Financial Statements

December 31, 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To The Board of Directors
Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc.
Elizabethtown, New York

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of the Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc., as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise of the Corporation'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 misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatements.

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 misstatements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, I 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.

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

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc., as of December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages MDA 5 to MDA 8 and page 15, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Government 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. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic in financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc.'s basic financial statements. The supplementary schedule is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary schedule is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the supplementary schedule is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated February 28, 2017 on my consideration of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting and on my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Lake Placid, New York February 28, 2017

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518-523-9892 INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMETNS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc, Elizabethtown, New York

I have audited the financial statements of Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc (a nonprofit organization), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, and have issued my report thereon dated February 28, 2017. I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc, internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Essex County Industrial Development Agency's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Essex County Industrial Development Agency's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the organization's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with the organization's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the organization's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the organization's internal control.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc, financial statements are free of material misstatement. I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statements amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, audit committee, Board of Directors and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Lake Placid, New York February 28, 2017

Management's Discussion and Analysis December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015

The management of the Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Component Unit of Essex County (the Agency) offers readers of the Agency's financial statements this narrative discussion, overview, and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016. The Agency's financial performance is discussed and analyzed within the context of the accompanying financial statements and disclosure following this section.

Financial Highlights

The Essex County Industrial Development Agency's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$8,071,072 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. This compares to the previous year when assets exceeded liabilities by \$8,320,427, as restated with the prior period adjustment for the pension liability.

Total net assets comprise the following:

- 1. Capital assets are \$5,677,092, net of accumulated depreciation.
- 2. Net assets of \$493,207 are restricted by constraints from outside the Agency, such as grantor requirements, laws and regulations.
- 3. Unrestricted net assets of \$1,900,773 represent the portion available to continue the Agency's objectives to stimulate economic development in Essex County, New York.

Total liabilities of the Agency increased from \$37,673 to \$170,254 during the fiscal year.

Revenues for the year ended December 31, 2016, totaled \$358,114 of which \$213,000 was County support, \$13,590 was bond and application fees, \$87,100 was rent income and \$30,924 was interest income, \$5,000 were specific purpose grants and \$8,500 HUD program fee.

Overview of the Financial Statements:

The Agency's basic financial statements consist of four components; 1) the Management's Discussion and Analysis, 2) Fund financial statements, 3) Notes to the financial statements and 4) Supplemental information. Because the Agency is a special-purpose government agency engaged in business-type activities only, the financial statements are presented in accordance with paragraph 138 of GASB Statement 34. In addition to the financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of the Agency. In addition to the management's discussion and analysis, management has prepared the Statement of Net Assets, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Assets, and the Statement of Cash Flows, following the Management Discussion and Analysis.

Overview of the Agency:

The Agency's primary mission is to encourage economic growth and expansion through financial incentives, thus advancing job opportunities, health, general prosperity, and the economic welfare of the people of Essex County and the State of New York. The Agency's operations are funded entirely through County support, grants, fees, rents and interest income.

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Notes to the Financial Statements:

The next section of the financial statements is the notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. The notes to the financial statements are on pages 8 through 11 of this report. After the notes, the supplemental information is provided to show details about the Agency's bonds and budget analysis.

Budgetary Highlights

The operating budget for the Agency was \$278,627 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. Operating revenues were \$5,193 less than budget. Operating expenses were \$8,141 less than budget.

Financial Analysis

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information required by the New York State Office of the State Comptroller.

	The Agency's Net Asse	ets
	o v	Restated
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Current Assets	\$1,401,554	1,682,787
Capital Assets, net	5,677,092	5,972,040
Other Assets	<u>1,162,680</u>	<u>740,636</u>
Total Assets	8,241,326	8,358,100
Current liabilities	<u>170,254</u>	<u>37,673</u>
Net Assets	8,071,072	8,320,427
Total Net Assets	\$ <u>8,071,072</u>	\$ <u>8,320,427</u>

Net assets may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The assets of the Agency exceeded liabilities by \$8,071,072 as of December 31, 2016. The Agency's net assets decreased by \$249,355 for the year ended December 31, 2016. The largest portion of net assets (70.34%) reflects the Agency's investment in capital assets.

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The Agency continues to collect \$87,100 annually for the rental of the Moriah Business Park with varying lease terms.

