# LITTLE ROCK FIREFIGHTERS PENSION FUND ACTUARIAL VALUATION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2005

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Board of Trustees Little Rock Firefighters Pension Fund

#### Gentlemen:

This report presents the results of our actuarial valuation of the assets and liabilities of the Little Rock Firefighters Pension Fund as of December 31, 2005.

This valuation is required by Arkansas Code Annotated 24-11-205. The purpose of this report is to (1) evaluate the actuarial status of the Fund, (2) determine the level contribution requirement needed, (3) review the development of the Fund over the past several years, and (4) present certain actuarial items on page 9 for disclosure under Governmental Accounting Standards. This report is not intended for any other purpose.

The member and financial information used in this report was supplied by the Arkansas Fire & Police Pension Review Board. We did not audit this information, although we did review it for reasonableness and consistency.

I certify that this report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices. In my opinion, the actuarial methods used are appropriate and the actuarial assumptions produce results which, in the aggregate, are reasonable.

Sincerely,

Steve Osborn, F.S.A., M.A.A.A.

Actuary

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#### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

The following contribution level reflects the payment of the current year Normal Cost for benefits attributable to said year (see Exhibit 2) plus an amount sufficient to pay off the Unfunded Actuarial Liability over a 5-year period. These costs DO NOT include the contributions due to the Local Police and Firefighters Retirement System ("LOPFI") for persons hired after 1982.

20	06 Necessary Annual Contribution to pay:	Full <u>Paid</u>
1	Normal Cost, plus	\$ 76,692
2	Pay off the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	7,865,791
3	Total necessary	\$ 7,942,483
	Less	
4	Expected Employee Contribution (6.00% of salary)	 16,736
	Necessary Employer Contribution (This is the amount needed in addition to investment income)	\$ 7,925,747
	Covered Payroll	\$ 278,939
	Necessary Employer Rate	 2841.39%

These contributions assume that the dollar contribution grows at a rate of 4% per year. The contributions are assumed to be made continuously throughout the year.

The actual 2005 contribution was \$3,843,398 from the employer.

# COSTS AND LIABILITIES

		December 3	1,2005
Α	Normal Cost	Dollar	Percent
	(Cost to fund current active members)	Amount	of pay
	1 Regular Retirement Benefits	\$ 69,460	24.90%
	2 Voluntary Termination Benefits	3,181	1.14%
	3 Survivors' Benefits	1,904	0.68%
	4 Disability Benefits	2,147	0.77%
	TOTAL	\$ 76,692	27.49%
В	Actuarial Accrued Liability		
	1 Active Lives		
	Regular Retirement Benefits	\$ 2,059,601	
	Voluntary Termination Benefits	0	
	Survivors' Benefits	0	
	Disability Benefits	0	
	TOTAL ACTIVE LIVES	\$ 2,059,601	
	2 Deferred Retirement Option		
	DROP Accounts	\$ 7,832,776	
	Future DROP Payments & Pensions	31,525,156	
	TOTAL DROP	\$ 39,357,932	
	3 Inactive Lives		
	Retirees	\$ 69,524,092	
	Disability Retirees	3,698,033	
	Widows & Children	7,362,331	
	TOTAL INACTIVE LIVES	\$ 80,584,456	
	4 Total Liability	\$ 122,001,989	
С	Assets	\$ 85,232,491	
D	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$ 36,769,498	

EXHIBIT 3

<u>SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u>

(Items D-E, and G determined by Osborn, Carreiro and Associates, Inc.)

