## Asset Liability Management Report

Restricted Cash and Investments Unrestricted Cash and Investments
Total Cash and Investments

Total Outstanding Debt
484.8
839.7

1,324.5

## Current Debt

1,885.7

| INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE | INTEREST RATE RISK |
| :---: | :---: |
| Prior quarter: Average | Prior quarter: Low |
| Interest earnings exceed budget. The capital replacement return is below benchmark. | The current long term rate for tax exempt bonds and blended rate for outstanding debts are below the assumed borrowing rate in the financial plan. |
| Key Measures | Key Measures |
| Interest income is $\$ 15.8 \mathrm{M}$ vs. $\$ 7.9 \mathrm{M}$ budget. Without unrealized gains and losses, interest income is $\$ 3.8 \mathrm{M}$ above budget. | The 20 year MMD rate is $2.16 \%$. The blended ST interest cost is $3.59 \%$. <br> The current assumed rate in the financial plan is 5.30\%. |
| Book yield for the unrestricted portfolio is $0.68 \%$, State Pool is $0.52 \%$, and KC Pool is 0.88\%. <br> YTD total return for Capital Replacement is $2.48 \%$ verses benchmark of $2.50 \%$. | The blended investment yield is $.98 \%$ versus the current variable debt rate of $1.54 \%$. |


| CREDIT RISK |
| :---: |
| Prior quarter: Medium |
| Agency is well diversified <br> against counterparty <br> credit risk. Investment <br> portolios are within policy <br> parameters. |
| Key Measures |
| All investment portfolios <br> are in compliance with <br> policy limits. Credit risk <br> exposure is low. |
| ST has significant risks <br> on its Lease In/Lease Out <br> deal guaranteed by AlG <br> although AIG's financial <br> standing has stabilized. |


| LIQUIDITY RISK |
| :---: |
| Agency cash and <br> investment balances are <br> sufficient to meet all <br> known funding and <br> reserve requirements. |
| Key Measures |
| All reserves are fully |
| funded to date. |
| Lurrent liquidity meets |
| policy requirement. |

## 3 Q 2016 ALM Overview

## Market Environment

- The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) met twice during the quarter and maintained the federal funds rate at a target range of $.25 \%-.50 \%$.
- The September unemployment rate was $5.0 \%$, an increase of 1 basis point from June.
- Inflation was $1.5 \%$ for the 12 months ended September 30. However, inflation excluding food and energy was $2.2 \%$, very near the FOMC's $2.0 \%$ target.
- During the quarter, treasury yields were higher with an increase of 18 basis points in the two year note and an increase of 13 basis points in the ten year note. The two year note yield changed from .58 to .76 , and the ten year note yield changed from 1.47 to 1.60 .


## Current Borrowing Rate versus Investment Rate




## Credit Watch

- ST is currently in "stand still" status on its Lease $\operatorname{In} /$ Lease Out agreement with AIG, awaiting further market and regulatory developments. AIG's financial standing has stabilized.

Cash, Investment and Debt Balances

*Link Risk Fund added to restricted cash.
**Estimated future debt is based upon the 2016 Financial Plan and includes the TIFIA loan, authorized up to $\$ 1.33$ B. Excludes 2016 bond issue, TIFIA MCA draws, and ST3 impact.

## ALM Position (\$M)

| Balance and Duration | Value (\$M) | Interest Rate | Duration/Avg. Life | Benchmark |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Assets (Cash/Investments) |  |  |  |  |
| Restricted | 484.8 | 839.7 | $1.49 \%$ | 1.71 years |
| Unrestricted | $1,324.5$ | $0.69 \%$ | 0.63 years | 0.12 years |
| Assets (Cash/Investments) total |  | $0.98 \%$ |  |  |
| Liabilities (Debt) | $(1,735.7)$ | 3.85 years |  |  |
| Fixed-Rate | $(150.0)$ | $3.53 \%$ * |  |  |
| Variable-Rate | $(1,885.7)$ | $3.80 \%$ |  |  |
| Liabilities (Debt) total | $\mathbf{( 5 6 1 . 2 )}$ |  | 16.58 | 19.04 |
| Net Position |  |  |  |  |