The Agency's Revenue and Expenses

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating Revenues:		
County Allocation	\$213,000	213,000
Grants	5,000	1,000
Bond and application fees	13,590	36,180
Total Operating Revenues	231,590	250,180
Other Revenues:		
Rental Income	87,100	69,847
Interest Income	30,924	32,885
Other Revenue	8,500	<u>100</u>
Total Other Revenue	126,524	102,832
Total Revenue	358,114	353,212
Operating Expenses:		
Personal Services	209,352	203,713
Program Expenses	159,935	120,949
Administration	26,894	28,648
Total Operating Expenses	396,181	351,581
Net Income (Loss)	\$(38,067)	<u>1,492</u>

Capital Assets

The Essex County Industrial Development Agency's investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, for business-type activities as of December 31, 2016, was \$5,677,092. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, and machinery and equipment. The decrease in the Agency's investment in capital assets for the current year was due to the transfer of assets of \$211,288 to the Willsboro Development Corporation. The additional decrease in the Agency's investment in capital assets for the current year of \$83,659 was due to the annual depreciation.

	<u>2016</u>	2015
Nondepreciable:		0.00 7.00 7
Land and Land Improvements	\$3,735,107	3,835,007
Depreciable:		
Buildings and Leasehold Improvements	2,645,330	2,752,675
Machinery and Equipment	182,659	186,703
Accumulated Depreciation	(886,004)	(802,345)
Total	\$5,677,092_	<u>5,972,040</u>

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Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

The purpose of the Essex County Industrial Development Agency is to promote, develop, encourage and assist in economic development and job creation in Essex County, New York.

Contacting the Agency's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Essex County Industrial Agency's finances, comply with finance-related laws and regulations, and demonstrate the Agency's commitment to public accountability. If you have questions about this report or would like to request additional information, contact the Agency's administration at 7566 Court Street Elizabethtown, New York 12932.

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Statement of Financial Position

	Year end December 31		mber 31	
		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash (Note 4)	\$	1,062,170	\$	1,320,621
Accounts receivable		-		158,465
Prepaid expense		14,293		2,250
Current portion of notes receivable	w	325,091		201,451
Total Current Assets		1,401,554		1,682,787
Property, Plant and Equipment,				
net of accumulated depreciation (Note 6)		5,677,092		5,972,040
Other Assets				
Notes receivable, net of allowance for bad debts,				
\$88,000 in 2016 and \$88,558 in 2015		997,738		664,627
Total Other Assets		997,738		664,627
Net pension asset - proportionate share		47,925		32,687
Deferred Outflow of Resources-Pension		117,017		5,959
Total Assets	\$	8,241,326	\$	8,358,100
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION				
Current Liabilities				
Payroll liabilities		6,261		_
Accrued grant interest payable (Note 12)		189		165
Total Current Liabilities		6,450		165
Net pension liability-proportionate share		135,280		28,969
Deferred Inflows of Resources-Pension		28,524		8,539
Total Liabilities		170,254		37,673
Net Assets				
Unrestricted		1,900,773		1,617,190
Investment in capital assets		5,677,092		5,972,040
Temporarily restricted		493,207		731,197
Total Net Position		8,071,072		8,320,427
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$	8,241,326	\$	8,358,100

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Statement of Activities

	Year end December 31		
		2016	<u>2015</u>
SUPPORT:			
County Allocation	\$	213,000	213,000
Grant Income		5,000	1,000
HUD Program Fees		8,500	100
Industrial Park rents		87,100	69,847
Revenue Bond fees		_	35,000
Application and administrative fees		13,590	1,180
Interest income		30,924	32,885
TOTAL SUPPORT		358,114	353,012
EXPENDITURES:			
Program expense (Schedule 1)		159,935	120,949
Personnel expense (Schedule 1)		209,352	201,923
Administration expense (Schedule 1)		26,894	28,648
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		396,181	351,520
Change in Net Position		(38,067)	1,492
Not Position beginning of year		8,320,427	8,318,935
Net Position, beginning of year		0,520,427	0,510,755
Transfer of assets - Note 15		(211,288)	
Net position, end of year	\$_	8,071,072	8,320,427

