

ANGUILLA FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION Annual Report 2020

OUR MISSION

To enhance the safety, stability and integrity of Anguilla's financial system and contribute to Anguilla being a premier financial centre, through appropriate regulation and legislation, judicious licensing, comprehensive monitoring and good governance. **FINANCIAL** REPORT

Anguilla Financial Services Commission Financial Statements for the period ended 31 December 2020 Certificate of Audit and Report of the Chief Auditor

Section 59(2) of the Financial Administration and Audit Act (Revised Statutes of Anguilla Chapter F27 as at 15 December 2010) (the Act) permits me, as Chief Auditor, to accept the audit of the accounts and financial statements of a government agency by an independent auditor of the government agency if the appointment of the auditor has been approved by me, and the audit of the government agency has been performed in accordance with my directions.

After I accept the audit of the accounts and financial statements of a government agency by an independent auditor, Sections 59(6) and (7) of the Act require me to issue a certificate of audit and prepare a report that evidences the acceptance of the audit of the independent auditor, and to send the certificate of audit and report to the government agency, to the minister responsible for the government agency and to the Minister of Finance.

Section 16 of the Financial Services Commission Act (Revised Statutes of Anguilla Chapter F28 as at 15 December 2010) requires the Financial Services Commission to submit to the Governor a copy of its audited accounts, including the report of the auditor on the accounts, and a report on its operations and activities for the financial year (the annual report). The Governor is required, as soon as is reasonably practicable, to cause them to be tabled in the House of Assembly.

The appointment of Grant Thornton (GT) as the independent auditor of the Financial Services Commission was accepted by me. GT were directed to undertake their audit in accordance with appropriate auditing standards, and I accept their audit of the Commission's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

As recorded in their Auditors' Report, GT have audited the statement of financial position of the Financial Services Commission as of 31 December 2020, the statements of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in accumulated reserves and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements and significant accounting policies. The Commission's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the Financial Services Commission Act. GT's responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on their audit.

GT conducted their audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that GT comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance on whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit involved performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the

financial statements. GT believe that the audit evidence they have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for their opinion.

In GT's opinion the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Anguilla Financial Services Commission as of 31 December 2020 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the Financial Services Commission Act.

I have no observations to make on these financial statements.

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Richard Harries Chief Auditor

25 October 2021



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Chief Auditor of Anguilla Anguilla Financial Services Commission

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **Anguilla Financial Services Commission** (the "Commission") which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in accumulated reserves and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as at December 31, 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing ("ISAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Commission in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants ("IESBA Code")* together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the Eastern Caribbean, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Commission or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Commission's financial reporting process.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Commission to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

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Chartered Accountants September 21, 2021 Basseterre, St. Kitts

Statement of Financial Position **As at December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash	6	7,935,400	5,738,770
Accounts receivable	7	64,772	15,177
Other assets	8	36,032	31,307
Total current assets		8,036,204	5,785,254
Non-current assets			
Property and equipment	9	394,198	36,174
Intangible asset	10	102,914	71,632
Total non-current assets		497,112	107,806
Total assets		8,533,316	5,893,060
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	11	180,587	82,869
Statutory deposits	12	4,988,177	2,754,557
Lease liability	13	42,921	-
Contract liability	14	67,310	34,939
Total current liabilities		5,278,995	2,872,365
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liability	13	316,905	
Total liabilities		5,595,900	2,872,365
Reserves			
Accumulated reserves		2,937,416	3,020,695
Total liabilities and reserves		8,533,316	5,893,060

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Approved for issue by the Board of Members on September 21, 2021

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Statement of Comprehensive Income **For the year ended December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Income			
Licence fees		860,565	963,518
Administrative fees and penalties		120,401	121,712
Other income	-	4,221	26,646
Total income	-	985,187	1,111,876
Operating expenses			
Payroll and related costs	16	(756,131)	(651,533)
Depreciation	9,10	(61,916)	(12,439)
Professional service fees		(49,928)	(49,479)
Board members' allowance	15	(38,940)	(35,300)
Subscriptions		(35,113)	(17,769)
Insurance		(34,338)	(42,973)
Utilities		(17,308)	(22,435)
Travel and subsistence	17	(13,432)	(67,460)
Office supplies		(10,576)	(13,637)
Audit fees		(8,759)	(8,000)
Communications		(4,638)	(6,550)
Cleaning		(6,326)	(6,436)
Others		(9,129)	(5,554)
Entertainment		(3,098)	(3,724)
Bank charges		(688)	(1,118)
Office rent		-	(57,639)
Training and conference costs	-	-	(55,537)
Total operating expenses	-	(1,050,320)	(1,057,583)
Operating (loss)/profit	-	(65,133)	54,293
Finance income			
Interest income		4,582	20,301
Finance cost	-	(22,728)	
Finance income, net	-	(18,146)	20,301
Net (loss)/profit and total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year	-	(83,279)	74,594

