

**EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 AND 2004**

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**EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**  
**Management's Discussion and Analysis**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2005**

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The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis (the System) provides an overview of the System's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2005. This section should be read in conjunction with the System's financial statements and supplementary information.

**Financial Highlights**

The System's net assets were \$527 million at September 30, 2005, which represents an increase of \$53 million from September 30, 2004. The increase can be primarily attributed to appreciation in the fair market value of investments.

The overall investment return for the System was 15.7% for fiscal year 2005 and 11.6% for fiscal year 2004. These investment returns are due to the general improvement in the financial markets and active management by the Board of Trustees in retaining quality investment managers while focusing on the long-term objectives of the System. The returns were well above the assumed actuarial rate of return of 8.0% used in both fiscal years.

Additions to net assets were \$86 million and \$64 million in fiscal years 2005 and 2004, respectively. The major components of the above figures are investment income, \$70 million and \$49 million, and employer contributions, \$16 million and \$15 million, for the same fiscal years. Member contributions amounted to less than \$7,000 in both years. Individual member purchase of creditable service was \$61,071 in FY 2005 and was included in employer contributions.

Deductions from net assets were \$33 million in FY 2005 and \$30 million in FY 2004. The increase is directly associated to increased pension benefits.

The System maintained its investment asset allocation to include ten percent in real estate. The System retained two new large-cap equity managers. They replaced managers in similar asset classifications.

**Financial Statements**

The financial report of the System consists of two financial statements: the Statement of Plan Net Assets and the Statement of Changes in Plan Net Assets. The Statement of Plan Net Assets provides the detail of the System's assets and related liabilities other than benefit obligations. The net assets of the System reflect the resources available for future benefit payments. The Statement of Changes in Plan Net Assets provides the details of the System's activity during the year that lead to the change in plan net assets from the prior year.

In addition to the financial statements, the financial report contains the notes to the financial statements and supplemental information, which provide additional information for use in analyzing the financial statements and actuarial information related to the funded status of the System.

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**Financial Analysis**

Total assets at September 30, 2005 were \$567,036,801 and were comprised of cash, investments, securities lending collateral, and receivables. Total assets increased \$62,629,026 or 12.4% over the prior year as the market value of investments continued to increase.

Total liabilities at September 30, 2005 were \$39,303,630 and consisted mainly of accounts payable, securities lending collateral, and net amounts payable (receivable) under forward foreign currency exchange contracts. Total liabilities increased \$8,996,112 or 29.7% from the prior year, primarily from an increase in securities lending collateral liability.

Net assets held in trust for pension benefits were \$527,733,171 at September 30, 2005, an increase of \$53,632,914 or 11.3% from the prior year.

**Condensed Statements of Plan Net Assets**

	<u>September 30</u>		<u>Total Change</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Investments	\$ 526,536,966	\$ 473,405,628	\$ 53,131,338	11.2
Cash	156,576	413,652	(257,076)	(62.2)
Receivables	1,213,204	1,206,601	6,603	0.6
Securities Lending	39,130,055	29,381,894	9,748,161	33.2
Total Assets	<u>567,036,801</u>	<u>504,407,775</u>	<u>62,629,026</u>	<u>12.4</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts Payable	527,540	630,965	(103,425)	(16.4)
Securities Lending	39,130,055	29,381,894	9,748,161	33.2
Currency Exchange	(353,965)	294,659	(648,624)	(220.1)
Total Liabilities	<u>39,303,630</u>	<u>30,307,518</u>	<u>8,996,112</u>	<u>29.7</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 527,733,171</u>	<u>\$ 474,100,257</u>	<u>\$ 53,632,914</u>	<u>11.3</u>

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**Revenues – Additions to Plan Net Assets**

The assets needed to finance retirement benefits are accumulated through the receipt of employer and member contributions and through the earnings on investments. Employer contributions were \$15,813,568 for FY 2005. Member contributions from employees who became members prior to October 14, 1977 and continue to make voluntary contributions, were \$4,958 in FY 2005. The Metropolitan Taxicab Commission joined the System in FY 2005 as new members and did not purchase prior creditable service for their employees.

Net investment income totaled \$70,341,813 in FY 2005 and \$49,001,351 in FY 2004. The difference is directly attributed to the higher investment return in FY 2005, 15.7% versus 11.6%. Net investment income includes investment management and custodial fees of \$2,434,889 in FY 2005 and \$2,209,788 in FY 2004.

