Audited Financial Statements WESTERN RESERVE TRANSIT AUTHORITY (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO)

For the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

SINGLE AUDIT REPORTFor the year ended December 31, 2006



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Western Reserve Transit Authority 604 Mahoning Avenue Youngstown, Ohio 44502

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of the Western Reserve Transit Authority, Mahoning County, prepared by Dingus and Daga, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Western Reserve Transit Authority is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

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May 17, 2007



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees Western Reserve Transit Authority Youngstown, Ohio

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Western Reserve Transit Authority (a component unit of the City of Youngstown, Ohio) (the "Authority"), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with 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 we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about 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. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Authority as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated April 5, 2007, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our 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 our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the

internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 13, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations</u>, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Authority. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Dingus and Daga, Inc.

Shaker Heights, Ohio April 5, 2007

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Western Reserve Transit Authority ("Authority"), we offer readers of the Authority's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the year ended December 31, 2006. This discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader in focusing on the significant financial issues and activities and to identify any significant changes in financial position. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Overview of Financial Highlights

- The Authority has net assets of approximately \$14.04 million. These net assets result from the difference between total assets of \$17.58 million and total liabilities of \$3.54 million.
- Current assets of \$4.6 million primarily consist of non-restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents of \$.9 million; Property Tax receivable of \$2.3 million; and Federal and State assistance receivable of \$.7 million.
- Current liabilities of \$3.5 million primarily consist of Accounts, Contracts, and Other payables of \$.1 million and Accrued Payroll Benefits of \$.7 million; and Deferred property taxes of \$2.3 million.

Basic Financial Statements and Presentation

Accounting Pronouncements

The Authority complies with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments: Omnibus," and Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Disclosures."

The financial statements presented by the Authority are the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets and the Statement of Cash Flows. These statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The Authority is structured as a single enterprise fund with revenues recognized when earned and measurable, not when received. Expenses are recognized when they are incurred, not when paid. Capital assets are capitalized and depreciated, except land, over their estimated useful lives.

The Balance Sheet presents information on all the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases and decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating. Net assets increase when revenues exceed expenses. Increases in assets without a corresponding increase to liabilities results in increased net assets, which indicate improved financial position.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets present information showing how the Authority's net assets changed during the year. This statement summarizes operating revenues and expenses along with non-operating revenues and expenses. In addition, this statement lists capital contributions received from federal and state governments.

The Statement of Cash Flows allows financial statement users to assess the Authority's adequacy or ability to generate sufficient cash flows to meet its obligations in a timely manner. The statement is classified into four categories: 1) Cash flows from operating activities, 2) Cash flows from non-capital financing activities, 3) Cash flows from capital and relating financing activities, and 4) Cash flows from investing activities.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

Financial Analysis of the Authority

Condensed Summary of Net Assets

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Current Assets	\$ 4,576,390	\$ 6,239,245
Other Non-Current Assets	11,000	11,000
Capital Assets (net of accumulated	11,000	11,000
Depreciation)	12,989,889	13,940,998
Total Assets	\$17,577,279	\$20,191,243
Current Liabilities	\$ 3,488,406	\$ 3,638,955
Non Current Liabilities	47,275	43,628
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,535,681	\$ 3,682,583
Net Assets:		
Invested in Capital Assets	\$12,989,889	\$13,940,998
Restricted for Capital Assets	204,225	233,550
Unrestricted	847,848	2,334,112
Total Net Assets	\$14,041,598	\$16,508,660

The largest portion of the Authority's net assets reflect investment in capital assets consisting of buses, operating facilities and equipment, less any related debt used to acquire any of those assets still outstanding. The Authority uses these capital assets to provide public transportation services for the City of Youngstown, and surrounding communities in Mahoning and Trumbull Counties.

Condensed Summary of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

Description	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Operating Revenues Operating Expenses, excluding depreciation Depreciation Expense Operating Loss	\$ 1,040,914 (7,755,575) (1,754,189) \$ (8,468,850)	\$ 858,205 (7,805,181) (1,680,121) \$ (8,627,097)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Property Tax Revenues Federal Grants and Reimbursements State Grants, Reimbursements and Special Fare Assistance Investment Income Gain/(Loss) on Disposal of Fixed Assets Other Income Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	\$ 2,652,220 1,664,854 840,708 63,071 10,000 92,532 \$ 5,323,385	\$ 2,730,949 2,398,642 567,671 57,435 16,259 110,363 \$ 5,881,319
Capital Contributions	\$ 678,403	\$ 2,701,444
Net Loss	\$ (2,467,062)	\$ (44,334)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	<u>\$16,508,660</u>	\$16,552,994
Net Assets, End of Year	\$14,041,598	<u>\$16,508,660</u>

FINANCIAL OPERATING RESULTS

Revenues

For purposes of this presentation, the Authority groups its operating and nonoperating revenues into the following categories:

<u>Passenger Revenues</u> – Farebox and special transit fares are included here. The overall increase over the previous year reflects an increase in fares rate effective 6/1/2006.