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Statement of Cash Flows

	Year end De 2016	ecember 31 2015
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITES: Receipts from County allocation Receipts from lending activities Receipts from rental activities Receipts from grants and fees Loans granted Payment of operating expenses Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 213,000 280,921 87,100 27,090 (628,846) (396,181) (416,916)	213,000 401,228 69,847 37,280 (18,000) (351,520) 351,835
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVIT Principal received (receivable) on non capital financing Net cash provided by financing activities	TIES: 158,465 158,465	(145,122) (145,122)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCIN Construction of capital assets Payment of land improvements Net cash used by financial activities	NG ACTIVITIE	S: (276,547) (8,650) (285,197)
NET DECREASE IN CASH	(258,451)	(78,484)
CASH- BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ <u>1,320,621</u>	1,399,105
CASH- END OF YEAR	\$ 1,062,170	1,320,621
CASH SUMMARY: Cash Restricted Cash Total	568,963 493,207 \$ 1,062,170	589,424 731,197 1,320,621
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by opera Change in net position Adjustments to reconcile net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	ating activities: (38,067)	1,492
Depreciation Reserve for bad debts Accounts receivable Prepaid expense	83,659 558 (158,465) (12,043)	72,923 (145,122) (2,250)
Notes receivable Other assets	(457,308) (126,296)	449,287 38,646
Increase (decrease) in: Accrued liabilities and payables Net cash (used) provided by operating activities	132,581 \$ (416,916)	(63,141) 351,835

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015

Note 1: ORGANIZATION

The Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc. (the Agency) is a public benefit corporation created by the New York State Legislature. The Essex County Board of Supervisors appoints the members to the Agency's Board of Directors. The Agency is empowered by law to issue tax-exempt bonds to finance qualified industrial firms. It also may purchase, develop, manage, sell and lease real property, including land and buildings, for the purpose of creating jobs and serving the public welfare generally. The real property used for such public purpose is exempt from property tax by law. The Agency can also loan funds and administer those loans to businesses to promote economic development.

In accordance with the contract, dated March 7, 1996, between Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc. and the County of Essex, it was agreed that each would be separate and independent entities of government effective January 1, 1982. According to the terms of the same contract the Industrial Development Agency was charged with the administration of the business of the Essex County Development Corporation.

As of January 1, 2006, the Essex County Empire Development Zone Corporation was dissolved and merged with the Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc. The administration of the Empire Development Zones within Essex County, New York are now through the Agency servicing existing certified businesses and administering the recertification of Empire Development Zone designated areas. The Agency is responsible to provide a zone coordinator to service the Empire Development Zone within Essex County, New York. This program ended June 30, 2010. The Agency is required to administer the program to existing certified business.

Due to an end of the New York State civil facilities bond program, the Agency could no longer facilitate the bond financing arrangements for nonprofit entities in Essex County, New York. The Agency determined that this was a significant gap in services to stimulate economic development. In the 2010 fiscal year, the Agency created a related nonprofit corporate entity, The Essex County Capital Resources Corporation, whose purpose is to facilitate bond financing arrangements for non profit in Essex County, New York. These financial statements reflect a combination of the financial activity of the two entities.

Note 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Agency have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The Agency follows the standards for external financial reporting by not-for-profit organizations which requires that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into three net asset categories according to grant imposed restrictions.

Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of grant imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Agency and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

- Unrestricted net assets include net assets that are not subject to grant or Board imposed stipulations.
- **Temporarily restricted net assets** include net assets subject to grant or Board imposed stipulations that may or will lapse either by actions of the Agency and/or the passage of time.

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015

Note 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

Permanently restricted net assets include net assets subject to grant imposed restrictions with the intent that the Agency maintains the net assets permanently. Generally, the grantors of these assets permit the Agency to use all of the income earned or realized on related investments for general or specific purposes.

Revenues and Expenses

Revenues are reported as increase in unrestricted net assets unless use of the related assets is limited by grant-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Agency considers cash and any appropriate investment with the initial maturity date of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents. Funds are segregated in separate accounts as requested by granting agencies.

Donated Services

The Agency has not received any donated services or goods. Thus, none has been reflected in the financial statements. On occasion it receives facilities and the policy on this is described below.

Plant

Land, buildings, furniture and equipment are recorded at cost and include expenditures for new facilities and improvements that substantially increase the useful lives of existing buildings and equipment. Expenditures in the nature of normal repairs and maintenance are accounted for as expenses in the statement of activities of unrestricted net assets. Depreciation of building and equipment is provided over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets on a straight-line basis. Depreciation is recognized on general operating assets and industrial projects with current earnings. Assets in excess of \$1,000 are capitalized.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of 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 and applicable disclosures at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates of the Corporation and other revenues from nonexempt sources.

Income taxes

The Agency is generally exempt from income taxes on related income pursuant to Section 501(a) of the code. Management has determined that the Agency does not have any uncertain tax positions that materially impact the financial statements or related disclosures.

