

Actuarial Valuation Report

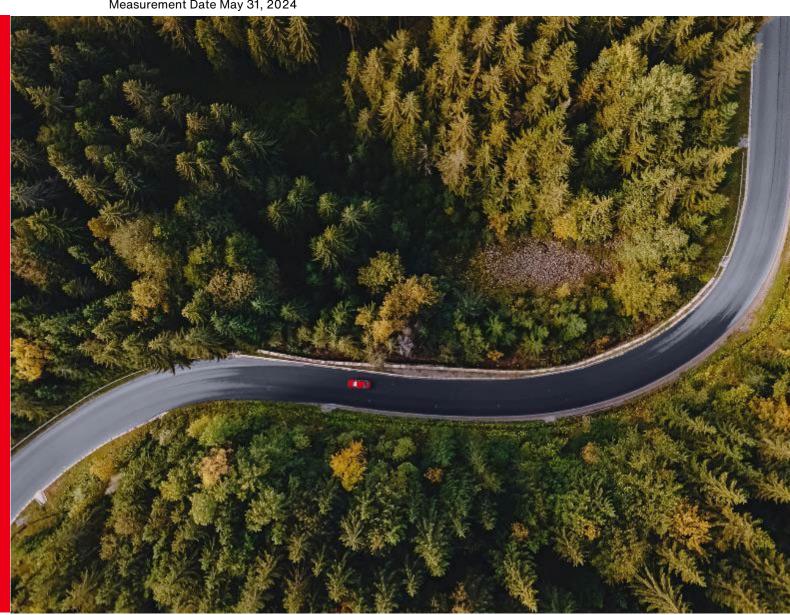
Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority

Postretirement Health and Life Insurance Plan

GASB 75

For the Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2025

Measurement Date May 31, 2024





Introduction

This report documents the results of the actuarial valuation for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2025 of the GASB 75 for the Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority. The plan is a single-employer plan and does not issue a separate financial statement. As a result, all reporting requirements are included in the employer's financial statement. These results are based on a Measurement Date of May 31, 2024. The information provided in this report is intended strictly for documenting information relating to company and plan disclosure and reporting requirements.

Determinations for purposes other than the financial accounting requirements may be significantly different from the results in this report. Thus, the use of this report for purposes other than those expressed here may not be appropriate.

This valuation has been conducted in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices, including the applicable Actuarial Standards of Practice as issued by the Actuarial Standards Board. In addition, the valuation results are based on our understanding of the financial accounting and reporting requirements under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as set forth in Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 75 (GASB 75) including any guidance or interpretations provided by the Company and/or its audit partners prior to the issuance of this report. The information in this report is not intended to supersede or supplant the advice and interpretations of the Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority's auditors. Additional disclosures may be required under GASB 74.

Models are used to estimate underlying per capita medical, prescription drug, and dental claims costs, subsequently utilized as assumption inputs for valuation models used to develop the liabilities for the 2024 and future valuations. The Aon consulting team leveraged expertise of Health experts within Aon as it relates to reviewing the models developed by experts outside of Aon, and those used for development of the per capita claims costs and future trend rates.

A valuation model was used to develop the liabilities for this valuation. The valuation model relies on ProVal software, which was developed by Winklevoss Technologies, LLC. Experts within Aon selected this software and determined it is appropriate for performing valuations. We coded and reviewed the software for the provisions, assumptions, methods, and data of the GASB 75.

The valuation model outputs various cost scenarios. The "1 percent increase" and "1 percent decrease" interest rate scenarios vary only the discount rate assumption, in order to illustrate the impact of a change in that assumption in isolation. In practice, certain other assumptions, such as the expected or realized asset returns, would also be expected to vary when the discount rate changes. Therefore, the output from these scenarios should be used solely for assessing the impact of the discount rate in isolation and may not represent a realistic set of results for other purposes.



The "1 percent increase" and "1 percent decrease" healthcare cost trend scenarios vary only the healthcare cost trend assumption, in order to illustrate the impact of a change in that assumption in isolation. Therefore, the output from these scenarios should be used solely for assessing the impact of the healthcare cost trend in isolation and may not represent a realistic set of results for other purposes.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to (but not limited to) such factors as the following:

- Plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions;
- Changes in actuarial methods or in economic or demographic assumptions;
- Increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period); and
- Changes in plan provisions or applicable law.

Due to the limited scope of our assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of such future measurements.

Funded status measurements shown in this report are determined based on various measures of plan assets and liabilities. For entity and plan disclosure and reporting purposes, funded status is determined using plan assets measured at market value. Plan liabilities are measured based on the interest rates and other assumptions summarized in the Actuarial Assumptions and Methods section of this report.

These funded status measurements may not be appropriate for assessing the sufficiency of plan assets to cover the estimated cost of settling the plan's benefit obligations, and funded status measurements for Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority and plan disclosure and reporting purposes may not be appropriate for assessing the need for or the amount of future contributions. In conducting the valuation, we have relied on personnel, plan design, health care claim cost, and asset information supplied by Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority as of the valuation date. While we cannot verify the accuracy of all the information, the supplied information was reviewed for consistency and reasonableness. As a result of this review, we have no reason to doubt the substantial accuracy or completeness of the information and believe that it has produced appropriate results.