<u>Property Tax Revenues</u> – Property taxes totaling 5 mills are levied against property owners in the City of Youngstown and are made up of three separate tax issues: one 1 mill for 10 years, one 2 mill for 10 years and one 2 mill for 4 years. Both 2 mill levies expired in 2005 and appeared on the November, 2005 ballot for renewal. Both levies passed successfully. For 2005, approximately 29% of the Authority's revenue came from this source. Property Tax Revenues decreased during 2006 due to decreasing property values in the City of Youngstown.

<u>Federal Grants and Reimbursements</u> – In 2006, the Authority received approximately \$1.7 million in preventive maintenance and ADA reimbursement funds to cover certain maintenance and complimentary paratransit service costs incurred. In 2005, the Authority received \$743,386 in Job Access Reverse Commute funds to cover certain operating costs incurred, however in 2006, the Authority did not receive Job Access Reverse Commute funding.

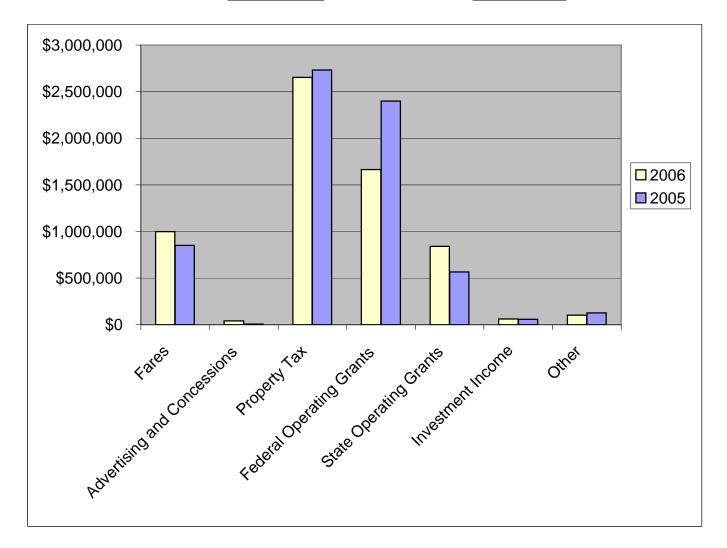
<u>State Operating Grants</u> – The Ohio Department of Transportation allocates grants for operating assistance and elderly and disabled programs. This category also includes reimbursement for state fuel taxes paid by the Authority. The increase in operating assistance in 2006, resulted from an STP grant in the amount of \$304,138 to supplement the loss of the federal Job Access Reverse Commute funding.

<u>Investment Income</u> – Investment income increased slightly as a result of slight increases in interest rates.

Other Income – This category summarizes various miscellaneous income and revenue.

REVENUES

 2006			2005	
\$ 998,843	15.7%	\$	850,517	12.6%
\$ 42,071	0.7%	\$	7,688	0.1%
\$ 2,652,220	41.7%	\$	2,730,949	40.5%
\$ 1,664,854	26.2%	\$	2,398,642	35.6%
\$ 840,708	13.2%	\$	567,671	8.4%
\$ 63,071	1.0%	\$	57,435	0.9%
\$ 102,532	1.5%	\$	126,622	1.9%
\$ 6,364,299	100.0%	\$	6,739,524	100.0%
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Expenses

<u>Labor and Fringe Benefits</u> - These personnel costs accounted for approximately 68.4% of all the Authority operating expenses (excluding depreciation) in 2006. This proportion is somewhat higher than past year's as a result of other operating expense decreases, especially services.

<u>Materials and Supplies</u> - These costs have increased in 2006 mainly due to higher fuel costs and the fact that the Low Floor Gillig vehicles are one year older and require more repairs.

<u>Services</u> - These costs decreased due to non service related budget cuts, such as advertising, professional and technical services and non-vehicle maintenance services.