As of December 31, 2016, the tax years for 2013, 2014, and 2015 were subject to examination by the tax authorities. No audits are in process.

Note 3: INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BOND AND NOTE TRANSACTIONS

Industrial development revenue bonds and notes issued by the Agency are secured by property which is leased to or owned by companies and is retired by lease or principal payments. The bonds and notes are not obligations of the Agency or the State of New York. The Agency does not record the assets or liabilities resulting from completed bond and note issues in its accounts since its primary function is to

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015

arrange the financing between the borrowing companies and the bond and note holders, and funds arising therefrom are controlled by trustees or banks acting as fiscal agents.

Note 4: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Agency's investment policies are governed by State statutes. Agency monies must be deposited in FDIC-insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. The treasurer is authorized to use demand accounts and certificates of deposit. Permissible investments include obligations of New York State or its localities. At December 31, 2016, and December 31, 2015 the Agency had no investments.

Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral include obligations guaranteed by the government of the United States or by the State of New York and obligations issued by a municipal corporation or school district of such State.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Agency's deposits may not be returned to it. While the Agency does not have a specific policy for custodial credit risk, New York State statutes govern the Agency's investment policies, as described above. At December 31, 2016, the Agency's cash and cash equivalent balances were \$1,062,170. The insured and collateral status of the year end bank balances are as follows:

Status of bank balances:

Of built builties.	
Collateralized with securities held by the	812,170
pledging financial institution	
Covered by federal deposit insurance	250,000
Total Insured and collateral status	<u>\$1,062,170</u>

Note 5: **NOTES RECEIVABLE**

Notes receivables are recognized at the current outstanding balance. Funds collectible within twelve months are identified as the current portion of the notes receivable. Funds collectible in more than twelve months are identified as other assets.

The Allowance for Doubtful Accounts is evaluated annually and adjusted accordingly. The Agency seeks every means of collection of its notes.

Note 6: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment and related accumulated depreciation are as follows:

Industrial Projects	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Chesterfield Industrial Park	\$ 3,580,499	3,580,499
Essex Industrial Park Ticonderoga Land		
Ausable Forks Hydro Project:		
Land	733	733
Willsboro:		
Land	 	99,900
Total	3,581,232	3,681,132
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	 -	-
Total	3,581,232	3,681,132
Moriah Project		
Land	97,000	97,000
Land improvements	56,875	56,875
Construction in Progress		-
Buildings	1,331,056	1,331,056
Site development	1,052,777	1,052,777
Willsboro Project-engineering	-	107,345
Operating Assets of the Agency		0.61, 40.7
Building	261,497	261,497
Furniture and Fixtures	27,503	31,547
Training Equipment	127,781	127,781
Office equipment	 27,375	27,375
Total	2,981,864	3,093,253
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	 (886,004)	(802,345)
Total	 2,095,860	2,290,908
Property, Plant and Equipment,		
net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 5,677,092	5,972,040

Note 7: MORIAH BUSINESS PARK

The Industrial Development Agency received grants to construct a building in the Town of Moriah for the purposes of industrial development without an objective of creating jobs. The project involved the construction of a one-story 22,000 sq. ft. high bay manufacturing and distribution facility, access road, utility connection and parking for 18 trailers and 14 cars. The building was built on land owned by the Agency totaling 30 acres, which was purchased for the purposes of this project. The Agency is currently renting the building to commercial tenants.

Note 7: MORIAH BUSINESS PARK CONTINUED

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, the Agency received multiple grants to improve the infrastructure of The Moriah Business Park. Three phase power, fiberoptics, highspeed internet access, water and sewer lines, grading, paving, and site preparation was installed and/or completed during the 2007 fiscal year. Additionally, The Town of Moriah built a new building for a Town health center at the park. Four building sites remain.

In February 2009, the Agency was awarded a performance grant of \$36,893 from The United States Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration for completing The Moriah Business Park project before deadlines and under budget. These funds have been used to complete landscaping at the park, which is a joint venture with CV-TEC involving materials and equipment rental.

During the 2014 fiscal year, the Agency began the construction of a 3,000 square foot building on a vacant lot at the Moriah Business Park. The building was completed May 31, 2015. A tenant did occupy the building. The water and sewer lines were also extended to accommodate future construction.