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended December 31, 2020

(expressed in United States dollars)

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Balance at December 31, 2019	2,946,101
Total comprehensive income for the year	74,594
Adjusted balance at December 31, 2019	3,020,695
Total comprehensive loss for the year	<u>(83,279)</u>
Balance at December 31, 2020	2.937.416

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Accumulated Reserves

For the year ended December 31, 2020

(expressed in United States dollars)

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Cash flows from an arating activities		Ŧ	Ŧ
Cash flows from operating activities Net (loss)/profit for the year		(83,279)	74,594
Items not involving the movement of cash:		(05,279)	74,554
Depreciation (note 9)	9,10	61,916	12,439
Finance cost	13	22,728	-
Interest income	-	(4,582)	(20,301)
Cash flows from operations before changes in operating assets		(3,217)	66,732
and liabilities			
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
(Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable		(49,595)	10,623
(Increase)/decrease in other assets		(4,725)	8,043
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable and accrued expenses		97,718	(29,325)
Increase/(decrease) in deferred revenue		32,371	(39,961)
Increase in statutory deposits	-	2,233,620	388,134
Cash generated from operations		2,306,172	404,246
Interest received	-	4,582	20,301
Net cash from operating activities	-	2,310,754	424,547
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property and equipment		(14,412)	(16,047)
Purchase of intangible assets	-	(31,282)	(71,632)
Cash used in investing activities	-	(45,694)	(87,679)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of lease liability – principal		(45,702)	-
Repayment of lease liability – finance cost	-	(22,728)	
Cash used in financing activities	-	(68,430)	
Net increase in cash		2,196,630	336,868
Cash at beginning of the year	-	5,738,770	5,401,902
Cash at end of the year	6	7,935,400	5,738,770

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

1 Nature of operations

The Anguilla Financial Services Commission (the "Commission") was established under the Financial Services Commission Act, R.S.A. c. F28 on November 26, 2003 and it commenced operations on February 2, 2004 in TheValley, Anguilla, BWI.

The principal activity of the Commission is to regulate the financial services industry in Anguilla in accordance with the Financial Services Commission Act and the prescribed financial services enactments and to carry out such other functions as determined under section 3 of the Financial Services Commission Act.

2 General information and compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

The financial statements of the Commission have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) interpretations as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ from those estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 4.

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

3 Changes in accounting policies

New standards and amendments to standards effective for the financial year beginning January 1, 2020

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

3 Changes in accounting policies ... continued

The Commission has adopted the new accounting pronouncements which have become effective this year, and are as follows:

New and revised standards that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2020

Certain new standards, interpretations and amendments to existing standards have been published that became effective during the current financial year. The Commission has assessed the relevance of all such new interpretations and amendments.

- Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8, Definition of Material;
- Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards;
- Amendments to IFRS 3, Definition of a Business;
- Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7, Interest Rate Benchmark Reform; and,
- Amendments to IFRS 16, *Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions*.

New and revised standards that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2020

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These amendments do not have significant impact on these financial statements and therefore the disclosures have not been made.

Standards, amendments, and interpretations to existing standards that are not yet effective and have not beenadopted early by the Commission

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, certain new standards, and amendments to existing standards have been published by the IASB that are not yet effective, and have not been adopted early by the Commission. Management anticipate that all relevant pronouncements will be adopted in the Commission's accounting policies for the first period beginning after the effective date of the pronouncement. These new standards and interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the Commission's financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared using the significant accounting policies and measurement bases.

a) Cash

Cash comprises cash on hand and cash at banks, which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes invalue.

b) Financial instruments

(i) Recognition and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Commission becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assetexpire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

(ii) Classification and initial measurement of financial assets

Except for accounts receivables under financial assets at amortised cost that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price in accordance with IFRS 15, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transaction cost, when applicable.

Financial assets are classified into the following categories:

- amortised cost;
- fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL); and
- fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

In the periods presented, the Commission does not have any financial assets categorised as FVTPL or FVOCI.

All of the financial assets of the Commission are measured at amortised cost. This is determined if financial assets are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest ('SPPI'), and that are not

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

b) Financial instruments ... continued

(ii) Classification and initial measurement of financial assets...continued

designated at FVTPL. The carrying amountof these assets is adjusted by any expected credit loss allowance recognised and measured as described in note 3 b) iv). Interest income from these financial assets is included in 'Interest income' using the effective interest rate method.

