

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
CROP INSURANCE AGENCY**

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
CROP INSURANCE FUND**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2017

Management's Report

Management's Responsibility for the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency, Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards and the integrity and objectivity of these statements are management's responsibility. Management is also responsible for all of the notes to the financial statements, and for ensuring that this information is consistent, where appropriate, with the information contained in the financial statements.

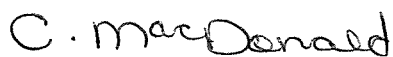
Management is also responsible for implementing and maintaining a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are properly authorized, assets are safeguarded and liabilities are recognized.

Management is also responsible for ensuring that transactions comply with relevant policies and authorities and are properly recorded to produce timely and reliable financial information.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal control and exercises these responsibilities through the Board. The Board reviews internal financial information periodically and external audited financial statements yearly.

The Auditor General conducts an independent audit of the annual financial statements of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency, Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, in order to express an opinion thereon. The Auditor General has full and free access to financial management of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency.

On behalf of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency.



Ms. Cynthia MacDonald, P.Ag.
Director of Agriculture Business Development



**AUDITOR
GENERAL**
of Newfoundland and Labrador

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency, Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund
Corner Brook, Newfoundland and Labrador

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency, Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2017, the statement of operations for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

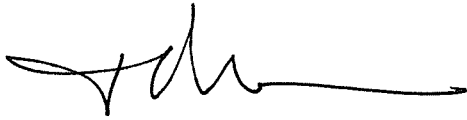
An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Independent Auditor's Report (cont.)

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency, Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund as at March 31, 2017, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Paddon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

TERRY PADDON, CPA, CA
Auditor General

July 14, 2017
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR CROP INSURANCE AGENCY
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR CROP INSURANCE FUND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

As at March 31

2017

2016

FINANCIAL ASSETS

Cash	\$ 140,363	\$ 5,822
Accounts receivable (Note 6)	12	107,193
	140,375	113,015

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 7)	-	34,901
	-	34,901

Net financial assets	140,375	78,114
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NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS

Accumulated surplus	\$ 140,375	\$ 78,114
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*The accompanying notes are an integral part
of these financial statements*

Signed on behalf of the Board:

C. MacDonald

Chairperson

Gerald Wicks

Member

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR CROP INSURANCE AGENCY
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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For the Year Ended March 31

	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
(Note 10)			
REVENUES			
Government of Canada (Note 8)	\$ 260,000	\$ 245,889	\$ 220,097
Province of Newfoundland and Labrador (Note 8)	171,833	163,926	246,730
Premiums from insured persons	50,000	43,734	52,236
Late payment fees	-	1,200	500
Bad debt recovery	-	-	1,017
	481,833	454,749	520,580
EXPENSES (Note 9)			
Production Insurance Program	130,000	44,814	203,608
Administration	343,804	347,674	290,469
	473,804	392,488	494,077
Annual surplus	8,029	62,261	26,503
Accumulated surplus, beginning of year	78,114	78,114	51,611
Accumulated surplus, end of year	\$ 86,143	\$ 140,375	\$ 78,114

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NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR CROP INSURANCE AGENCY
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2017

1. Nature of operations

The Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency (the Agency) operates under the authority of the *Crop Insurance Act*. The purpose of the Agency is to operate the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund to provide insurance to farmers of the Province to restrict the amount of financial loss due to crop failure. Its affairs are managed by a Board of Directors appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. These statements are a representation of the activities of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Fund.

The Agency is a Crown entity of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and as such is not subject to Provincial or Federal income taxes.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The Agency is classified as an Other Government Organization as defined by the Canadian public sector accounting standards (CPSAS). These financial statements are prepared by management in accordance with CPSAS for provincial reporting entities established by the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB). The Agency does not prepare a statement of change in net financial assets and a statement of cash flows as this information is readily apparent from the other statements. In addition, the Agency does not prepare a statement of re-measurement gains and losses as the Agency does not enter into relevant transactions or circumstances that are being addressed by the statement.

(b) Financial instruments

The Agency's financial instruments recognized in the statement of financial position consist of cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The Agency generally recognizes a financial instrument when it enters into a contract which creates a financial asset or financial liability. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at cost, which is the fair value at the time of acquisition.

The Agency subsequently measures all of its financial assets and financial liabilities at cost or amortized cost. Financial assets measured at cost include cash. Financial assets measured at amortized cost include accounts receivable. Financial liabilities measured at cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

The carrying values of cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate current fair value due to their nature and/or the short-term maturity associated with these instruments.

(c) Cash

Cash includes cash in bank.

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2. Significant accounting policies (cont.)

(d) Revenue recognition

Revenues are recognized in the period in which the transactions or events occurred that gave rise to the revenues. All revenues are recorded on an accrual basis, except when the accruals cannot be determined with a reasonable degree of certainty or when their estimation is impracticable.

Government transfers (Province of Newfoundland and Labrador premium and equity contributions and Government of Canada premium contributions) are recognized as revenues when the transfer is authorized and any eligibility criteria are met, except when and to the extent that transfer stipulations give rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability. Transfers are recognized as deferred revenue when transfer stipulations give rise to a liability. Transfer revenue is recognized in the statement of operations as the stipulations giving rise to the liabilities are settled.

(e) Expenses

Expenses are reported on an accrual basis. The cost of all goods consumed and services received during the year is expensed.

