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First Quarter Report

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Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation

First Quarter Report 2022/23 For the Period Ending June 30, 2022

Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding

Corporation (the "Corporation", or "SaskTel") is a Saskatchewan Crown corporation. The Corporation's wholly-owned subsidiaries (Saskatchewan Telecommunications, SecurTek and SaskTel International) offer a wide array of products, services, and solutions to customers in Saskatchewan and around the world. The Corporation has a workforce of approximately 3,300 full-time equivalent employees (FTE's), making the Corporation one of Saskatchewan's largest employers.

Consolidated Highlights

Our vision is "Be the best at connecting people to their world" and our mission is "To provide the best customer experience through our superior networks, exceptional service, advanced solutions and applications."



Consolidated Net Income

		Three month	s ended	
Millions of dollars		June 3	0,	
	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Revenue	\$316.4	\$311.2	\$5.2	1.7
Other income	1.8	0.3	1.5	nmf¹
	318.2	311.5	6.7	2.2
Expenses	288.8	282.1	6.7	2.4
Results from operating activities	29.4	29.4	0.0	-
Net finance expense	7.6	6.4	1.2	18.8
Net income	\$21.8	\$23.0	\$(1.2)	(5.2)

1. nmf - no meaningful figure

Net income for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$21.8 million, a decline of \$1.2 million (5.2%) from the same period in 2021/22.

Revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$316.4 million, an increase of \$5.2 million (1.7%) from the same period in 2021/22 primarily due to growth in wireless network services and equipment supplemented by fixed broadband and data services. The increase was partially offset by reduced wireline communication services.

Expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2022, were \$288.8 million, an increase of \$6.7 million (2.4%) from the same period in 2021/22. This increase was primarily due to increased goods and services purchased in addition to depreciation and amortization.

Net finance expense for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$7.6 million, an increase of \$1.2 million (18.8%) over the same period in 2021/22. The increase was driven by higher outstanding debt.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

August 11, 2022

Forward-Looking Information

The following discussion focuses on the consolidated financial position and results of the operations of SaskTel for the first guarter of 2022/23. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with SaskTel's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022. Some sections of this discussion include forwardlooking statements about SaskTel's corporate direction and financial objectives. A statement is forward-looking when it uses information known today to make an assertion about the future. Since these forward-looking statements reflect expectations and intentions at the time of writing, actual results could differ materially from those anticipated if known or unknown risks and uncertainties impact the business, or if estimates or assumptions turn out to be inaccurate. As a result, SaskTel cannot guarantee that any of the predictions forecasted by forward-looking

statements will occur. As well, forward-looking statements do not take into consideration the effect of transactions or non-recurring items announced or occurring subsequently. Therefore, SaskTel disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. For a full discussion of risk factors, please refer to Management's Discussion & Analysis in SaskTel's 2021/22 Annual Report.

These interim statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting.*

These interim statements have been approved by the SaskTel Board of Directors on August 11, 2022.

Results of Operations

Revenue

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Three months ended June 30,	\$316.4	\$311.2	\$5.2	1.7

Revenue for the first quarter of 2022/23 was \$316.4 million, a \$5.2 million (1.7%) increase from the same period in 2021/22. The increase was due to growth in wireless network services and equipment comprised of wholesale revenues due to increased network usage by customers of other carriers; greater customer roaming; a larger wireless retail subscriber base through customer acquisitions; and a higher mix of converged customers. The increase was supplemented by increased fixed broadband and data services driven by customer demand for higher bandwidth services, fibre conversion, and new construction. The increases were partially offset by lower wireline communication services comprised of the ongoing erosion of legacy voice revenues, reduced customer project work, and the conclusion of a pay-per-view licenses agreement.

Results of operations, continued

Expenses

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Three months ended June 30,	\$288.8	\$282.1	\$6.7	2.4

Expenses for the first quarter of 2022/23 were \$288.8 million, a \$6.7 million (2.4%) increase from the same period in 2021/22. Goods and services purchased, excluding direct expenses, increased \$5.7 million due to increased software and maintenance costs incurred to modernize internal and customer-facing systems, forward-looking adjustments to the allowance for expected credit losses (ECL), and increased spending on contracts and advertising. Depreciation and amortization increased \$1.5 million due to increased investment in our fixed and wireless broadband networks and accelerated depreciation on wireless network assets. Increases were partially offset by a net decrease in direct expenses as a result of fewer wireless device sales offset by an increased average device cost as a result of premium device sales.

Net finance expense

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Three months ended June 30,	\$7.6	\$6.4	\$1.2	18.8

Net finance expense for the first quarter of 2022/23 was \$7.6 million, a \$1.2 million (18.8%) increase from the same period in 2021/22. Finance income decreased \$1.0 million primarily due to decreased sinking fund earnings. Finance expenses increased \$0.2 million primarily due higher outstanding debt offset by increased interest capitalized.

