

# PERAC AUDIT REPORT



Wakefield  
Contributory Retirement System



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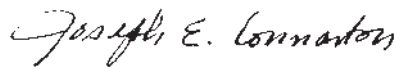
The Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission has completed an examination of the Wakefield Retirement System pursuant to G.L. c. 32, § 21. The examination covered the period from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008. This audit was conducted in accordance with the accounting and management standards established by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission in regulation 840 CMR 25.00. Additionally, all supplementary regulations approved by PERAC and on file at PERAC are listed in this report.

In our opinion, the financial records are being maintained and the management functions are being performed in conformity with the standards established by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission.

We commend the Wakefield Retirement Board for the exemplary operation of the system.

In closing, I acknowledge the work of examiners James F. Tivnan and Martin J. Feeney who conducted this examination, and express appreciation to the Board of Retirement and staff for their courtesy and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Joseph E. Connarton  
Executive Director



## STATEMENT OF LEDGER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	AS OF DECEMBER 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
<b>Net Assets Available For Benefits:</b>			
Cash	\$58,798	\$175,442	\$313,191
PRIT Cash Fund	125	572	50,944
PRIT Core Fund	68,961,919	100,841,267	91,362,502
Interest Due and Accrued	0	0	0
Accounts Receivable	25,308	20,789	22,913
Accounts Payable	(396)	(395)	0
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$69,045,753</u>	<u>\$101,037,675</u>	<u>\$91,749,550</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>			
Annuity Savings Fund	\$17,805,827	\$17,885,747	\$17,294,591
Annuity Reserve Fund	7,339,895	6,490,506	6,081,835
Pension Fund	610,736	1,120,702	1,049,956
Military Service Fund	2,104	14,968	14,653
Expense Fund	0	0	0
Pension Reserve Fund	43,287,192	75,525,753	67,308,516
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$69,045,753</u>	<u>\$101,037,675</u>	<u>\$91,749,550</u>

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	Annuity Savings Fund	Annuity Reserve Fund	Pension Fund	Military Service Fund	Expense Fund	Pension Reserve Fund	Total All Funds
Ending Balance (2006)	\$16,217,292	\$6,057,898	\$1,253,188	\$5,369	\$0	\$56,357,806	\$79,891,553
Receipts	1,802,105	177,643	3,758,817	9,283	585,887	12,429,320	18,763,054
Interfund Transfers	(659,376)	659,263	1,478,723	0	0	(1,478,610)	0
Disbursements	(65,430)	(812,968)	(5,440,771)	0	(585,887)	0	(6,905,056)
Ending Balance (2006)	17,294,591	6,081,835	1,049,956	14,653	0	67,308,516	91,749,550
Receipts	1,875,299	184,112	3,981,285	315	620,663	10,070,413	16,732,087
Interfund Transfers	(1,132,506)	1,119,092	1,866,590	0	0	(1,853,176)	0
Disbursements	(151,638)	(894,533)	(5,777,129)	0	(620,663)	0	(7,443,962)
Ending Balance (2007)	17,885,747	6,490,506	1,120,702	14,968	0	75,525,753	101,037,675
Receipts	1,928,506	202,370	3,681,958	8,958	527,619	(30,221,938)	(23,872,527)
Interfund Transfers	(1,629,588)	1,644,700	2,023,332	(21,822)	0	(2,016,623)	0
Disbursements	(378,838)	(997,682)	(6,215,257)	0	(527,619)	0	(8,119,395)
Ending Balance (2008)	<u>\$17,805,827</u>	<u>\$7,339,895</u>	<u>\$610,736</u>	<u>\$2,104</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$43,287,192</u>	<u>\$69,045,753</u>

