### **OPERATING ACCOUNTS**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

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### **REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2009-2010**

| ACTIVITIES  | Water consumption increased by 1.6% to 618 million cubic metres  |
|-------------|--|
| FINANCIAL   | Revenue increased by 1.9%  |
| PERFORMANCE | Expenditure increased by 6.6%  |
|             | The results declined from a deficit of \$329.6 million in 2008-09 to a deficit of \$649.1 million in 2009-10 |
|             | Return on Average Net Fixed Assets declined from -0.9% in 2008-09 to -1.7% in 2009-10                        |

### **OPERATING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010**

|                         | Note             | 2010<br>\$M | 2009<br>\$M |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Revenue                 | 2                | 6,443.0     | 6,324.7     |
| Expenditure             | 3                | 7,092.1     | 6,654.3     |
| Deficit before taxation |                  | (649.1)     | (329.6)     |
| Taxation                | 1(e) & (f) and 4 | 0.0         | 0.0         |
| Deficit after taxation  | 1(j)             | (649.1)     | (329.6)     |

#### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE MEASURES

| Average net fixed assets (ANFA) | 1(i) and 5 | 38,464.1 | 36,365.1 |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|
| Actual return                   |            | (649.1)  | (329.6)  |
| Target return                   |            | 2,500.2  | 2,363.7  |
| Actual return as % of ANFA      | 1(h)       | (1.7%)   | (0.9%)   |
| Target return as % of ANFA      |            | 6.5%     | 6.5%     |

The annexed notes form part of these accounts.

### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2010

|                        | Note             | 2010<br>\$M | 2009<br>\$M |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Net assets employed    |                  |             |             |
| Fixed assets           | 1(b) & (c) and 5 | 39,814.3    | 37,114.0    |
| Current assets         | 1(d) and 6       | 1,999.7     | 1,899.8     |
| Current liabilities    | 7                | (1,916.0)   | (1,833.8)   |
| Net current assets     |                  | 83.7        | 66.0        |
|                        |                  |             |             |
|                        |                  | 39,898.0    | 37,180.0    |
|                        |                  |             |             |
| Financed by            |                  |             |             |
| Public capital account | 1(j) and 8       | 39,898.0    | 37,180.0    |

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### NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

### 1. Accounting Policies

| (a) | Basis of<br>Accounting | The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting modified to include notional receipts and payments.  |                      |  |  |  |
|-----|------------------------|---|----------------------|--|--|--|
| (b) | Fixed Assets           | (i) No cost is included for land which is occupied by installations or sterilised by<br>catchment areas except that, where it has been resumed, the cost of<br>resumption has been included in the capital cost of the project concerned.   |                      |  |  |  |
|     |                        | (ii) For capital projects, the costs include the actual direct expend costs for design, planning and supervision during the construction  |                      |  |  |  |
|     |                        | (iii) All other fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depre<br>assets under construction which are stated at cost.   | ciation except       |  |  |  |
| (c) | Depreciation           | <ul> <li>Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis calculated to<br/>cost of assets less residual value over their estimated useful<br/>annual rates of depreciation used are :-</li> </ul>   |                      |  |  |  |
|     |                        | Tunnels, dams, resumption and afforestation, etc.<br>Civil engineering works<br>Water mains - fresh<br>- salt   | 1%<br>2%<br>2%<br>5% |  |  |  |
|     |                        | Mechanical/electrical works, plant and machinery Meters   | 4%-14.29%<br>6.66%   |  |  |  |
|     |                        | Computer hardware, software and system<br>Motor vehicles  | 10%<br>10%-20%       |  |  |  |
|     |                        | (ii) No depreciation is provided on assets under construction.  |                      |  |  |  |
| (d) | Stock                  | Stock is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, using average cost method to the extent that it is material.   | the weighted         |  |  |  |
| (e) | Taxation               | Notional profits tax is provided, where necessary, based on the expected taxable surplus for the year, using the tax rates prevailing at the balance sheet date, and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years. No provision for notional profits tax has been made in the accounts as the Authority has no taxable surplus for the year.   |                      |  |  |  |
| (f) | Deferred Tax           | the year.<br>Deferred tax is recognised, where appropriate, for all material temporary<br>differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts<br>in the accounts. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable<br>that taxable surplus will be available against which the temporary differences can<br>be utilised. No provision for deferred tax in respect of all material temporary<br>differences has been made in the accounts as the Authority has no taxable surplus<br>against which the temporary differences can be utilised. |                      |  |  |  |