Financial Condition

Changes in the Corporation's assets, liabilities, and equity from March 31, 2022 to June 30, 2022 are discussed below:

	Increase	
Millions of dollars	(decrease)	Explanation
Cash	\$(20.6)	See condensed consolidated statement of cash flows
	φ(20.0)	Timing of non-customer related receivables and
Trade and other receivables	(8.4)	reduced receivables from lower customer project work
		Delayed receipts of wireless equipment due to global
Inventories	(7.1)	supply chain constraints
		Recognition of contract invoices for software and
Prepaid expenses	(5.7)	maintenance
		Amortization of term contracts partially offset by new
Contract assets	(7.1)	contracts
Contract costs	(0.6)	No significant change
		Capital spending primarily on wireless and fibre projects partially offset by depreciation, retirements, and
Property, plant and equipment	19.9	disposals
	10.0	Depreciation, retirements and adjustments of leased
Right-of-use assets	(1.5)	assets
		Amortization of assets partially offset by capital
Intangible assets	(3.1)	spending on assets under development
Sinking funds	6.6	Installments, earnings and market value losses
Other assets	(0.4)	No significant change
Bank indebtedness	1.2	See condensed consolidated statement of cash flows
		Timing of payments for operations and capital spending
Trade and other payables	(30.5)	in relation to goods received
Dividend payable	(7.8)	Lower dividends declared
Notes payable	(28.5)	Repayment of notes payable from issuance of long-term debt
Notes payable	(20.5)	Timing of revenue recognition related to contract
Contract liabilities	3.7	liabilities
Other liabilities	(1.3)	Amortization of previous funding to income
Deferred income – government funding	(0.3)	No significant change
Long-term debt	38.7	New debt issues and amortization of the net discount
Lease liabilities	(1.4)	Net repayment of lease liabilities
Employee benefit obligations	(0.3)	No significant change
Provisions	-	No significant change
Equity	(1.7)	Total comprehensive income less dividends declared
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Cash Flows

Cash provided by operating activities

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Three months ended June 30,	\$80.2	\$101.1	\$(20.9)	(20.7)

Cash provided by operating activities for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$80.2 million, a decrease of \$20.9 million (20.7%) compared to the same period in 2021/22 primarily due to reduced working capital requirements.

Cash used in investing activities

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Three months ended June 30,	\$73.4	\$58.2	\$15.2	26.1

Cash used in investing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$73.4 million, an increase of \$15.2 million (26.1%) from the same period in 2021/22 primarily due to ongoing investment in fixed and wireless networks to improve the coverage, capacity, reliability, and speed of our networks.

Cash used in financing activities

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Three months ended June 30,	\$28.7	\$52.2	\$(23.5)	(45.0)

Cash used in financing activities for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$28.7 million, a decrease of \$23.5 (45.0%) million primarily due to increased net borrowing to invest in our fixed and wireless networks.

Capital Resource Ratio

Debt ratio

	June 30,	March 31,	
	2022	2022	Change
Debt ratio	55.0%	54.6%	0.4

The debt ratio increased to 55.0%, an increase of 0.4 percentage points from March 31, 2022. The overall level of net debt increased \$25.5 million during the period due to increased net borrowing.

Equity decreased \$1.7 million in the first quarter of 2022/23 after recording net income of \$21.8 million, other comprehensive loss of \$4.9 million, and declaring dividends of \$18.6 million.

The debt ratio is calculated as net debt divided by end-of-period capitalization. Net debt is defined as total debt, including total long-term debt, notes payable, and bank indebtedness, excluding lease liabilities, less sinking funds, and cash. Capitalization includes net debt, equity advances, accumulated other comprehensive income and retained earnings at the period end.

Capital Expenditures

Millions of dollars	2022	2021	Change	% Change
Property, plant and equipment	\$71.1	\$54.7	\$16.4	30.0
Intangible assets	5.5	4.3	1.2	27.9
Three months ended June 30,	\$76.6	\$59.0	\$17.6	29.8

Total capital expenditures for the three months ended June 30, 2022, were \$76.6 million, an increase of \$17.6 million (29.8%) from the same period in 2021/22.

Spending on property, plant and equipment for the three months ended June 30, 2022, was \$71.1 million, an increase of \$16.4 million (30.0%) from the same period in 2021/22. The increase was largely due to 5G wireless network modernization, fibre network initiatives, and ongoing investment in our existing infrastructure. Spending on intangible assets was \$5.5 million, an increase of \$1.2 million (27.9%) from the same period in 2021/22 primarily due to investments in system modernization.

