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Halifax Regional Council February 10, 2004

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Derek Tynski, Chair, Investment Policy Advisory Committee

DATE:

January 26, 2004

SUBJECT:

Investment Policy Advisory Committee Report - Quarter Ending

September 30, 2003

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

The Halifax Regional Municipality Investment Policy requires that the Investment Policy Advisory Committee report to Council on compliance by staff with the Investment Objectives of the Investment Policy not less frequently than quarterly.

BACKGROUND

The Halifax Regional Municipality Investment Policy (the Policy) was adopted by Council April 23, 2002 and was approved by the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations on May 14, 2002. The Policy was approved in accordance with Section 100 of the *Municipal Government Act*.

The mandate of the Investment Policy Advisory Committee (the Committee) is to recommend an investment policy to Council as well as provide ongoing monitoring of investment activities. Following adoption and approval of the Policy, the activities of the Committee have shifted to the monitoring role.

DISCUSSION

The Investment Policy Advisory Committee is pleased to provide this report to Council under the provisions of the Policy. The primary focus of this report will be to report on compliance with the objectives of the Policy.

The six objectives of the Policy, stated in order of priority of importance, are as follows:

- 1. Adherence to Legal Requirements
- 2. Preservation of Capital
- 3. Liquidity
- 4. Diversification of Investment Portfolio
- 5. Competitive Return on Investments
- 6. Regular Review of Performance

Copies of the Sector Weight schedules recommended under the Policy are attached.

The Committee has reviewed the information provided by staff in the Treasurer's report to the Committee for the Quarter ending September 30, 2003 and accepts the report and the findings contained in the report that the investment activities reported are in compliance with the Policy with the exception that at September 30, 2003 the Royal Bank Sector Weight was exceeded by 3%. This was as a result of the continued receipt of deposits by electronic means into the HRM Royal Bank account despite the closure of HRM offices due to the state of emergency for hurricane Juan. Staff report that this was addressed on October 2 by investing in other Sectors to bring the Royal Bank Sector Weight in line with the Policy Sector Weights. The Committee accepts the explanation provided by staff.

February 10, 2004

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

N/A

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

The Committee has been advised by staff that this report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Recommended Sector Weight schedules at September 30, 2003

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

Investment Policy Advisory Committee

Date: December 16, 2003

Derek Tynski, Chair, Investment Policy Advisory Committee

490-6471 Report Approved by:

Report Prepared by:

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Total Investments Sector Weights @ September 30, 2003

	Catagory Status	Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value	<u>%</u>	Guideline Limit	<u>%</u>	Limit Available	<u>%</u>
CASH & EQUIVALENTS							
Federal Government & its Guarantees Federal Government Business Development Bank Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. Canadian Wheat Board Export Development Canada	Open Open Open Open Open Open Open Open	\$145,765,530 \$95,499,450 \$20,638,920 \$2,957,730 \$19,708,950 \$6,960,480	59% 39% 8% 1% 8%	\$247,396,943	100%	\$101,631,413	41%
Farm Credit Corp	•		15%	\$247,396,943	100%	\$210,811,715	85%
Provincial Governments & their Guarantees Total Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 High) Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open Open	\$36,585,228 \$2,984,040 \$2,984,040	1%	\$61,849,236 \$61,849,236	25% 25%	\$58,865,196 \$61,849,236	24%
British Columbia (R-1 Mid) Manitoba (R-1 Low) New Brunswick (R-1 Low) New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Nova Scotia (R-1 Low)	Open Closed Closed Closed Closed			\$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236	25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236	2070
Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Ontario (R-1 Mid) Prince Edward Island (R-1 Low) Quebec (R-1 Low) Saskatchewan (R-1 Low)	Closed Open Closed Closed Closed	\$33,601,188	14%	\$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236	25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$28,248,048 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236 \$61,849,236	11%
Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* Calgary (R-1 Mid) Edmonton (R-1 High) Winnipeg (R-1 Mid)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open	\$0		\$61,849,236 \$24,739,694 \$24,739,694 \$24,739,694	25% 10% 10% 10%	\$61,849,236 \$24,739,694 \$24,739,694 \$24,739,694	25% 10% 10% 10%
	BA's Schedule A Canadain Banks R-1		900/	#C4 B40 33E	25%	(\$3,196,949)	-1%
Financial Institutions & their Guarantees Bank of Montreal (R-1 Mid) Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 Mid)	Mid Open Open Open	\$65,046,185 \$4,579,746 \$14,965,130 \$9,250,012	26% 2% 6% 4%	\$24,739,694 \$24,739,694	10% 10% 10%	\$20,159,948 \$9,774,564 \$15,489,682	8% 4% 6%
Laurentian Bank (R-1 Low) National Bank of Canada (R-1 Low) Royal Bank (R-1 Mid)	Closed Closed Open	\$0 }	13%	\$24,739,694 \$24,739,694 \$24,739,694	10% 10% 10%	\$24,739,694 \$24,739,694 (\$6,521,913)	-3%
Royal Bank 1 Day BA Toronto Dominion (R-1 Mid)	Open	\$31,261,607 } \$4,989,690	2%	\$24,739,694	10%	\$19,750,004	8%
Corporations & their Guarantees	Closed						
TOTAL CASH & EQUIVALENTS		\$247,396,943	100%	<u></u>			
FIXED (Bonds, etc. over one year)							
Federal Government & its Guarantees Federal Government		\$54,175					
TOTAL FIXED		\$54,175					
EQUITIES							
Bank of Montreal		\$6,410					
TOTAL EQUITIES		\$6,410					
TOTAL INVESTMENTS		\$247,457,528					
Interest Bearing Bank Accounts - O/S Cheque	Coverage	\$15,563,307	*				
TOTAL INVESTMENTS & O/S Cheques Covera	ge	\$263,020,835					