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

	FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
<b>Annuity Savings Fund:</b>			
Members Deductions	\$1,640,475	\$1,600,707	\$1,526,678
Transfers from Other Systems	120,662	126,308	147,785
Member Make Up Payments and Re-deposits	51,672	23,561	32,036
Member Payments from Rollovers	14,879	25,099	0
Investment Income Credited to Member Accounts	<u>100,819</u>	<u>99,624</u>	<u>95,605</u>
Sub Total	<u>1,928,506</u>	<u>1,875,299</u>	<u>1,802,105</u>
<b>Annuity Reserve Fund:</b>			
Investment Income Credited to the Annuity Reserve Fund	<u>202,370</u>	<u>184,112</u>	<u>177,643</u>
<b>Pension Fund:</b>			
3 (8) (c) Reimbursements from Other Systems Received from Commonwealth for COLA and Survivor Benefits	83,981	84,717	86,712
Pension Fund Appropriation	<u>3,372,576</u>	<u>3,622,656</u>	<u>3,417,599</u>
Sub Total	<u>3,681,958</u>	<u>3,981,285</u>	<u>3,758,817</u>
<b>Military Service Fund:</b>			
Contribution Received from Municipality on Account of Military Service	8,927	227	9,251
Investment Income Credited to the Military Service Fund	<u>31</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>32</u>
Sub Total	<u>8,958</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>9,283</u>
<b>Expense Fund:</b>			
Expense Fund Appropriation			
Investment Income Credited to the Expense Fund	<u>527,619</u>	<u>620,663</u>	<u>585,887</u>
Sub Total	<u>527,619</u>	<u>620,663</u>	<u>585,887</u>
<b>Pension Reserve Fund:</b>			
Federal Grant Reimbursement	0	0	0
Pension Reserve Appropriation	0	0	0
Interest Not Refunded	1,821	833	1,511
Miscellaneous Income	0	0	0
Excess Investment Income (Loss)	<u>(30,223,759)</u>	<u>10,069,580</u>	<u>12,427,808</u>
Sub Total	<u>(30,221,938)</u>	<u>10,070,413</u>	<u>12,429,320</u>
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<u>(\$23,872,527)</u>	<u>\$16,732,087</u>	<u>\$18,763,054</u>

## STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS

	FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
<b>Annuity Savings Fund:</b>			
Refunds to Members	\$126,343	\$60,356	\$58,660
Transfers to Other Systems	<u>252,495</u>	<u>91,282</u>	<u>6,771</u>
Sub Total	<u>378,838</u>	<u>151,638</u>	<u>65,430</u>
<b>Annuity Reserve Fund:</b>			
Annuities Paid	986,587	894,533	811,275
Option B Refunds	<u>11,095</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,694</u>
Sub Total	<u>997,682</u>	<u>894,533</u>	<u>812,968</u>
<b>Pension Fund:</b>			
Pensions Paid:			
Regular Pension Payments	4,477,879	4,148,213	3,808,688
Survivorship Payments	375,542	319,692	286,094
Ordinary Disability Payments	63,276	61,701	60,131
Accidental Disability Payments	857,659	838,865	835,983
Accidental Death Payments	251,468	260,983	260,872
Section 101 Benefits	38,323	37,207	36,123
3 (8) (c) Reimbursements to Other Systems	151,110	110,468	152,882
State Reimbursable COLA's Paid	0	0	0
Chapter 389 Beneficiary Increase Paid	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Sub Total	<u>6,215,257</u>	<u>5,777,129</u>	<u>5,440,771</u>
<b>Military Service Fund:</b>			
Return to Municipality for Members Who Withdrew Their Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Expense Fund:</b>			
Board Member Stipend	0	0	0
Salaries	68,369	62,881	65,114
Legal Expenses	0	0	0
Medical Expenses	0	0	0
Travel Expenses	97	36	95
Administrative Expenses	10,939	12,781	6,557
Furniture and Equipment	708	6,770	220
Management Fees	425,569	512,304	490,591
Custodial Fees	0	0	0
Consultant Fees	0	0	0
Rent Expenses	0	0	0
Service Contracts	11,621	14,526	13,339
Fiduciary Insurance	<u>10,317</u>	<u>11,365</u>	<u>9,971</u>
Sub Total	<u>527,619</u>	<u>620,663</u>	<u>585,887</u>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<u>\$8,119,395</u>	<u>\$7,443,962</u>	<u>\$6,905,056</u>