Note 8: CHESTERFIELD COMMERCE PARK PROJECT

The Agency was involved in a joint development project with the Town of Chesterfield. As project leader, the Agency received a grant of \$3,000,000 from the United States Department of Commerce for improvements to the water treatment plant and infrastructure to the proposed industrial park in the Town of Chesterfield. The Agency has disbursed its grant funds which are reflected in the assets but are not being depreciated totaling \$3,580,499 as of December 31, 2005.

The Town of Chesterfield had an obligation to match the Federal grant in improvements paid through the town. The final requisition had been submitted for the project as of December 31, 2004 and collected in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. Once complete, the assets are to transfer to the Town of Chesterfield. This transfer has not been finalized yet.

PLAN DESCRIPTIONS AND BENEFITS PROVIDED

Note 9: PENSION BENEFIT PLAN

Employees' Retirement System (ERS)

The Agency participates in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). This is a cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement system. The System provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. The net position of the System is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the System. The Comptroller of the State of New York serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of the System. System benefits are established under the provisions of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (RSSL). Once a public employer elects to participate in the System, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The Agency also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan (GLIP), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The System is included in the State's financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided, may be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

The Systems are noncontributory except for employees who joined after July 27, 1976, who contribute 3 percent of their salary for the first ten years of membership, and employees who joined on or after January 1, 2010 who generally contribute 3.0 to 3.5 percent of their salary for their entire length of service. In addition, employee contribution rates under ERS tier VI vary based on a sliding salary scale. For ERS, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions based on salaries paid during the Systems' fiscal year ending March 31.

Contributions for the current year and two preceding years were equal to 100 percent of the contributions required, and were as follows:

Contributions	<u>ERS</u>
2016	\$24,776
2015	\$29,851
2014	\$31,702

ERS has provided additional disclosures through entities that elected to participate in Chapter 260, 57, and 105.

PENSION LIABILITIES, PENSION EXPENSE, AND DEFERED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES RELATED TO PENSIONS

At December 31, 2015, the Agency reported the following asset/(liability) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset /(liability) for each of the Systems. The net pension asset/ (liability) was measured as of March 31, 2015 for ERS. The total pension asset/(liability) used to calculate the net pension asset/(liability) was determined by an actuarial valuation. The Agency's proportion of the net pension asset/ (liability) was based on a projection of the Agency's long-term share of contributions to the Systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the ERS and TRS Systems in reports provided to the Agency.

	<u>ERS</u>
Actuarial valuation date	31-Mar-16
Net pension asset/(liability)	(135,280)
Agency's portion of the Plan's total	
net pension asset/(liability)	.0008429%

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the Agency's recognized pension expense of \$24,776 for ERS. At December 31, 2016 the Agency's reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources ERS	Deferred Inflows of Resources ERS
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 684	\$16,035
Changes in assumptions	\$36,075	\$ -
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$80,256	\$ -
Changes in proportion of differences between the Agency's contributions and proportionate share of contributions	\$ -	\$12,489
Agency's contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$	<u>\$</u>
Total	\$ <u>117,015</u>	<u>\$28,524</u>

Agency contributions subsequent to the measurement date which will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	<u>ERS</u>
Year ended:	
2017	21,955
2018	21,955
2019	21,955
2020	22,626
2021	_
Thereafter	_

ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS

The total pension liability as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

Significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuations were as follows:

Measurement date ERS March 31, 2016

Actuarial valuation date April 30, 2016

Interest Rate 7.0%

Salary scale Varies

Decrement tables April 1, 2005-

March 31, 2010 System's Experience

Inflation rate 3.0%

For ERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2005- March 31, 2011 System's experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on MP-2014.

For ERS, the actuarial assumptions used in the April 1, 2011 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2005 – March 31, 2010.

The long term rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns net of investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by each of the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation are summarized below:

DISCOUNT RATE

The discount rate used to calculate the total pension liability was 7.0% for ERS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions form plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially. Based upon the assumptions, the Systems' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore the long term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

SENTIVITY OF THE PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABITY TO THE DISCOUNT RATE ASSUMPTION

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The following presents the Agency's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.0% for ERS, as well as what the Agency's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6.0% for ERS) or 1-percentage point higher (8.0% for ERS) than the current rate:

ERS	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Assumption	Increase
	(6.0%)	(7.0%)	(8.0%)
Employer's proportionate share			
Of the net pension asset (liability)	\$305,048	\$135,280	\$(8,166)

PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

The components of the current-year net pension asset/(liability) of the employers as of the respective valuation dates, were as follows:

Valuation date (Dollars in Thousands)

ERS

March 30, 2016

Employers' total pension asset/(liability) \$(160,434,215)
Plan Net Position \$\frac{160,298,935}{260,298,935}

Employers' net pension asset/(liability) \$(135,280)

Ratio of plan net position to the

Employers' total pension asset/(liability) .0008429%

PAYABLES TO THE PENSION PLAN

For ERS, employer contributions are paid annually based on the System's fiscal year which ends on March 31. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2016 represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016 based on paid ERS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of December 31, 2016 amounted to \$135,280.