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- (g) Employee Benefits including salaries, gratuities, pensions, housing benefits and annual leave are accrued and recognised as an expense in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees.
- (h) Actual Return on ANFA
   This is calculated as a percentage of surplus/deficit after taxation to average net fixed assets (ANFA).
- (i) Average Net Fixed Assets The average net fixed assets (ANFA) represents the simple average of the opening and closing value of total fixed assets less aggregate depreciation.
- (j) Deficit Since the Water Authority does not have a separate legal identity, its financial resources form part of the General Revenue. All deficits are deemed to be financed by the General Revenue and adjusted to the Public Capital Account of the Authority.

#### 2. Revenue

|   | \$M     | \$M     |
|---|---------|---------|
| Chargeable supplies   | 2,475.8 | 2,428.6 |
| Contribution from rates                                     | 1,493.3 | 1,076.1 |
| Contribution from Government on concessions                 | 1,277.7 | 1,685.9 |
| Contribution from Government on free allowance to consumers | 1,025.5 | 934.6   |
| Supplies to Government establishments                       | 150.0   | 158.8   |
| Fees, licences and reimbursable works                       | 18.6    | 19.0    |
| Interest from deposits                                      | 2.1     | 21.7    |
|   | 6,443.0 | 6,324.7 |

The contribution from Government on concessions is to cover the shortfall in contribution from rates resulting from the concession of rates as announced in 2009-10 Budget Speech.

#### 3. Expenditure

|                                       | 2010<br>\$M | 2009<br>\$M |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Staff costs                           | 1,303.2     | 1,361.7     |
| Operating and administration expenses | 1,589.3     | 1,520.9     |
| Purchase cost of Dongjiang water      | 3,010.0     | 2,621.4     |
| Depreciation                          | 1,189.6     | 1,150.3     |
|                                       | 7,092.1     | 6,654.3     |

### NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

#### 4. Taxation

|  | 2010<br>\$M | 2009<br>\$M |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Notional profits tax charge for the year                           | 0.0         | 0.0         |
| Deferred tax assets/(liabilities) not recognized in respect of :-  |             |             |
| Unused tax loss  | 18,186.8    | 16,410.5    |
| Material temporary difference arising from depreciation allowances | (13,443.5)  | (12,304.3)  |

