statements, information presented in RSI or SI should be restated for error corrections, if practicable, but not for changes in accounting principles.

The requirements of this Statement are effective for accounting changes and error corrections made in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023 (FY 2023-2024), and all reporting periods thereafter. Earlier application is encouraged.

- ***GASB Statement No. 101 - "Compensated Absences"*** The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures.

The impact of the implementation of these statements on the **Bureau's** financial statements, if any, has not yet been determined.

**Note 15 - Contingencies**

**Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic**

On March 12, 2020, Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico declared a state of emergency across the island due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. Furthermore, on March 15, 2020, the Governor signed an executive order (EO 2020-023), which established the closure of all private and government operations, except for those related to essential services. This order was extended through June 30, 2021, by the signing of a new executive order (EO 2020-44). Executive Order 2020-44 eased the COVID-19 lockdown restrictions, reduced the curfew hours, allowed some businesses to operate at 50% capacity, and authorized the opening of the majority of businesses and activities (except nightclubs, game rooms, and casinos) including on Sundays. The new order also called on government management employees to return to work on June 16, 2020.

**Note 15 - Contingencies (continued)**

The **Bureau's** operational and programmatic performance has been impacted due to resources constraints and challenges associated with social distancing and remote work policies put in place.

On July 1, 2020, the **Bureau's** administrative and programmatic work was resumed as usual, following the protective measures established by the COVID 19 Contingency Plan issued by the **Bureau**.

**Note 16 - Prior period adjustment**

Net position, at beginning of fiscal year, as previously reported	<u>\$ 28,004,928</u>
Prior period adjustment:	
Accrued compensated absences over accrual	<u>174,777</u>
Net position, at beginning of fiscal year, as restated	<u>\$ 28,179,705</u>

**Note 17 - Subsequent events**

Subsequent events were evaluated through November 23, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No significant events that should have been recorded or disclosed in the financial statements were noted, except for those mentioned in the following paragraphs.

**Approval of Commonwealth's Plan of Adjustment**

Prior to March 15, 2022, the Commonwealth and many of its component units suffered a fiscal, economic and liquidity crisis, the culmination of many years of significant governmental deficits, an economic recession that persisted since 2006, prior liquidity challenges, a high unemployment rate, population decline, and high levels of debt and pension obligations. As the Commonwealth's tax base shrunk and its revenues were affected by prevailing economic conditions, an increasing portion of the Commonwealth's general fund budget consisted of health care and pension-related costs and debt service requirements through fiscal year 2019, resulting in reduced funding for other essential services. The Commonwealth's historical liquidity constraints, among other factors, adversely affected its credit ratings and its ability to obtain financing at reasonable interest rates.

On June 30, 2016, the United States Congress enacted the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act (PROMESA) to address these problems, which included the establishment of the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the Oversight Board), an in-court restructuring process under Title III of PROMESA, and an out-of-court restructuring process under Title VI of PROMESA. Thereafter, the Commonwealth and other governmental entities, including the Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation (COFINA), the Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (ERS), the Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority (HTA), the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA), and the Public Building Authority (PBA) initiated proceedings under Title III, and the GDB, the Puerto Rico Infrastructure Financing Authority (PRIFA), and CCDA initiated proceedings under Title VI, each at the request of the Governor to restructure or adjust their existing debt.

**Note 17 - Subsequent events (continued)**

**Approval of Commonwealth's Plan of Adjustment (continued)**

On July 30, 2021, the Oversight Board—as representative to the Commonwealth, ERS, and PBA in their respective Title III cases—filed its Seventh Amended Title III Joint Plan of Adjustment of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, et al. [ECF No. 17629] (the Seventh Amended Plan) and a corrected disclosure statement related thereto [ECF No. 17628], which was approved by the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (the Title III Court).

On October 26, 2021, the Governor signed into law Act No. 53 of 2021 (Act 53), known as the “Law to End the Bankruptcy of Puerto Rico,” which provided legislative approval for the bond transactions contemplated in the Seventh Amended Plan conditioned on the elimination of its monthly pension cut provisions in an amended version of that plan.

On November 3, 2021, the Oversight Board filed its Modified Eighth Amended Title III Joint Plan of Adjustment of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, et al. [ECF No. 19053] (the Eighth Amended Plan), which further revised the Seventh Amended Plan to eliminate its monthly pension cut provisions consistent with Act 53, among other things. The hearing to consider confirmation of the Eighth Amended Plan commenced on November 8, 2021, and concluded on November 23, 2021. The final modified version of the Eighth Amended Plan was filed on January 14, 2022 [ECF No. 19813-1] (as confirmed, the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment).

On January 18, 2022, the Title III Court entered its findings of fact and conclusions of law in connection with the Eighth Amended Plan [ECF No. 19812] (the Findings of Fact) and an order confirming the Eighth Amended Plan [ECF No. 19813] (the Commonwealth Confirmation Order). In both the Commonwealth Confirmation Order and Findings of Fact, the Title III Court found that Act 53 properly authorized the issuance of new bonds and provided adequate means for implementation of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment.

Between January 28, 2022, and February 17, 2022, six appeals of the Confirmation Order were filed in the First Circuit. On March 8, 2022, the First Circuit entered an order dismissing the appeal by the Judge's Association [Case No. 22-1098] following a motion to voluntarily dismiss. By March 11, 2022, the First Circuit denied all parties' motions for a stay pending appeal, which allowed the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment to become effective despite the appeals. On April 26, 2022, the First Circuit affirmed the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment with respect to the appeal filed by the teachers' associations. See Case No. 22-1080. Oral argument on the merits of the remaining four appeals [Case Nos. 22-1079, 22-1092, 22-1119, 22-1120] was held on April 28, 2022, but a final determination on those appeals remains pending.

On March 15, 2022 (the Effective Date), the conditions precedent to the Effective Date of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment were satisfied and/or waived by the Oversight Board, and the plan became effective. Accordingly, the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment has been confirmed and is currently effective as of the date hereof. Also, in accordance with the plan, the **Bureau** paid \$39,500,000.

	<u>Budget Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts (Budgetary Basis)</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues				
PREPA appropriations	\$ 19,331,000	\$ 19,331,000	\$ 18,475,412	\$ (855,588)
Regulatory fees	-	-	900	900
Other revenues	-	-	14,309	14,309
Interest	-	-	78,252	78,252
Total revenues	<u>19,331,000</u>	<u>19,331,000</u>	<u>18,568,873</u>	<u>(762,127)</u>
Expenditures				
Salaries and fringe benefits	2,168,000	2,168,000	1,903,410	264,590
Professional services	4,101,000	4,101,000	3,147,888	953,112
Transfers to OIPC	-	-	792,000	(792,000)
Insurance	-	-	68,916	(68,916)
Office supplies	54,000	54,000	38,558	15,442
Travel	92,000	92,000	-	92,000
Rent	-	-	475,372	(475,372)
Capital outlays	18,000	18,000	179,828	(161,828)
Other	<u>12,898,000</u>	<u>12,898,000</u>	<u>167,497</u>	<u>12,730,503</u>
Total expenditures	<u>19,331,000</u>	<u>19,331,000</u>	<u>6,773,469</u>	<u>12,557,531</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,795,404</u>	<u>\$ 11,795,404</u>

See accompanying notes to budgetary comparison schedule



