# Management's responsibility and certification

Management is responsible for the integrity, consistency and reliability of the financial statements and other information presented in the annual report. The financial statements have been prepared by Management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

We certify that we have reviewed the financial statements and other information contained in the annual report, and, based on our knowledge, they do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it was made, with respect to the period covered by the statements and the annual report.

Based on our knowledge, the financial statements together with other financial information included in the annual report fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Ontario Securities Commission (the "OSC") as of the dates and for the periods presented. The preparation of financial statements involves transactions affecting the current period which cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods. Estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and current conditions, and are believed to be reasonable.

We are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control over financial reporting for the OSC. We have designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused it to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

We evaluated, or caused to be evaluated under our supervision, the effectiveness of the OSC's internal control over financial reporting at the financial year end and the OSC has disclosed in its annual MD&A our conclusion about the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting at the financial year end based on that evaluation.

We have also disclosed in the MD&A any change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the year that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

The Board of Directors ensures that management fulfills its responsibility for financial reporting and internal control. The financial statements have been reviewed by the Audit and Finance Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The Auditor General's Report, which follows, outlines the scope of the Auditor's examination and opinion on the financial statements.

W. David Wilson chair and chief executive officer may 7, 2010

A. Kenneth Gibson, CA director, corporate services





# Auditor's report

To the Ontario Securities Commission

I have audited the balance sheet of the Ontario Securities Commission (the "OSC") as at March 31, 2010 and the statements of operations and operating surplus and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the OSC's management. 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 plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the OSC as at March 31, 2010 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

TORONTO, ONTARIO MAY 7, 2010

Jim McCarter, FCA auditor general licensed public accountant

# Balance sheet

AS AT MARCH 31

	2010	2009
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 35,592,848	\$ 51,992,333
Accounts receivable	1,046,029	1,504,874
Prepaid expenses	505,472	837,500
	37,144,349	54,334,707
FUNDS HELD PURSUANT TO DESIGNATED SETTLEMENTS AND ORDERS (Note 5)	43,495,838	17,180,263
FUNDS IN TRUST (Note 6)	49,135,268	35,187,761
RESERVE FUND ASSETS (Note 7)	20,000,000	32,000,000
PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT (Note 8)	5,351,254	6,685,065
	\$ 155,126,709	\$ 145,387,796
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 11,686,270	\$ 12,176,926
Current portion of obligation under capital leases (Note 13(b))	107,899	149,860
	11,794,169	12,326,786
NON-CURRENT		
Obligation under capital leases (Note 13(b))	88,522	196,421
Pension liabilities (Note 9(b))	1,747,190	1,646,568
	13,629,881	14,169,775
FUNDS HELD PURSUANT TO DESIGNATED SETTLEMENTS AND ORDERS (Note 5)	43,495,838	17,180,263
FUNDS IN TRUST (Note 6)	49,135,268	35,187,761
SURPLUS		
OPERATING		
General (Note 10)	28,767,478	46,751,753
Reserve (Note 7)	20,000,000	32,000,000
	48,767,478	78,751,753
CONTRIBUTED	98,244	98,244
	48,865,722	78,849,997
	\$ 155,126,709	\$ 145,387,796

Investor Education Fund (Note 15) Commitments and Contingencies (Notes 11, 13)

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF THE COMMISSION

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W. David Wilson CHAIR MAY 7, 2010

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Margot C. Howard chair, audit and finance committee

# Statement of operations and operating surplus

FOR THE FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31

	2010	2009
REVENUES		
Fees (Note 10)	\$ 60,928,330	\$ 66,435,229
Investment income	460,044	2,084,876
Miscellaneous	77,243	41,638
	61,465,617	68,561,743
EXPENSES		
Salaries and benefits (Note 14(d))	61,673,500	61,088,037
Administrative	6,567,220	6,443,343
Occupancy (Note 13(a))	6,444,891	6,501,252
Professional services	2,465,416	4,987,008
Amortization	2,705,055	1,242,655
Other	464,207	790,504
	80,320,289	81,052,799
Recoveries of enforcement costs (Note 12)	(870,397)	(2,831,170)
	79,449,892	78,221,629
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(17,984,275)	(9,659,886)
OPERATING SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	78,751,753	88,411,639
LESS: Distribution to Province of Ontario (Notes 7(b), 14(b))	12,000,000	-
OPERATING SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	\$ 48,767,478	\$ 78,751,753
REPRESENTED BY:		
General	\$ 28,767,478	\$ 46,751,753
Reserve	20,000,000	32,000,000
	\$ 48,767,478	\$ 78,751,753