The actuarial assumptions and methods used in this valuation are described in the Actuarial Assumptions and Methods section of this report. Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority selected the economic and demographic assumptions and prescribed them for use for purposes of compliance with GASB 75. Aon provided guidance with respect to these assumptions, and it is our belief that the assumptions represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

The undersigned are familiar with the near-term and long-term aspects of OPEB valuations and collectively meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries necessary to render the actuarial opinions contained herein. The information provided in this report is dependent upon various factors as documented throughout this report, which may be subject to change. Each section of this report is considered to be an integral part of the actuarial opinions.



To our knowledge, no colleague of Aon providing services to Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority has any material direct or indirect financial interest in Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority. Thus, we believe there is no relationship existing that might affect our capacity to prepare and certify this actuarial report for Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority.

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Accounting Requirements



Development of GASB 75 Net OPEB Expense

Calculation Details

The following table illustrates the Net OPEB Liability under GASB 75.

		Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2024		En	cal Year ding 31/2025
(1)	OPEB Liability				
	(a) Retired Participants and Beneficiaries				
	Receiving Payment	\$	16,076,364	\$	16,133,360
	(b) Active Participants	_	17,872,803		13,884,748
	(c) Total	\$	33,949,167	\$	30,018,108
(2)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position		(8,974,767)		(9,949,682)
(3)	Net OPEB Liability	\$	24,974,400	\$	20,068,426
(4)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the				
	Total OPEB Liability		26.44%		33.15%
(5)	Deferred Outflow of Resources for Contributions Made				
	After Measurement Date	\$	2,093,199		TBD

Expense

The following table illustrates the OPEB expense under GASB 75.

	Endi	Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2024		al Year ing 1/2025
(1) Service Cost	\$	808,458	\$	789,766
(2) Interest Cost		955,590		1,260,452
(3) Expected Investment Return		(11,817)		(85,492)
(4) Employee Contributions		0		0
(5) Administrative Expense		0		0
(6) Plan Changes		0		0
(7) Amortization of Unrecognized				
(a) Liability (Gain)/Loss		295,433		(179,116)
(b) Asset (Gain)/Loss		54,674		(4,103)
(c) Assumption Change (Gain)/Loss		269,184		(21,179)
(8) Total Expense	\$	2,371,522	\$	1,760,328



Shown below are details regarding the calculation of Service Cost, Interest Cost and Expected Investment Return components of the Expense.

		Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2024		En	scal Year ding 31/2025
(1)	Development of Service Cost:				
	(a) Normal Cost at Beginning of Measurement Period	\$	808,458	\$	789,766
(2)	Development of Interest Cost:				
	(a) Total OPEB Liability at Beginning of Measurement Period	\$	30,303,286	\$	33,949,167
	(b) Normal Cost at Beginning of Measurement Period		808,458		789,766
	(c) Actual Benefit Payments		(1,756,735)		(1,287,163)
	(d) Discount Rate	_	3.16%		3.74%
	(e) Interest Cost	\$	955,590	\$	1,260,452
(3)	Development of Expected Investment Return:				
	(a) Plan Fiduciary Net Position at Beginning of Measurement Period	\$	8,707,706	\$	8,974,767
	(b) Actual Contributions — Employer		1,956,724		2,093,199
	(c) Actual Contributions — Employee		0		0
	(d) Actual Benefit Payments		(1,756,735)		(1,287,163)
	(e) Administrative Expenses		0		0
	(f) Other		0		0
	(g) Expected Return on Assets		0.15%		1.00%
	(h) Expected Return	\$	11,817	\$	85,492



Reconciliation of Net OPEB Liability

Shown below are details regarding the Total OPEB Liability, Plan Fiduciary Net Position, and Net OPEB Liability for the Measurement Period from May 31, 2023 to May 31, 2024:

	Increase (Decrease)					
	Liability		Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)		Lia	et OPEB ability) = (a) - (b)
Balance Recognized at 5/31/2024						
(Based on 5/31/2023 Measurement Date)	\$	33,949,167	\$	8,974,767	\$	24,974,400
Changes Recognized for the Fiscal Year:						
Service Cost	\$	789,766		N/A	\$	789,766
Interest on the Total OPEB Liability		1,260,452		N/A		1,260,452
Changes of Benefit Terms		0		N/A		0
Differences Between Expected and						
Actual Experience		(2,904,242)		N/A		(2,904,242)
Changes of Assumptions		(1,789,872)		N/A		(1,789,872)
Benefit Payments		(1,287,163)		(1,287,163)		0
Contributions From the Employer		N/A		2,093,199		(2,093,199)
Contributions From the Employee		N/A		0		0
Net Investment Income		N/A		168,879		(168,879)
Administrative Expense		N/A		0		0
Net Changes	\$	(3,931,059)	\$	974,915	\$	(4,905,974)
Balance Recognized at 5/31/2025						
(Based on 5/31/2024 Measurement Date)	\$	30,018,108	\$	9,949,682	\$	20,068,426



Liability (Gain)/Loss

The following table illustrates the liability gain/loss under GASB 75.

	Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2024	Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2025
(1) OPEB Liability at Beginning of Measurement Period	\$ 30,303,286	\$ 33,949,167
(2) Service Cost	808,458	789,766
(3) Interest on the Total OPEB Liability	955,590	1,260,452
(4) Changes of Benefit Terms	0	0
(5) Changes of Assumptions	2,772,716	(1,789,872)
(6) Benefit Payments	(1,756,735)	(1,287,163)
(7) Expected OPEB Liability at End of Measurement Period	\$ 33,083,315	\$ 32,922,350
(8) Actual OPEB Liability at End of Measurement Period	33,949,167	30,018,108
(9) OPEB Liability (Gain)/Loss	\$ 865,852	\$ (2,904,242)
(10) Average Future Working Life Expectancy	6.12	6.12
(11) OPEB Liability (Gain)/Loss Amortization	\$ 141,479	\$ (474,549)

Asset (Gain)/Loss

The following table illustrates the asset gain/loss under GASB 75.

	Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2024	Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2025
(1) OPEB Asset at Beginning of Measurement Period	\$ 8,707,70	06 \$ 8,974,767
(2) Contributions — Employer	1,956,72	2,093,199
(3) Contributions — Employee		0 0
(4) Expected Investment Income	11,8	17 85,492
(5) Benefit Payments	(1,756,73	35) (1,287,163)
(6) Administrative Expense		0 0
(7) Other		0 0
(8) Expected OPEB Asset at End of Measurement Period	\$ 8,919,5	12 \$ 9,866,295
(9) Actual OPEB Asset at End of Measurement Period	8,974,76	9,949,682
(10) OPEB Asset (Gain)/Loss	\$ (55,25	55) \$ (83,387)
(11) Amortization Factor	5.0	00 5.00
(12) OPEB Asset (Gain)/Loss Amortization	\$ (11,0	51) \$ (16,677)



Deferred Outflows/Inflows

The following table illustrates the Deferred Inflows and Outflows as of May 31, 2025 under GASB 75.

		Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows	
(1) (2)	Difference Between Actual and Expected Experience Net Difference Between Expected and Actual Earnings	\$	778,795	\$	2,429,693
	on OPEB Plan Investments		0		108,277
(3)	Assumption Changes		3,975,432		5,723,255
(4)	Sub Total	\$	4,754,227	\$	8,261,225
(5)	Contributions Made in Fiscal Year Ending 5/31/2025				
	After Measurement Date		TBD		N/A
(6)	Total	\$	TBD	\$	8,261,225

Amortization of Deferred Inflows/Outflows

The table below lists the amortization bases included in the deferred inflows/outflows as of May 31, 2025.

Date	Type of Base	Р	Period		Bala	ance	Annual
Established		Original	Remaining	Ori	ginal	Remaining	Payment
5/31/2020	Liability (Gain)/Loss	6.21	1.21	\$	925,000	\$ 180,000	\$ 149,000
5/31/2022	Liability (Gain)/Loss	6.21	3.21		30,763	15,901	4,954
5/31/2023	Liability (Gain)/Loss	6.12	4.12		865,852	582,894	141,479
5/31/2024	Liability (Gain)/Loss	6.12	5.12		(2,904,242)	(2,429,693)	(474,549)
5/31/2020	Asset (Gain)/Loss	5.00	0.00		156,900	0	31,300
5/30/2021	Asset (Gain)/Loss	5.00	1.00		(34,697)	(6,941)	(6,939)
5/31/2022	Asset (Gain)/Loss	5.00	2.00		(3,681)	(1,473)	(736)
5/31/2023	Asset (Gain)/Loss	5.00	3.00		(55,255)	(33,153)	(11,051)
5/31/2024	Asset (Gain)/Loss	5.00	4.00		(83,387)	(66,710)	(16,677)
5/31/2018	Assumptions	6.55	0.00		(229,800)	0	(19,200)
5/31/2019	Assumptions	5.88	0.00		670,200	0	100,200
5/31/2020	Assumptions	6.21	1.21		1,367,100	266,600	220,100
5/30/2021	Assumptions	6.21	2.21		5,176,584	1,842,232	833,588
5/31/2022	Assumptions	6.21	3.21		(8,175,232)	(4,225,846)	(1,316,462)
5/31/2023	Assumptions	6.12	4.12		2,772,716	1,866,600	453,058
5/31/2024	Assumptions	6.12	5.12		(1,789,872)	(1,497,409)	(292,463)
	Total Charges					(3,506,998)	(204,398)

Amounts Recognized in the deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the OPEB expense as follows:

Year End May 31:

2026	\$ (316,700)
2027	\$ (601,360)
2028	\$ (1,336,655)
2029	\$ (464,575)
2030	\$ (695,666)
Total Thereafter	\$ (92,042)



Interest Rate Sensitivity

The following table illustrates the impact of interest rate sensitivity on the Net OPEB Liability for fiscal year ending May 31, 2024:

	1% Decrease (2.74%)		Current Rate (3.74%)		1% Increase (4.74%)	
(1) Total OPEB Liability	\$	39,722,696	\$	33,949,167	\$	29,341,749
(2) Plan Fiduciary Net Position	_	(8,974,767)		(8,974,767)		(8,974,767)
(3) Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$	30,747,929	\$	24,974,400	\$	20,366,982