*Blended rate of actual through quarter end and Assumed Variable Rate, 3.67\% at time of issuance, for remaining life of the bonds. The Assumed Variable Rate is the highest 12 month rolling average of the SIFMA index over the preceding 10 years.

| Net Interest | 2015 Budget (\$N) | 2015 YTD Actual (\$N) | 2016 Budget (\$M) | 2016 YTD Actual (\$M) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Uncapitalized Debt Interest Exp | 0.0 | $(1.8)$ | 0.0 | $(0.2)$ |
| Capitalized Debt Interest Exp | $(69.8)$ | $(71.2)$ | $(91.1)$ | $(61.2)$ |
| Interest Earnings | 7.0 | 5.1 | 10.3 | 15.8 |
| Net Interest | $\mathbf{6 2 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{( 8 0 . 8 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 4 5 . 6 )}$ |

Budget based on the annual Adopted Budget.

## 3 Q 2016 Investment Overview

## Strategy

Key elements of the investment strategy focus on duration, yield curve and asset allocation selections. Staff monitors the portfolio's duration exposure compared to the benchmark duration on a monthly basis and reviews duration prior to each investment purchase. The yield curve is reviewed to determine the best value within the maturity constraints of the portfolio before each investment purchase is made. A comparison of US Treasury rates to other allowable investments is conducted to ensure that value is added before taking on any additional risk.

The capital replacement portfolio is intentionally positioned with a portion of holdings having maturities shorter than one year, which deviates from the benchmark of one to ten year holdings, to provide availability for future investment when interest rates rise.

## Current Quarter Activity

- Two investments in the capital replacement portfolio were replaced with four year agency securities due to the shift in the yield curve and tightening municipal spreads. The trade resulted in a realized gain of $\$ 2.3$ million. One of the two replaced investments was on negative credit watch prior to the trade.
- Moved restricted investments from the King County Investment Pool to the state Local Government Investment Pool.

| Cash and Investments (\$M) | Book <br> Value | Net <br> Change | Average <br> Duration | Benchmark <br> Duration | Current <br> Yield | Qtrly <br> Yield <br> Change |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Unrestricted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State Investment Pool | 176.9 | 9.0 | 0.01 |  | $0.52 \%$ | 0.03 |
| Operating account/Uncleared checks | $(0.1)$ | $(3.0)$ | 0.01 |  | $0.40 \%$ | 0.00 |
| King County Investment Pool | 189.2 | $(12.6)$ | 0.95 |  | $0.88 \%$ | 0.09 |
| ST Internal Investments | 473.8 | 58.3 | 0.73 |  | $0.68 \%$ | 0.05 |
| Total Unrestricted | 839.7 | 51.7 | 0.63 | 0.65 | $0.69 \%$ | 0.05 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Restricted |  |  |  |  | $0.52 \%$ | $(0.27)$ |
| Operating/Contingency (internal) | 60.7 | 0.1 | 0.01 |  | $1.74 \%$ | $(0.15)$ |
| Capital Replacement (internal) | 317.7 | 4.0 | 2.40 | 2.80 | $0.52 \%$ | $(0.27)$ |
| Emergency Loss Reserve (internal) | 15.0 | 0.0 | 0.01 |  | $0.52 \%$ | $(0.27)$ |
| Debt Service Accounts | 62.3 | 7.9 | 0.01 |  | $0.05 \%$ | 0.00 |
| BNSF Escrow | 8.0 | 0.0 | 0.01 |  | $0.68 \%$ | 0.00 |
| OCIP Collateral | 2.1 | 0.0 | 6.04 |  | $4.97 \%$ | 0.08 |
| Link Risk Fund | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.95 |  | 0.00 |  |
| Prior Debt Service Reserve | 17.9 | 0.1 | 2.84 |  |  |  |
| Total Restricted | 484.8 | 12.1 | 1.71 | N/A* | $1.49 \%$ | $(0.19)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 3 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 . 0 2}$ |  | $\mathbf{0 . 9 8 \%}$ | $\mathbf{( 0 . 0 5 )}$ |

*Restricted benchmarks are based upon projected cash flow needs. Calculating a "total" benchmark duration for restricted investments is not applicable.