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31

	2010	2009
NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW)		
OF CASH RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES		
Cash flows from operating activities		
Deficiency of revenues over expenses	\$ (17,984,275)	\$ (9,659,886)
Items not affecting cash		
Increase in pension liabilities	100,622	97,530
Loss on disposal of premises and equipment	1,683	26,871
Amortization	2,705,055	1,242,655
	(15,176,915)	(8,292,830)
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	458,845	147,982
Prepaid expenses	332,028	(281,448)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(490,656)	1,047,037
	300,217	913,571
	(14,876,698)	(7,379,259)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment of obligations under capital leases	(149,860)	(212,420)
	(149,860)	(212,420)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of premises and equipment (Note 8)	(1,372,927)	(4,987,088)
	(1,372,927)	(4,987,088)
NET DECREASE IN CASH POSITION	(16,399,485)	(12,578,767)
CASH POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	51,992,333	64,571,100
CASH POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 35,592,848	\$ 51,992,333

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

## 1. Nature of the corporation

The Ontario Securities Commission (the "OSC") is a corporation without share capital and is the regulatory body responsible for regulating the province's capital markets. As a Crown corporation, the OSC is exempt from income taxes.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. These require that management make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures for the period. Actual amounts could differ from these estimates. Significant accounting policies followed in the preparation of these financial statements are:

a. Financial instruments

Under Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, financial instruments are classified into one of the following five categories: held-for-trading, held-to-maturity, loans and receivables, available-for-sale financial assets, or other financial liabilities.

Under this standard, all financial instruments are required to be measured at fair value upon initial recognition except for financial assets classified as held-to-maturity, loans and receivables, and other financial liabilities which are measured at cost or amortized cost using the effective interest method, and certain related party transactions. After initial recognizion, financial assets initially measured at fair value continue to be recognized at fair value, with gains and losses recognized in net income in the period in which they arise.

The fair value of financial instruments is the amount of consideration that would be agreed upon in an arm's length transaction between willing parties.

The OSC has adopted the following classifications for financial assets and financial liabilities:

#### **Held-for-trading**

Cash, Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders, Funds in trust and Reserve fund assets are classified as held-for-trading and recorded at fair value.

#### Loans and receivable

Accounts receivable are classified as loans and receivables and are valued at cost, which approximates fair value given their short-term maturities.

#### **Other financial liabilities**

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are classified as other financial liabilities and are valued at cost, which approximates fair value given their short-term maturities.

#### b. Premises and equipment

Premises and equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, beginning in the fiscal year following acquisition, as follows:

Office furniture and equipment	5 to 10 years
Computer hardware and related applications	2 years
Leasehold improvements	over term of lease

#### c. Revenues

Fees are recognized when earned, which is normally upon receipt.

Participation fees are recognized when received because these fees represent the payment for the right to participate in the Ontario capital markets.

## Notes to the financial statements

MARCH 31, 2010

Activity fees represent the direct cost of OSC staff resources expended in undertaking certain activities requested of staff by market participants. Because the activities undertaken are normally completed in a relatively short period of time, activity fees are recognized when received.

Late filing fees for insider trading "reports" are recognized on the 15th and at the end of each month and include all insider trading reports filed late in the preceding 15-day period.

Recoveries of enforcement costs are recorded as offsets to total expenses on the date a settlement is approved or an order issued by the OSC, unless management determines there is significant doubt as to ultimate collection, in which case recovery is recognized when cash is received.

d. Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders

Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders are recorded when settlements are approved or orders made by the Commission, unless management determines there is significant doubt as to ultimate collection, in which case they are recognized when cash is received.

e. Employee benefit plans

The OSC provides pension benefits to its full-time employees through participation in Ontario's Public Service Pension Plan, which is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. This plan is accounted for as a defined contribution plan, as the OSC has insufficient information to apply defined benefit plan accounting to this pension plan.

The OSC also maintains unfunded supplemental pension plans for certain full-time Commission members as described in Note 9(b). The OSC accrues its obligations and the related costs under these unfunded supplemental pension plans. The transitional obligation and actuarial gains or losses are being amortized over the average remaining service period of active members, or over the life expectancy of inactive members, expected to receive benefits under these plans. The actuarial liability and the current service cost are determined by independent actuaries using the projected benefit method prorated on services and management's best estimate assumptions.