Indemnity claims are reported on an accrual basis. Indemnity claims are paid to insured persons upon approval by the Board of Directors of submitted insurance claims.

The Agency is administered as a division of the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources. Expenses related to salaries and administration costs are paid directly by the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources and are reflected in these financial statements as expenses of the Agency and as revenue from the Province.

The Province and the Government of Canada have entered into a cost-shared agreement in which administration expenses are funded 60% by the Federal Government and 40% by the Province.

(f) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with CPSAS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenses during the period. Items requiring the use of significant estimates include the collectability of accounts receivable.

Estimates are based on the best information available at the time of preparation of the financial statements and are reviewed annually to reflect new information as it becomes available. Measurement uncertainty exists in these financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

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3. Accounting pronouncements

There are several new standards issued by the PSAB that are not yet effective and have not been applied in these financial statements. These standards and corresponding effective dates are as follows:

Effective April 1, 2017:

PS 2200 Related Party Disclosures – a new standard defining related parties and establishing disclosure requirements for related party transactions.

PS 3210 Assets – a new standard providing guidance for applying the definition of assets and establishing general disclosure requirements for assets but does not provide guidance for the recognition and disclosure of specific types of assets.

PS 3320 Contingent Assets – a new standard defining and establishing disclosure requirements for contingent assets but does not include disclosure standards for specific types of contingent assets.

PS 3380 Contractual Rights – a new standard defining and establishing disclosure requirements for contractual rights but does not include disclosure standards for specific types of contractual rights.

PS 3420 Inter-entity Transactions – a new standard on how to account for and report transactions between public sector entities that comprise a government's reporting entity from both a provider and recipient perspective.

Effective April 1, 2018:

PS 3430 Restructuring Transactions – a new standard on how to account for and report restructuring transactions by both transferors and recipients of assets and/or liabilities.

The Agency plans to adopt these standards by the effective dates and is currently analyzing the impact these standards will have on the financial statements.

4. Financial risk management

The Agency recognizes the importance of managing risks and this includes policies, procedures and oversight designed to reduce risks identified to an appropriate threshold. The Agency is exposed to credit risk and liquidity risk through its financial instruments. The Agency is not exposed to market risk. There was no significant change in the Agency's exposure to these risks or its processes for managing these risks from the prior year.

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4. Financial risk management (cont.)

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Agency's main credit risk relates to cash and accounts receivable. The Agency's maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying amounts of these financial instruments. The Agency is not exposed to significant credit risk with its cash because these financial instruments are held with a Chartered Bank. The Agency is not exposed to significant credit risk related to its accounts receivable as it has policies and procedures for the monitoring and collection of its accounts receivable so as to mitigate potential credit losses. Any estimated impairment of these accounts receivable has been provided for through a provision for doubtful accounts as disclosed in Note 6.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Agency will be unable to meet its contractual obligations and financial liabilities as they come due. The liquidity risk related to accounts payable and accrued liabilities is considered to be low. The Agency manages liquidity risk by monitoring its cash flows and ensuring that it has sufficient resources available to meet its contractual obligations and financial liabilities.

5. Related party transactions

The Agency is administered by employees of the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources. Salaries and other costs of \$344,213 (2016 - \$288,473) applicable to the operation of the Agency have been paid or are payable by the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources and are reflected in these financial statements as expenses of the Agency and as revenue in the form of payments made by the Province. The Province recovered \$206,528 (2016 - \$173,084) of these administration expenses from the Government of Canada under the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador AgriInsurance Program funded under the Growing Forward 2 Framework Agreement.

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6. Accounts receivable

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Government of Canada	\$ -	\$ 2,587
Province of Newfoundland and Labrador	-	101,732
Premiums from insured persons	<u>6,592</u>	<u>5,993</u>
	<u>6,592</u>	<u>110,312</u>
Less: provision for doubtful accounts	<u>6,580</u>	<u>3,119</u>
	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ 107,193</u>

7. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Indemnity claims owed to insured persons	\$ -	\$ 34,901
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 34,901</u>

8. Premium contributions and administrative expenses

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Government of Canada		
Premium contributions	\$ 39,361	\$ 47,013
Payments for administration	<u>206,528</u>	<u>173,084</u>
	<u>\$ 245,889</u>	<u>\$ 220,097</u>
Province of Newfoundland and Labrador		
Premium contributions	\$ 26,241	\$ 31,341
Payments for administration	<u>137,685</u>	<u>115,389</u>
Working capital contributions	<u>-</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>\$ 163,926</u>	<u>\$ 246,730</u>

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9. Expenses by object

The following is a summary of expenses by object:

	2017 <u>Budget</u> (Note 10)	2017 <u>Actual</u>	2016 <u>Actual</u>
Bad debt expense	\$ -	\$ 3,461	\$ 1,996
Bank charges	20	12	8
Board expenses	4,000	1,005	2,902
Equipment supplies	4,000	264	164
Indemnity claims	130,000	44,814	203,608
Professional services	3,000	-	-
Purchased services	5,594	8,185	6,461
Salaries and employee benefits	292,090	303,098	248,176
Supplies	13,400	6,927	10,529
Transportation and Communication	21,700	24,722	20,233
	\$ 473,804	\$ 392,488	\$ 494,077

10. Budgeted figures

Budgeted figures, which have been prepared on a cash basis, are provided for comparison purposes and have been approved by the Board of Directors.