The business model reflects how the Commission manages the assets in order to generate cash flows. That is, whether the Commission's objective is solely to collect the contractual cash flows from the assets or is to collect both the contractual cash flows and cash flows arising from the sale of assets. If neither of these is applicable (e.g. financial assets are held for trading purposes), then the financial assetsare classified as part of 'other' business model and measured at FVTPL. Factors considered by the Commission in determining the business model for a group of assets include past experience on how the cash flows for these assets were collected, how the asset's performance is evaluated and reported tokey management personnel, how risks are assessed and managed and how managers are compensated.

Where the business model is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows or to collect contractual cash flows and sell, the Commission assesses whether the financial instruments' cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest (the 'SPPI test'). In making this assessment, the Commissionconsiders whether the contractual cash flows are consistent with a basic lending arrangement i.e. interest includes only consideration for the time value of money, credit risk, other basic lending risks and a profit margin that is consistent with a basic lending arrangement. Where the contractual terms introduce exposure to risk or volatility that are inconsistent with a basic lending arrangement, the related financialasset is classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The classification is determined by both the Commission's business model for managing the financial asset and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for loss allowance of trade receivable which is presented within administrative and general expenses.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

b) Financial instruments ... continued

(iii) Subsequent measurement of financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if the assets meet the following conditions (and are notdesignated as FVTPL):

- they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial assets and collectits contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

After initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. The Commission's cash, accounts receivables and housing deposits as included in other assets are classified at amortised cost into this category of financial instruments.

(iv) Impairment of financial assets

The Commission uses the IFRS 9's impairment requirement which is to use more forwardlooking information to recognise expected credit losses – the 'expected credit loss (ECL) model' on its financialassets carried at amortised cost. This replaces IAS 39's 'incurred loss model'. Instruments within the scope of the new requirements included loans and other debt-type financial assets measured at amortised cost and FVOCI, trade receivables, contract assets recognised and measured under IFRS 15 and loan commitments and some financial guarantee contracts (for the issuer) that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss. With respect to the Commission, this is applicable to its accounts receivable balance.

Recognition of credit losses is no longer dependent on the Commission first identifying a credit loss event. Instead, the Commission considers a broader range of information when assessing credit risk and measuring expected credit losses, including past events, current conditions, reasonable and supportableforecasts that affect the expected collectability of the future cash flows of the instrument.

In applying this forward-looking approach, a distinction is made between:

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

b) Financial instruments ... continued

(iv) Impairment of financial assets ... continued

- financial instruments that have not deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition or that have low credit risk ('Stage 1'); and
- financial instruments that have deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognitionand whose credit risk is not low ('Stage 2').

'Stage 3' would cover financial assets that have objective evidence of impairment at the reporting date.

'12-month expected credit losses' are recognised for the first category while 'lifetime expected credit losses' are recognised for the second category.

Measurement of the expected credit losses is determined by a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses over the expected life of the financial instrument.

The Commission makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for accounts receivable and other financial assets at amortised cost and records the loss allowance as lifetime expected credit losses. Theseare the expected shortfalls in contractual cash flows, considering the potential for default at any point during the life of the financial instrument. In calculating, the Commission uses its historical experience, external indicators and forward-looking information to calculate the expected credit losses using a provision matrix.

The Commission assesses loss allowance of accounts receivable and other financial assets at amortised cost on collective basis as they possess shared credit risk characteristics based on the days past due. For the Commission, the loss allowance as a result of the application of IFRS 9 is not material and therefore on disclosures have been made.

(v) Classification and measurement of financial liabilities

The Commission's financial liabilities include accounts payable and accrued expenses and deferred revenue.

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value and are subsequently measured at amortised costusing the effective interest method.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

- b) Financial instruments ... continued
 - (v) Classification and measurement of financial liabilities ... continued

All interest-related charges are included within finance costs or finance income.

c) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

d) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at historical cost, less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, if any. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the assets.

The cost of repairs and replacements of a routine nature are charged to earnings whilst those expenditures which improve or extend the useful lives of the assets are capitalised.

Gains and losses on disposal of property and equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amountand are taken into account in determining operating income.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of each asset to its residual value, over the estimated useful life as follows:

Computers and	5-10 years
equipment	
Furniture and fittings	5-10 years
Leasehold equipment	5-10 years
Motor vehicle	5 years

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

e) Intangible asset

Computer software

Acquired computer software licence is capitalised on the basis of costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. This cost is amortised over its estimated useful life of five (5) years.

Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense when incurred.

f) Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changesin circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

g) Accumulated reserves

Accumulated reserves represent the current and prior year results of operations as reported in the statement of comprehensive income.

h) Revenue recognition

The Commission recognises contract liabilities, if any, for consideration received in respect of unsatisfied performance obligations and reports these amounts as other liabilities in the statement of financial position. Similarly, if the Commission satisfies a performance obligation before it receives the consideration, the Commission recognises either a contract asset or a receivable in its statement of financial position, dependingon whether something other than the passage of time is required before the consideration is due.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

h) Revenue recognition ... continued

(i) Licence fees

Licence fees comprise amounts collected from companies licensed by the Commission. Revenue is recognised when the services are transferred over time. Annual license fees for the year are receivables as at the beginning of each year. Fees for the year are classified as revenues; the remainder is considered deferred revenue.

(ii) Administrative fees and penalties

Administrative fees and penalties comprise amounts collected from companies for licence applications, applications for audit extensions/waivers, regulatory fees and late penalties. Revenue is recognised when the services are transferred at a point in time.

(iii) Interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method for all interest-bearing instruments on an accrual basis. Interest income includes income earned on cash.

(iv) Other income Other income is recognised on the accrual basis.

All of the Commission's revenues are generated in Anguilla.

i) Operating expenses

Operating expenses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income upon utilization of the services or as incurred.

j) Foreign currency transactions

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Commission are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The Commission's functional currency is Eastern Caribbean dollars. The financial statements are presented in United States dollars, which is the Commission's presentation currency.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

- j) Foreign currency transactions ... continued
 - (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency of the Commission, using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions (spot exchange rate). Foreign currency gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the remeasurement of monetary items denominated in foreign currency at year-end exchange rates are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

k) Provisions

A provision is recognised when the Commission has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result ofpast events; it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlementis determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to passage of time is recognised as interestexpense.

I) Employee benefits

Pension cost

The Commission's contribution to the Government's defined benefit pension plan is charged to the statementof comprehensive income in the period to which the contributions relate. The Commission does not have its own pension plan and its pension costs are limited to contributions made.

Post-employment obligation

The Commission recognises a liability and an expense for gratuities due to its employees based on the terms of the employment contracts.

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

I) Employee benefits ... continued

Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits, including holiday entitlement, are current liabilities measured at the undiscounted amount that the Commission expects to pay as a result of the unused entitlement.

m) Leased assets

The Commission considers whether a contract is, or contains a lease. A lease is defined as 'a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration'. To apply this definition the Commission assesses whether the contract meets three key evaluations which are whether:

- the contract contains an identified asset, which is either explicitly identified in the contract or implicitlyspecified by being identified at the time the asset is made available to the Commission;
- the Commission has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset throughout the period of use, considering its rights within the defined scope of the contract; and
- the Commission has the right to direct the use of the identified asset throughout the period of use. TheCommission assesses whether it has the right to direct 'how and for what purpose' the asset is used throughout the period of use.

At lease commencement date, the Commission recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on the statement of financial position. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which is made up of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any initial direct costs incurred by the Commission, an estimate of any costs to dismantle and remove the asset at the end of the lease, and any lease payments made in advance of the lease commencement date (net of any incentives received).

The Commission depreciates the right-of-use assets on a straight-line basis from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The Commission also assesses the right-of-use asset for impairment when such indicators exist.

At the commencement date, the Commission measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments unpaid at that date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the

Notes to Financial Statements **December 31, 2020**

(expressed in United States dollars)

4 Summary of accounting policies ... continued

m) Leased assets ... continued

lease if that rate is readily available or the Commission's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are made up of fixed payments.

Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability will be reduced for payments made and increased for interest. It is remeasured to reflect any reassessment or modification, or if there are changes in in-substance fixed payments.

When the lease liability is remeasured, the corresponding adjustment is reflected in the rightof-use asset, orprofit and loss if the right-of-use asset is already reduced to zero.

The Commission has elected to account for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets, if any, using the practical expedients. Instead of recognising a right-of-use asset and lease liability, the payments in relation to these are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

On the statement of financial position, the right-of-use asset has been included in property and equipment and lease liability is shown as a lease liability.

n) Significant management judgment in applying accounting policies and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Judgements, estimates and underlying assumptions are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

At year end, in the opinion of management, there were no estimates and assumptions that have a significantrisk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

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5 Financial risk management

a. Financial risk factors

The Commission's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Commission has not entered into forward contracts to reduce risk exposures. The Commission's risk management focuses on actively seeking to minimise potential adverse effects on its financial performance. Risk management is carried out by management based on policies set by the Board of Members.