The costs of non-pension benefits for eligible pensioners are paid by the Government of Ontario and are not included in the Statement of Operations and Operating Surplus as described in Note 14(d).

## 3. Financial instruments

Currency risk:

The OSC's exposure to currency risk is minimal as only a small number of transactions are in currencies other than Canadian dollars.

Interest rate risk:

The OSC's financial assets and liabilities are not exposed to significant interest rate risk due to their short-term nature. Cash balances earn interest at a rate of 1.75% below the prime rate (average for the year was 0.51%) and the Reserve fund earned interest at an average rate of 1.11%.

A 25 basis point change in the interest rate would impact the OSC's operating surplus as follows:

	Impact on operating surplus
	25 basis point 25 basis point
	increase decrease
	in rates in rates
ce	\$ 83,178 \$ (83,178)
erve fund balance	51,613 (51,613)
	\$ 134,791 \$ (134,791)

#### Credit risk:

The OSC is exposed to minimal credit risk related to Cash, Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders, Funds in trust, Reserve fund assets and accounts receivable.

The OSC's Cash, Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders, and Funds in trust are held in a Schedule 1 bank and Reserve fund assets are invested with the Ontario Financing Authority, an agency of the Government of Ontario. Together, these two counterparties hold approximately 95% of the OSC's financial assets; however, given the nature of these counterparties, it is management's opinion that exposure to concentration of credit risk is minimal.

The OSC's accounts receivable balance consists of a large number of debtors with individually immaterial outstanding balances. Therefore, the OSC's exposure to concentration of credit risk is minimal. The OSC maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts. Therefore, the carrying amount of accounts receivable generally represents the maximum credit exposure. Collection efforts continue for accounts receivable balances, including those that are captured in the allowance for doubtful accounts.

The aging of accounts receivable from outstanding invoices issued is as follows:

	2010	2009
Current	\$ 578,632	\$ 726,709
Past due 31 to 60 days	296,124	298,119
Past due 61 to 90 days	69,940	124,106
Past due greater than 90 days	897,413	1,173,306
	\$ 1,842,109	\$ 2,322,240

Reconciliation of allowance for credit losses:

	2010	2009
Opening balance	\$ 817,366	\$ 779,357
Current year provision	19,869	53,624
Write-off during the year	(41,155)	(15,615)
Closing balance	\$ 796,080	\$ 817,366

The accounts receivable balance of \$1,046,029 is the sum of the total receivable of \$1,842,109 less the allowance for doubtful accounts of \$796,080.

Liquidity risk:

The OSC's exposure to liquidity risk is minimal as the OSC has a sufficient cash balance and reserve funds to settle all current liabilities. As at March 31, 2010, the OSC had a cash balance of \$35,592,848 to settle current liabilities of \$11,794,169.

#### 4. Capital disclosure

The OSC has established a \$20,000,000 reserve fund as described in Note 7(a), which it considers as capital. The primary objective of maintaining this capital is to fund OSC's operations in the event of revenue shortfalls or unanticipated expenditures.

The OSC maintains an investment policy whereby reserve funds are restricted to direct and guaranteed obligations of Canada and its provinces to protect the principal.

The OSC is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

## 5. Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders

The OSC has a number of settlement agreements and orders arising from enforcement proceedings where monies from these settlements and orders are to be set aside and allocated to such third parties as the OSC may determine. The balance includes a settlement for \$1,900,000, the allocation of which is subject to the approval of the responsible Minister as required under the provision of the *Securities Act* in effect at the time the settlement was approved. The accumulated funds are held in a segregated bank account and earn interest at the monthly average bank prime rate less 1.75%. A fair and appropriate use for these funds will be determined in accordance with applicable laws, court orders and in the public interest.