**Expenses – Deductions from Plan Net Assets**

The major expenses of the System include the payment of pension benefits to retirees and beneficiaries and administrative expenses. Other expense categories may include refund of contributions and pension service transfer payments to other public retirement plans within the State of Missouri which have a portability agreement with the System. Contribution refunds totaled \$140,347 in FY 2005 and \$19,909 in FY 2004. Transfer payments were \$58,722 in FY 2005 and \$5,726 in FY 2004. Total expenses were \$32,527,425 in FY 2005, an increase of \$2,512,616 from the FY 2004 total of \$30,014,809.

**Condensed Statements Of Changes  
In Plan Net Assets**

	<u>September 30</u>		<u>Total Change</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>				
Net Investment Income	\$ 70,341,813	\$ 49,001,351	\$ 21,340,462	43.6
Employer Contributions	15,813,568	15,335,750	477,818	3.1
Member Contributions	4,958	6,938	(1,980)	(28.5)
Total Additions	<u>86,160,339</u>	<u>64,344,039</u>	<u>21,816,300</u>	<u>33.9</u>
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>				
Retirement Benefits	31,886,328	29,538,875	2,347,453	8.0
Administrative Expenses	641,097	475,934	165,163	34.7
Total Deductions	<u>32,527,425</u>	<u>30,014,809</u>	<u>2,512,616</u>	<u>8.4</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$ 53,632,914</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 34,329,230</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 19,303,684</u></u>	<u><u>56.2</u></u>

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**Summary**

The System's Net Assets Held in Trust for Pension Benefits have increased in seven of the past ten years. Major decreases, which occurred in fiscal years 2002 and 2001, were the result of investment losses due to an economic slowdown that detrimentally affected most pension systems. In FY 1998, the System experienced a decrease of less than 3 percent or \$12 million. The Trustees believe, and the actuarial calculations confirm, that the System is in a financial position to meet its current pension obligations. The System's financial condition should continue to improve with a prudent investment policy, cost containment, and a sound economic environment.

The System received IRS qualification during the fiscal year retroactive to January 1, 2001. The System is considered as a qualified governmental plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provided the Board of Trustees, our members, and other users of our financial report with a general overview of the System's finances and to demonstrate the System's accountability for its funds. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis, 1114 Market Street, Suite 900, St. Louis, MO 63101.

## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Trustees of the Employees  
Retirement System of the City of St. Louis  
St. Louis, Missouri

We have audited the accompanying statements of plan net assets of the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis (the "System", a component unit of the City of St. Louis, Missouri), as of September 30, 2005 and 2004 and the related statements of changes in plan net assets for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the System's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the plan net assets of the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis at September 30, 2005 and 2004 and the changes in plan net assets for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

To the Board of Trustees of the Employees  
Retirement System of the City of St. Louis

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental management discussion and analysis on pages 1 - 4, and the supplemental schedules of funding progress, employer contributions, and actuarial assumptions and actuarial cost method on pages 18 - 20 are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the System, but are supplemental information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. For the supplemental management discussion and analysis, and schedules of funding progress, employers contributions, and actuarial assumptions and actuarial cost, we have applied certain limited procedures which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplemental information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

*Huber, Ring Helm + Co. P.C.*

St. Louis, Missouri

January 11, 2006

**EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

**STATEMENTS OF PLAN NET ASSETS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 AND 2004**

<b>ASSETS</b>		
	2005	2004
<b>CASH</b>	\$ 156,576	\$ 413,652
<b>RECEIVABLES</b>		
Accrued interest receivable	895,689	909,500
Accrued dividend receivable	236,928	217,258
Employers contribution receivable	80,587	79,843
Total receivables	1,213,204	1,206,601
<b>INVESTMENTS, at fair value</b>		
Temporary cash investments	5,518,321	4,443,083
United States Government and Agency securities	32,682,551	24,515,102
Corporate bonds and debentures	20,128,364	32,671,730
Foreign governmental and corporate obligations	15,782,909	11,212,248
Stocks	237,827,831	212,903,298
Managed international equity fund	118,322,940	96,593,319
Real estate group annuity	56,228,852	47,083,592
Domestic bond funds	40,045,198	43,983,256
Total investments	526,536,966	473,405,628
<b>SECURITIES LENDING COLLATERAL</b>	39,130,055	29,381,894
Total assets	567,036,801	504,407,775
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</b>	527,540	630,965
<b>SECURITIES LENDING COLLATERAL LIABILITY</b>	39,130,055	29,381,894
<b>PAYABLE (RECEIVABLE) UNDER FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE CONTRACTS</b>	(353,965)	294,659
Total liabilities	39,303,630	30,307,518
<b>NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS</b>	\$ 527,733,171	\$ 474,100,257

(Schedule of funding progress for the plan is presented on page 18.)