<u>Utilities</u> - These costs stayed relatively the same due to locking in decent rates for natural gas and lowering thermostats in all buildings.

<u>Casualty and Liability</u> - These costs have increased as a result of the upward trend in the insurance market following Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma. Premiums are based on an annual actuarial study done by the Ohio Transit Risk Pool.

<u>Miscellaneous</u> - This category summarizes various expenses not included in other expense categories.

<u>Transportation</u> - These are expenses directly related to the operation of revenue vehicles. Included are wages and fringe benefits of operators, dispatchers, customer service, as well as diesel fuel and security costs.

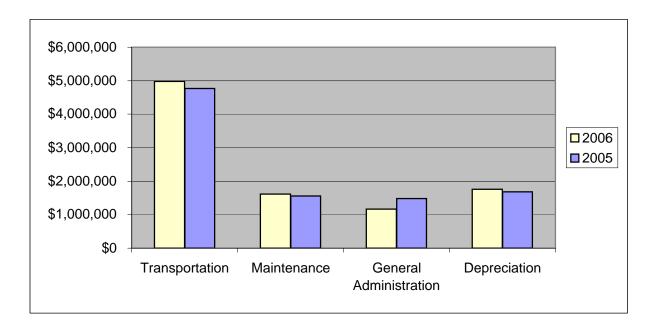
<u>Maintenance</u> - Vehicle and facility maintenance labor costs, fringe benefits, and materials and supplies are included in this category.

<u>General Administration</u> - Administrative personnel labor and fringe benefits are included in this category, as well as public liability and property damage insurance, professional services, advertising fees and office supplies.

<u>Depreciation</u> - This category includes depreciation on all capital assets, except land.

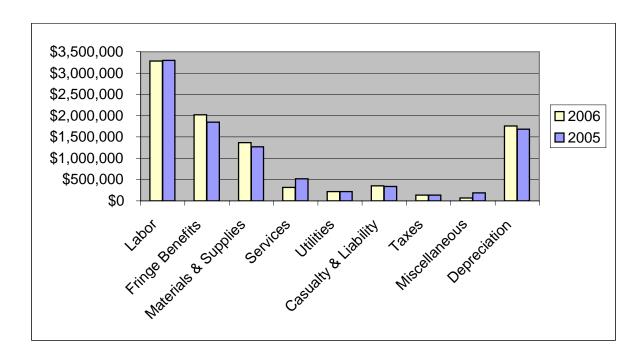
EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

2006		2005	
\$ 4,975,981	52.3%	\$ 4,769,803	50.3%
\$ 1,617,157	17.0%	\$ 1,558,882	16.4%
\$ 1,162,437	12.2%	\$ 1,476,496	15.6%
\$ 1,754,189	18.5%	\$ 1,680,121	17.7%
\$ 9,509,764	100.0%	\$ 9,485,302	100.0%
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EXPENSES BY OBJECT CLASS

	 2006		 2005	
Labor	\$ 3,284,334	34.5%	\$ 3,293,933	34.7%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,023,576	21.3%	\$ 1,847,806	19.5%
Materials & Supplies	\$ 1,364,737	14.4%	\$ 1,268,156	13.3%
Services	\$ 314,233	3.3%	\$ 517,207	5.5%
Utilities	\$ 216,609	2.3%	\$ 218,189	2.3%
Casualty & Liability	\$ 355,496	3.7%	\$ 340,691	3.6%
Taxes	\$ 132,139	1.4%	\$ 134,235	1.4%
Miscellaneous	\$ 64,451	0.6%	\$ 184,964	2.0%
Depreciation	\$ 1,754,189	18.5%	\$ 1,680,121	17.7%
Total	\$ 9,509,764	100.0%	\$ 9,485,302	100.0%



Condensed Summary of Cash Flows

Net cash used for operating activities decreased due to service cuts in September. Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities increased due to federal grant apportionments being released following the passage of authorizing legislation SAFETEA-LU. Net cash provided in capital and related financing activities was a result of selling a revenue vehicle. Acquisition of fixed assets included the purchase of seven (7) revenue vehicles in 2005.