The following table illustrates the impact of interest rate sensitivity on the Net OPEB Liability for fiscal year ending May 31, 2025:

	1% Decrease (3.13%)		Current Rate (4.13%)		% Increase .13%)
(1) Total OPEB Liability	\$	34,942,385	\$	30,018,108	\$ 26,068,447
(2) Plan Fiduciary Net Position		(9,949,682)		(9,949,682)	 (9,949,682)
(3) Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$	24,992,703	\$	20,068,426	\$ 16,118,765

Healthcare Cost Trend Sensitivity

The following table illustrates the impact of healthcare cost trend sensitivity on the Net OPEB Liability for fiscal year ending May 31, 2024:

	1% Decrease	Trend Rate	1% Increase
(1) Total OPEB Liability	\$ 28,402,552	\$ 33,949,167	\$ 41,141,697
(2) Plan Fiduciary Net Position	(8,974,767)	(8,974,767)	(8,974,767)
(3) Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$ 19,427,785	\$ 24,974,400	\$ 32,166,930

The following table illustrates the impact of healthcare cost trend sensitivity on the Net OPEB Liability for fiscal year ending May 31, 2025:

	1% Decrease	Trend Rate	1% Increase
(1) Total OPEB Liability	\$ 25,473,590	\$ 30,018,108	\$ 35,856,805
(2) Plan Fiduciary Net Position	(9,949,682)	(9,949,682)	(9,949,682)
(3) Net OPEB Liability (Asset)	\$ 15,523,908	\$ 20,068,426	\$ 25,907,123



Disclosure — Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios¹

Fiscal Year Ending	Fiscal Year Ending				
		2019		2020	
Total OPEB Liability					
Service Cost	\$	682,800	\$	705,600	
Interest Cost		1,020,800		1,058,700	
Changes of Benefit Terms		0		0	
Differences Between Expected and Actual					
Experiences		0		0	
Changes of Assumptions		(229,800)		670,200	
Benefit Payments		(832,400)		(894,700)	
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	\$	641,400	\$	1,539,800	
Total OPEB Liability (Beginning)		26,312,600		26,954,000	
Total OPEB Liability (Ending)	\$	26,954,000	\$	28,493,800	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position					
Contributions—Employer	\$	1,556,400	\$	1,556,400	
Contributions—Member		0		0	
Net Investment Income		10,900		41,900	
Benefit Payments		(832,400)		(894,700)	
Administrative Expense		0		0	
Other		0		0	
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	\$	734,900	\$	703,600	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (Beginning)		<u>5,573,000</u>		6,307,900	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (Ending)	\$	6,307,900	\$	7,011,500	
Net OPEB Liability (Ending)	\$	20,646,100	\$	21,482,300	
Net Position as a Percentage of OPEB Liability		23.40%		24.61%	
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	5,622,000	\$	5,246,300	
Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Payroll		367.20%		409.50%	

¹ GASB 75 was effective first for employer fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017.



Disclosure — Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios¹

			Fisc	al Year Ending		
	2021	2022		2023	2024	2025
Total OPEB Liability						
Service Cost	\$ 774,600	\$ 871,965	\$	1,199,590	\$ 808,458	\$ 789,766
Interest Cost	1,081,500	995,868		842,416	955,590	1,260,452
Changes of Benefit Terms	0	0		0	0	0
Differences Between Expected and Actual						
Experiences	925,000	0		30,763	865,852	(2,904,242)
Changes of Assumptions	1,367,100	5,176,584		(8,175,232)	2,772,716	(1,789,872)
Benefit Payments	(863,100)	(1,052,354)		(1,365,214)	(1,756,735)	(1,287,163)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	\$ 3,285,100	\$ 5,992,063	\$	(7,467,677)	\$ 3,645,881	\$ (3,931,059)
Total OPEB Liability (Beginning)	28,493,800	<u>31,778,900</u>		37,770,963	30,303,286	33,949,167
Total OPEB Liability (Ending)	\$ 31,778,900	\$ 37,770,963	\$	30,303,286	\$ 33,949,167	\$ 30,018,108
Plan Fiduciary Net Position						
Contributions—Employer	\$ 1,556,400	\$ 1,557,725	\$	1,676,670	\$ 1,956,724	\$ 2,093,199
Contributions—Member	0	0		0	0	0
Net Investment Income	123,500	47,268		15,311	67,072	168,879
Benefit Payments	(863,100)	(1,052,354)		(1,365,214)	(1,756,735)	(1,287,163)
Administrative Expense	0	0		0	0	0
Other	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 816,800	\$ 552,639	\$	326,767	\$ 267,061	\$ 974,915
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (Beginning)	<u>7,011,500</u>	7,828,300		8,380,939	<u>8,707,706</u>	<u>8,974,767</u>
Plan Fiduciary Net Position (Ending)	\$ 7,828,300	\$ 8,380,939	\$	8,707,706	\$ 8,974,767	\$ 9,949,682
Net OPEB Liability (Ending)	\$ 23,950,600	\$ 29,390,024	\$	21,595,580	\$ 24,974,400	\$ 20,068,426
Net Position as a Percentage of OPEB Liability	24.63%	22.19%		28.74%	26.44%	33.15%
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 5,762,138	\$ 5,844,459	\$	6,149,616	\$ 6,390,948	TBD
Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Payroll	415.70%	502.90%		351.17%	390.78%	TBD

¹ GASB 75 was effective first for employer fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017.