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

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**STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN PLAN NET ASSETS**

**YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 AND 2004**

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>		
Contributions		
Member contributions	\$ 4,958	\$ 6,938
Employer contributions	<u>15,813,568</u>	<u>15,335,750</u>
Total contributions	15,818,526	15,342,688
Investment income		
Interest and dividends	7,692,860	8,631,932
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	<u>65,083,842</u>	<u>42,579,207</u>
	72,776,702	51,211,139
Less investment expenses	<u>2,434,889</u>	<u>2,209,788</u>
Net investment income	<u>70,341,813</u>	<u>49,001,351</u>
Total additions	86,160,339	64,344,039
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>		
Retirement benefits	31,886,328	29,538,875
Administrative	<u>641,097</u>	<u>475,934</u>
Total deductions	<u>32,527,425</u>	<u>30,014,809</u>
<b>NET INCREASE</b>	53,632,914	34,329,230
<b>NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS</b>		
<b>BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>474,100,257</u>	<u>439,771,027</u>
<b>END OF YEAR</b>	<u><u>\$ 527,733,171</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 474,100,257</u></u>

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

# EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### NOTE 1 – PLAN DESCRIPTION

#### *General*

The System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer public defined benefit employees retirement system for all non-uniformed employees of the City of St. Louis and certain other public entities funded by or providing services to residents of the City of St. Louis. These additional employee groups covered by the System are the employees of the St. Louis Public Library, the Art Museum of St. Louis, the St. Louis Zoological Park, the City of St. Louis Water Division, the Airport Authority, the City Mental Health Board, the Metropolitan Taxicab Commission, the System, and civilian employees of the police department and police and firemen's retirement systems. The System became operative April 1, 1960 by municipal ordinance establishing the System under the authority of Senate Bill No. 329 of the 70th General Assembly of the State of Missouri. Responsibility for operation and administration of the System is vested in its Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees consists of the Comptroller of the City of St. Louis, two members appointed by the Mayor of the City of St. Louis, two members elected by the membership of the System, and one member elected by the retired members of the System.

#### *Membership*

At September 30, 2005 and 2004, membership consisted of the following:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits and terminated employees entitled to benefits but not yet receiving benefits	6,147	6,071
Current employees		
Fully vested	4,007	3,930
Non-vested	<u>1,749</u>	<u>1,840</u>
	<u>11,903</u>	<u>11,841</u>

#### *Benefits*

The System provides for defined benefit payments for retirement, death, or disability to eligible employees or their beneficiaries based upon creditable service, final average compensation, and a benefit compensation base. Benefits vest to employees covered by the System after the employee has attained five years of creditable service.

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**NOTE 1 – PLAN DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)***Benefits (Continued)*

Employees retire with full retirement benefits after the age of 65 or if an employee's age and creditable service combined equal or exceed 85. Employees may retire and receive a reduced benefit after age 60 with five years of creditable service, age 55 with at least 20 years of creditable service, or any age with 30 years of creditable service.

The monthly pension benefits of all retirees or their beneficiaries are adjusted according to the changes in the Consumer Price Index of the U.S. Department of Labor. Increases are limited each year, with total increases to retirees or their beneficiaries limited to 25%.

*Contributions*

Employer contribution rates are established annually by the Board of Trustees based on an actuarial study. Deductions from plan net assets are financed from plan additions. The Board of Trustees established the required employer contribution rate based on active member payroll of 13.19% effective July 1, 2005 and 13.53% effective July 1, 2004. The City of St. Louis contributed 6% of active member payroll beginning July 2003 through the present.

Employees, who became members of the System prior to October 14, 1977 and continued to make contributions, may make voluntary contributions to the System equal to 3% of their compensation until the compensation equals the maximum annual taxable earnings under the Federal Social Security Act. Thereafter, employees may contribute 6% of their compensation for the remainder of the calendar year.