## Portfolio Composition




## Asset Allocation Compliance

| Asset Class | \$ Par Value | Percentage Allocation | Policy Limit |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| U.S. Treasuries | $341,925,000$ | $25.95 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| U.S. Government Agencies | $423,955,000$ | $32.17 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| Certificates of Deposit | 0 | $0.00 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| King County Investment Pool | $190,195,116$ | $14.43 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| State Investment Pool | $317,374,244$ | $24.09 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Taxable Municipal/G.O. Bonds | $44,210,000$ | $3.36 \%$ | $25 \%$ |

## 3 Q 2016 Debt Overview

## Strategy

Sound Transit will consider the diversification of its long-term liabilities in the context of its future borrowing needs.

## Debt Summary -

- The 20 -year MMD ended the quarter at $2.16 \%$, up 27 basis points from the June 30 rate of $1.89 \%$. During the quarter, the 20-year MMD was as high as $2.18 \%$ from $9 / 15 / 16$ through $9 / 21 / 16$, and as low as $1.80 \%$ on $7 / 6 / 16$.
- The spread between the 20 -year AAA MMD and the 20 -year A MMD was 56 basis points as of $9 / 30 / 2016$, which is 4 basis points wider than the spread was on 6/30/16.

| Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Summary of Outstanding Bonds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Prior Bonds Series | Issue Date | Final Maturity | Issue Size | Amount Outstanding | $\begin{array}{r} \text { All-in } \\ \text { Interest Cost } \end{array}$ | Financial Plan Assumption |
| 1999 | 1/6/1999 | 2/1/2028 | \$350,000,000 | \$290,410,000 | 5.03\% | 5.00\% |
| 2009P-1 | 9/29/2009 | 2/1/2016 | \$23,155,000 | \$0 | 0.00\% | 5.00\% |
| 2009P-2T (BABs) | 9/29/2009 | 2/1/2028 | \$76,845,000 | \$76,845,000 | 3.31\% | 5.00\% |
| 2012P-1 | 8/22/2012 | 2/1/2028 | \$216,165,000 | \$178,095,000 | 2.62\% | 5.75\% |
| Total Prior Bonds |  |  | \$666,165,000 | \$545,350,000 | 4.00\% |  |
| Parity Bonds Series | Issue Date | Final Maturity | Issue Size | Amount Outstanding | $\begin{gathered} \text { All-in } \\ \text { Interest Cost } \end{gathered}$ | Financial Plan Assumption |
| 2009S-2T (BABs) | 9/29/2009 | 11/1/2039 | \$300,000,000 | \$300,000,000 | 3.62\% | 5.00\% |
| 2012S-1 | 8/22/2012 | 11/1/2030 | \$97,545,000 | \$97,545,000 | 2.73\% | 5.75\% |
| 2015S-1 | 9/10/2015 | 11/1/2050 | \$792,840,000 | \$792,840,000 | 3.89\% | 5.75\% |
| 2015S-2A** | 9/10/2015 | 11/1/2045 | \$75,000,000 | \$75,000,000 | 3.23\% | 5.75\% |
| 2015S-2B** | 9/10/2015 | 11/1/2045 | \$75,000,000 | \$75,000,000 | 3.23\% | 5.75\% |
| Total Parity Bonds |  |  | \$1,340,385,000 | \$1,340,385,000 | 3.67\% |  |
| Total Prior \& Parity |  |  | \$2,006,550,000 | \$1,885,735,000 | 3.77\% |  |
| *2007A Bonds were advance refunded by the 2015 Bonds <br> **2015S-2A and 2015S-2B are variable rate bonds. The all-in Interest cost assumes interest calculated using only the spread through 2018 and after the variable rate was the highest 12 month rolling average of SIFMA over the past 10 years ( $3.67 \%$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |





Bond Ratings as of 9/30/16

|  | Prior | Parity | TIFA |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Moody's | Aa1 | Aa2 |  |
| S\&P | AAA | AAA | A- |
| Fitch |  |  | A+ |

## Asset Liability Management Report <br> 3 Q 2016

Key for Performance Summary

|  | Above Average | Average | Below Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE | Interest earnings forecast to exceed budget. ST Portfolio performance well above benchmark. | Interest earnings forecast to meet budget. ST Portfolio performance at or near benchmark. | Interest earnings forecast to be below budget. ST Portfolio performance below benchmark. |
|  | Low | Medium | High |
| INTEREST RATE RISK | Change in interest rates will have less than \$5M impact on ST financial plan over 5year period. | Change in interest rates will have less than \$10M impact on ST financial plan over 5-year period. | Change in interest rates will have less than \$20M impact on ST financial plan over 5-year period. |
| LIQUIDITY RISK | All reserves and liquidity contingencies in place. Current liquidity contingency greater than policy minimum. | All reserves and liquidity contingencies in place. Current liquidity contingency equal to policy minimum. | Not all reserves and liquidity contingencies in place. |
| CREDIT RISK | No known credit risks that could materially impact ST balance sheet. | Known credit risks could potentially materially impact ST balance sheet. | Known credit risks are likely to materially impact ST balance sheet. |

## Glossary of Debt and Investment Terms

Basis Point - The smallest measure used in quoting yields on bonds and notes. One basis point is $0.01 \%$ of yield. For example, a bond's yield that changed from $3.50 \%$ to $3.00 \%$ would be said to have moved 50 basis points.

Benchmark - A bond whose terms are used for comparison with other bonds of similar maturity. The global financial market typically looks to U.S Treasury securities as benchmarks.

BNSF Escrow - Collateral pursuant to the Sound Transit / Amtrak / BNSF lease-sub-lease dated September 2000.
Book Value - The amount at which an asset is carried on the books of the owner. The book value of an asset does not necessarily have a significant relationship to the market value of the security.

Duration - The weighted maturity of a fixed-income investment's cash flows, used in the estimation of the price sensitivity of fixed-income securities for a given change in interest rates.

Federal Funds Rate - The rate of interest at which Federal Funds are traded between banks. Federal Funds are excess reserves held by banks that desire to invest or lend them to banks needing reserves. The particular rate is heavily influenced through the open market operations of the Federal Reserve Board. Also referred to as the "Fed Funds rate."

General Obligation Bond (GO) - A municipal bond secured by the pledge of the issuer's full faith and credit, and backed by their taxing authority.

Link Risk Fund - Funded by Sound Transit to pay certain claims related to the operation of Central Link.
Liquidity - The ease and speed with which an asset can be converted into cash without a substantial loss in value.
Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP) - The aggregate of all funds from political subdivisions that are placed in the custody of the State Treasurer for investment.

Market Price - For securities traded through an exchange, the last reported price at which a security was sold; for securities traded "over-the-counter," the current price of the security in the market.

Par Value - The nominal or face value of a debt security; that is, the value at maturity.
Performance - An investment's return (usually total return), compared to a benchmark that is comparable to the risk level or investment objectives of the investment.

SIFMA - The Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association Municipal Swap Index is a 7-day high-grade market index comprised of tax-exempt Variable Rate Demand Obligations (VRDOs) with certain characteristics. The Index is calculated and published by Bloomberg.

TIFIA Loan - Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan with the United States Department of Transportation, acting by and through the Federal Highway Administrator. TIFIA loans are used to complement other sources of debt, resulting in a lower cost of funding than would be available in the capital markets.

Total Return - Investment performance measure over a stated time period which includes coupon interest, interest on interest, and any realized and unrealized gains or losses.

OCIP Collateral - Pledged collateral for the Owner Controlled Insurance Program for University Link and Northgate Link.