Capital expenditures in 2022/23 will focus on further investment in the core Saskatchewan network including 5G network modernization, FTTX, wireless network enhancements and basic network growth. This core network investment will ensure increased internet access speeds; enhanced maxTV service; increased wireless bandwidth, resulting in increased roaming capacity and data speeds; as well as continued network growth and refurbishment. Expenditures will also enhance customer interface and expand service offerings to improve our customer's experience today and create opportunities to provide additional enhancements and capabilities in the future.

2022/23 Outlook

The 2021/22 SaskTel Annual Report identified a consolidated net income target for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023 of \$106.5 million. At this time, SaskTel believes it will meet this target.

Risk Assessment

The 2021/22 Annual Report discussed the key strategic and core business risks and uncertainties facing SaskTel that may inhibit SaskTel from achieving goals and targets outlined in its Strategic Plan including the following areas: customer experience, broadband, digital transformation, workforce, and financial sustainability. Core Business Risks are risks associated with the execution of SaskTel's business functions including the following areas: operational, financial, and compliance and legal.

A strong governance process for enterprise risk management is in place. This is an iterative process designed to identify, evaluate, mitigate and control, report, monitor, and assess key corporate risks. As of June 30, 2022, SaskTel's key risk profile remains unchanged.

Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement of Income and Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

		(Unaudited)		
	_	Three months ended June 30,		
Thousands of dollars	Note	2022	2021	
Revenue	3	\$316,392	\$311,183	
Other income		1,797	258	
		318,189	311,441	
Expenses				
Goods and services purchased		133,484	128,290	
Salaries, wages and benefits		91,237	91,330	
Internal labour capitalized		(5,848)	(5,074)	
Depreciation - property, plant & equipment	5	49,385	48,297	
Depreciation - right-of-use assets	6	1,628	1,553	
Amortization	7	8,578	8,199	
Saskatchewan taxes		10,279	9,471	
		288,743	282,066	
Results from operating activities		29,446	29,375	
Net finance expense	4	7,604	6,379	
Net income		21,842	22,996	
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Items that will be reclassified to net income				
Unrealized gains (losses) on sinking funds		(4,002)	672	
Items that will never be reclassified to net income				
Net actuarial losses on employee benefit obligations	9	(854)	(181)	
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		(4,856)	491	
Total comprehensive income		\$16,986	\$23,487	

All net income and total comprehensive income are attributable to Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan (CIC).

See Accompanying Notes

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement of Changes in Equity

Thousands of dollars	Equity advances	Accumulated other comprehensive income	Retained earnings	Total equity
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$237,000	\$97,414	\$859,310	\$1,193,724
Net income			21,842	21,842
Other comprehensive loss		(4,856)	-	(4,856)
Total comprehensive income	-	(4,856)	21,842	16,986
Dividends declared	-	-	(18,638)	(18,638)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$237,000	\$92,558	\$862,514	\$1,192,072
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$237,000	\$102,666	\$848,866	\$1,188,532
Net income	-	-	22,996	22,996
Other comprehensive income	-	491	-	491
Total comprehensive income	-	491	22,996	23,487
Dividends declared	-	-	(22,508)	(22,508)

\$237,000

(Unaudited)

\$103,157

\$849,354

\$1,189,511

See Accompanying Notes

Balance at June 30, 2021

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement of Financial Position

	(Unaudited)			
As at		June 30,	March 31,	
Thousands of dollars	Note	2022	2022	
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash		\$ -	\$20,628	
Trade and other receivables	11a	166,302	174,697	
Inventories		16,388	23,531	
Prepaid expenses		43,357	49,054	
Contract assets	11a	72,068	76,257	
Contract costs		20,340	20,111	
		318,455	364,278	
Contract assets	11a	25,433	28,316	
Contract costs		54,480	55,292	
Property, plant and equipment	5	2,107,769	2,087,832	
Right-of-use assets	6	41,706	43,225	
Intangible assets	7	396,789	399,879	
Sinking funds	11c	102,016	95,447	
Other assets		8,825	9,261	
		\$3,055,473	\$3,083,530	
Liabilities and Province's equity				
Current liabilities				
Bank indebtedness		\$1,233	\$ -	
Trade and other payables	11a	142,207	172,666	
Dividend payable	11c	18,638	26,467	
Notes payable	11c	173,989	202,468	
Contract liabilities	11a	62,061	58,291	
Lease liabilities	11c	5,966	6,578	
Other liabilities		3,721	5,064	
		407,815	471,534	
Contract liabilities	11a	215	249	
Deferred income – government funding		14,718	15,057	
Long-term debt	8, 11c	1,386,270	1,347,583	
Lease liabilities	11c	37,681	38,433	
Employee benefit obligations	9	10,370	10,665	
Provisions		6,332	6,285	
		1,863,401	1,889,806	
Province of Saskatchewan's equity				
Equity advance		237,000	237,000	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		92,558	97,414	
Retained earnings		862,514	859,310	
5		1,192,072	1,193,724	