Disclosure – Contribution Schedule

Contributions

	Fiscal Year Ending						
		2019	2020				
Actuarially Determined Contribution		N/A	N/A				
Contributions Made in Relation to the Actuarially							
Determined Contribution	_	661,700	693,300				
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)		N/A	N/A				
Covered-Employee Payroll	\$	5,622,000	\$ 5,246,300				
Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll		11.80%	13.20%				

		Fiscal Year Ending							
		2021		2022		2023		2024	2025
									_
Actuarially Determined Contribution		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A	N/A
Contributions Made in Relation to the Actuarial	ly								
Determined Contribution		505,371		311,456		199,989		806,036	<u>TBD</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A	TBD
Covered-Employee Payroll		5,762,138	\$	5,844,459	\$	6,149,616	\$	6,390,948	TBD
Contributions as a Percentage of Payroll		8.80%		5.30%		3.25%		12.61%	TBD

Notes to Schedule:

Valuation Date June 1, 2023

Measurement Date May 31, 2024 for the FYE 2025 disclosure

Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates:

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal – Level % of Salary

Asset Valuation Method Market Value of Assets

Salary Increases See "Actuarial Assumptions and Methods" section

Investment Rate of Return 1.00%, for the FYE 2025 disclosure

Mortality PUB-2010 headcount-weighted mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year

using Scale MP-2021



Appendix



Payout Projection

Annual payments expected based on assumptions and contributions detailed in the Methods and Assumptions Section.

Fiscal Year	
Ending	Total
5/31/2025	1,200,523
5/31/2026	1,254,703
5/31/2027	1,296,511
5/31/2028	1,294,208
5/31/2029	1,320,369
5/31/2030	1,309,633
5/31/2031	1,336,462
5/31/2032	1,323,497
5/31/2033	1,304,336
5/31/2034	1,358,723

Projected benefit payments include payments expected to be made during the fiscal year for both current retirees and those participants assumed to retire during the year.



Participant Data



Participant Data

The actuarial valuation was based on personnel information from Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority records as of June 1, 2023. Following are some of the pertinent characteristics from the personnel data as of that date. Prior valuation characteristics are also provided for comparison purposes. Both age and service have been determined using years and months as of the valuation date.

	June 1, 2021	June 1, 2023
Health Care Participants		
Active Participants		
Number	61	58
Average Age	49.2	48.7
Average Service	14.9	14.9
Inactive Participants		
Retirees and Surviving Spouses	47	51
Average Age	70.5	71.9
Covered Spouses	21	25
Average Age	65.3	66.9
Total Participants		
Number	129	134
Life Insurance Participants		
Active Participants		
Number	1	1
Average Age	63.7	65.7
Average Service	34.0	36.0
Inactive Participants		
Number	8	8
Average Age	75.2	77.2



Age / Service Scatter

The following table summarizes the distribution of the active employee population by age and service as of June 1, 2023:

	Years of Service										
Age	Under 1	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	40+	Total
Under 25	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
25-29	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
30-34	0	2	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
35-39	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
40-44	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	6
45-49	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	8
50-54	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
55-59	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	6
60-64	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	5	1	1	9
65-69	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	4
70+	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Total	4	6	15	12	3	5	2	7	3	1	58



Health Care Claims Development



Health Care Claims Development

The sample per capita claims cost assumptions shown below by age, benefit, and plan represent the true underlying baseline experience estimated for Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority's sponsored postretirement benefits and costs. These rates are used in the expense calculation for the period 6/1/2023–5/31/2024.

Age	Medical	Rx	Admin	RDS/EGWP	Total
50	\$9,635	\$1,835	\$5,154	N/A	\$16,624
55	\$11,836	\$2,309	\$5,154	N/A	\$19,299
60	\$14,681	\$2,891	\$5,154	N/A	\$22,726
65	\$1,847	\$1,593	\$4,988	-\$529	\$7,899
70	\$2,110	\$1,920	\$4,988	-\$637	\$8,381
75	\$2,307	\$2,172	\$4,988	-\$721	\$8,746
80	\$2,572	\$2,261	\$4,988	-\$751	\$9,070
85	\$2,952	\$2,286	\$4,988	-\$761	\$9,465
90+	\$3,164	\$2,296	\$4,988	-\$766	\$9,682

Dental: \$750 per annum at all ages Vision: \$230 per annum at all ages

Pre-65 & post-65 medical and Rx per capita claims costs were blended with 50% manual rate and 50% premium rate basis.

Premium rate basis - The average pre-65 & post-65 medical, Rx, dental and vision per capita claims costs were developed from 2023 calendar year fully insured premium rates of the plan. Premium rates were provided by Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority. The expected medical and Rx per capita "adult-equivalent" claims costs were based on the respective pre-65 and post-65 enrollment weighted average of the 2023 two-tier rate structure including the cost of dependent children as provided by Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority and trended to be centered at the mid-point of the annual period following the valuation date. Average medical and Rx per capita claims costs were then age-adjusted based on the demographics of the population, and the assumed health care aging factors shown in the table below. Average dental or vision per capita claims costs were not adjusted for aging.