As at March 31, 2010, the accumulated balance is determined as follows:

	2010	2009
Opening balance	\$ 17,180,263	\$ 4,882,802
Settlements and orders	29,842,804	13,964,725
Interest	125,771	137,736
Payments		
Investor Education Fund (Note 15(b)(i))	(3,370,000)	(1,750,000)
Others	(283,000)	(55,000)
Closing balance	\$ 43,495,838	\$ 17,180,263
Represented by:		
Cash	\$ 43,392,254	\$ 17,085,046
Receivables	103,584	95,217
	\$ 43,495,838	\$ 17,180,263

## 6. Funds in trust

The OSC is in receipt of payments from the operator of the System for Electronic Data Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR), the National Registration Database (NRD), and the System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders (SEDI) representing the accumulated surplus from the operations of SEDAR, NRD, and SEDI. The total accumulated funds as at March 31, 2010 were \$49,135,268 (2009 – \$35,187,761), representing total payments received to date of \$46,907,190 (2009 – \$33,080,929) and interest earned to date of \$2,310,262 (2009 – \$2,106,832), less payments issued to date totalling \$82,184. These funds are held in trust by the OSC in accordance with agreements amongst the OSC, the Alberta Securities Commission, the British Columbia Securities Commission, and L'Autorité des marchés financiers. In the case of NRD, the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada is also a party to the agreement. These funds shall be used to offset any shortfall in revenues from the systems, to develop or enhance the systems and to reduce fees charged to users of the systems. These funds are held in segregated bank accounts and earn interest at the monthly average bank prime rate less 1.75%.

The CSA is proceeding with plans to redevelop these systems in a multi-year phased approach. Funding for this redevelopment program will come from accumulated surplus amounts. As at March 31, 2010, payments related to the redevelopment of SEDAR totalled \$82,184. The CSA has also entered into a contract, totalling \$750,000, for the provision of professional services to design an Enterprise Architecture for the three national electronic filing systems.

### 7. Reserve fund assets

- **a.** As part of the approval of its self-funded status, the OSC was allowed to establish a \$20.0 million reserve to be used as an operating contingency against revenue shortfalls or unanticipated expenditures.
- b. The May 2, 2000 Budget proposed that the OSC and the Financial Services Commission of Ontario would be merged into a single agency that would provide regulation of the capital markets and financial services sectors. As part of this initiative, the OSC received approval in 2002 from the Ministry of Finance to retain an additional \$12.0 million, which could only be used toward implementation costs of the proposed merger, subject to appropriate terms and conditions agreed with the Ministry of Finance.

As the merger has not proceeded, during the year the OSC remitted the \$12.0 million to the Ministry of Finance.

c. The prime investment consideration for the reserve is the protection of principal and the appropriate liquidity to meet cash flow needs. Interest earned on investments is credited to the operations of the OSC. The accumulated funds, at March 31, 2010, have been invested in either one-year or six-month Government of Ontario treasury bills with the Ontario Financing Authority.

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2010 net book value	2009 net book value
Office furniture	\$ 4,084,489	\$ 3,429,971	\$ 654,518	\$ 910,889
Office equipment	581,182	518,361	62,821	114,080
Computer hardware and related applications	14,640,137	12,559,572	2,080,565	2,010,332
Computer hardware and related applications				
held under capital leases	592,465	437,455	155,010	322,421
Leasehold improvements	9,809,765	7,411,425	2,398,340	3,327,343
	\$ 29,708,038	\$ 24,356,784	\$ 5,351,254	\$ 6,685,065

### 8. Premises and equipment

During the year, premises and equipment were acquired at an aggregate cost of \$1,372,927 (2009 – \$5,296,606), none of which were acquired by means of capital leases (2009 – \$309,518).

#### 9. Pension plans

- a. All eligible OSC employees and members must participate in the Ontario Public Service Pension Plan. The OSC's contribution to the Public Service Pension Plan for the year ended March 31, 2010 was \$3,713,737 (2009 \$3,455,650), which is included in salaries and benefits. The Province of Ontario is the sole sponsor of the Public Service Pension Plan. As the sponsor is responsible for ensuring that the pension funds are financially viable, any surpluses or unfunded liabilities arising from statutory actuarial funding valuations are not assets or obligations of the OSC.
- b. The OSC also has unfunded supplemental pension plans for the OSC's current and former Chairs and Vice-Chairs. They had an accrued benefit obligation (ABO) of \$1,782,872 at March 31, 2010 (2009 \$1,415,148) and an accrued benefit liability (ABL) of \$1,747,190 (2009 \$1,646,568). The difference between the ABO and the ABL represents the unamortized net actuarial loss of \$35,682 (2009 gain of \$231,420). The OSC's expense related to the supplemental pension plans for the year was \$197,519 (2009 \$192,858) and is included in salaries and benefits. Benefits totalling \$96,897 were paid during the year (2009 \$95,328). The average remaining service lifetime of the active members covered by these plans ranges from 1.0 to 2.89 years at March 31, 2009 (2008 2.0 to 3.89 years); the 2009 figures were used for amortization purposes in fiscal 2010. The average life expectancy of the non-active members ranges from 15.90 to 32.35 years at March 31, 2009 (2008 16.29 to 33.07 years). The significant actuarial assumptions adopted at March 31, 2010 include a discount rate of 5.25% (2009 6.5%) on the ABO, 6.5% (2009 5.9%) on the benefit cost and a rate of compensation increase ranging from 2.0% to 2.1%, as applicable (2009 2.0% to 2.1%).