Operating Fund Sector Weights @ September 30, 2003

	Catagory Status	Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value	<u>%</u>	Guideline Limit	<u>%</u>	Limit Available	<u>%</u>
CASH & EQUIVALENTS							
Federal Government & its Guarantees Federal Government Business Development Bank Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. Canadian Wheat Board	Open Open Open Open Open	\$55,333,957 \$36,252,484 \$7,834,727 \$1,122,782 \$7,481,702	59% 39% 8% 1% 8%	\$93,914,192	100%	\$38,580,235	41%
Export Development Canada Farm Credit Corp	Open Open	\$2,642,263	1%				
Provincial Governments & their Guarantees Total Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 High)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open	\$13,888,094 \$1,132,769 \$0	15% 1%	\$93,914,192 \$23,478,548	100% 25%	\$80,026,098 \$22,345,779	85% 24%
Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High) British Columbia (R-1 Mid) Manitoba (R-1 Low) New Brunswick (R-1 Low) New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Nova Scotia (R-1 Low)	Open Open Closed Closed Closed Closed Closed			\$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548	25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548	25%
Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Ontario (R-1 Mid) Prince Edward Island (R-1 Low) Quebec (R-1 Low) Saskatchewan (R-1 Low)	Closed Open Closed Closed Closed	\$12,755,325	14%	\$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548	25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$23,478,548 \$10,723,223 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548 \$23,478,548	11%
Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* Calgary (R-1 Mid) Edmonton (R-1 High) Winnipeg (R-1 Mid)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open	\$0		\$23,478,548 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419	25% 10% 10% 10%	\$23,478,548 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419	25% 10% 10% 10%
	BA's Schedule A Canadain Banks R-1						
Financial Institutions & their Guarantees Bank of Montreal (R-1 Mid) Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 Mid) Laurentian Bank (R-1 Low)	Mid Open Open Open Closed	\$24,692,140 \$1,738,514 \$5,680,903 \$3,511,391	26% 2% 6% 4%	\$23,478,548 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419	25% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10%	(\$1,213,592) \$7,652,905 \$3,710,516 \$5,880,028 \$9,391,419 \$9,391,419	-1% 8% 4% 6%
National Bank of Canada (R-1 Low) Royal Bank (R-1 Mid) Royal Bank 1 Day BA	Closed Open	\$0 } \$11,867,198 }	13%	\$9,391,419	10%	(\$2,475,779)	-3%
Toronto Dominion (R-1 Mid)	Open	\$1,894,133	2%	\$9,391,419	10%	\$7,497,286	8%
Corporations & their Guarantees	Closed						
FIXED (Bonds, etc. over one year)	Closed			=			
Total Investments		\$93,914,192	100%				
Interest Bearing Bank Accounts - O/S Cheque	Coverage	\$15,563,307	*				
Total Cash and Investments		\$109,477,498	-				