*Funding Policy*

The System's funding policy provides for periodic employer contributions at actuarially determined rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are sufficient to accumulate assets to pay benefits when due. If contributions are necessary, level percentage of payroll employer contribution rates are determined using the projected unit credit actuarial cost method.

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES***Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of plan assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and reported amounts of additions and deductions to plan net assets during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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## NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### *Basis of Accounting*

The financial statements were prepared using the accrual basis of accounting except that retirement benefits are recorded when due to the beneficiary. Employee contributions are recognized as additions in the period in which employee services are performed. Administrative deductions are recorded when the corresponding liabilities are incurred, regardless of when payment is made.

### *Tax Status*

The System has been determined to be exempt from federal income taxes under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code. In 2005, the System became a qualified retirement plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Service regulations.

### *Investments*

A list of allowable investments is included in Note 3. Investments are reported at fair market value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Security transactions and any resulting realized gains or losses are accounted for on a completed transaction basis.

The System participates in a securities lending program administered by State Street Bank and Trust, the custodian. Brokers who borrow the securities provide collateral, usually in the form of cash valued at 102% for domestic securities. There are no restrictions on the amount of securities that can be lent at one time. At September 30, 2005 and 2004, the term to maturity of the securities lent is matched with the term to maturity of the investment of the cash collateral. These loans can be terminated on demand by either the lender or borrower. The System cannot pledge or sell non-cash collateral unless the borrower defaults. As of September 30, 2005 and 2004, the System has lending arrangements outstanding with a market value for securities lent of \$38,262,050 and \$28,717,572 and a total market value for securities received as collateral of \$39,130,055 and \$29,381,894, respectively, resulting in no credit risk for the System.

### *Furniture and Equipment*

Acquisitions of furniture and equipment are charged to operating expense. The value of furniture and equipment owned by the System is deemed to be immaterial in relation to the total assets of the System.

### *Derivatives*

The System currently retains Payden & Rygel Investment Counsel as a global fixed income investment manager. The System permits Payden & Rygel to utilize financial derivative instruments such as forwards, futures, and options. The use of these financial derivatives is defensive in nature, that is, used only to manage duration and foreign currency exposure and bond exposure. Open currency exposure shall not exceed 10 percent of the global fixed income portfolio.

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**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

As of September 30, 2005 and 2004, the system had a net receivable of \$353,965 and a net liability of \$294,659 (cost is \$0 both years), respectively, based on current market values.

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**NOTE 3 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

The System is authorized to invest in:

- U.S. government securities;
- Non-U.S. fixed income securities;
- Common stocks of corporations organized under the laws of the United States;
- Common stocks of foreign corporations through separate accounts as commingled vehicles;
- Publicly-issued corporate bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness assumed or guaranteed by corporations organized under the laws of the United States with ratings of “A” or better by Moody’s Investors Service;
- Short-term securities with a maximum maturity of one year including institutional liquid assets, U.S. Treasury obligations, Federal Agency obligations, discount and interest-bearing notes from corporations, and certificates of deposit; and
- Real estate through discretionary commingled vehicles.

Financial instruments that potentially subject the System to concentrations of credit risk and market risk consist principally of cash and investments. The System places its cash with a major financial institution.

The bank balances of the System at September 30, 2005 and 2004 were \$1,018,031 and \$1,208,609, respectively. These balances were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$100,000. The remaining balances were collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution’s trust department in the System’s name.

The System has a significant amount of investments that are subject to market risk. Market risk is the possibility that future changes in market price may make a financial instrument less valuable.

All investments at September 30, 2005 and 2004 were held by the System’s agent in the System’s name.

At September 30, 2005, the System has the following concentrations, defined as investments (other than those issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government) in any one organization, that represent five percent or more of total investments:

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**NOTE 3 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

State Street Global Advisors Passive Bond Market Index Fund	<u>\$ 40,045,198</u>	7.61%
Silchester International Investors International Value Equity Group Trust	<u>\$ 65,366,881</u>	12.41%
Walter Scott & Partners Limited Group Trust International	<u>\$ 52,956,059</u>	10.06%
Principal Global Investors Real Estate Group Annuity Contract	<u>\$ 56,228,852</u>	10.68%

At September 30, 2005 and 2004, investments consisted of the following:

	2005	
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Temporary cash investments	\$ 5,518,321	\$ 5,502,343
United States Government and Agency securities	32,682,551	21,199,751
Corporate bonds and debentures	20,128,364	21,548,102
Foreign governmental and corporate obligations	15,782,909	25,231,258
Stocks	237,827,831	204,029,398
Managed international equity funds	118,322,940	83,728,698
Real estate fund	56,228,852	46,800,000
Domestic bond funds	40,045,198	37,028,058
	<u>\$ 526,536,966</u>	<u>\$ 445,067,608</u>

**NOTE 3 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

	2004	
	Fair Value	Cost
Temporary cash investments	\$ 4,443,083	\$ 4,440,837
United States Government and Agency securities	24,515,102	22,943,719
Corporate bonds and debentures	32,671,730	31,659,462
Foreign governmental and corporate obligations	11,212,248	10,840,560
Stocks	212,903,298	185,674,878
Managed international equity funds	96,593,319	84,063,747
Real Estate Fund	47,083,592	46,800,000
Domestic bond funds	43,983,256	41,902,646
	<u>\$ 473,405,628</u>	<u>\$ 428,325,849</u>

*Foreign Currency Risk*

The System does not have a formal policy to limit foreign currency risk. Risk of loss arises from changes in currency exchange rates. The System's exposure to foreign currency risk is presented on the following table:

<u>Currency</u>	<u>Short-Term</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Equity</u>	<u>Total</u>
Canadian Dollar		\$1,253,384		\$1,253,384
Euros		8,894,783		8,894,783
Japanese Yen		3,046,923		3,046,923
	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>13,195,090</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>13,195,090</u>

### NOTE 3 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### *Credit Risk of Debt Securities*

The System's rated debt investments as of September 30, 2005 were rated by Standard and Poor and the ratings are presented using the Standard and Poor rating scale. The System's policy to limit credit risk is that fixed income securities shall be limited to those with an S&P rating of investment grade (BBB/Baa) or better.

Rated Debt Instrument Value	AAA	AA+	AA-	
Corporate bonds and debentures	\$ 3,739,849		\$ 967,729	
Foreign government and corporate obligations	8,508,433	\$ 833,586	2,261,972	
Domestic bond funds	31,315,345	1,962,215		
United States Government Securities	18,688,403			
Agency securities	10,755,036			
	\$73,007,066	\$ 2,795,801	\$ 3,229,701	
Corporate bonds and debentures	A+	A	A-	
Foreign government and corporate obligations	\$ 4,149,972	\$ 4,367,285	\$ 2,087,986	
Domestic bond funds	1,038,770	134,518	249,985	
United States Government Securities		3,523,977		
Agency securities				
	\$ 5,188,742	\$ 8,025,780	\$ 2,337,971	
Corporate bonds and debentures	BBB+	BBB	BB	Unrated
Corporate bonds and debentures	\$ 2,667,309	\$ 1,071,096	\$ 1,003,180	\$ 73,958
Foreign government and corporate obligations	127,595			2,628,050
Domestic bond funds		3,243,661		
United States Government Securities				
Agency Securities				3,239,112
	\$ 2,794,904	\$ 4,314,757	\$ 1,003,180	\$ 5,941,120

#### *Interest Rate Risk*

The System does not have a formal policy to limit interest rate risk. Risk of loss arises from changes in interest rates which have significant affects on fair values of investments.

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**NOTE 3 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**At September 30, 2005**

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>&lt; 1 year</u>	<u>1 - 5 years</u>
United States Government Securities	\$12,155,037		\$4,268,594
Agency Securities	20,527,514	\$2,090,126	7,951,976
Corporate bonds and debentures	20,128,364	2,546,557	7,553,738
Foreign government and corporate obligations	15,782,909		7,285,182
Domestic bond fund	40,045,198	5,205,876	13,214,915
		<u>6 - 10 years</u>	<u>10+ years</u>
United States Government Securities	\$ 7,886,443		
Agency Securities	2,190,397	\$8,295,015	
Corporate bonds and debentures	7,387,260	2,640,809	
Foreign government and corporate obligations	5,838,166	2,659,561	
Domestic Bond Fund	19,622,147	2,002,260	

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**NOTE 4 – PLAN TERMINATION**

The System is administered in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis. The Code does not provide for plan termination under any circumstances.