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Cash Received from customers	\$ 1,036,495	\$ 846,628
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(4,593,906)	(4,574,130)
Cash payments to employees for services	(3,152,174)	(3,349,746)
Net cash used in operating activities	(6,709,585)	(7,077,248)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Property taxes received	2,652,220	2,730,949
Maintenance and planning grants received	4,222,626	1,597,741
Other	24,729	86,716
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	6,899,575	4,415,406
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Capital grants received	756,975	2,521,516
Acquisition of fixed assets	(793,080)	(2,841,544)
Proceeds from disposal	58,000	18,378
Net cash provided(used) in capital and related financing activities	21,895	(301,650)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received from investments	63,071	57,435
NET INCREASE(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	274,956	(2,906,057)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	853,790	3,759,847
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,128,746	\$ 853,790

Capital Assets

The Authority's investment in capital assets amounts to \$13.0 million, net of accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2006, a decrease of \$0.9 million (.07%). Capital assets include land and land improvements, revenue producing and service equipment, buildings and structures, shop equipment, office furnishings, and computer equipment. Major capital asset expenditures during the current fiscal year included the following:

- Replacement of the Automatic Bus Wash
- Replacement of the Brake Lathe
- Purchase of Spare Bus Parts
- Rehabilitation of six (6) Gillig Buses

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Authority's finances for those with an interest in its finances. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or request for additional financial information should be addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer, Western Reserve Transit Authority, 604 Mahoning Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44502.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

ASSETS	2006	2005
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 946,012	\$ 840,322
Receivables:	Ψ 710,012	Ψ 010,322
Trade, less allowance for doubtful accounts		
of \$1,782 in 2006 and 2005	44,204	39,785
Federal assistance	303,747	1,946,945
State assistance	378,553	332,400
Property taxes (Note 3)	2,320,490	2,630,130
Materials and supplies inventory	186,036	179,342
Prepaid expenses	9,077	9,235
Total current assets	4,188,119	5,978,159
RESTRICTED ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	182,734	13,468
Federal capital assistance receivable	205,537	247,618
Total restricted assets	388,271	261,086
PROPERTY, FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT:		
Land	696,404	693,004
Building and improvements	8,248,637	8,216,407
Transportation equipment	15,113,924	14,931,288
Other equipment	1,453,600	1,091,834
Total	25,512,565	24,932,533
Less accumulated depreciation	12,522,676	10,991,535
Property, facilities and equipment - net	12,989,889	13,940,998
OTHER ASSETS	11,000	11,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 17,577,279	\$ 20,191,243

BALANCE SHEET (CONT'D) DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	2006	2005
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 98,271	\$ 189,478
Accrued payroll and benefits	712,001	579,841
Advances	71,421	84,871
Deferred property taxes	2,320,490	2,630,130
Other	102,177	127,099
Total current liabilities	3,304,360	3,611,419
LIABILITIES PAYABLE FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS		
Capital expenditures payable	16,027	2,799
Deferred planning and operating grants	120,019	
Deferred capital grants	48,000	24,737
Total liabilities payable from restricted assets	184,046	27,536
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES - Other	47,275	43,628
Total liabilities	3,535,681	3,682,583
NET ASSETS:		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	12,989,889	13,940,998
Restricted for Capital Assets	204,225	233,550
Unrestricted	847,484	2,334,112
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 17,577,279	\$ 20,191,243

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

	2006	2005
OPERATING REVENUES:		
Passenger fares	\$ 998,843	\$ 850,517
Advertising and concessions	42,071	7,688
Total operating revenues	1,040,914	858,205
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Labor	3,284,334	3,293,933
Fringe benefits (Note 5)	2,023,576	1,847,806
Materials and supplies	1,364,737	1,268,156
Services	314,233	517,207
Utilities	216,609	218,189
Casualty and liability	355,496	340,691
Taxes	132,139	134,235
Other	64,451	184,964
Total operating expenses excluding depreciation	7,755,575	7,805,181
OPERATING LOSS BEFORE DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	(6,714,661)	(6,946,976)
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE (Note 1):	1,754,189	1,680,121
OPERATING LOSS	(8,468,850)	(8,627,097)
NONOPERATING REVENUES:		
Property tax revenues (Note 3)	2,652,220	2,730,949
Federal maintenance grants and reimbursements (Note 7) State maintenance grants, reimbursements	1,664,854	2,398,642
and special fare assistance (Note 7)	840,708	567,671
Investment income	63,071	57,435
Gain on disposal of fixed assets and inventory	10,000	16,259
Other	92,532	110,363
Total nonoperating revenues	5,323,385	5,881,319
NET LOSS BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	(3,145,465)	(2,745,778)
Capital contributions (Note 1)	678,403	2,701,444
NET LOSS	(2,467,062)	(44,334)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	16,508,660	16,552,994
Net Assets, End of Year	\$14,041,598	\$ 16,508,660