The 2023 calendar year premium rates used in the per capita claims cost development are shown below:

Experience Population	Benefit	Rating Tier	Monthly Premium Rate	Annual Premium Rate
Pre-65	Medical/Rx	Retiree Only	\$ 2,118	\$25,416
Pre-65	Medical/Rx	Retiree + Spouse	\$ 4,619	\$55,428
Post-65	Medical/Rx	Retiree Only	\$ 820	\$ 9,840
Post-65	Medical/Rx	Retiree + Spouse	\$ 1,641	\$19,692

Manual Rate basis—The average medical and Rx per capita claims costs were developed from 2023 manual rates, due to insufficient credibility of plan-specific experience. Manual rates for adults and for children were separately based on 2018 national average charges trended to the mid-point of the annual period following the valuation date and adjusted by the actuarial value of the plan-specific benefit design. Sample age 62 and age 67 average "adult-equivalent" medical or Rx per capita claims costs were then developed including the cost of dependent children and age-adjusted based on the assumed health care aging factors shown in the table below.

The 2023 manual rates used in the per capita claims cost development for sample ages 62 and 67 are shown below:

	Experience			Monthly	Annual
Rating Group	Population	Benefit	Sample Age	Premium Rate	Premium Rate
Salaried	Pre-65	Medical	62	\$503	\$6,040
Salaried	Pre-65	Rx	62	\$101	\$1,210
Salaried	Post-65	Medical	67	\$140	\$1,680
Salaried	Post-65	Rx	67	\$123	\$1,480



Value of Medicare Part D RDS/EGWP Benefits

The OPEB valuation also incorporates the company's expected government subsidies related to eligible drug claims under the Medicare Part D program. Projected subsidies reduce the company's OPEB liability because it lowers the cash flow required to fund retiree medical benefits.

Medicare Part D subsidies were based on historical RDS receipts for the period June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2023.

Inflation Reduction Act - RDS

The Inflation Reduction Act has provisions, particularly in 2025, that could reduce, or even eliminate the Medicare Part D Retiree Drug Subsidy for some plan sponsors. We have reviewed Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority's plan provisions and based on the prescription drug plan design of Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority, we believe the plan will continue to remain actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D through 2025 and in future years. However, we expect CMS guidance in the future to help make this determination in future years and understand the full impact of the new legislation. We recommend that Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority continue to review this assumption annually as further information becomes available.

Health Care Aging (Morbidity) Factors:

Since health care costs increase with age, and an OPEB valuation is by its nature an analysis of a closed group that will age throughout the measurement, the effect that this aging of the population will have on claims costs must be reflected in the valuation. The claim costs for medical and prescription drugs were assumed to increase with age according to the table below.

Age Band	Medical	Rx	Composite
40-44	3.00%	4.80%	3.3%
45-49	3.70%	4.70%	3.8%
50-54	4.20%	4.70%	4.3%
55-59	4.40%	4.60%	4.4%
60-64	3.70%	4.60%	3.8%
65-69	2.70%	3.80%	3.1%
70-74	1.80%	2.50%	2.1%
75-79	2.20%	0.80%	1.4%
80-84	2.80%	0.20%	1.3%
85-89	1.40%	0.10%	0.6%
90+	0.00%	0.00%	0.0%

The aging factor assumptions shown above were based on normative data analyses, along with consideration of the results from the 2013 Society of Actuaries sponsored study "Health Care Costs—From Birth to Death" prepared by Dale H. Yamamoto, reporting on the effect of age on claims costs. In addition to age, this study shows the effect of service type (medical vs. pharmacy) and gender on claims costs. We believe they are reasonable, and representative of future cost differences due to age.



Health Care Cost Trend Rates:

The health care cost trend assumptions shown below were based on national average information from a variety of sources, including S&P Healthcare Economic Index, National Health Expenditure data, plan renewal data, and vendor Rx reports, with adjustments based on the provisions of the benefits sponsored by Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority. We believe they are reasonable, and representative of future costs increases.

June 1, 2023 Trend Rates

Pre-65

			Composite
Year	Medical	Rx	Med/Rx/Admin
2023-2024	7.00%	9.00%	7.24%
2024-2025	7.00%	8.00%	7.03%
2025-2026	6.69%	7.56%	6.71%
2026-2027	6.38%	7.13%	6.39%
2027-2028	6.06%	6.69%	6.07%
2028-2029	5.75%	6.25%	5.75%
2029-2030	5.44%	5.81%	5.42%
2030-2031	5.13%	5.38%	5.10%
2031-2032	4.81%	4.94%	4.77%
2032-2033+	4.50%	4.50%	4.44%

Post-65

			Composite	
Year	Medical	Rx	Med/Rx/Admin	RDS
2023-2024	6.00%	9.00%	7.76%	9.00%
2024-2025	5.50%	8.00%	6.99%	8.00%
2025-2026	5.38%	7.56%	6.69%	7.56%
2026-2027	5.25%	7.13%	6.38%	7.13%
2027-2028	5.13%	6.69%	6.06%	6.69%
2028-2029	5.00%	6.25%	5.75%	6.25%
2029-2030	4.88%	5.81%	5.42%	5.81%
2030-2031	4.75%	5.38%	5.10%	5.38%
2031-2032	4.63%	4.94%	4.77%	4.94%
2032-2033+	4.50%	4.50%	4.44%	4.50%

Dental Trend 4.50%

Vision Trend 4.50%

Admin Trend 3.00%



Inflation Reduction Act - Trend

Prescription drug costs and trends have not been adjusted for the manufacturer rebate for certain drugs with prices increasing faster than inflation introduced in the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). There is significant uncertainty about how manufacturers will react to this provision in drug pricing policy and any Part D rebates generated by the policy will be paid to Medicare rather than to plan sponsors.