<u>Capital Fund</u> <u>Sector Weights</u> <u>@ September 30, 2003</u>

	Catagory Status	Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value	<u>%</u>	Guideline Limit	<u>%</u>	<u>Limit</u> <u>Available</u>	<u>%</u>
CASH & EQUIVALENTS							
Federal Government & its Guarantees	Open	\$0	0%	\$0	100%	\$0	0%
Federal Government	Open	\$0 *0	0% 0%				
Business Development Bank	Open	\$0 \$0	0%				
Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp.	Open	\$0 \$0	0%				
Canadian Wheat Board	Open	ΨΟ	0 70				
Export Development Canada	Open Open	\$0	0%				
Farm Credit Corp	Open	ΨΨ	0,0				
Provincial Governments & their Guarantees	R-1 Mid or Greater	\$0	0%	\$0	100%	\$0	0%
Total Alberta (R-1 High)	Open	\$0	0%	\$0	25%	\$0	0%
Alberta (R-1 High)	Open	\$0					
Alberta Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 High)	Open						
Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High)	Open	\$0			050/	ďΩ	00/
British Columbia (R-1 Mid)	Open			\$0	25%	\$0 \$0	0%
Manitoba (R-1 Low)	Closed			\$0 \$0	25% 25%	\$0 \$0	
New Brunswick (R-1 Low)	Closed			\$0 \$0	25% 25%	\$0 \$0	
New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low	Closed			\$0 \$0	25% 25%	\$0 \$0	
Nova Scotia (R-1 Low)	Closed			\$0 \$0	25%	\$0	
Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low)		\$0	0%	\$0	25%	\$0	0%
Ontario (R-1 Mid)	Open Closed	ΨΟ	070	\$0	25%	\$0	
Prince Edward Island (R-1 Low)	Closed			\$0	25%	\$0	
Quebec (R-1 Low) Saskatchewan (R-1 Low)	Closed			\$0	25%	\$0	
Saskatchewan (N-1 LOW)	0.0000						
	D. A. M. L. v. Overstein	\$0		\$0	25%	\$0	0%
Municipal Governments & their Guarantees*	R-1 Mid or Greater	φυ		\$0 \$0	10%	\$0	0%
Calgary (R-1 Mid)	Open Open			\$0	10%	\$0	0%
Edmonton (R-1 High)	Open			\$0	10%	\$0	0%
Winnipeg (R-1 Mid)	Open			*-			
	BA's Schedule A						
	Canadain Banks R-1	t o	00/	¢n	25%	\$0	0%
Financial Institutions & their Guarantees	Mid	\$0 ***	0% 0%	\$0 \$0	10%	\$0 \$0	0%
Bank of Montreal (R-1 Mid)	Open	\$0 \$0	0%	\$0 \$0	10%	\$0 \$0	0%
Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid)	Open	\$0 \$0	0%	\$0 \$0	10%	\$0	0%
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 Mid)	Closed	ΨΟ	0 70	\$0	10%	\$0	
Laurentian Bank (R-1 Low)	Closed			\$0	10%	\$0	
National Bank of Canada (R-1 Low)	Open	\$0 }	0%	\$0	10%	\$0	0%
Royal Bank (R-1 Mid) Royal Bank 1 Day BA	Орон	\$0 }					
Toronto Dominion (R-1 Mid)	Open	\$0	0%	\$0	10%	\$0	0%
Corporations & their Guarantees	Closed						
FIXED (Bonds, etc. over one year)	Closed						
Total Investments		\$0	0%	:			