### 10. Fees

The OSC's fee structure is designed to generate fees that recover the OSC's cost of providing services to market participants. The fee structure is based on the concept of "participation fees" and "activity fees." Participation fees are based on the cost of a broad range of regulatory services that cannot be practically or easily attributed to individual activities or entities and are intended to serve as a proxy for the market participant's use of the Ontario capital markets. Activity fees represent the direct cost of OSC staff resources expended in undertaking certain activities requested of staff by market participants. Any general operating surpluses generated are normally returned to market participants by way of fees that are lower than otherwise required to recover costs, or direct refunds. The forecasted General Operating Surplus at March 31, 2010 was used to establish revised participation fees which are effective April 5, 2010.

Details of fees received for the year ended March 31, 2010 are as follows:

	2010	2009
Participation fees	\$ 49,068,114	\$ 54,831,014
Activity fees	9,828,324	9,048,275
Late filing fees	2,031,892	2,555,940
Total	\$ 60,928,330	\$ 66,435,229

## **11. Commitments and contingencies**

a. The OSC has committed to paying 45.1% of annual shortfalls resulting from the operations of SEDAR, should they occur and accumulated surplus is unavailable. SEDAR is an electronic filing and payment system jointly used by the members of the Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA) for the transmission, receipt, acceptance, review and dissemination of documents filed in an electronic format. The system is operated by an external agency on behalf of the CSA under an agreement signed on August 1, 2004. The Alberta Securities Commission, the British Columbia Securities Commission and L'Autorité des marchés financiers have also committed to paying specified percentages of any annual SEDAR deficit.

In the current year, there were no SEDAR deficits. As described in Note 6, the OSC is holding funds in trust that may be used to offset shortfalls in revenue in SEDAR, SEDI, and NRD. As at March 31, 2010, \$22,394,935 (2009 – \$19,296,255) of the total funds held in trust are available for SEDAR.

b. The OSC is involved in various legal actions arising from the ordinary course and conduct of business. The outcome and ultimate disposition of these actions are not determinable at this time; however, management does not expect the outcome of any of these proceedings, individually or in aggregate, to have a material impact on the OSC's financial position. Settlements, if any, concerning these contingencies will be accounted for in the period in which the settlement occurs.

## 12. Recoveries of enforcement costs

In 2010, the OSC recorded 870,397 (2009 – 2,831,170) in recoveries of enforcement costs of which 741,198 (2009 – 2,429,899) was for internal resources and 129,199 (2009 – 401,271) was for external resources.

#### **13. Lease commitments**

#### a. Operating leases

The OSC has entered into operating lease agreements for equipment and office space and is committed to operating lease payments as follows:

2011	\$ 6,071,915
2012	\$ 6,040,742
2013	\$ 2,521,331
2014	\$ 3,800

There are currently no lease commitments beyond 2014.

#### b. Capital leases

The OSC has entered into capital lease agreements for computer hardware and related applications. Leases that substantially transfer all of the benefits and risks of ownership of property to the OSC, or otherwise meet the criteria for capitalizing a lease under Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, are accounted for as capital leases. An asset is recorded at the time the capital lease is entered into, together with its related obligation to reflect its purchase and financing. The total interest expense recorded on the lease obligations for the year ended March 31, 2010 is 17,764 (2009 – 11,854). The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments for the capital leases, which expire on or before August 30, 2012:

Year ending March 31	
2011	\$ 115,225
2012	88,796
2013	1,769
Total minimum lease payments	205,790
Less: Amount representing interest at 6%	9,369
Balance of the obligation	\$ 196,421

The total obligation under capital leases of \$196,421 consists of a current portion of \$107,899 and a non-current portion of \$88,522.

