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LEOFF 2 Preliminary Actuarial Valuation Results

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Today's Presentation

- Background on Funding Methods
- Updated 2010 Actuarial Valuation
- Preliminary 2011 Actuarial Valuation
- Informational - no Board action needed today



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Actuarial Funding Basics

- Estimate future benefits to be paid from the plan
 - How much will they be
 - When will they be paid and for how long
- Estimate future investment returns
- Use an actuarial cost method to determine amount and timing of contributions to fund the future benefit payments
 - Various methods differ in how the funding of benefits is spread over time

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Every Actuarial Cost Method Has A "Normal Cost"

- "Next year's cost"
- The cost of expected future benefits that are allocated to the next year of service
- If everything happens as planned, all normal costs plus investment earnings will be sufficient to pay all future benefits
- What can go wrong?
 - Actuarial gains/losses or excess/shortfall of past contributions
 - Reality is different than the underlying assumptions
 - Benefit provisions change
 - Actual contributions differ from the normal cost

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Some Actuarial Cost Methods Treat Gains/Losses Different

- Two general choices
- Adjust the normal cost
 - Include the shortfall/excess of past contributions in the normal cost
 - Gains/losses spread over the current workforce (covered payroll)
 - Prevents the accumulation of an Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)
 - Produces more volatile normal costs
 - Aggregate Method
- Add a separate amortization cost
 - Amortization policy needed to determine payment schedule
 - Can spread shortfall/excess of past contributions beyond today's workforce creating a UAAL
 - Provides more stability in the normal cost
 - Entry Age Normal Cost Method

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Funding Policy Adopted By The Board

- Combines components of both methods
- Underlying method is Aggregate Actuarial Cost Method
 - Does not produce an Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)
 - Rate fluctuates with experience, including investment returns
- Rate stability added by applying minimum (rate floor) to the calculated Aggregate rates
 - Ninety percent of the normal cost under the Entry Age Normal Cost Method (EANC)
 - Does not include separate amortization cost from EANC method
- Short-term Policy
 - Minimum based on 100 percent of EANC
 - Rates adopted for three biennia, 2011-17

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Funded Status Decreased

LEOFF 2 Funded Status			
(Dollars in Millions)	2010	2010 Updated	Difference
Accrued Liability	\$4,863	\$5,078	\$215
Valuation Assets	\$6,043	\$6,043	--
Unfunded Liability	(\$1,179)	(\$965)	\$214
Funded Ratio	124%	119%	(5%)

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- 2010 Revised Valuation Summary**
- Assumptions represent state actuary's best estimate
 - Contribution rates increased
 - Still below adopted rates
 - Not a contribution rate-setting valuation
 - Funded status dropped 5 percent
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- Purpose Of The 2011 Actuarial Valuation**
- Contribution rate-setting valuation
 - Current rates adopted through 2015-17 Biennium
 - Board can adopt new rates for ensuing biennium, 2013-15
 - Calculate contribution rates to adequately fund future benefits
 - Update data, assets, and new legislation
 - Check funding progress
 - Certify the underlying data, assumptions, and methods are reasonable and conform with current actuarial standards of practice
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2011 Actuarial Valuation Results Are Preliminary

- Concurrent outside actuarial audit underway
 - Results presented in July
- Actuarial valuation will be finalized following Board adoption in July

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Summary Of The 2011 Preliminary Valuation Results

- 21.14 percent return on market value of assets
 - July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011
- Deferred asset losses of \$255 million
 - Deferred losses at 2010 were \$961 million
- Calculated contribution rates did not change from the updated 2010 valuation
 - Aggregate rate decreased
 - EANC rate remains the same
- Funded status unchanged from the updated 2010 valuation
 - Plan remains healthy
- Underlying data, assumptions, and methods remain reasonable

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Change In Participant Data From Last Valuation

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Number of actives	16,775	16,805	30
Average annual salary	\$88,828	\$91,322	\$2,494
Average attained age	42.2	42.7	0.50
Average service	13.3	13.8	0.50
Number of annuitants	1,639	2,015	376

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Update Asset Values

- Market Value of Assets (MVA) reported by WSIB
- Calculate 2011 asset gain (or loss) based on 7.5 percent expected return
- Develop Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA) by smoothing past and current asset gains (or losses)
 - Smooth gain (or loss) over a period up to eight years
 - AVA limited to 30 percent "corridor" around MVA
 - Smoothing method reduces contribution rate and funded status volatility



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Change In Assets From Last Valuation

LEOFF 2			
(Dollars in Millions)	2010	2011 Preliminary	Difference
Market value (MV)	\$5,081	\$6,366	\$1,285
Contributions less disbursements*	\$204	\$200	(\$4)
Investment return	\$569	\$1084	\$515
Return on assets**	13.21%	21.14%	7.93%

**Includes transfers, restorations, and payables.
**Time-weighted return on market value of assets.*

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Actuarial Value Of Assets

Calculation of Actuarial Value of Assets				
LEOFF 2				2011 Preliminary
(Dollars in Millions)				
Market Value of Assets	\$6,366			
Deferred Gains and (Losses)				
Plan Year Ending	Return on Assets*	Years Deferred	Years Remaining	Amount Deferred**
6/30/2011	21.08%	8	7	612
6/30/2010	12.99%	5	3	131
6/30/2009	(22.64%)	8	5	(1,033)
6/30/2008	(1.33%)	8	4	(246)
6/30/2007	22.74%	8	3	174
9/30/2006	15.77%	8	2	71
9/30/2005	17.55%	8	1	36
Total Deferral	(\$255)			
Actuarial Value of Assets***	\$6,621			

**Dollar-weighted rate of return.
**Amount of asset gains and (losses) left to recognize, or apply, in future valuations.
***Actuarial Value of Assets can never be less than 70% or greater than 130% of the Market Value of Assets.*

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Closing Comments

- Calculated contribution rates below current adopted rates
 - Both rates remain reasonable
- Current funded status exceeds 100 percent and is considered healthy
- Actuarial valuation is snap-shot in time
- Continue to recognize asset losses
 - Upward pressure on contribution rates in the short-run
 - Downward pressure on funded status in the short-run
- Actuarial projections provide view into the future
 - Help determine if short-term policy should continue
 - Available after valuation is finalized

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Questions



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