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**NOTE 5 – DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN**

On June 8, 2000, the Mayor of the City of St. Louis approved an ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen, authorizing a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), which became effective January 1, 2001. This plan states that when members reach retirement age, they are allowed to work for five additional years and defer receipt of their retirement allowance. The calculation of average salary for retirement benefits will not include the additional years of service after normal retirement age. The amount that would have been received as retirement benefit is put in a special DROP account monthly. The DROP account will not be adjusted for cost of living increases as the normal retirement benefits are. The DROP account earns interest at the actuarial valuation rate of return and at the 10 year U.S. Treasury Bond yield as of September 30, for DROP participants enrolling February 1, 2003 and thereafter.

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**NOTE 5 – DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN (CONTINUED)**

After the members completely terminate employment, they can withdraw amounts from the DROP account in a lump sum or according to a deferred retirement payment plan. At September 30, 2005, approximately 660 members have elected to DROP participation and have DROP account balances.

## **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

**EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

**SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2005**

<u>Actuarial Valuation Date</u>	<u>Actuarial Value of Assets</u>	<u>Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)</u>	<u>(Unfunded)/ Overfunded (UAAL)</u>	<u>Funded Ratio</u>	<u>Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Overfunded AAL as a % of Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Unfunded AAL as a % of Covered Payroll</u>
9/30/1992	\$ 325,143,300	\$ 297,156,900	\$ 27,986,400	109.42%	\$ 133,682,464	20.93%	
9/30/1993	342,416,800	309,350,000	33,066,800	110.69%	143,239,904	23.08%	
9/30/1994	342,786,700	327,020,600	15,766,100	104.82%	153,577,040	10.27%	
9/30/1995	353,305,600	344,306,400	8,999,200	102.61%	161,157,602	5.58%	
9/30/1996	382,377,898	364,020,306	18,357,592	105.04%	170,077,631	10.79%	
9/30/1997	415,345,946	381,345,566	34,000,380	108.92%	176,908,292	19.22%	
9/30/1998	460,683,063	390,780,537	69,902,526	117.89%	188,141,151	37.15%	
9/30/1999	482,750,053	415,594,927	67,155,126	116.16%	193,273,578	34.75%	
9/30/2000	507,655,329	515,673,757	(8,018,428)	98.45%	204,696,581		3.92%
9/30/2001	466,630,792	542,547,374	(75,916,582)	86.01%	216,527,124		35.06%
9/30/2002	432,590,313	574,817,702	(142,227,389)	75.26%	230,184,836		61.79%
9/30/2003	424,917,296	576,127,904	(151,210,608)	73.75%	228,550,406		66.16%
9/30/2004	431,853,406	602,795,470	(170,942,064)	71.64%	221,768,791		77.08%
9/30/2005	527,733,171	666,182,075	(138,448,904)	79.22%	223,837,003		61.85%

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**EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

**SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2005**

<u>Plan Year Ended</u>	<u>Annual Required Contributions (ARC)</u>	<u>Actual Contributions</u>	<u>Percentage Contributed</u>
1994	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
1995	-	353,964	N/A
1996	-	1,277,465	N/A
1997	-	407,168	N/A
1998	-	1,816,739	N/A
1999	-	1,651,025	N/A
2000	-	284,910	N/A
2001	17,492,110	2,768,208	15.83%
2002	24,269,937	12,106,532	49.88%
2003	32,186,050	19,115,679	59.39%
2004	30,926,604	15,158,997	49.02%
2005	29,243,453	15,752,497	53.87%

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**EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS**

**ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND ACTUARIAL COST METHOD**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2005**

<b>VALUATION DATE</b>	October 1, 2005
<b>ACTUARIAL COST METHOD</b>	Projected Unit Credit Cost Method
<b>AMORTIZATION METHOD</b>	Level dollar amount for unfunded liability, open
<b>REMAINING AMORTIZATION PERIOD</b>	30 years as of October 1, 2005
<b>ASSET VALUATION METHOD</b>	The market value of assets less unrecognized returns in each of the last five years, but no earlier than October 1, 2005. Initial unrecognized return is equal to the difference between the actual market return and expected market return, and is recognized over a five-year period. The actuarial value is further adjusted, if necessary, to be within 20% of the market value. The actuarial asset value was initialized at the market value as of October 1, 2005.
<b>ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS</b>	
Investment rate of return	8.00%
Projected salary increases	Varies by age, ranging from 3.825% to 7.255%.
Cost of living adjustments	5.00% per year; maximum cumulative increase of 25%.

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