#### 5. Fixed Assets

|  | Buildings,<br>Filters,<br>Mains, etc. | Plant and<br>Machinery | Computer<br>Hardware,<br>Software &<br>System | Salt<br>Water<br>Flushing | Plover<br>Cove | High<br>Island | Meters     | Motor<br>Vehicles | Assets<br>Under<br>Con-<br>struction | Total      |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
|  | <b>\$M</b>                            | <b>\$M</b>             | <b>\$M</b>                                    | <b>\$M</b>                | <b>\$M</b>     | <b>\$M</b>     | <b>\$M</b> | <b>\$M</b>        | <b>\$M</b>                           | <b>\$M</b> |
| Cost                                   |                                       |                        |   |                           |                |                |            |                   |                                      |            |
| At 1 April 2009                        | 36,754.6                              | 144.2                  | 294.3   | 6,668.3                   | 702.0          | 1,661.2        | 362.6      | 58.7              | 3,161.3                              | 49,807.2   |
| Additions                              | 0.3                                   | 1.2                    | 9.0   | -                         | -              | -              | 38.5       | 1.7               | 3,873.7                              | 3,924.4    |
| Transfers                              | 1,653.7                               | 17.5                   | 8.1   | 578.9                     | -              | -              | -          | 10.9              | (2,269.1)                            | -          |
| Disposals/Write off                    | (80.2)                                | (0.3)                  | -   | (107.9)                   | -              | -              | (23.2)     | (7.3)             | (15.3)                               | (234.2)    |
| At 31 March 2010                       | 38,328.4                              | 162.6                  | 311.4   | 7,139.3                   | 702.0          | 1,661.2        | 377.9      | 64.0              | 4,750.6                              | 53,497.4   |
| Aggregate Deprecia                     | tion                                  |                        |   |                           |                |                |            |                   |                                      |            |
| At 1 April 2009                        | 8,910.2                               | 64.6                   | 126.1   | 2,107.6                   | 374.2          | 924.9          | 156.9      | 28.7              | -                                    | 12,693.2   |
| Charge for the year                    | 809.8                                 | 6.0                    | 28.8  | 276.7                     | 9.3            | 29.3           | 23.7       | 6.0               | -                                    | 1,189.6    |
| Written back on<br>Disposals/Write off | (62.1)                                | (0.1)                  | _   | (107.8)                   | -              | -              | (23.2)     | (6.5)             | -                                    | (199.7)    |
| At 31 March 2010                       | 9,657.9                               | 70.5                   | 154.9   | 2,276.5                   | 383.5          | 954.2          | 157.4      | 28.2              | -                                    | 13,683.1   |
| Net Book Value                         |                                       |                        |   |                           |                |                |            |                   |                                      |            |
| At 31 March 2010                       | 28,670.5                              | 92.1                   | 156.5   | 4,862.8                   | 318.5          | 707.0          | 220.5      | 35.8              | 4,750.6                              | 39,814.3   |
| At 31 March 2009                       | 27,844.4                              | 79.6                   | 168.2   | 4,560.7                   | 327.8          | 736.3          | 205.7      | 30.0              | 3,161.3                              | 37,114.0   |

### NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

| 6. Current Assets      |   | 2010                | 2009                  |
|------------------------|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
|                        |   | <b>\$M</b>          | \$M                   |
|                        | Stock                                   | 11.8                | 11.6                  |
|                        | Debtors                                 | 508.7               | 532.0                 |
|                        | Current account with Treasury           | 1,479.2             | 1,356.2               |
|                        |   | 1,999.7             | 1,899.8               |
| 7. Current Liabilities |   | 2010                | 2009                  |
|                        |   | <b>\$M</b>          | \$M                   |
|                        | Consumers' and contractors' deposits    | 1,623.0             | 1,555.9               |
|                        | Creditors                               | 293.0               | 277.9                 |
|                        |   | 1,916.0             | 1,833.8               |
| 8. Public Capital      | The Public Capital Account represents G | overnment's investr | nent in this utility. |
| Account                |   | 2010<br>\$M         | 2009<br>\$M           |
|                        | Balance as at 1 April                   | 37,180.0            | 35,674.0              |
|                        | Deficit for the year                    | (649.1)             | (329.6)               |
|                        | Additional cash investment by the       |                     |                       |
|                        | Government                              | 3,367.1             | 1,835.6               |
|                        | Balance as at 31 March                  | 39,898.0            | 37,180.0              |
|                        |   |                     |                       |

#### NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

#### 9. Capital Commitments

As at 31 March 2010, the Authority had capital commitments, so far as not provided for in the Operating Accounts, as follows:

|                                   | 2010<br>\$M | 2009<br>\$M |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Contracted for                    | 6,976.2     | 5,630.0     |
| Authorised but not contracted for | 5,031.9     | 7,169.8     |
|                                   | 12,008.1    | 12,799.8    |