The most significant financial risks to which the Commission is exposed are described below:

i. Market risk

Foreign currency risk

The Commission conducts its operations primarily in Eastern Caribbean dollars; however, some transactions are executed in various other currencies, mainly United States Dollars. Foreign currency risk arises when future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency. The exchange rate of the Eastern Caribbean dollar (EC\$) to the United States dollar (US\$) has been formally pegged at EC\$2.70 = US\$1.00 sinceJuly 1976, hence management considers foreign currency risk not to be significant.

Interest rate risk

Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuatebecause of changes in market interest rates. Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Commission takeson exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing level of market interest rates on both its fairvalue and cash flow risks. Interest margins may increase as a result of such changes but may reduce losses in the event unexpected movements arise.

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5 Financial risk management...continued

- a) Financial risk factors...continued
- i) Market risk...continued

Interest rate risk

The table below analyses the interest bearing assets and liabilities of the Commission.

	Up to 1	1 - 3	3 - 12	1 – 5 years	1 – 5 years Over 5 years Non-interest	Non-interest	Total
	month	months	months	\$	\$	bearing	\$
	\$	\$	\$			\$	
As of December 31, 2020							
Assets							
Cash at bank	7,934,100	I	I	I	I	1,300	7,935,400
Accounts and other receivables	I	I	I	I	I	64,772	64,772
Other assets	I	I	I	I	I	5,250	5,250
Total assets	7,934,100	ı	ı	I	I	71,322	8,005,422
Liabilities							
Accounts payable and accruedexpenses	I	I	I	I	I	180,806	180,806
Statutory deposits	I	I	I	I	I	4,988,177	4,988,177
Lease liability	3287	6,604	33,030	199,841	117,064	I	359,826
Total liabilities	3,287	6,604	33,030	199,841	117,064	5,168,983	5,528,809
Total interest repricing gap	7,930,813	(6,604)	(33,030)	(199,841)	(117,064)	(5,097,661)	2,476,613

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5 Financial risk management...continued

- a) Financial risk factors...continued
- i) Market risk...continued

Interest rate risk...continued

	Up to 1 month \$	1 – 3 months \$	3 – 12 months \$	1 - 5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Non-interest bearing \$	Total \$
As of December 31, 2019 Assets Cash at bank Accounts and other receivables Other assets	5,738,770 -	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	- 15,177 5,250	5,738,770 15,177 5,250
Total assets	5,738,770		'	I	ı	20,427	5,759,197
Liabilities Accounts payable and accruedexpenses Statutory deposits Lease liability	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	82,869 2,754,557 -	82,869 2,754,557 -
Total liabilities	I	Ι	I	I	I	2,837,426	2,837,426
Total interest repricing gap	5,738,770	I	I	I	I	(2,816,999)	2,921,771

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5 Financial risk management...continued

a) Financial risk factors...continued

i) Market risk...continued

Price risk

The Commission has no investments held or classified as fair value through profit or loss, and thus isnot exposed to cash flow equity securities price risk. The Commission is not exposed to commodity price risk.

ii) Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the possibility that counterparties may default on their obligations to the Commission. The Commission's credit risk arises from cash at banks, as well as credit exposures to customers. Cash at banks are only held with well-known reputable banks and financial institutions. If no independent rating exists for customers, management assesses the credit quality of customers on anindividual basis, taking into account their financial position, credit history and other factors. The utilization of credit limits is regularly monitored. Services rendered to customers are settled primarilyin cash and cheques.

The Commission has made adequate provision for any potential credit losses and the amount of the Commission's maximum exposure to credit risk is indicated by the carrying amount of its financial assets.

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Cash at banks Accounts receivable Other assets	7,934,100 64,772 5,250	5,738,770 15,177 <u>5,250</u>
	8,004,122	<u>5,759,197</u>

All financial assets such as cash and accounts receivable are categorised as performing (2019: performing).

The credit quality of financial assets was determined as follows:

• Cash at banks are only placed with well-known banks and financial institutions. The credit quality of these financial assets is considered to be of high grade. While cash and

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5 Financial risk management...continued

- a) Financial risk factors...continued
 - *ii)* **Credit risk**...continued

cash equivalents are also subject to the impairment requirements of IFRS 9, the identified impairment loss was immaterial.

• Accounts receivable are standard grade financial instruments with satisfactory financial capabilityand credit standing but with some elements of risks where a certain measure of control is necessaryin order to mitigate risk of default. The Commission applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables.

The Commission continuously monitors the credit quality of its counterparties based on a credit rating scorecard. The Commission's policy is to deal only with creditworthy counterparties. The ongoing credit risk of these counterparties is managed through regular review of the aging analysis.