Reserve Funds Sector Weights @ September 30, 2003

	Catagory Status	Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value	%	Guideline Limit	<u>%</u>	Limit Available	<u>%</u>
CASH & EQUIVALENTS							
Federal Government & its Guarantees Federal Government Business Development Bank Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. Canadian Wheat Board Export Development Canada Farm Credit Corp	Open Open Open Open Open Open Open Open	\$88,874,271 \$58,226,687 \$12,583,695 \$1,803,349 \$12,016,686 \$4,243,854	59% 39% 8% 1% 8%	\$150,839,659	100%	\$61,965,388	41%
Provincial Governments & their Guarantees Total Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 High) Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open Open	\$22,306,271 \$1,819,390 \$0	15% 1%	\$150,839,659 \$37,709,915	100% 25%	\$128,533,388 \$35,890,525	85% 24%
British Columbia (R-1 Mid) Manitoba (R-1 Low) New Brunswick (R-1 Low) New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Nova Scotia (R-1 Low)	Open Closed Closed Closed Closed			\$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915	25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915	25%
Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Ontario (R-1 Mid) Prince Edward Island (R-1 Low) Quebec (R-1 Low) Saskatchewan (R-1 Low)	Closed Open Closed Closed Closed	\$20,486,881	14%	\$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915	25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$37,709,915 \$17,223,034 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915 \$37,709,915	11%
Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* Calgary (R-1 Mid) Edmonton (R-1 High) Winnipeg (R-1 Mid)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open	\$0		\$37,709,915 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966	25% 10% 10% 10%	\$37,709,915 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966	25% 10% 10% 10%
Financial Institutions & their Guarantees Bank of Montreal (R-1 Mid) Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 Mid) Laurentian Bank (R-1 Low)	BA's Schedule A Canadain Banks R-1 Mid Open Open Open Closed	\$39,659,117 \$2,792,303 \$9,124,345 \$5,639,797	26% 2% 6% 4%	\$37,709,915 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966	25% 10% 10% 10%	(\$1,949,202) \$12,291,663 \$5,959,621 \$9,444,168 \$15,083,966	-1% 8% 4% 6%
National Bank of Canada (R-1 Low) Royal Bank (R-1 Mid) Royal Bank 1 Day BA Toronto Dominion (R-1 Mid)	Closed Open Open	\$0 } \$19,060,422 } \$3,042,249	13% 2%	\$15,083,966 \$15,083,966 \$15,083,966	10% 10% 10%	\$15,083,966 (\$3,976,456) \$12,041,717	-3% 8%
Corporations & their Guarantees	Closed						
FIXED (Bonds, etc. over one year)	Closed						
Total Investments	:	\$150,839,659	100%	•			

Trust Funds Sector Weights @ September 30, 2003

	Catagory Status	Cumulative Amount Invested @ Book Value	<u>%</u>	Guideline Limit	<u>%</u>	Limit Available	<u>%</u>
CASH & EQUIVALENTS							
Federal Government & its Guarantees Federal Government Business Development Bank Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp. Canadian Wheat Board Export Development Canada Farm Credit Corp	Open Open Open Open Open Open Open Open	\$1,557,302 \$1,020,279 \$220,498 \$31,599 \$210,563 \$74,363	58% 38% 8% 1% 8% 3%	\$2,703,677	100%	\$1,146,375	42%
Provincial Governments & their Guarantees Total Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta (R-1 High) Alberta Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 High Alberta Treasury Branches (R-1 High)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open Open Open	\$390,862 \$31,880 \$31,880	14% 1%	\$2,703,677 \$675,919	100% 25%	\$2,312,815 \$644,039	86% 24%
British Columbia (R-1 Mid) Manitoba (R-1 Low) New Brunswick (R-1 Low) New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Nova Scotia (R-1 Low) Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corp (R-1 Low) Ontario (R-1 Mid) Prince Edward Island (R-1 Low) Quebec (R-1 Low) Saskatchewan (R-1 Low)	Open Closed Closed A Closed Closed	\$358,982	13%	\$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919 \$675,919	25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25%	\$675,919 \$675,919	25% 12%
Municipal Governments & their Guarantees* Calgary (R-1 Mid) Edmonton (R-1 High) Winnipeg (R-1 Mid)	R-1 Mid or Greater Open Open Open	\$0	0%	\$675,919 \$270,368 \$270,368 \$270,368	25% 10% 10% 10%	\$270,368 \$270,368	25% 0% 0% 0%
Financial Institutions & their Guarantees Bank of Montreal (R-1 Mid) Bank of Nova Scotia (R-1 Mid) Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (R-1 Mid Laurentian Bank (R-1 Low) National Bank of Canada (R-1 Low) Royal Bank (R-1 Mid) Royal Bank 1 Day BA Toronto Dominion (R-1 Mid)	BA's Schedule A Canadain Banks R-1 Mid Open Open Open Closed Closed Open Open	\$694,928 \$48,928 \$159,882 \$98,824 \$0 } \$333,987 } \$53,308	26% 2% 6% 4% 12%	\$675,919 \$270,368 \$270,368 \$270,368 \$270,368 \$270,368 \$270,368	25% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10%	\$221,440 \$110,486 \$171,544 \$270,368 \$270,368 (\$63,619)	-1% 8% 4% 6% -2%
Corporations & their Guarantees	Closed						
TOTAL CASH & EQUIVALENTS		\$2,643,092	98%				
FIXED (Bonds, etc. over one year)							
Federal Government & its Guarantees							
Federal Government		\$54,175	2%				
TOTAL FIXED							
<u>EQUITIES</u>							
Bank of Montreal		\$6,410	0%				
TOTAL EQUITIES							
Total Investments		\$2,703,677	100%	=			

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