RESTATEMENT OF NET POSITION

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, the Agency implemented GASB Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions -Amendment to GASB Statement No. 27. The implementation of Statement No. 68 resulted in the reporting of an asset, deferred outflow of resources, liability and deferred inflow of resources related to the Agency's participation in the New York State Employees' retirement systems. The Agency's net position has been restated as follows:

Net position beginning of year, as previously stated	\$8,325,983
GASB Statement No. 68 implementation Beginning System liability – Employees' Retirement System, March 31, 2014 Beginning deferred outflow of resources for contributions	(38,750
subsequent to the date: Employee's Retirement System	31,702
Net position of beginning of year, as restated	\$ <u>8,318,935</u>

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, INC. Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015

Unearned Revenue

The Agency reports unearned revenues on its Statement of Net Position and its Balance Sheet. On the Statement of Net Position, unearned revenue arises when resources are received by the Agency before it has legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when the Agency has legal claim to resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed and revenue is recognized.

Funding Policies-

The systems are noncontributory except for employees who joined the Systems after July 27, 1976, who contributed 3% of their salary until the employee has 10 years of service or membership in the plan. Those joining on or after January 1, 2010 and before April 1, 2012 are required to contribute 3 ½% of their annual salary for their entire working career. Those joining on or after April 1, 2012 are required to contribute between 3% and 6%, dependent upon their salary, for their entire working career. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate, currently 18.5% of the annual covered payroll for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

For the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement System, the comptroller shall certify the rates expressed as proportions of payroll of members, which shall be used in computing the contributions required to be made by employers to the pension accumulation fund. Those employees who joined the system prior to January 1, 1979, are currently having 20.65% of their salary assessed for retirement contributions by the government. Employees who joined the system on or after January 1, 1979 are currently having 18.5% of their salary assessed for retirement contributions by the government.

Note 10: POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Although the employees of the Agency participate in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System and do accrue retirement benefits for post employment, the Agency does not participate in the New York State Employees' Health Insurance program. The Agency has a policy to provide health insurance to its employees while they are employed at the Agency. The Agency contracts on its own for this employee benefit. There is no policy at this time to provide health insurance covereage to any employee in retirement.

Note 11: GRANT INTEREST EXPENSE

Upon recent review of the Essex County Contract with the Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Inc. and the sub-recipient grant contracts from the Community Development Block Grants and the Governors Office of Small Cities Grants, it has been determined that the Agency owes the County the accrued interest income earned on the grant funds held on account including funds repaid from loans with the original grant funds or loaned again within the same grant program. This liability has been accrued at the end of the 2016 and 2015 fiscal years in these financial statements and will be remitted to Essex County.

Note 12: CHAMPLAIN BRIDGE/HURRICANE IRENE GRANT

Two significant events have occurred in the region which has had an impact on the underlying economic environment of the region in recent years.

The first event was the condemnation of the Champlain Bridge at the narrows of the lake near Crown Point, New York in October 2009. With the cessation of traffic through this transportation artery, businesses within twenty-five miles of the bridge felt an immediate decline in economic activity. Through the Empire State Development Corporation, the Agency secured \$635,000 in funds to be made

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available as a Community Loan Fund to these suffering businesses to provide loans and lines of credit up to \$25,000. No interest is to be charged and no payments are due until six months after the newly constructed bridge is opened which occurred November 7, 2011.

Not all of these grant funds had been disbursed when the second event occurred which was the devastation wrought by Hurricane Irene on August 28, 2011. Flooding levels well in excess of the 100 year flood plain did extensive damage to roadways, commercial properties and residential properties. Again, businesses immediately felt the impact of this event with transportation arteries closed or in repair, structural damage inflicted on buildings and destruction of inventory available for sale.

The Agency appealed to the Empire State Development Corporation to allow the remaining funds available through the Champlain Bridge initiative to be loaned to businesses affected by Hurricane Irene.