See Accompanying Notes

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement of Cash Flows

		(Unaudited)		
		Three months ended	June 30,	
Thousands of dollars	Note	2022	2021	
Operating activities				
Net income		\$21,842	\$22,996	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided				
by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	5, 6, 7	59,591	58,049	
Net finance expense	4	7,604	6,379	
Interest paid		(17,085)	(13,433)	
Interest received		1,756	2,011	
Amortization of government funding		(1,037)	(1,460)	
Other		806	2,627	
Net change in non-cash working capital	11b	6,723	23,909	
		80,200	101,078	
Investing activities				
Property, plant and equipment expenditures		(69,067)	(53,711)	
Intangible assets expenditures - finite life		(4,379)	(4,441)	
Government funding		39	-	
		(73,407)	(58,152)	
Financing activities				
Proceeds from long-term debt	11c	38,816	-	
Net repayment of notes payable	11c	(28,479)	(6,976)	
Payment of lease liabilities	11c	(1,474)	(1,511)	
Sinking fund instalments	11c	(11,050)	(11,050)	
Dividends paid	11c	(26,467)	(32,688)	
		(28,654)	(52,225)	
Decrease in cash		(21,861)	(9,299)	
Cash, beginning of period		20,628	23,694	
Cash (bank indebtedness), end of period		\$(1,233)	\$14,395	

See Accompanying Notes

Note 1 – General information

Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation (the "Corporation") is a corporation located in Canada. The address of the Corporation's registered office is 2121 Saskatchewan Drive, Regina, SK, S4P 3Y2. The Corporation is a Saskatchewan Provincial Crown corporation operating under the authority of *The Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation Act* and, as such, the Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiaries are not subject to Federal or Provincial income taxes in Canada.

By virtue of *The Crown Corporations Act, 1993*, the Corporation has been designated as a subsidiary of Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan ("CIC"). Accordingly, the financial results of the Corporation are included in the consolidated financial statements of CIC, a Provincial Crown corporation.

One of the Corporation's subsidiaries, Saskatchewan Telecommunications is regulated by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission ("CRTC") under the *Telecommunications Act* (Canada).

The Corporation markets and supplies a range of wireless, voice, entertainment, internet, data, equipment, marketing, security, software products, and consulting services.

Effective April 1, 2022, one of the Corporation's subsidiaries, Directwest Corporation ("Directwest") entity was dissolved with its total net assets transferred to Saskatchewan Telecommunications at the dissolution date. Directwest continues to operate as a division within Saskatchewan Telecommunications.

Note 2 – Basis of presentation

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements (hereinafter referred to as the interim financial statements) as at and for the three months ended June 30, 2022 should be read in conjunction with the Corporation's March 31, 2022 audited consolidated financial statements. The interim financial statements of the Corporation have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*. These interim financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements.

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of these interim financial statements conform with those used in the Corporation's most recent annual consolidated financial statements and have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these interim financial statements.

The interim financial statements as at and for the three-month period ended June 30, 2022 were approved by the Board of Directors on August 11, 2022.

Functional and presentation currency

These interim financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Corporation's functional currency.

Basis of measurement

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following:

- Fair value through other comprehensive income financial instruments and fair value through profit and loss financial instruments are measured at fair value, and
- Employee benefit obligations are recognized as the fair value of the plan assets less the present value of the accrued benefit obligation.

Note 2 – Basis of presentation, continued

Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of the interim financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. These estimates and assumptions are based on several factors, including historical experience, current events, and actions that the Corporation may undertake in the future, and other assumptions that the Corporation believes are reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Information about critical judgments in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the interim financial statements includes the following:

- Revenue recognition,
- Use of the straight-line basis of depreciation and amortization,
- Classification of intangible assets indefinite life,
- Classification of financial instruments,
- Accounting for government funding,
- Lease liability and right-of-use asset recognition, and
- Accounting for provisions.

Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment within the next financial year includes the following:

- Revenue recognition,
- Useful lives and depreciation rates for property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets,
- Useful lives and amortization rates for intangible assets, and
- The measurement of employee benefit obligations,

Comparative information

Certain elements of the prior period comparative information have been reclassified to conform with the financial statement presentation adopted for the current period.

Application of new International Financial Reporting Standards, and amendments to standards and interpretations

Certain new standards, interpretations and amendments to existing standards were issued by the IASB or International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) that are mandatory for annual accounting periods beginning after April 1, 2022 or later periods. There was no impact to the interim financial statements upon adoption of these new standards and amendments to the existing standards.

