

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR  
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**MARCH 31, 2023**

## **Management's Report**

### **Management's Responsibility for the Newfoundland and Labrador Industrial Development Corporation Financial Statements**

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards and the integrity and objectivity of these statements are management's responsibility. Management is also responsible for all of the notes to the financial statements, and for ensuring that this information is consistent, where appropriate, with the information contained in the financial statements.

Management is also responsible for implementing and maintaining a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are properly authorized, assets are safeguarded and liabilities are recognized.

Management is also responsible for ensuring that transactions comply with relevant policies and authorities and are properly recorded to produce timely and reliable financial information.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal control and exercises these responsibilities through the Board. The Board reviews external audited financial statements yearly.

The Auditor General conducts an independent audit of the annual financial statements of the Corporation, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, in order to express an opinion thereon. The Auditor General has full and free access to financial management of the Newfoundland and Labrador Industrial Development Corporation.

On behalf of the Newfoundland and Labrador Industrial Development Corporation.



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Michelle Jéwer, CPA, CA  
Deputy Minister of Finance



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David Drover, CPA, CGA  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
Treasury Management and Budgeting



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
Newfoundland and Labrador Industrial  
Development Corporation  
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

### Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of the Newfoundland and Labrador Industrial Development Corporation (the Corporation), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the statements of operations and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Corporation as at March 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

### Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I am independent of the Corporation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Canada, and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and my auditor's report thereon. The annual report is expected to be made available to me after the date of this auditor's report.

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and I will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

## **Independent Auditor's Report (cont.)**

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. When I read the annual report, if I conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, I am required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

### **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 Canadian public sector accounting 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 Corporation'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 Corporation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

My 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 my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards 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 Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I 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 my 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.

## Independent Auditor's Report (cont.)

- 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 Corporation'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 Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Corporation 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.

I 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 I identify during my audit.



**SANDRA RUSSELL, CPA, CA**  
**Deputy Auditor General**

August 30, 2023  
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**As at March 31**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	(000's)	(000's)
<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$ 1,174	\$ 1,086
Interest receivable	5	1
Accounts receivable	50	50
<u>Portfolio investment (Note 3)</u>	-	616
	<u>1,229</u>	<u>1,753</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<u>Net financial assets</u>	<u>1,229</u>	<u>1,753</u>
<b>NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
<u>Accumulated surplus</u>	<u>\$ 1,229</u>	<u>\$ 1,753</u>

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

**Signed on behalf of the Board:**

   
Chairperson Director

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT  
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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS  
For the Year Ended March 31**

	<b>2023 Budget</b>	<b>2023 Actual</b>	<b>2022 Actual</b>
	<b>Unaudited (000's) (Note 5)</b>	<b>(000's)</b>	<b>(000's)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Lease income (Note 3)	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50
<u>Interest income</u>	11	43	11
	<b>61</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Bank charges	-	1	1
Valuation allowance on investment (Note 3)	-	441	-
<u>Write down of portfolio investment (Note 3)</u>	175	175	175
	<b>175</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>176</b>
<b>Annual deficit</b>	<b>(114)</b>	<b>(524)</b>	<b>(115)</b>
<b>Accumulated surplus, beginning of year</b>	<b>1,753</b>	<b>1,753</b>	<b>1,868</b>
<b>Accumulated surplus, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,639</b>	<b>\$ 1,229</b>	<b>\$ 1,753</b>

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**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT  
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
For the Year Ended March 31**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	(000's)	(000's)
<b>Operating transactions</b>		
Annual deficit	\$ (524)	\$ (115)
Adjustment for non-cash items		
Write-down of portfolio investment	175	175
Increase in valuation allowance on investment	441	-
<u>Change in interest receivable</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>-</u>
 <b>Increase in cash</b>	 88	 60
 <b>Cash, beginning of year</b>	 1,086	 1,026
 <b>Cash, end of year</b>	 \$ 1,174	 \$ 1,086

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**1. Nature of operations**

The Newfoundland and Labrador Industrial Development Corporation (NIDC) operates under the authority of the Industrial Development Corporation Act. The primary purpose of NIDC is to provide long-term financing to industrial and resource-based companies. Funding is secured through various means including borrowing from the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador (the Province). The affairs of NIDC are managed by a Board of Directors appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

NIDC is a Crown entity of the Province and as such is not subject to Provincial or Federal income taxes.

**2. Summary of significant accounting policies**

**(a) Basis of accounting**

NIDC is classified as an Other Government Organization as defined by Canadian public sector accounting standards (CPSAS). These financial statements are prepared by management in accordance with CPSAS for provincial reporting entities established by the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB). NIDC does not prepare a statement of change in net financial assets as this information is readily apparent from the other statements. In addition, NIDC does not prepare a statement of remeasurement gains and losses as NIDC does not enter into relevant transactions or circumstances that are being addressed by the statement. Outlined below are the significant accounting policies followed.

**(b) Financial instruments**

NIDC's financial instruments recognized on the statement of financial position consist of cash, interest receivable, accounts receivable and portfolio investments. The Corporation generally recognizes a financial instrument when it enters into a contract which creates a financial asset or financial liability. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at cost, which is the fair value at the time of acquisition.