Health Care Reform Excise Tax Adjustment:

The "Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020" signed into law on December 20, 2019, included a permanent repeal of the excise tax on high-cost plans (a.k.a. "the Cadillac tax") originally imposed by the Affordable Care Act in 2010. As a result, there is no impact from the excise tax in the valuation.

ASOP 27/35 Disclosure

Claims

Based on the actuary's experience and professional expertise, the claims development methodology followed generally accepted actuarial practices and is consistent with applicable ASOPs. Based on comparison of the historical actual claims costs, we believe the assumed per capita claims costs are reasonable and representative of future costs.

ASOP 56 Disclosure

Models are used to estimate underlying per capita medical, prescription drug, and dental claims costs, plan design actuarial values and Medicare Part D retiree drug subsidies (RDS) components, subsequently utilized as assumption inputs for valuation models used to develop the liabilities for the 2020 and future valuations. The model used for the development of plan design actuarial value components was developed by experts outside of Aon, specifically Optum. The Aon consulting team leveraged expertise of Health experts within Aon as it relates to reviewing the models developed by experts outside of Aon, and those used for development of the per capita claims costs and future trend rates.



Actuarial Assumptions and Methods



Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Actuarial Method Entry Age Normal – Level % of Salary Method

Valuation Date June 1, 2023

Service Cost The Actuarial Present Value of benefits is allocated as a level

percentage over the earnings of an individual between entry

age (i.e. - age at hire) and assumed retirement age(s).

Discount Rates Blended Rate

May 31, 2024 - 4.13% May 31, 2023 - 3.74% May 31, 2022 - 3.16%

Non-Fully Funded Rate May 31, 2024 – 4.13% May 31, 2023 – 3.74% May 31, 2022 – 3.16%

Non-Fully Funded Rates are based on the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index rate reported on the last Friday prior to the measurement date.

Expected Rate of Return on Assets 0.15%, as of May 31, 2023 measurement

1.00%, as of May 31, 2024 measurement

CPI 2.20%

Spouse Age Difference & Marriage

Percentage

Spouses are assumed to continue coverage upon the death of the former employee.

Upon retirement, 90% of eligible future retirees are assumed to be married and enroll an eligible spouse. Males are assumed to be 3 years older than females. Married actives are assumed to choose two-person coverage at

retirement.



Actuarial Assumptions and Methods (continued)

Pre-Retirement Mortality PUB-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted

mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement

projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021

Post-Retirement Mortality PUB-2010 "General" classification headcount-weighted

mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement

projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021

Retirement Rates See Table

Disability Rates See Table

Withdrawal Rates See Table



Actuarial Assumptions and Methods (continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System of New Jersey

	Ordinary Disability		Accidental
	Years of	Service	
Age	Less than 10	10 and Up	All
30	0.000%	0.205%	0.030%
35	0.000%	0.230%	0.030%
40	0.000%	0.260%	0.030%
45	0.000%	0.315%	0.030%
50	0.000%	0.390%	0.030%
55	0.000%	0.460%	0.030%
60	0.000%	0.510%	0.030%
65	0.000%	0.560%	0.030%
69	0.000%	0.600%	0.030%

Public Employees' Retirement System of New Jersey

	Select Withdrawal				Ultimate Withdrawal	
	0 to 1 Years	5 Years of	10 Years of	15 Years of	20 Years of	After 24 Years of
Age	of Service	Service	Service	Service	Service	Service
25	21.00%	12.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
30	21.00%	12.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
35	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
40	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
45	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
50	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
55	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
60	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%
65	12.00%	7.00%	3.50%	2.30%	1.50%	1.00%

Public Employees' Retirement System of New Jersey

	Retirement				
	T	Tiers 1, 2, 3 and 4			
	Less than 25	25 Years of	26 or More		
Age	Years of Service	Service	Years of Service		
40	0.00%	3.00%	2.25%		
45	0.00%	3.00%	2.25%		
50	0.00%	3.50%	3.50%		
55	0.00%	15.00%	15.00%		
60	4.50%	18.00%	14.00%		
65	11.00%	35.00%	20.00%		
70	13.00%	37.00%	24.00%		
75	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%		



Actuarial Assumptions and Methods (continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System of New Jersey

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			Retirement		
			Tier 5		
	Less than 25	25 Years of	26 to 29 Years	30 Years of	31 or More
Age	Years of Service	Service	of Service	Service	Years of Service
40	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.00%	2.25%
45	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.00%	2.25%
50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.50%	3.50%
55	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	15.00%	15.00%
60	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.00%	14.00%
65	11.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	20.00%
70	13.00%	37.00%	24.00%	24.00%	24.00%
75	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Tier Classifications

Tier	Criteria
Tier 1	Enrollment prior to July 1, 2007
Tier 2	Enrollment on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
Tier 3	Enrollment on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
Tier 4	Enrollment on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
Tier 5	Enrollment on or after June 28, 2011



Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Discussion of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Old Bridge Municipal Utility Authority selected the economic, demographic and health care claim cost assumptions and prescribed them for use for purposes of compliance with GASB 75. Aon provided guidance with respect to these assumptions, and it is our belief that the assumptions represent reasonable expectations of anticipated plan experience.