Note 3 – Revenue from contracts with customers

	Three months ende	d June 30,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2021
Revenue		
Wireless network services and equipment	\$147,532	\$141,848
Fixed broadband and data services	73,771	69,210
Wireline communication services	42,594	46,157
maxTV services	24,403	26,054
Security monitoring services	8,614	8,597
Marketing services	6,010	6,354
IT solutions services	3,628	3,151
Customer premise equipment	3,008	3,231
International software and consulting services	2,769	2,095
Other services	4,063	4,486
	\$316,392	\$311,183

Note 4 – Net finance expense

	Three months ended	June 30,	
Thousands of dollars	2022	2021	
Recognized in consolidated net income			
Interest on long-term debt	\$11,128	\$9,258	
Interest on short-term debt	366	63	
Interest capitalized	(2,071)	(759)	
Interest on lease liabilities	267	252	
Net interest on defined benefit liability	(857)	(223)	
Accretion expense	47	40	
Finance expense	8,880	8,631	
Sinking fund losses (earnings)	479	(241)	
Interest income	(1,755)	(2,011)	
Finance income	(1,276)	(2,252)	
Net finance expense	\$7,604	\$6,379	
Interest capitalization rate	2.89%	2.81%	

Note 5 – Property, plant and equipment

Thousands of dollars	Plant and equipment	Buildings and improvements	Office furniture and equipment	Plant under construction	Land	Total
Cost						
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$3,924,905	\$652,415	\$130,688	\$141,940	\$41,717	\$4,891,665
Additions	27,468	-	3,416	40,152	57	71,093
Transfers	9,750	8,906	2,277	(20,933)		-
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(35,699)	(756)	(3,839)	-		(40,294)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$3,926,424	\$660,565	\$132,542	\$161,159	\$41,774	\$4,922,464
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$3,704,946	\$613,989	\$133,101	\$199,286	\$41,275	\$4,692,597
Additions	82,062	-	28,833	183,712	577	295,184
Transfers	198,817	42,153	88	(241,058)	-	-
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(60,920)	(3,727)	(31,334)	-	(135)	(96,116)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$3,924,905	\$652,415	\$130,688	\$141,940	\$41,717	\$4,891,665
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$2,516,266	\$226,013	\$61,554	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,803,833
Depreciation	39,128	4,218	6,039	-	-	49,385
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(36,144)	(365)	(2,014)	-		(38,523)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$2,519,250	\$229,866	\$65,579	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,814,695
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$2,412,628	\$210,683	\$68,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,692,206
Depreciation	160,049	16,621	23,168	-	-	199,838
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(56,411)	(1,291)	(30,509)	-	-	(88,211)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$2,516,266	\$226,013	\$61,554	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,803,833
Carrying amounts						
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At April 1, 2022	\$1,408,639	\$426,402	\$69,134	\$141,940	\$41,717	\$2,087,832
At June 30, 2022	\$1,407,174	\$430,699	\$66,963	\$161,159	\$41,774	\$2,107,769
At April 1, 2021	\$1,292,318	\$403,306	\$64,206	\$199,286	\$41,275	\$2,000,391
At March 31, 2022	\$1,408,639	\$426,402	\$69,134	\$141,940	\$41,717	\$2,087,832

Note 6 – Right-of-use assets

Thousands of dollars	Plant and equipment	Buildings and improvements	Land	Total
Cost				
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$18,347	\$30,457	\$12,919	\$61,723
Additions	162	-	-	162
Retirements and adjustments	(535)	(13)		(548)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$17,974	\$30,444	\$12,919	\$61,337
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$16,223	\$29,264	\$8,789	\$54,276
Additions	2,531	1,256	3,828	7,615
Retirements and adjustments	(407)	(63)	302	(168)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$18,347	\$30,457	\$12,919	\$61,723
Accumulated depreciation				
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$9,038	\$7,423	\$2,037	\$18,498
Depreciation	751	658	219	1,628
Retirements and adjustments	(495)	-	-	(495)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$9,294	\$8,081	\$2,256	\$19,631
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$6,302	\$4,965	\$1,303	\$12,570
Depreciation	3,057	2,514	733	6,304
Retirements and adjustments	(321)	(56)	1	(376)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$9,038	\$7,423	\$2,037	\$18,498
Carrying amounts				
At April 1, 2022	\$9,309	\$23,034	\$10,882	\$43,225
At June 30, 2022	\$8,680	\$22,363	\$10,663	\$41,706
At April 1, 2021	\$9,921	\$24,299	\$7,486	\$41,706
At March 31, 2022	\$9,309	\$23,034	\$10,882	\$43,225