# INVESTMENT INCOME

	FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
<b>Investment Income Received From:</b>			
Cash	\$133	\$11,083	\$10,483
Short Term Investments	0	0	0
Fixed Income	0	0	0
Equities	0	0	0
Pooled or Mutual Funds	3,009,665	3,192,215	2,842,020
Commission Recapture	0	0	0
<b>Total Investment Income</b>	<u>3,009,797</u>	<u>3,203,297</u>	<u>2,852,503</u>
<b>Plus:</b>			
Realized Gains	1,121,330	7,770,413	5,760,491
Unrealized Gains	4,867,970	7,758,031	7,837,357
Interest Due and Accrued - Current Year	0	0	0
Sub Total	<u>5,989,300</u>	<u>15,528,443</u>	<u>13,597,848</u>
<b>Less:</b>			
Paid Accrued Interest on Fixed Income Securities			
Realized Loss	(6,076,547)	0	0
Unrealized Loss	(32,315,470)	(7,757,673)	(3,163,376)
Interest Due and Accrued - Prior Year	0	0	0
Sub Total	<u>(38,392,017)</u>	<u>(7,757,673)</u>	<u>(3,163,376)</u>
<b>Net Investment Income (Loss)</b>	<u>(29,392,919)</u>	<u>10,974,067</u>	<u>13,286,975</u>
<b>Income Required:</b>			
Annuity Savings Fund	100,819	99,624	95,605
Annuity Reserve Fund	202,370	184,112	177,643
Military Service Fund	31	88	32
Expense Fund	527,619	620,663	585,887
<b>Total Income Required</b>	<u>830,840</u>	<u>904,487</u>	<u>859,166</u>
Net Investment Income (Loss)	<u>(29,392,919)</u>	<u>10,974,067</u>	<u>13,286,975</u>
Less: Total Income Required	<u>830,840</u>	<u>904,487</u>	<u>859,166</u>
<b>Excess Income Loss To The Pension Reserve Fund</b>	<u>(\$30,223,759)</u>	<u>\$10,069,580</u>	<u>\$12,427,808</u>

# SCHEDULE OF ALLOCATION OF INVESTMENTS OWNED

(percentages by category)

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008			
	MARKET VALUE	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL ASSETS	PERCENTAGE ALLOWED
Cash	\$58,798	0.1%	100%
PRIT Cash Fund	125	0.0%	100%
PRIT Core Fund	<u>68,961,919</u>	<u>99.9%</u>	100%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<u>\$69,020,841</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	

For the year ending December 31, 2008, the rate of return for the investments of the Wakefield Retirement System was -29.50%. For the five-year period ending December 31, 2008, the rate of return for the investments of the Wakefield Retirement System averaged 3.54%. For the twenty-four year period ending December 31, 2008, since PERAC began evaluating the returns of the retirement systems, the rate of return on the investments of the Wakefield Retirement System was 9.53%.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTMENT REGULATIONS

The Wakefield Retirement System is invested 100% in PRIT and therefore has no supplementary investment regulations

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## NOTE I – SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

The plan is a contributory defined benefit plan covering all Wakefield Retirement System member unit employees deemed eligible by the retirement board, with the exception of school department employees who serve in a teaching capacity. The Teachers' Retirement Board administers the pensions of such school employees.

### ADMINISTRATION

There are 106 contributory Retirement Systems for public employees in Massachusetts. Each system is governed by a retirement board, and all boards, although operating independently, are governed by Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. This law in general provides uniform benefits, uniform contribution requirements, and a uniform accounting and funds structure for all systems.

### PARTICIPATION

Participation is mandatory for all full-time employees. Eligibility with respect to part-time, provisional, temporary, seasonal, or intermittent employment is governed by regulations promulgated by the retirement board, and approved by PERAC. Membership is optional for certain elected officials.

There are 3 classes of membership in the Retirement System:

#### **Group 1:**

General employees, including clerical, administrative, technical, and all other employees not otherwise classified.