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

	2006	2005
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash received from customers	\$ 1,036,495	\$ 846,628
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(4,593,906)	(4,574,130)
Cash payments to employees for services	(3,152,174)	(3,349,746)
Net cash used in operating activities	(6,709,585)	(7,077,248)
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Property taxes received	2,652,220	2,730,949
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Other	24,729	86,716
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	6,899,575	4,415,406
CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Capital grants received	756,975	2,521,516
Acquisition of capital assets	(793,080)	(2,841,544)
Proceeds from disposal	58,000	18,378
Net cash provided (used) in capital and related financing activities	21,895	(301,650)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Interest received from investments	63,071	57,435
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NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	274,956	(2,906,057)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	853,790	3,759,847
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,128,746	\$ 853,790
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH		
USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operating loss	(8,468,850)	\$ (8,627,097)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used		
in operating activities:		
Depreciation	1,754,189	1,680,121
Change in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)decrease in accounts receivable-trade	(4,419)	(11,577)
Increase in materials and supplies inventory	(6,694)	(14,976)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	158	4,764
Decrease in accounts payable	(91,207)	(47,670)
Decrease in accrued payroll and benefits	132,160	(55,813)
Increase(decrease) in other current liabilities	(24,922)	(5,000)
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (6,709,585)	\$ (7,077,248)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization – Western Reserve Transit Authority ("WRTA" or the "Authority") was created pursuant to Sections 306.30 through 306.71 of the Ohio Revised Code for the purpose of providing public transportation in the greater Youngstown, Ohio area. As a political subdivision it is distinct from, and is not an agency of, the State of Ohio or any other local governmental unit. The Authority is not subject to federal or state income taxes.

The Authority is managed by a five-member Board of Trustees and provides virtually all mass transportation within the greater Youngstown, Ohio area.

Reporting Entity – The Authority complies with the provisions of Statement No. 14 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") regarding the definition of the financial reporting entity. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements include only the accounts and transactions of the Authority. Under the criteria specified in Statement No. 14, the Authority has no component units. The Authority is, however, considered to be a component unit of the City of Youngstown (the "City") by virtue of the fact that WRTA's Board of Trustees is appointed by the Mayor and City Council of Youngstown and the City's ability to impose its will on the Authority.

These conclusions regarding the financial reporting entity are based on the concept of financial accountability. The Authority is not financially accountable for any other organization nor is any other organization accountable for WRTA. This is evidenced by the fact that the Authority is a legally and fiscally separate and distinct organization under the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code.

Basis of Accounting – The Authority follows the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues and expenses are recognized in the period earned or incurred. The measurement focus is on determination of net income, financial position and cash flows. All transactions are accounted for in a single enterprise fund.

In accordance with Statement No. 20 of the GASB, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting," the Authority has elected not to apply the provisions of the Statements and Interpretations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued after November 30, 1989.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

Nonexchange Transactions - The Authority complies with the provisions of Statement No. 33 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") regarding the Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions. This statement requires that capital contributions be recognized as revenue. Accordingly, during the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, \$678,403 and \$2,701,444, respectively, in capital contribution was recognized as revenue in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and changes in Net Assets for the Authority.

The Authority complies with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments."

The Authority will continue applying all applicable pronouncements issued by the GASB.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Authority considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity, at date of purchase, of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at cost, which approximates fair value.

Investments – The Authority's investments are stated at fair value.

Materials and Supplies Inventory – Materials and supplies inventory is stated at cost (average cost method). Inventory generally consists of maintenance parts and supplies for rolling stock and other transportation equipment.

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 reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, at and during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Property, Facilities and Equipment – Property, facilities and equipment are stated at historical cost. The cost of maintenance and repairs is charged to operations as incurred.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets, as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Years</u>
Building and improvements	20-40
Land improvements	20
Transportation equipment	5-15
Other equipment	3-15

Restricted Assets – Restricted assets consist of monies and other resources, the use of which is legally restricted for capital acquisition and construction.

Net Assets - Equity displayed in three components as follows:

<u>Invested in Capital Assets</u>, <u>Net of Related Debt</u> – This consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.

<u>Restricted</u> – This consists of net assets that are legally restricted by outside parties or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the Authority's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources when they are needed.