Note 7 – Intangible assets

Thousands of dollars	Software	Spectrum licences	Under development	Total
Cost				
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$299,194	\$267,280	\$9,383	\$575,857
Acquisitions	724	1,057	2,411	4,192
Acquisitions – internally developed	1,081	-	216	1,297
Transfers	767	-	(767)	-
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(28,203)	-	-	(28,203)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$273,563	\$268,337	\$11,243	\$553,143
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$304,612	\$120,905	\$8,750	\$434,267
Acquisitions	5,300	146,375	13,739	164,244
Acquisitions – internally developed	4,070	-	434	4,504
Transfers	13,540	-	(13,540)	-
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(28,328)	-	-	(27,158)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$299,194	\$267,280	\$9,383	\$575,857
Accumulated amortization Balance at April 1, 2022 Amortization	\$175,978 8,578 (22,222)	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$175,978 8,578
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(28,202)	-	-	(28,202)
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$156,354	\$ -	\$ -	\$156,354
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$170,255	\$ -	\$ -	\$170,255
Amortization	33,673	-	-	33,673
Retirements, disposals and adjustments	(27,950)	-	-	(27,950)
Balance at March 31, 2022	\$175,978	\$ -	\$ -	\$175,978
Carrying amounts				
At April 1, 2022	\$123,216	\$267,280	\$9,383	\$399,879
	6447 000	¢000 227	\$11,243	
At June 30, 2022	\$117,209	\$268,337	φ11,2 4 5	\$396,789
At April 1, 2021	\$117,209	\$120,905	\$8,750	\$264,012

Note 8 – Long-term debt

On May 12, 2022, the Corporation issued \$50.0 million of long-term debt at a discount of \$10.8 million through the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance. The debt issue has a coupon rate of 2.80%, an effective interest rate of 3.58%, and matures on December 2, 2052.

Note 9 – Employee benefit obligations

Other comprehensive income (loss) results, in part, from changes to actuarial assumptions related to the assets and liabilities of the Corporation's employee benefit plan, specifically the discount rate used to calculate the liabilities of the employee defined benefit plan and changes in the fair value of the employee benefit defined plan assets resulting from differences in the actual versus estimated return on these assets. The discount rates used are as follows:

	2022/2023	2021/2022
June 30	4.70%	3.10%
September 30	n/a	2.80%
December 31	n/a	3.00%
March 31	n/a	3.90%

In addition to the other comprehensive income (loss) impact detailed below, these assumption changes, combined with pension income and benefits paid for the period, have resulted in a net decrease in the employee benefit obligations for the period which has been partially offset by the impact of the asset ceiling limit.

	Three mont	ths ended June 30,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2021
Actuarial gain on accrued benefit obligation	\$65,024	\$ -
Return on plan assets excluding interest income	(74,319)	34,593
Effect of asset ceiling limit	8,441	(34,774)
Net actuarial losses on employee benefit obligations	\$(854)	\$(181)

Note 10 – Capital management

The Corporation does not have share capital. However, the Corporation has received advances from CIC to form its equity capitalization. The advances are an equity investment in the Corporation by CIC.

Due to its ownership structure, the Corporation has no access to capital markets for internal equity. Equity advances in the Corporation are determined by the shareholder on an annual basis. Dividends to CIC are determined through the Saskatchewan Provincial budget process on an annual basis.

The Corporation closely monitors its debt level utilizing the debt ratio as a primary indicator of financial health. The debt ratio measures the amount of debt in a corporation's capital structure. The Corporation uses this measure in assessing the extent of financial leverage and in turn, its financial flexibility. Too high a ratio relative to target indicates an excessive debt burden that may impair the Corporation's ability to withstand downturns in revenue and still meet fixed payment obligations. The ratio is calculated as net debt divided by capitalization at the end of the period.

The Corporation reviews the debt ratio targets of all its subsidiaries on an annual basis to ensure consistency with industry standards. This review includes subsidiary corporations' plans for capital expenditures. The target debt ratios for subsidiaries are approved by their Boards. The Corporation uses targeted debt ratios to compile a weighted average debt to equity ratio for the consolidated entity. The budgeted ratio for 2022/23 is 54.3%.

The Corporation raises most of its capital requirements through internal operating activities, short-term debt, and long-term debt through the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance. This type of borrowing allows the Corporation to take advantage of the Province of Saskatchewan's strong credit rating and receive financing at attractive interest rates.

The Corporation made no changes to its approach to capital management during the period.

The Corporation is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

The debt ratio is as follows:

As at	June 30,	March 31,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2022
Long-term debt	\$1,386,270	\$1,347,583
Notes payable	173,989	202,468
Bank indebtedness	1,233	-
Less: Sinking funds	102,016	95,447
Cash	-	20,628
Net debt (a)	1,459,476	1,433,976
Province of Saskatchewan's equity (b)	1,192,072	1,193,724
Capitalization	\$2,651,548	\$2,627,700
Debt ratio	55.0%	54.6%

a) Net debt excludes lease liabilities

b) Equity includes equity advances, accumulated other comprehensive income, and retained earnings at the end of the period.