#### **Group 2:**

Certain specified hazardous duty positions.

#### **Group 4:**

Police officers, firefighters, and other specified hazardous positions.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Member contributions vary depending on the most recent date of membership:

Prior to 1975:	5% of regular compensation
1975 - 1983:	7% of regular compensation
1984 to 6/30/96:	8% of regular compensation
7/1/96 to present:	9% of regular compensation
1979 to present:	an additional 2% of regular compensation in excess of \$30,000.

### RATE OF INTEREST

Interest on regular deductions made after January 1, 1984 is a rate established by PERAC in consultation with the Commissioner of Banks. The rate is obtained from the average rates paid on individual savings accounts by a representative sample of at least 10 financial institutions.

### RETIREMENT AGE

The mandatory retirement age for some Group 2 and Group 4 employees is age 65. Most Group 2 and Group 4 members may remain in service after reaching age 65. Group 4 members who are employed in certain public safety positions are required to retire no later than the end of month they attain age 65. There is no mandatory retirement age for employees in Group 1.

### SUPERANNUATION RETIREMENT

A member is eligible for a superannuation retirement allowance (service retirement) upon meeting the following conditions:

- completion of 20 years of service, or
- attainment of age 55 if hired prior to 1978, or if classified in Group 4, or
- attainment of age 55 with 10 years of service, if hired after 1978, and if classified in Group 1 or 2

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### AMOUNT OF BENEFIT

A member's annual allowance is determined by multiplying average salary by a benefit rate related to the member's age and job classification at retirement, and the resulting product by his creditable service. The amount determined by the benefit formula cannot exceed 80% of the member's highest three year average salary. For veterans as defined in G.L. c. 32, § 1, there is an additional benefit of \$15 per year for each year of creditable service, up to a maximum of \$300.

- Salary is defined as gross regular compensation.
- Average Salary is the average annual rate of regular compensation received during the 3 consecutive years that produce the highest average, or, if greater, during the last three years (whether or not consecutive) preceding retirement.
- The Benefit Rate varies with the member's retirement age, but the highest rate of 2.5% applies to Group 1 employees who retire at or after age 65, Group 2 employees who retire at or after age 60, and to Group 4 employees who retire at or after age 55. A .1% reduction is applied for each year of age under the maximum age for the member's group. For Group 2 employees who terminate from service under age 55, the benefit rate for a Group 1 employee shall be used.

### DEFERRED VESTED BENEFIT

A participant who has completed 10 or more years of creditable service is eligible for a deferred vested retirement benefit. Elected officials and others who were hired prior to 1978 may be vested after 6 years in accordance with G.L. c. 32, § 10.

The participant's accrued benefit is payable commencing at age 55, or the completion of 20 years, or may be deferred until later at the participant's option.

### WITHDRAWAL OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Member contributions may be withdrawn upon termination of employment. Employees who first become members on or after January 1, 1984, may receive only limited interest on their contributions if they voluntarily terminate their service. Those who leave service with less than 5 years receive no interest; those who leave service with greater than 5 but less than 10 years receive 50% of the interest credited.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### DISABILITY RETIREMENT

The Massachusetts Retirement Plan provides 2 types of disability retirement benefits:

#### ORDINARY DISABILITY

**Eligibility:** Non-veterans who become totally and permanently disabled by reason of a non-job related condition with at least 10 years of creditable service (or 15 years creditable service in systems in which the local option contained in G.L. c. 32, § 6(1) has not been adopted).

Veterans with ten years of creditable service who become totally and permanently disabled by reason of a non-job related condition prior to reaching “maximum age”.

**Retirement Allowance:** Equal to the accrued superannuation retirement benefit as if the member was age 55. If the member is a veteran, the benefit is 50% of the member’s final rate of salary during the preceding 12 months, plus an annuity based upon accumulated member contributions plus credited interest. If the member is over age 55, he or she will receive not less than the superannuation allowance to which he or she is entitled.

#### ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY

**Eligibility:** Applies to members who become permanently and totally unable to perform the essential duties of the position as a result of a personal injury sustained or hazard undergone while in the performance of duties. There are no minimum age or service requirements.