A new grant disbursement agreement was approved in which up to \$385,000 is available to be disbursed to assist businesses impacted by the closure of the Champlain Bridge and up to \$250,000 is available to be disbursed to assist businesses impacted by Hurricane Irene. The Agency also agreed to reduce its administrative charge for the servicing of this grant from 10% of the grant funds at \$63,500 to 4.5% of the grant funds at \$28,575.

The Agency is still servicing loans from this grant program. Most will be fully paid off in the next fiscal year. The Agency has been allowed to keep the principal funds of the grant to use as an additional revolving loan fund. In the 2016 fiscal year, award of loans began from this fund.

Note 13: OPERATING LEASES

The Agency has one equipment operating lease for a copier. The annual lease payments are \$1,256 in fiscal year 2016. The future lease payments under the current year are:

2017 \$1,256

Note 14: **COMMITMENTS**

As of December 31, 2016 the Agency is administering a microenterprise grant with commitments to businesses to stimulate economic growth and development. The Agency is administering grants received from other agencies.

Note 15: WILLSBORO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DONATION

The Agency had a ten year contract with The Willsboro Development Corporation to develop and manage The Willsboro Commerce Park. The Agency did invest in infrastructure development in The Willsboro Commerce Park to attract new businesses. The contract ended in October 2016. At that time, the deed to The Willsboro Commerce Park was transferred to The Willsboro Development Corporation. All the land and infrastructure improvements totaling \$211,288 were transferred with the deed.

Note 16: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Agency has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between December 31, 2016 and February 28, 2017 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible disclosure and recognition in the financial statements.

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Schedule of Functional Expenses

	2016	<u>2015</u>
PROGRAM EXPENSE:		
HUD Program expenses	\$ 1,134	1,961
Industrial Park expenses	28,618	24,066
Legal fees and notices	8,083	8,120
Marketing expense	4,272	6,050
Bad debt expense	32,667	
Depreciation expense	75,293	66,026
Insurance	3,612	5,287
Telephone	2,180	2,026
Travel	2,840	3,546
Conferences and workshops	472	1,614
Dues and subscriptions	465	1,960
Miscellaneous	299	293
Total Program Expense	159,935	120,949
PERSONNEL EXPENSE		
Salaries	163,463	153,060
Payroll tax expense	13,361	12,285
Health Insurance	7,752	6,727
Retirement	24,776	29,851
Total Personnel Expense	209,352	201,923
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE		
Office expense and supplies	5,264	6,406
Depreciation expense	8,367	6,897
Rent and occupancy	3,706	4,900
Postage and printing	770	912
Accounting	7,062	6,432
Equipment leases and maintenance	1,423	2,634
Board expenses	64	127
Business meetings	238	340
Total Administrative Expense	\$ 26,894	28,648

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Schedule of Industrial Parks Revenues and Expenses

Year end December 31

		2015				2015
		<u>Total</u>	Moriah	Willsboro	Chesterfield	<u>Total</u>
Rental Income	\$	87,100	87,100			69,847
Expenses:						
Maintenance		11,100	10,819		281	10,405
Landscaping		6,015	5,160		855	3,620
Real estate taxes		1,643	435	1,208		831
Insurance		8,365	6,087	1,632	646	8,276
Utilities		732		732		823
Services and fees		110			110	110
Total Expenses		27,965	22,501	3,572	1,892	24,065
Net Rental						
Income (Loss)		59,135	64,599	(3,572)	(1,892)	45,782
Before Depreciation						
Depreciation expense	_	75,293	75,293			66,026
Net Rental Income						
(Loss)	\$	(16,158)	\$ (10,694)	(3,572)	(1,892)	(20,244)
(1000)	Ψ	(10,100)	<u> </u>	(3,372)	(1,072)	

Required Supplementary Information Schedule of Revenues and Expenses Operating -Budget (Non-GAAP Basis) And Actual

For the Year ended December 31, 2016

	Budget	Actual	<u>Variance</u>
Revenues:			
County Support	\$ 198,000	198,000	-
Fees	2,000	22,090	20,090
Rental administration fee	10,057	17,420	7,363
Other revenue	9,200	5,000	(4,200)
Interest income	59,370	30,924	(28,446)
Total revenues	278,627	273,434	(5,193)
Expenditures			
Personal services	212,362	209,352	(3,010)
Legal fees and notices	10,000	8,083	(1,917)
Occupancy expenses	4,500	3,706	(794)
Audit and accounting fees	6,000	7,062	1,062
Marketing expense	5,000	4,272	(728)
Travel	3,425	2,840	(585)
Office expense	6,300	4,923	(1,377)
Insurance	4,000	3,612	(388)
Equipment rental and maintenance	1,500	1,423	(77)
Meetings and seminars	250	238	(12)
Telephone	2,500	2,180	(320)
Dues and subscriptions	500	465	(35)
Bank charges	300	341	41
Miscellaneous	300	299	(1)
Total expenditures	256,937	248,796	(8,141)
Excess in Operating Budget	\$ 21,690	24,638	2,948