#### 14. Transactions with the Province of Ontario

In the course of normal operations, the OSC entered into transactions with the Province of Ontario as follows:

- a. The Securities Act states that when ordered to do so by the responsible Minister, the OSC shall remit to the Province of Ontario such surplus funds as determined by the Minister. In light of the fee model as described in Note 10 and the OSC's practice of setting fees periodically, the OSC is not required to make remittances of its surplus to the Consolidated Revenue Fund. Surpluses retained by the OSC are subject to appropriate terms and conditions to be agreed with the Ministry.
- **b.** During the year the OSC remitted the \$12.0 million to the Ministry of Finance, representing the amount that was retained for the proposed merger with the Financial Services Commission of Ontario which has not proceeded.
- c. The OSC has a tri-party agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to facilitate banking arrangements with a Schedule 1 bank.
- **d.** Costs of non-pension benefits for eligible pensioners are paid by the Government of Ontario and are not included in the Statement of Operations and Operating Surplus.

## **15. Investor Education Fund**

a. The Investor Education Fund (the "Fund") was incorporated by letters patent of Ontario dated August 3, 2000 as a non-profit corporation without share capital. The Fund is managed by an independent Board of Directors and its purpose is to increase knowledge and awareness among investors and potential investors and to support research and develop programs and partnerships which promote investor and financial education in schools and among adult learners. The OSC is the sole voting member of the Fund. The Fund is exempt from income taxes.

The Fund is not considered to be a subsidiary of the OSC and therefore has not been consolidated in the OSC's financial statements. Financial statements of the Fund are available on request. Financial summaries of this unconsolidated entity as at March 31, 2010 and 2009 and for the two years ended March 31, 2010 are as follows:

	2010	2009
FINANCIAL POSITION		
Total assets	\$ 2,498,362	\$ 1,840,174
Less: Total liabilities	532,082	200,957
Total net assets	1,966,280	1,639,217
Less: Invested in premises and equipment	249,746	263,235
Available for Fund purposes	\$ 1,716,534	\$ 1,375,982
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS		
Total contributions and interest income	\$ 3,378,477	\$ 1,786,053
Total expenses	3,051,414	2,078,354
Excess/(deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 327,063	\$ (292,301)
CASH FLOWS		
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash receipts from the Ontario Securities Commission	\$ 3,370,000	\$ 1,750,000
Cash receipts from third parties	202,422	_
Interest income received	8,812	38,862
Cash paid for initiatives and expenses	(2,725,925)	(1,382,056)
Cash paid for premises and equipment	(178,596)	(64,373)
Net increase in cash position	676,713	342,433
Cash position, beginning of period	1,551,860	1,209,427
Cash position, end of period	\$ 2,228,573	\$ 1,551,860

- **b.** During the year, the OSC entered into transactions with the Fund as follows:
  - i) The OSC paid \$3,370,000 to the Fund (2009 \$1,750,000). These payments were from Funds held pursuant to designated settlements and orders, as described in Note 5.
  - ii) The OSC has a Management Services agreement with the Fund for the provision of administrative and management services, at cost.

For the period ended March 31, 2010, the OSC incurred costs totalling \$703,456 (2009 – \$476,919) for services related to the Fund. The total cost of these services has been charged to the Fund and, of this amount, \$171,050 is owing to the OSC as of March 31, 2010 (2009 – \$108,215).

#### **16. Accounting pronouncements**

In 2008, the Canadian Accounting Standards Board confirmed that generally accepted accounting principles for publicly accountable enterprises will be international financial reporting standards (IFRS). The first year of implementation is to be the fiscal year commencing on or after January 1, 2011, but comparative figures will be required in the financial statements for the prior fiscal year. In October 2009, the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountant's (CICA) Public Sector Accounting Board approved an amendment that would require government organizations, such as the Commission, to consider the needs of the users of their financial statements in determining whether standards in the CICA Public Sector Accounting Handbook or IFRS are the most appropriate basis of accounting to adopt. The OSC has chosen to adopt IFRS, and is undertaking an assessment of the impact of the transition to IFRS on the financial statements. In an Addendum to the 2010 Ontario Budget, the Government of Ontario expressed concerns with the range of accounting standards in use across the Ontario public sector and is seeking to clarify its authority to direct the organizations such as the OSC that are included in the Province's consolidated accounts on which accounting policies are to be applied in the preparation of their financial statements. The OSC's changeover plan to transition to IFRS may be affected by the government's plans.