NIDC subsequently measures all of its financial assets and financial liabilities at cost or amortized cost. Financial assets measured at cost include cash, accounts receivable, and interest receivable. Portfolio investments are measured at amortized cost as disclosed in note 3.

The carrying values of cash, accounts receivable and interest receivable approximate current fair value due to their nature. The carrying value of portfolio investments is

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**2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont.)**

**(b) Financial instruments (cont.)**

intended to approximate market value. Any decline in the value of portfolio investments that is considered to be other than temporary is recorded in the statement of operations. Any write-down of portfolio investments to reflect a loss in value would not be reversed for a subsequent increase in value.

Interest attributable to financial instruments is reported in the statement of operations.

**(c) Cash**

Cash includes cash in bank.

**(d) Revenues**

Revenues are recognized in the period in which the transactions or events occurred that gave rise to the revenues. All revenues are recorded on an accrual basis, except when the accruals cannot be determined with a reasonable degree of certainty or when their estimation is impracticable.

**(e) Expenses**

Expenses are reported on an accrual basis. The cost of all goods consumed and services received during the year is recorded as an expense.

**(f) Measurement uncertainty**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with CPSAS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenses during the period. Items requiring the use of significant estimates include the valuation of portfolio investments in equity instruments.

Estimates are based on the best information available at the time of preparation of the financial statements and are reviewed annually to reflect new information as it becomes available. Measurement uncertainty exists in these financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

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**3. Portfolio investment**

	<u>2023</u> (000's)	<u>2022</u> (000's)
Icewater Seafoods Inc., 35,000 Preference II Shares, at amortized cost	\$ 441	\$ 616
<u>Less: valuation allowance</u>	<u>(441)</u>	-
	\$ -	\$ 616

**Icewater Seafoods Inc.**

During 2004-05, NIDC was authorized by the Province to provide funding to Icewater Seafoods Inc. in the amount of \$3,500,000 by way of a preference share investment in order to assist Icewater Seafoods Inc. in its acquisition of the Arnold's Cove seafood processing facility. These Preference II shares, having a par value of \$100 per share, are non-voting and redeemable with annual, fixed, preferential and cumulative dividends. The Province advanced funding to NIDC for this investment, by way of two \$1,750,000 grants. These grants were made in October 2004 and April 2005, with 17,500 preference shares purchased from each grant.

Pursuant to Section 7 of Schedule "A" to the Subscription Agreement, the par value of each Preference II share should be reduced by \$5.00 per share for every year in which a dividend is not payable. To date, no dividend has been payable pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Subscription Agreement. As a result, NIDC's investment in Icewater Seafoods Inc. has been written down in accordance with the Subscription Agreement by \$175,000 for the year ended March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$175,000).

Due to the no payment of dividends being triggered since the inception of the Subscription Agreement, management has assessed that there has been a decline in the value of the investment that is other than temporary. NIDC has therefore recorded a valuation allowance of \$441,000 for the year ended March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$Nil).

By Agreement dated October 8, 2004, NIDC has acquired for nominal consideration from High Liner Foods Incorporated, the previous operator of the Arnold's Cove seafood processing facility, its Enterprise Allocations, vessel designations and historic rights for Newfoundland and Labrador offshore fishing areas, as defined by the Agreement. These are intangible assets and are not valued on these financial statements.

By separate lease Agreement, also dated October 8, 2004, NIDC leased these Enterprise Allocations, vessel designations and historic rights for Newfoundland and Labrador offshore fishing areas, to Icewater Seafoods Inc. This lease is for a period of 20 years with an annual base lease fee of \$50,000 along with a contingent variable surcharge amount that is triggered when the annual aggregate cash flow of Icewater Seafoods Inc. exceeds a defined minimum threshold. The surcharge was not triggered in 2022-23.

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**4. Financial risk management**

NIDC recognizes the importance of managing risks and this includes policies, procedures and oversight designed to reduce risks identified to an appropriate threshold. NIDC is exposed to credit risk through its financial instruments. There was no significant change in NIDC's exposure to this risk or its processes for managing this risk from the prior year.

**Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. NIDC's main credit risk relates to cash, accounts receivable, interest receivable, and portfolio investments. NIDC's maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying amounts of these financial instruments. NIDC is not exposed to significant credit risk with its cash and interest receivable because these financial instruments are held with a Chartered Bank.

NIDC is exposed to significant credit risk related to its accounts receivable and portfolio investments. NIDC management actively monitor the company with which it has the accounts receivable and in which the portfolio investment has been made in an effort to mitigate this risk.

**5. Budgeted figures**

Budgeted figures have been prepared by NIDC management and are provided for comparison purposes.

**6. Related party transactions**

NIDC is administered by employees of the Department of Finance. The costs of administration are paid directly by the Department. These costs are not material and are not reflected in these financial statements.

**7. Distribution of earnings**

Pursuant to Section 30 of the Industrial Development Corporation Act, the balance that the Minister of Finance considers to be available out of the net profits of NIDC is to be paid to the Province at such intervals and in a manner that the Minister may direct by notice to the Chairperson of the Board.