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Revenues and Expenses - IDA and CRC

	Year ended December 31, 2016		
	<u>IDA</u>	<u>CRC</u>	<u>Total</u>
SUPPORT:			
County Allocation	\$ 213,000	-	213,000
Grant Income	5,000		5,000
HUD Program Fees	8,500		8,500
Industrial Park Rents	87,100	-	87,100
Revenue Bond fees	•	-	-
Application and administrative fees	13,590	-	13,590
Interest Income	30,924	-	30,924
TOTAL SUPPORT	358,114		358,114
EXPENDITURES:			
Program expense	159,935	-	159,935
Personnel expense	209,352	-	209,352
Administration expense	26,894	_	26,894
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	396,181	-	396,181
Expenditures in Excess of Support	\$ (38,067)	-	(38,067)

Schedule of Leases Year ended December 31, 2016

Estimated <u>Jobs</u>	43 Full-time 11 Part-time	13 Full-time I Part-time	5 Full-time 2 Part-time
Amount of Tax Exemption	\$ 7,904,958 Mortgage tax and Recording Fees Expemption and sales tax exemption of materials	1,730,000 Mortgage tax and recording fees exemption	975,000 Sales tax exemption on materials
Estimated Project Amount	7,904,958	1,730,000	975,000
Prc	↔	↔	↔
Purpose	Senior Assisted Living Community	Meat butchering and packaging plant	Beer Distributing Business
Year of Origination	2012	2014	2014
Project Owner and Address	CVSC, LLC 10 Gilliland Lane Willsboro, NY 12996	Adirondack Meat Company, Inc. 30 Commerce Street Ticonderoga, NY 12883	High Peaks Distributing, LLC 20 Burrstone Road New York Mills, NY 13417
Name of Project	1. CVSC, LLC	2. Adirondack Meat Company, Inc.	3. High Peaks Distributing, LLC and 1016 Saranac Lake Properties, LLC

ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT AGENCY, INC. Schedule of Payments in Lieu of Taxes Year ended December 31, 2016

Name of Project

1. CVSC, LLC

Project Owner and Address:

CVSC, LLC 10 Gilliland Lane Willsboro, NY 12996

Purpose: Senior Assited Living Community

Amount of PILOT:

The PILOT is a ten year schedule in which the first two years, 2013 and 2014, there are no real property tax payments due. In year three (2015), 50% of the real property taxes due based on the assessed value of the project are payable. Through to and including 2018, the exemption percentage decreases annually by 5%, being 30% exempt in 2018. In 2019 and 2020, the exemption percentage decreases 10% annually. In 2021, the exemptoin percentage is 5%. In 2022, the PILOT expires.

Estimated Jobs:

New 15-20

2. Adirondack Meat Company, Inc.

Project Owner and Address: Adirondack Meat Company, Inc. 30 Commerce Drive Ticonderoga, NY 12883

Purpose Meat Processing Facility

Amount of PILOT:

The PILOT is a ten year schedule in which the first two years, 2014 and 2015, there are no real property tax payments due. In year three (2016), 50% of the real property taxes due based on the assessed value of the project are payable. Through to and including 2023, the exemption percentage decreases annually by 5%, being 5% exempt in 2023. In 2024, the PILOT expires.

Estimated Jobs:

New 20

3. High Peaks Distributing, LLC

Project Owner and Address: High Peaks Distributing, LLC 20 Burrstone Road New York Mills, NY 13417

Purpose: Expand Beer Distribution Center Facilities

Amount of PILOT:

The PILOT is a ten year schedule in which the first two years, 2013 and 2014, there are no real property tax payments due. In year three (2017), 50% of the real property taxes due based on the assessed value of the project are payable. Through to and including 2021, the exemption percentage decreases annually by 5%, being 30% exempt in 2021. In 2022 and 2023, the exemption percentage decreases 10% annually. In 2024, the exemptoin percentage is 5%. In 2025, the PILOT expires.

Estimated Jobs:

New 9