**Retirement Allowance:** 72% of salary plus an annuity based on accumulated member contributions, with interest. This amount is not to exceed 100% of pay. For those who became members in service after January 1, 1988 or who have not been members in service continually since that date, the amount is limited to 75% of pay. There is an additional pension of \$687.96 per year (or \$312.00 per year in systems in which the local option contained in G.L. c. 32, § 7(2)(a)(iii) has not been adopted), per child who is under 18 at the time of the member’s retirement, with no age limitation if the child is mentally or physically incapacitated from earning. The additional pension may continue up to age 22 for any child who is a full time student at an accredited educational institution.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### ACCIDENTAL DEATH

**Eligibility:** Applies to members who die as a result of a work-related injury or if the member was retired for accidental disability and the death was the natural and proximate result of the injury or hazard undergone on account of which such member was retired.

**Allowance:** An immediate payment to a named beneficiary equal to the accumulated deductions at the time of death, plus a pension equal to 72% of current salary and payable to the surviving spouse, dependent children or the dependent parent, plus a supplement of \$312 per year, per child, payable to the spouse or legal guardian until all dependent children reach age 18 or 22 if a full time student, unless mentally or physically incapacitated.

The surviving spouse of a member of a police or fire department or any corrections officer who, under specific and limited circumstances detailed in the statute, suffers an accident and is killed or sustains injuries resulting in his death, may receive a pension equal to the maximum salary for the position held by the member upon his death.

In addition, an eligible family member may receive a one time payment of \$100,000 from the State Retirement Board.

### DEATH AFTER ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Effective November 7, 1996, Accidental Disability retirees were allowed to select Option C at retirement and provide a benefit for an eligible survivor. For Accidental Disability retirees prior to November 7, 1996, who could not select Option C, if the member's death is from a cause unrelated to the condition for which the member received accidental disability benefits, a surviving spouse will receive an annual allowance of \$6,000.

### DEATH IN ACTIVE SERVICE

**Allowance:** An immediate allowance equal to that which would have been payable had the member retired and elected Option C on the day before his or her death. For death occurring prior to the member's superannuation retirement age, the age 55 benefit rate is used. The minimum annual allowance payable to the surviving spouse of a member in service who dies with at least two years of creditable service is \$3,000, provided that the member and the spouse were married for at least one year and living together on the member's date of death.

The surviving spouse of such a member in service receives an additional allowance equal to the sum of \$1,440 per year for the first child, and \$1,080 per year for each additional child until all dependent children reach age 18 or 22 if a full time student, unless mentally or physically incapacitated.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### COST OF LIVING

If a system has accepted Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1997, and the Retirement Board votes to pay a cost of living increase for that year, the percentage is determined based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index used for indexing Social Security benefits, but cannot exceed 3.0%. Section 51 of Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1999, if accepted, allows boards to grant COLA increases greater than that determined by CPI but not to exceed 3.0%. The first \$12,000 of a retiree's total allowance is subject to a cost-of-living adjustment. The total Cost-of-Living adjustment for periods from 1981 through 1996 is paid for by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

### METHODS OF PAYMENT

A member may elect to receive his or her retirement allowance in one of 3 forms of payment.

**Option A:** Total annual allowance, payable in monthly installments, commencing at retirement and terminating at the member's death.

**Option B:** A reduced annual allowance, payable in monthly installments, commencing at retirement and terminating at the death of the member, provided, however, that if the total amount of the annuity portion received by the member is less than the amount of his or her accumulated deductions, including interest, the difference or balance of his accumulated deductions will be paid in a lump sum to the retiree's beneficiary or beneficiaries of choice.