Counterparties settle license fees upfront thus mitigating the credit risk exposure. License fees represents the most significant source of operating income for the Commission; in 2020 this accounted for 87.4% of operating income (2019: 85.1%).

Accounts receivable consist of solely customers in Anguilla. The Commission does not hold any security on these balances.

In measuring the expected credit losses, the accounts receivable have been assessed on a collective basis as they possess shared credit characteristics. They have been grouped based on the days past due.

The expected loss rates are based on the historical collection and default rates over the past seven (7) years. The historical rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward looking macroeconomic factors affecting the counterparty's ability to settle the amount outstanding. While Gross Domestic Product and growth in the financial services sector are most relevant, given the short period over which the Commission is exposed to credit risk, the impact of these macroeconomic factors has not been considered significant within the financial year.

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5 Financial risk management...continued

a) Financial risk factors...continued

ii) Credit risk...continued

The expected credit losses for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 are immaterial and therefore no additional disclosures have been made.

Trade receivables are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery, include, amongst others, the failure of a customer to engage in a repayment plan with the Commission, and a failure to make contractual payments for a period of greater than 360 days past due or discontinuation of the business of the counterparties.

iii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Commission is unable to meet its payment obligations associated withits financial liabilities when they fall due. In order to manage liquidity risks, management seeks to maintain sufficient levels of cash and the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities, to meet its short-term obligations.

The following tables analyses the Commission's financial liabilities in relevant maturity grouping basedon the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date.

December 31, 2020	Less than 1 Year \$	Between 1 and 5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Total \$
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	180,587	-	-	180,587
Statutory deposits Lease liability	4,988,177 63,165	252,660	_ 126,330	4,988,177 315,825
	5,231,929	252,660	126,330	5,484,589
Total assets held to manage liquidity risk	8,005,422	-	_	8,005,422
Net liquidity risk	(2,773,493)	252,660	126,330	(2,394,284)

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5 Financial risk management...continued

a) **Financial risk factors**...continued

iii) Liquidity risk ...continued

	Less than 1 Year \$	Between 1 and 5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Total \$
December 31, 2019				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	82,869	-	_	82,869
Statutory Deposits	2,754,557	-	-	2,754,557
Lease liability		_	_	_
	2,837,426	-		2,837,426
Total assets held to manage liquidity risk	5,785,254	-		5,785,254
Net liquidity risk	(2,947,828)	_	_	(2,947,828)

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5 Financial risk management...continued

b) Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

Fair value is the arm's length consideration for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties, who are under no compulsion to act and is best evidenced by a quoted market price, if one exists.

The fair value of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses and statutory deposits are assumed to approximate the carrying value due to their short-term nature.

The table below summarizes the carrying amounts and fair values of the Commission's financial assets and liabilities.

	Carryi	ng value	Fa	air value
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial assets				
Cash	7,935,400	5,738,770	7,935,400	5,738,770
Accounts receivable	64,772	15,177	64,772	15,177
Other assets	5,250	5,250	5,250	5,250
	8,005,422	5,759,197	8,005,422	5,759,197
Financial liabilities				
Accounts payable and				
accrued expenses	180,587	82,869	180,587	82,869
Statutory deposits	4,988,177	2,754,557	4,988,177	2,754,557
Lease liability	359,826		359,826	_
	5,528,590	2,837,426	5,528,590	2,837,426

c) Capital risk management

The Commission maintains a level of capital that is sufficient to meet several objectives, including its abilityto continue as a going concern in order to maintain an acceptable total debt-to-capital ratio to provide access to adequate funding sources to support current operations and fulfilment of its strategic plan.

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5 Financial risk management ... continued

c) Capital risk management ... continued

The Commission's capital is represented by its accumulated reserves. As at December 31, 2020, the Commission's accumulated reserves amounted to \$2,937,416 (2019: \$3,020,695).

The Commission manages its capital structure and makes adjustments in light of changes in activities, economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. In order to maintain or adjust its capital structure, the Commission may request contributions from and make distributions to the Governmentof Anguilla.

6 Cash

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Cash at banks other than statutory deposits	2,945,923	3,207,452
Cash on hand	1,300	_
	2,947,223	3,207,452
Statutory deposits	4,988,177	2,531,318
Total cash	7,935,400	5,738,770

Cash at banks is held with National Commercial Bank of Anguilla Limited, and Republic Bank Anguilla Limitedand bears interest at rates ranging between nil to 0.50% per annum (2019: nil to 0.50%).

The statutory deposits accounts are held with the Republic Bank Anguilla Limited and earn interest at a rate of 0.05% per annum (2019: 0.05%).