<u>Unrestricted</u> – This consists of net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

Classifications of Revenues

The Authority has classified its revenues as either operating or non-operating. Operating revenue includes activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions including passenger fares, advertising, and concession revenue.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

Classifications of Revenues (Cont'd)

Non-operating revenue includes activities that have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions, such as property tax proceeds and most federal, state, and local grants and contracts.

Recognition of Revenue and Receivables

The Federal Transit Administration ("FTA") and the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT"), provide financial assistance and make grants directly to the Authority for operations and acquisition of property and equipment. Operating grants and special fare assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as grant receivables and revenue over the entitlement period. Capital grants for the acquisition of property and equipment (reimbursement type grants) are recorded as revenue when the expenditure has been made and the revenue is available. Capital grant funds received in advance of project costs being incurred are deferred.

When assets acquired with capital grants funds are disposed of, the Authority is required to notify the granting federal agency. A proportional amount of the proceeds or fair market value, if any, of such property and equipment may be used to acquire like-kind replacement vehicles or remitted to the granting federal agency.

Compensated Absences – The Authority accrues vacation and eligible sick pay as earned by its employees based upon the policies of the Authority and recognizes such costs when they are incurred.

2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The investment and deposit of Authority monies are governed by the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with these statutes, only banks located in Ohio and domestic building and loan associations are eligible to hold public deposits. The statutes also permit the Authority to invest in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, money market accounts, the State Treasurer's investment pool

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

("STAROhio"), and obligations of the United States government and certain agencies thereof. The Authority may also enter into repurchase agreements with eligible depository or any eligible security dealer who is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealer for a period not exceeding 30 days.

Repurchase agreements must be secured by the specific government securities upon which the repurchase agreements are based. These securities must be obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The market value of the securities subject to a repurchase agreement must exceed the value of the principal by two percent and be marked to market daily. State law does not require that security for public deposits and investments be maintained in the Authority's name.

The Authority is prohibited from investing in any financial instrument, contract, or obligation whose value or return is based upon or linked to another asset or index, or both, separate from the financial instruments, contract, or obligation itself (commonly known as a "derivative"). The Authority is also prohibited from investing in reverse repurchase agreements.

Deposits

At December 31, 2006, the carrying amount of the all Authority's deposits was \$1,128,746. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of December 31, 2006, \$1,205,664 of the WRTA's bank balance of \$1,305,664 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$100,000 was covered by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the WRTA's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the WRTA.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

The deposit balances at December 31, 2006 are included in the accompanying balance sheet under the following captions:

Current assets – cash and cash equivalents \$ 946,012 Restricted assets – cash and cash equivalents \$ 182,734

Total \$1,128,746

3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2006 is as follows:

	Balance @	Balance @ Fixed		Balance @	
Description	01/01/06	Additions	<u>Disposals</u>	12/31/06	
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated					
Land	\$ 693,004	\$ 3,400		\$ 696,404	
Total Capital Assets Not Being					
Depreciated	693,004			693,004	
Capital Assets Being Depreciated					
Building & Building Improvements	8,216,407	\$ 32,230		8,248,637	
Transportation Equipment	14,931,288	405,684	\$ 223,048	15,113,924	
Other Equipment	1,091,834	<u>361,766</u>		1,453,600	
Total Capital Assets Being					
Depreciated	24,239,529	799,680	223,048	24,816,161	
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Building & Building Improvements	3,913,700	412,624		4,326,324	
Transportation Equipment	6,121,277	1,289,796	223,048	7,188,025	
Other Equipment	956,558	51,769		1,008,327	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	10,991,535	_1,754,189	223,048	12,522,676	
Total Capital Assets Being					
Depreciated, Net	13,247,994	(954,509)	-0	12,293,485	
Total Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$13,940,998</u>	<u>\$ (951,109)</u>	<u>\$0-</u>	<u>\$12,989,889</u>	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

4. PROPERTY TAXES

WRTA is subsidized by property tax levies passed by the voters of Youngstown, Ohio. Property taxes of 1 mill was levied in 2002 and 4 mills levies passed in 2005 that expire as follows: 2 mills in 2009, 1 mill in 2010, and 2 mills in 2015. Property tax revenue can be used for operating or capital purposes.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real, public utility, and tangible (used in business) property located in the Authority's operating district. WRTA receives cash from tax levies when the related property tax collections are distributed by the Mahoning County Auditor's office. These distributions are generally received in the year following that for which the tax is levied. Real property and tangible personal property taxes collected during fiscal year 2006 had a lien and levy date of December 2005.

5. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS

The WRTA participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans. The Traditional Pension Plan – a cost sharing, multi-employer defined pension plan. The Member-Directed Plan – a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20% per year).

Under the Member-Directed Plan, members accumulated retirement assets equal to the value of member and (vested) employer contributions plus any investment earnings. The Combined Plan – a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Under the Combined Plan, OPERS invests employer contributions to provide a formula retirement benefit similar in nature to the Traditional Pension Plan benefit. Member contributions, the investment of which is self-directed by the members, accumulated retirement assets in a manner similar to the Member-Directed Plan. OPERS provide retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost-of living adjustments to members of the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issue a stand-alone financial report. Interested parties may obtain a copy by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642, or by calling 614-222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

5. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (Cont'd)

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. For 2006, member and employer contribution rates were consistent across all three plans. The 2006 member contribution rates were 9.0%. The 2006 employer contribution rate for local government employer units was 13.70 of covered payroll. The Authority's total contribution to OPERS for pension benefits (excluding the amount relating to postretirement benefits) for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004 were approximately \$349,027, \$361,202 and \$343,568, respectively, equal to 100 percent of the required contribution for each year.

Post-employment Benefits

In order to qualify for postretirement health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans must have 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post-employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement 12.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postretirement health care through their contributions to OPERS.

Summary of Assumptions

The assumptions and calculations below were based on OPERS' latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2005.

The individual entry age actuarial cost method of valuation is used in determining the present value of OPEB. The difference between assumed and actual experience (actuarial gains and losses) becomes part of unfunded actuarial accrued liability.

All investments are carried at market value. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Under this approach, assets are adjusted to reflect 25% of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assts annually, not to exceed a 12% corridor.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

5. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (Cont'd)

The investment assumption rate for 2005 was 6.5%.

An annual increase of 4.00%, compounded annually, is the base portion of the individual pay increase assumption. This assumes no change in the number of active employees. In addition, annual pay increases over and above the 4.00% base increase, were assumed to range from 0.50% to 6.30%.

Health care costs were assumed to increase at the projected wage inflation rate plus an additional factor ranging from .50% to 6% for the next 9 years. In subsequent years, (10 and beyond) health care costs were assumed to increase at 4% (the projected wage inflation rate).

OPEB is advance-funded on an actuarially determined basis.

The Traditional Pension and Combined Plans had 369,214 active contributing participants as of December 31, 2006. The number of active contributing participants for both plan used in the December 31, 2005, actuarial valuation was 358,804.

The amount of \$11.1 billion represents the actuarial value of OPERS' net assets available for OPEB at December 31, 2005.

Based on the actuarial cost method used, the Actuarial Valuation as of December 31, 2005, reported the actuarial accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability for OPEB at \$31.3 billion and \$20.2 billion, respectively.

OPERS Retirement Board Implements its Health Care Preservation Plan

The Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) adopted by the OPERS Retirement Board on September 9, 2004, is effective on January 1, 2007. OPERS took additional actions to improve the solvency of the Health Care Fund in 2005 by creating a separate investment pool for health care assets. Member and employer contribution rates increased as of January 1, 2006, and January 1, 2007, which will allow additional funds to be allocated to the health care plan.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

6. OPERATING LEASES

The Authority currently leases space at its Federal Station loading terminal to Greyhound Lines, Inc. and Plaza Donuts, Inc. Both leases are five year terms, expiring December 31, 2008 and September 30, 2011, respectively. Rent payments are reflected in the financial statements as non operating revenue.

7. CONTINGENCIES

Federal and State Grants – Under the terms of the various grants, periodic audits are required where certain costs could be questioned as not being an eligible expenditure under the terms of the grant. At December 31, 2006, there were no significant questioned costs that had not been resolved with the applicable federal and state agencies. Questioned costs could still be identified during audits to be conducted in the future. In the opinion of the Authority's management, no material grant expenditures will be disallowed.

Contract Disputes and Legal Proceedings – The Authority has been named as a defendant in certain contract disputes and other legal proceedings. Although the eventual outcome of these matters cannot be predicted, it is the opinion of management that the ultimate outcome is not expected to have a material effect on the Authority's financial position.

8. FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS, REIMBURSEMENTS AND SPECIAL FARE ASSISTANCE

Grants, reimbursements and special fare assistance in the statements of revenues and expenses for the year ended December 31, consist of the following:

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
FEDERAL:		
FTA Maintenance and Other Assistance	\$1,604,856	\$1,575,256
FTA Job Access and Reverse Commute Assistance		743,386
FTA Planning Assistance	59,998	80,000
FTA Capital Contribution	648,226	2,484,814
Total	\$2,313,080	<u>\$4,883,456</u>
STATE:		
ODOT Maintenance and Other Assistance	\$ 554,883	\$ 283,827
ODOT Elderly Fare Assistance	195,246	192,202
ODOT Fuel Tax Reimbursement	90,579	91,642
ODOT Capital Contribution	30,177	216,630
Total	<u>\$ 870,885</u>	<u>\$ 784,301</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

9. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, flood and earthquake, errors, and omissions, employment related matters, injuries to employees and employee theft and fraud. Effective December 31, 1994, the Authority commenced participation in the Ohio Transit Insurance Pool Association, Inc. ("OTIP"), renamed in 2002 as Ohio Transit Risk Pool Association, ("OTRP"). OTRP is a self insurance pool formed under Ohio Revised Code 2744.081, related to its risk of property and casualty loss. Under this plan, the Authority receives property and casualty loss coverage in exchange for premiums paid. OTRP self-insures the first \$250,000 of any qualified property loss and the first \$1,000,000 of any qualified casualty loss subject to a \$1,000 per loss deductible. Per occurrence, reinsurance coverage is maintained by OTRP equal to approximately \$200,000,000 for qualified property losses and \$7,500,000 for qualified casualty losses. Any underfunding of the plan's liabilities is shared pro-rata by the members based on pool contribution factors comprised of: population, full-time employees, vehicles, property values, budget, claims history times two and net operating expenses.

The Authority continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including workers' compensation and employee health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

10. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The GASB has issued Statement No., 43, "Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans", establishes uniform financial reporting standards for other post-employment benefit plans. GASB Statement No., 45, "Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions", establishes standards for disclosure of information on post-employment benefits other than pension benefits", by all state and local government employers. Statements No. 43 and 45 are effective for the years ending December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2008 respectively. The Authority has not completed an analysis of the impact of these statement on its reported financial condition and results of operation.

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	FEDERAL GRANT NUMBER	GRANT ENDITURES
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Federal Transit Cluster/Direct Programs: Federal Transit Administration Capital and Operating			
Assistance Formula Grants	20.507	OH-90-0356 OH-90-0385 OH-90-0407 OH-90-0433 OH-90-0509 OH-90-0509	\$ 4,648 93,968 22,464 5,707 29,254 512,185 1,644,856
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 2,313,082

NOTES TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of Western Reserve Transit Authority and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements.





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Trustees Western Reserve Transit Authority Youngstown, Ohio

We have audited the financial statements of the Western Reserve Transit Authority (a component unit of the City of Youngstown, Ohio) (the "Authority") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated, April 5, 2007. We conducted our audit in accordance with 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements,

noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government</u> Auditing <u>Standards</u>.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, Authority management, federal awarding agencies and the Auditor of the State of Ohio and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Dingus and Daga, L.c.

Shaker Heights, Ohio April 5, 2007





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE APPLICABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Board of Trustees Western Reserve Transit Authority Youngstown, Ohio

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Western Reserve Transit Authority (a component unit of the City of Youngstown, Ohio) (the "Authority") with the types of compliance requirements described in the <u>U.S. Office of Management and Budget</u> ("OMB") Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2006. The Authority's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Cost. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Authority's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures, as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Authority's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on the internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants caused by error or fraud that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, Authority management, federal awarding agencies and the Auditor of the State of Ohio and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Dingus and Daga, Luc.

Shaker Heights, Ohio April 5, 2007

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

PART I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: unqualified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified?

Reportable condition(s) identified

not considered to be material weaknesses?

Noncompliance material to financial statements

noted?

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness(es) identified?

Reportable condition(s) identified not considered to be material weaknesses?

no

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance

for major programs: unqualified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Circular

A-133, Section .510 (a) no

Identification of major <u>programs</u>:

CFDA Number(s) Name of Federal Program or Cluster

20.507 Federal Transit Administration Capital

and Operating Assistance Formula Grants

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONT'D)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

PART I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS (Cont'd)

Federal Awards (Cont'd)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:

\$300,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

yes

PART II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters are reportable.

PART III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters are reportable

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

There were no comments on internal control and legal compliance included in the prior year reports.



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

WESTERN RESERVE TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MAHONING COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED MAY 29, 2007