Calculation of Normal Costs and Liabilities

The method used to calculate the service cost and accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for determining OPEB expense is the entry age normal cost method. Under this cost method, the actuarial accrued liability is based on a prorated portion of the present value of all benefits earned to date over expected future working lifetime as defined by GASB. The proration is determined so that the cost with respect to service accrued from date of hire is recognized as a level percentage of pay each year. The Normal Cost is equal to the prorated cost for the year of the valuation.

Accounting Information Under GASB 75

Benefit obligations and expense/(income) are calculated under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as set forth in Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 75.

The total OPEB liability represents the actuarial present value of benefits based on the entry age normal cost method as of the measurement date. The service cost represents the actuarial present value of benefits that are attributed to the 2025 fiscal year, reflecting the effect of assumed future health care claim cost and/or pay increases.

The OPEB expense is the annual amount to be recognized in the income statement as the cost of OPEB benefits for this plan for the period ending May 31, 2025.



Plan Provisions



Plan Provisions

Service Retirement - Eligibility

An employee is eligible to receive postretirement health benefits through the Authority health plan by meeting either of the following criteria:

- Retires after 25 years or more of service credit in a New Jersey State retirement system and with at least 5 years of service with the Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority, or
- Retires at age 62 or older with at least 15 years of service with the Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority.

Disabled Retirement - Eligibility

An employee is eligible if the employee retires with a disability pension from a state administered retirement system.

Surviving Spouse - Eligibility

Eligible for lifetime subsidized coverage if retiree was eligible.

Spouse Coverage

Spouses may enroll as dependents of retirees.

Retiree Contributions

For PERS members who had 20 years of service credit in the PERS system as of June 28, 2011, the Authority subsidizes 100% of the cost of coverage for retirees and their dependent spouses meeting the requirements outlined above

Retirement Allowance

Retirement Allowance is assumed to be the annual annuity from the State of New Jersey pension plan:

• Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS): Final Compensation times service at retirement divided by 55



New Pension and Benefits Law (Chapter 78) Medical and Prescription Drug Benefit Contributions for Non-Grandfathered Future Retirees

Future retirees who do not have at least 20 years of service as of July 1, 2011 are expected to pay an amount equal to their Contribution Rate times the Plan's gross premiums. In no event shall the contribution be less than 1.50% of the Retirement Allowance. All future disabled retirees are assumed to contribute 1.50% of the Retirement Allowance.

The Contribution Rate is based on type of coverage (single or family) and the Retirement Allowance.

Contribution Rate Per \$1,000 of Retirement Allowance

Retirement Allowance	Single Coverage	Family Coverage
Under \$20	4.50%	3.43%
\$20 - \$25	5.50%	3.43%
\$25 - \$30	7.50%	4.43%
\$30 - \$35	10.00%	5.85%
\$35 - \$40	11.00%	6.85%
\$40 - \$45	12.00%	7.85%
\$45 - \$50	14.00%	9.85%
\$50 - \$55	20.00%	14.55%
\$55 - \$60	23.00%	16.55%
\$60 - \$65	27.00%	20.40%
\$65 - \$70	29.00%	22.40%
\$70 - \$75	32.00%	25.40%
\$75 - \$80	33.00%	26.40%
\$80 - \$85	34.00%	27.40%
\$85 - \$90	34.00%	29.40%
\$90 - \$95	34.00%	29.70%
\$95 - \$100	35.00%	29.85%
\$100 - \$110	35.00%	34.55%
At Least \$110	35.00%	35.00%

Family coverage is defined as 85% of the "Family + One" schedule and 15% of the "Family" schedule.



Medical / Rx Plans

Qualcare PPO				
	NETWORK	OUT OF NETWORK		
MEDICAL				
Deductible	\$0	\$250		
OOP Max	\$0	\$1,000		
ov	100%	100%		
Vision Exam	N/A	N/A		
ER	\$25 copay	\$25 copay		
Coinsurance	100%	80%		
Prescription Drugs				
Retail - 30 Day Supply				
Generic	\$8 copay	\$8 copay		
Brand	\$14 copay	\$14 copay		
Mail - 90 Day Supply				
Generic	\$8 copay	\$8 copay		
Brand	\$14 copay	\$14 copay		

For retirees over 65, the plans are secondary to Medicare and coordinate under a COB/Traditional arrangement.

Dental and Vision Coverage

Old Bridge Municipal Utilities Authority provides dental and vision coverage to retirees.

Life Insurance

Certain Grandfathered employees, as indicated by the Authority in the census data, are eligible for a \$3,750 life insurance benefit.