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7 Accounts receivable

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Accounts receivable from:		
Insurance managers	39,726	-
Administrative penalties	17,865	-
Company managers	4,862	2,189
Money service brokers	1,509	-
Captives	500	1,500
Mutual fund managers/administration	490	6,000
On-site Nagico Insurance	-	5,488
	64,772	15,177

The Commission's accounts receivable represent amounts due from regulated entities for services rendered in the ordinary course of business. They are generally due for settlement upon initiation or renewal of the service and therefore are all classified as current. Accounts receivable are recognised initially at the amount of consideration that is unconditional unless they contain significant financing components, when they are recognised at fair value. The Commission holds the accounts receivables with the objective to collect the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Details about the Commission's impairment policies are disclosed in Note 4. In 2020, there will be no accounts receivable which were previously not provided with loss allowance that were written off (2019: \$nil).

Due to the short-term nature of the Commission's accounts receivable, their carrying amount is considered to be same as their fair value.

8 Other assets

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Prepayments	30,782	26,057
Housing deposits	5,250	<u>5,250</u>
	36.032	31,307

6	9 Property and equipment						
		Right-of-use asset \$	Computers and equipment \$	Furniture and fittings \$	Leasehold equipment \$	Motor vehicle \$	Total \$
	At December 31, 2018						
	Cost	I	40,893	71,455	38,802	9,100	160,250
	Accumulated depreciation	I	(36,371)	(50,182)	(36,581)	(4,550)	(127,684)
	Closing net book amount	I	4,522	21,273	2,221	4,550	32,566
	Year ended December 31, 2019						
	Opening net book amount	I	4,522	21,273	2,221	4,550	32,566
	Additions	Ι	11,234		4,813	1 0 00	16,047
	Depreciation charge	1	(5,55)	(7,222)	(954)	(910)	(12,439)
	Closing book amount	I	12,403	14,051	6,080	3,640	36,174
	As at December 31, 2019						
	Cost	Ι	52,127	71,455	43,615	9,100	176,297
	Accumulated depreciation	1	(39,724)	(57,404)	(37,535)	(5,460)	(140,123)
	Closing net book amount	I	12,403	14,051	6,080	3,640	36,174
	Year ended December 31, 2020						
	Opening net book amount		12,403	14,051	6,080	3,640	36,174
	Additions Depreciation charge	405,228 750,691)	د02,11 (ع 183)	3,107 15316)	- (1 816)	- (010)	419,940 (61916)
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	LIOSING DOOK AMOUNT	524,837	CZC,UZ	11,842	4,204	2,730	394,198
	As at December 31, 2020						
	Cost	405,528	63,432	74,562	43,615	9,100	596,237
	Accumulated depreciation	(50,691)	(42,907)	(62,720)	(39,351	(6,370)	(202,039)
	Closing net book amount	354,837	20,525	11,842	4,264	2,730	394,198

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10 Intangible assets

	Software \$	WIP – Databases Project \$	Total \$
As at December 31, 2018 Cost Accumulated amortisation	75,000 (75,000)		75,000 (75,000)
Year ended December 31, 2019 Opening net book value Additions		- - 71,632	- 71,632
Closing net book value		71,632	71,632
As at December 31, 2019 Cost Accumulated amortisation	75,000 (75,000)	71,632 _	146,632 (75,000)
Net book value	_	71,632	71,632
Year ended December 31, 2020 Opening net book value Additions Disposals Writeback of accumulated depreciation	- - (75,000) 75,000	71,632 31,282 - -	71,632 31,282 (75,000) 75,000
Closing net book value	_	102,914	102,914
As at December 31, 2020 Cost Accumulated amortisation		102,914 -	102,914
	-	102,914	102,914

As at December 31, 2019, the Commission entered into a contract for a commercial registry electronic system whichwas expected to be completed during the financial year ended December 31, 2020. However due to the ongoing pandemic Covid-19, certain delays were experienced which has protracted the projects completion. With respect tothis project, the Commission has committed a total of \$95,000 to its overall completion with additional support to be provided by the Government.

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11 Accounts payable and accrued expenses

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Accrued expenses Accrued gratuities Accounts payables	69,680 85,375 25,750	42,510 27,054 <u>13,305</u>
	180,587	82,869

12 Statutory deposits

Section 8(1) of the Insurance Act, R.S.A. c. I16 requires that a licensee undertaking domestic insurance businessshall maintain in a bank in Anguilla, funds in cash, short-term securities or other realisable investments approved by the Commission, the total value of which shall at least equal the total of its:

- i) Unearned premium reserve;
- ii) Outstanding claims reserve;
- iii) Reserve for the claims incurred but not reported; and
- iv) Unexpired risks reserve.