Note 11 – Additional financial information

a) Statement of financial position

As at	June 30,	March 31,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2022
Trade and other receivables		
Customer financing receivables ¹	\$32,113	\$33,367
Trade receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	88,506	84,896
Accrued receivables – customer	2,223	2,265
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(3,816)	(3,975)
Other	55,744	67,025
	174,770	183,578
Current portion	166,302	174,697
Long-term portion - disclosed within other assets	8,468	8,881
Total trade and other receivables	\$174,770	\$183,578

¹Customer financing receivables are amounts owed by customers under financing agreements that are yet to be billed.

As at	June 30,	March 31,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2022
Contract assets		
Opening balance	\$105,954	\$101,116
Contract assets recognized in the current period	18,211	98,162
Amortization of contract assets	(23,614)	(86,118)
Contract terminations transferred to trade receivables	(1,655)	(7,206)
	98,896	105,954
Impairment allowance	(1,395)	(1,381)
	97,501	104,573
Current portion	72,068	76,257
Long-term portion	25,433	28,316
Total contract assets	\$97,501	\$104,573
As at	June 30,	March 31,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2022
Trade and other payables		
Trade payables and accrued liabilities	\$99,325	\$132,930
Payroll and other employee-related liabilities	30,429	29,343
Other	12,453	10,393
Total trade and other payables	\$142,207	\$172,666

Note 11 – Additional financial information, continued

a) Statement of financial position, continued

As at	June 30,	March 31,
Thousands of dollars	2022	2022
Contract liabilities		
Opening balance	\$58,540	\$57,118
Net additions from contracts with customers	98,615	343,566
Contract liabilities recognized in the current period	(94,879)	(342,144)
	62,276	58,540
Current portion	62,061	58,291
Long-term portion	215	249
Total contract liabilities	\$62,276	\$58,540

b) Non-cash working capital changes

	Three months ended June 30,		
Thousands of dollars	2022	2021	
Net change in non-cash working capital balances related to operations			
Trade and other receivables	\$8,395	\$46,164	
Inventories	7,143	6,533	
Prepaid expenses	5,697	(8,232)	
Contract assets	7,072	1,542	
Contract costs	583	819	
Trade and other payables	(25,262)	(25,991)	
Contract liabilities	3,736	2,956	
Other liabilities	(685)	120	
Other	44	(2)	
	\$6,723	\$23,909	

Note 11 – Additional financial information, continued

c) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

	Assets					
Thousands of dollars	Sinking funds	Long-term debt	Notes payable	Lease liabilities	Dividend payable	Total
Balance at April 1, 2022	\$(95,447)	\$1,347,583	\$202,468	\$45,011	\$26,467	\$1,526,082
Changes from financing cash flows						
Proceeds from loans and borrowings	-	38,816	240,228	-	-	279,044
Repayment of borrowings	-	-	(268,707)	(1,474)	-	(270,181)
Instalments	(11,050)	-		-		(11,050)
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	(26,467)	(26,467)
Total changes from financing cash flows	(11,050)	38,816	(28,479)	(1,474)	(26,467)	(28,654)
Other changes						
Dividends declared	-	-		-	18,638	18, 63 8
Sinking fund losses	479	-		-	-	479
Sinking fund valuation adjustments	4,002	-		-	-	4,002
New leases and assumption changes	-	-		110	-	110
Amortization of net discount on long-term debt	-	(129)	-	-	-	(129)
Total other changes	4,481	(129)	-	110	18,638	23,100
Balance at June 30, 2022	\$(102,016)	\$1,386,270	\$173,989	\$43,647	\$18,638	\$1,520,528
Balance at April 1, 2021	\$(84,619)	\$1,096,606	\$219,892	\$42,861	\$32,688	\$1,307,428
Changes from financing cash flows						
Proceeds from loans and borrowings	-	-	481,743	-	-	481,743
Repayment of borrowings	-	-	(488,719)	(1,511)	-	(490,230)
Instalments	(11,050)	-	-	-	-	(11,050)
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	(32,688)	(32,688)
Total changes from financing cash flows	(11,050)	-	(6,976)	(1,511)	(32,688)	(52,225)
Other changes						
Dividends declared	-	-	-	-	22,508	22,508
Sinking fund earnings	(241)	-	-	-	-	(241)
Sinking fund valuation adjustments	(672)	-	-	-	-	(672)
New leases and assumption changes	-	-	-	264	-	264
Amortization of net discount on long-term debt	-	(118)			-	(118)
Total other changes	(913)	(118)	-	264	22,508	21,741
Balance at June 30, 2021	\$(96,582)	\$1,096,488	\$212,916	\$41,614	\$22,508	\$1,276,944
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Note 12 – Financial risk management

The Corporation is exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates and interest rates, as well as credit and liquidity risk. The Corporation utilizes a number of financial instruments to manage these exposures. The Corporation mitigates the risk associated with these financial instruments through Board-approved policies, limits on use and amount of exposure, internal monitoring, and compliance reporting to senior management and the Board. At June 30, 2022, the Corporation had foreign currency derivatives outstanding with notional values of \$33.8 million (2021/2022 - \$37.8 million) and maturities up to April 30, 2023. The Corporation does not actively trade financial instruments.