**Option C:** A reduced annual allowance, payable in monthly installments, commencing at retirement. At the death of the retired employee, 2/3 of the allowance is payable to the member's designated beneficiary (who may be the spouse, or former spouse who remains unmarried for a member whose retirement becomes effective on or after February 2, 1992, child, parent, sister, or brother of the employee) for the life of the beneficiary. For members who retired on or after January 12, 1988, if the beneficiary pre-deceases the retiree, the benefit payable increases (or "pops up") based on the factor used to determine the Option C benefit at retirement. For members who retired prior to January 12, 1988, if the System has accepted Section 288 of Chapter 194 of the Acts of 1998 and the beneficiary pre-deceases the retiree, the benefit payable "pops up" in the same fashion. The Option C became available to accidental disability retirees on November 7, 1996.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### ALLOCATION OF PENSION COSTS

If a member's total creditable service was partly earned by employment in more than one retirement system, the cost of the "pension portion" is allocated between the different systems pro rata based on the member's service within each retirement system.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting records of the System are maintained on a calendar year basis in accordance with the standards and procedures established by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission.

The Annuity Savings Fund is the fund in which members' contributions are deposited. Voluntary contributions, re-deposits, and transfers to and from other systems, are also accounted for in this fund. Members' contributions to the fund earn interest at a rate determined by PERAC. Interest for some members who withdraw with less than ten years of service is transferred to the Pension Reserve Fund. Upon retirement, members' contributions and interest are transferred to the Annuity Reserve Fund. Dormant account balances must be transferred to the Pension Reserve Fund after a period of ten years of inactivity.

The Annuity Reserve Fund is the fund to which a member's account is transferred upon retirement from the Annuity Savings Fund and Special Military Service Credit Fund. The annuity portion of the retirement allowance is paid from this fund. Interest is credited monthly to this fund at the rate of 3% annually on the previous month's balance.

The Special Military Service Credit Fund contains contributions and interest for members while on a military leave for service in the Armed Forces who will receive creditable service for the period of that leave.

The Expense Fund contains amounts transferred from investment income for the purposes of administering the retirement system.

The Pension Fund contains the amounts appropriated by the governmental units as established by PERAC to pay the pension portion of each retirement allowance.

The Pension Reserve Fund contains amounts appropriated by the governmental units for the purposes of funding future retirement benefits. Any profit or loss realized on the sale or maturity of any investment or on the unrealized gain of a market valued investment as of the valuation date is credited to the Pension Reserve Fund. Additionally, any investment income in excess of the amount required to credit interest to the Annuity Savings Fund, Annuity Reserve Fund, and Special Military Service Credit Fund is credited to this Reserve account.

The Investment Income Account is credited with all income derived from interest and dividends of invested funds. At year-end the interest credited to the Annuity Savings Fund, Annuity Reserve Fund, Expense Fund, and Special Military Service Credit Fund is distributed from this account and the remaining balance is transferred to the Pension Reserve Fund.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### NOTE 3 - SUPPLEMENTARY MEMBERSHIP REGULATIONS

The Wakefield Retirement System submitted the following supplementary membership regulations, which were approved by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission on:

August 23, 2005

- All permanent employees who are employed on a regular work week for not less than thirty (30) hours within such work week shall become members of the Wakefield Retirement System;
- Traffic supervisors shall be eligible for membership in the Wakefield Contributory Retirement System. Creditable service for traffic supervisors shall be allowed on the basis of one year of credit for three years of employment;
- Creditable service for Call Firefighters shall be allowed on the basis of one year of credit for five years of employment, except as otherwise provided by M.G.L. c. 32, § 4(2)(b);
- All part-time, provisional, part-time temporary, temporary provisional, seasonal or intermittent employees shall not be eligible for membership in the Wakefield Retirement System [except where provided by law]. Employees are considered temporary if they are expected to be employed for less than six (6) months.

May 13, 1998

Forms

Approval of PERAC Form 9-28-296 as submitted in the following form: Addition of (1) beneficiary's date of birth and (2) beneficiary's relationship to member.

January 10, 1986

- All employees who are employed on a regular work week for not less than thirty (30) hours with such work week shall become members of the Wakefield Retirement System;
- Traffic supervisors shall be eligible for membership in the Wakefield Contributory Retirement System. Creditable Service for Call Firefighters shall be allowed on the basis of one year of credit for five years of employment, except as otherwise provided by M.G.L. c. 32, § 4 (2) (b);
- Part-time permanent employees shall be eligible for membership in the Wakefield Contributory Retirement System. Creditable service for part-time permanent employees shall be pro-rated against the applicable department's regular workweek as established by union contract of personnel by law.