Section 8(2) of the Insurance Act states that: "The Commission may require an approved external insurer to placewith the Commission an interest-bearing deposit to meet existing and future liabilities for a period to be determined by the Commission. The amount of the deposit will not exceed 40% of its annual premium income net of re-insurance premiums with respect to each class of insurance undertaken."

All statutory deposits are maintained in short-term fixed deposits (i.e. three-month maturity periods or less) or other demand accounts.

At December 31, 2020 statutory deposits in the amount of \$4,988,177 (2019: \$2,754,557) were held by the Commission in connection with approved external insurers.

13 Leases

The Commission leases an office space for its operations with a lease term of 4 years commencing January 1, 2020 and expiring December 31, 2023. The Commission has the right to extend for a further 4 years which management has determined that the option to exercise this option is

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13 Leases...continued

reasonably certain. With the exception of short-term leases and leases of low-value underlying assets, each lease is reflected on the statement of financial position as a right-of-use asset and a lease liability. The Commission classifies its right-of-use asset in a consistent manner to its property (see note 9).

The lease generally imposes a restriction that, unless there is a contractual right for the Commission to sublet theasset to another party, the right-of-use asset can only be used by the Commission. The lease is either a non- cancellable or may only be cancelled by incurring a substantive termination fee.

The Commission is prohibited from selling or pledging the underlying leased asset as security. Further, the Commission must keep the office building in a good state of repair and return the property in its original conditionat the end of the lease. Also, the Commission must insure items or property and equipment and incur maintenancefees on such items in accordance with the lease contract.

The table below describes the nature of the Commission's leasing activity by type of right-of-use asset recognisedon the statement of financial position.

Office space

(a) Amounts recognised in the statement of financial position:

		Office space
		\$
	Lease liability	
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	Addition	400,264
	Interest expense	22,728
	Lease payments	<u>(63,166)</u>
	Balance as at December 31, 2021	359,826
(b)	Amounts recognised in profit or loss	
		Office space \$
	Depreciation charge on right-of-use asset	50,691
	Interest expense on lease liability	22,728
		<u> </u>

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13 Leases...continued

Right-of- use asset	No. of right-of- use assets leased	Range of remaining term	Average remaining lease term	No. of leases with extension option	No. of leases with options to purchase	No. of leases with variable payments linked to an index	No. of leases with termination options
Office space	1	7 years	7 years	1	-	-	1

The lease liability is unsecured and future minimum lease payments at December 31, 2020 were as follows.

	Within 1 year \$	1 – 2 years \$	2 – 3 years \$	3 – 4 years \$	4 – 5 years \$	After 5 years \$	Total \$
December 31, 2020							
Lease payments	63,165	63,165	63,165	63,165	63,165	126,330	442,155
Finance charges	(20,244)	(17,597)	(14,786)	(11,802)	(8,634)	(9,266)	(82,329)
Net present value	42,921	45,568	48,379	51,363	54,531	117,064	359,826

The lease liability is presented in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2020
	\$
Current	42,921
Non-current	316,905
	359,826

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14 Contract liability

Contract liability consists of licence fees for the succeeding financial year ended December 31, 2020 received by the Commission in advance during the current financial year.

15 Related party balances and transactions

A related party relationship exists when one party has the ability to control directly or indirectly, through one ormore intermediaries, the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Such relationships also exist between or among entities under common control, with

the reporting enterprise and its key management personnel and Board of Members.

The remuneration of the Board of Members and other key management personnel during the year was asfollows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Salaries	154,348	127,933
Board members' allowances	38,940	35,300
Gratuities	18,200	15,400
Housing allowances	18,000	17,827
	229,488	196,460

16 Payroll and related costs

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Salaries	544,565	516,945
Gratuities	72,069	17,827
Vacation	65,367	44,448
Health insurance	24,576	26,456
Social security costs	19,541	18,525
Housing allowance	18,000	15,400
Pension costs	12,013	<u>11,932</u>
	756.131	651,533

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17 Travel and subsistence

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Regulatory	7,717	47,757
Staff recruitment	637	10,136
Travel	(6,144)	8,022
Training	11,222	1,545
	13,432	67,460

18 Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic

Since December 31, 2019, the spread of a novel strain of coronavirus, COVID-19 has severely impacted many local economies around the globe. In many countries, businesses are being forced to cease or limit operations forlong or indefinite periods of time. Measures taken to contain the spread of the virus, including travel bans, quarantines, social distancing, and closures of non-essential services have triggered significant disruptions to businesses worldwide, resulting in an economic slowdown.

The duration and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic remains unclear at this time. It is not possible to reliably estimate the duration and severity of these consequences, as well as their impact on the financial position and results of the Commission for future periods.