Note 12 - Financial risk management, continued

Market risks

Market risk represents the potential for loss from changes in the value of financial instruments. Value can be affected by changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and equity prices. These risks have not changed significantly from the prior period.

Fair value

Fair values are approximate amounts at which financial instruments could be exchanged between willing parties based on current markets for instruments with similar characteristics, such as risk, principal, and remaining maturities. Fair values are estimates using present value and other valuation techniques which are significantly affected by the assumptions used concerning the amount and timing of estimated future cash flows and discount rates that reflect varying degrees of risk. Therefore, due to the use of judgment and future-oriented information, aggregate fair value amounts should not be interpreted as being realizable in an immediate settlement of the instruments.

As at			June 30, 2022		March 3	1, 2022
		Fair value	Carrying	Fair	Carrying	Fair
Thousands of dollars	Classification (a)	hierarchy	amount	value	amount	value
Financial assets						
Cash	Amortized cost	Level 1	\$ -	\$ -	\$20,628	\$20,628
Trade and other receivables	Amortized cost	Level 2	174,770	174,770	183,578	183,578
Sinking funds	FVOCI	Level 2	102,016	102,016	95,447	95,447
Foreign exchange derivative asset	FVTPL	Level 2	236	236	-	-
Financial liabilities						
Bank indebtedness	Amortized cost	Level 2	\$1,233	\$1,233	\$ -	\$ -
Trade and other payables	Amortized cost	Level 2	142,207	142,207	172,666	172,666
Notes payable	Amortized cost	Level 2	173,989	173,989	202,468	202,468
Long-term debt	Amortized cost	Level 2	1,386,270	1,184,260	1,347,583	1,301,191
Foreign exchange derivative liability	FVTPL	Level 2			499	499
(a) Classification details are:						

Classification details are: (a)

FVOCI - fair value through other comprehensive income, FVTPL - fair value through profit or loss

Fair value hierarchy

When the carrying amount of a financial instrument is the most reasonable approximation of fair value, reference to market quotations and estimation techniques is not required. The carrying values of cash, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and notes payable approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

For financial instruments, fair value is best evidenced by an independent quoted market price for the same instrument in an active market. An active market is one where quoted prices are readily available. representing regularly occurring transactions. Accordingly, the determination of fair value requires judgment and is based on market information where available and appropriate. Fair value measurements are categorized into levels within a fair value hierarchy based on the nature of the inputs used in the valuation.

- Level 1 Where guoted prices are readily available from an active market.
- Level 2 Valuation model not using quoted prices, but still using predominantly observable market inputs, such as market interest rates.
- Level 3 Where valuation is based on unobservable inputs.

There were no items measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs during 2021/2022 or to date in 2022/23 and no items transferred between levels in 2021/22 or to date in 2022/23.

Note 12 - Financial risk management, continued

Investments carried at fair value through OCI

Investments carried at fair value through OCI are categorized as Level 2 in the hierarchy consist of sinking funds. The fair value of sinking funds is determined by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance using information provided by investment dealers. To the extent possible, valuations reflect secondary pricing for these securities.

Long-term debt

The fair value of long-term debt is determined by the present value of future cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest for the equivalent Province of Saskatchewan debt instruments.

Derivative financial instruments carried at fair value through profit or loss

The fair value of derivative financial instruments that are used to manage foreign currency exposure risks are estimated based upon quoted market prices in active markets for the same or similar financial instruments or current rates offered to the Corporation for financial instruments of similar maturity, as well as discounted future cash flows determined using current rates for similar financial instruments of similar risks (such fair value estimates being largely based on the Canadian dollar versus U.S. dollar forward exchange rate as at the statement of financial position dates).

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a transaction will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Concentration of credit risk relates to groups of customers or counterparties that have similar economic or industry characteristics that cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic or other conditions. The Corporation does not have material concentrations of credit risk. Current credit risk relates to trade and other receivables, device financing receivables, unbilled revenue, contract assets, sinking funds, interest receivable and counterparties to financial derivatives. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amounts reported in the statement of financial position. There is minimal credit risk related to non-customer related financial instruments and derivative instruments at June 30, 2022 due to the investment-grade assets held within the sinking funds and investment-grade counterparties to derivative instruments.

Credit risk related to customer related financial instruments is primarily reflected in the allowance for doubtful accounts.

Periods ended June 30, Thousands of dollars	Three months er	Three months ended		
	2022	2021		
Balance, beginning of period Less: accounts written off	\$3,975	\$7,891 (2,110)		
Recoveries	(1,580) 441	(2,119) 417		
Provisions for losses	980	750		
Balance, end of period	\$3,816	\$6,939		