(Amended August 23, 2005)

NOTE 3 - SUPPLEMENTARY MEMBERSHIP REGULATIONS (Continued)

October 7, 2002

The Board has adopted Travel Supplemental Regulations under the provisions of G.L. c. 7, § 50 and G.L. c. 32, § 21(4). (Regulation available upon written request)



## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### NOTE 5 - ACTUARIAL VALUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

The most recent actuarial valuation of the System was prepared by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission as of January 1, 2008.

The actuarial liability for active members was	\$54,693,955
The actuarial liability for vested terminated members was	628,490
The actuarial liability for non-vested terminated members was	91,842
The actuarial liability for retired members was	<u>58,441,851</u>
The total actuarial liability was	113,856,138
System assets as of that date were	<u>91,769,369</u>
The unfunded actuarial liability was	<u>\$22,086,769</u>
The ratio of system's assets to total actuarial liability was	80.6%
As of that date the total covered employee payroll was	\$18,581,685

The normal cost for employees on that date was 8.1% of payroll  
 The normal cost for the employer was 6.6% of payroll

The principal actuarial assumptions used in the valuation are as follows:

Investment Return: 8.00% per annum  
 Rate of Salary Increase: Service based, with ultimate rates of 4.75% Group 1, 5.00% Group 2, and 5.25% Group 4 per annum

### GASB STATEMENT NO. 25, DISCLOSURE INFORMATION AS OF JANUARY 1, 2008

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets ( a )	Actuarial Accrued Liability ( b )	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) ( b-a )	Funded Ratio ( a/b )	Covered Payroll ( c )	UAAL as a % of Cov. Payroll ( (b-a)/c )
1/1/2008	\$91,769,369	\$113,856,138	\$22,086,769	80.6%	\$18,581,685	118.9%
1/1/2006	\$73,037,727	\$102,150,795	\$29,113,068	71.5%	\$17,118,072	170.1%
1/1/2004	\$66,604,291	\$92,782,644	\$26,178,353	71.8%	\$16,218,499	161.4%
1/1/2002	\$57,120,752	\$83,481,332	\$26,360,580	68.4%	\$15,926,385	165.5%

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### NOTE 6 - MEMBERSHIP EXHIBIT

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Retirement in Past Years</b>										
Superannuation	8	10	5	13	15	13	18	10	13	18
Ordinary Disability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accidental Disability	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	1
<b>Total Retirements</b>	9	11	5	13	16	13	20	10	15	19
Total Retirees, Beneficiaries and Survivors	338	337	328	346	348	336	343	343	346	348
Total Active Members	476	447	468	469	450	451	445	446	443	426
<b>Pension Payments</b>										
Superannuation	\$2,430,417	\$2,504,287	\$2,506,753	\$2,718,106	\$2,986,603	\$3,381,371	\$3,620,775	\$3,808,688	\$4,148,213	\$4,477,879
Survivor/Beneficiary Payments	180,752	170,356	166,265	212,764	202,527	209,805	218,143	286,094	319,692	375,542
Ordinary Disability	104,596	104,953	103,231	82,878	109,761	86,920	92,683	60,131	61,701	63,276
Accidental Disability	622,577	637,062	677,611	695,419	699,622	723,170	736,854	835,983	838,865	857,659
Other	228,911	211,270	232,462	252,505	257,252	404,237	600,274	449,877	408,658	440,901
<b>Total Payments for Year</b>	<u>\$3,567,253</u>	<u>\$3,627,928</u>	<u>\$3,686,322</u>	<u>\$3,961,672</u>	<u>\$4,255,765</u>	<u>\$4,805,503</u>	<u>\$5,268,729</u>	<u>\$5,440,772</u>	<u>\$5,777,129</u>	<u>\$6,215,257</u>

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