A. <u>INCOME</u>		·	Year Ended         Year Ended           12/31/2003         12/31/2004			Year Ended 12/31/2005		
	1 Employee Contributions	\$	307,293	\$	269,838	\$	257,978	
	2 Employer Contributions Employer/Court Fines/Other Insurance Tax Local Millage		307,293 1,797,407 2,305,813		269,838 985,392 2,359,385		257,978 1,045,869 2,539,551	
	3 Other Income Guarantee Fund LOPFI Subsidy Police Supplement (Act 1452 of 1999 Future Supplement (Act 1373 of 2003 Other Income/Donations Adjustment to prior year		0 0 0 79,061 24,045		0 0 0 96,720 31,510		0 0 0 144,900 0	
	asset value  4 Net Investment Income		1,483,961		6,256,218		5,506,649	
	TOTAL INCOME	\$	6,304,873	\$	10,288,302	\$	9,753,525	
В.	EXPENSES							
	1 Administrative	\$	27,188	\$	33,173	\$	33,871	
	2 Benefits Paid Monthly Benefits Police Supplements Future Supplements DROP Payouts		5,077,819 0 79,061 2,383,488		5,588,733 0 96,720 3,173,298		5,968,095 0 121,950 1,927,609	
	3 Refunds		0		0		0	
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	7,567,556	\$	8,891,924	\$	8,051,525	

# EXHIBIT 3 (Continued)

C	ASSETS (at book value)	12/31/2003			12/31/2004	12/31/2005		
	1 Cash & Checking Accounts	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	
	2 Bank Deposits		605,164		1,183,646		106,759	
	3 Savings and Loan Deposits		0		0		0	
	4 Other Cash Equivalents		2,322,756		3,046,703		2,391,556	
	5 US Govt. Securities		20,739,704		19,273,648		29,679,128	
	6 Non-US Govt Securities		0		9,025,232		8,537,410	
	7 Mortgages		0		0		0	
	8 Corporate Bonds		10,260,444		0		0	
	9 Common Stocks		38,781,946		41,634,070		36,055,754	
	10 Other		524,801		436,672		(468,636)	
	11 Payables		(31,222)		0		0	
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$	73,203,593	\$	74,599,971	\$	76,301,971	
D.	RATIO OF ASSETS TO ANNUAL EXPENSES:		9.7		8.4		9.5	
E.	NET INVESTMENT RETURN: (Book Value Basis)		2.0%		8.8%		7.6%	

### Exhibit 3 (Continued)

			12/31/2001	12/31/2002	12/31/2003	12/31/2004	12/31/2005
F.	1.	TOTAL MARKET VALUE Market Value, end of year (Used for GASB calculations, page 9)	81,627,419	75,649,382	84,772,761	84,479,630	84,064,932
	2.	Market Value, beginning of year	85,943,791	81,627,419	75,649,382	84,772,761	84,479,630
G.		DEVELOPMENT OF ACTUARIAL VALUE	OF ASSETS				
	1.	Actuarial Value of Assets, beginning of year	84,614,805	88,976,275	89,631,415	88,975,165	86,544,147
	2.	Non Investment Net Cash Flow	(1,273,200)	(2,020,757)	(2,746,644)	(4,859,840)	(3,804,649)
	(b) (c)	Development of Investment Income Total Market Investment Income (F1-F2-G2) Amount for Immediate Recognition (6% G1) Amount for Phased In Recognition (a-b)  Phased In Recognition Current year: 20% of 3(c) First Prior Year Second Prior Year Third Prior Year Fourth Prior Year Total Phased In Recognition	5,076,888 (8,120,060)	(570,572) (532,164) 1,923,240	5,377,885 6,492,138 1,298,428 (1,859,171) (1,624,012)	(1,624,012) (570,572)	(360,540) (154,360) 1,298,428 (1,859,171) (1,624,012)
	(e)	Actuarial Value Investment Income (3(b) + 3(d))	5,634,670	2,675,897	2,090,393	2,428,822	2,492,993
	4.	Actuarial Value of Assets, End of year $(1+2+3(e))$	88,976,275	89,631,415	88,975,165	86,544,147	85,232,491
	5.	Net Investment Return on the Actuarial Value of Assets	6.7%	3.0%	2.4%	2.8%	2.9%

Note: The Pension Review Board's Board Rule #11 first applies this methodology to determine the Actuarial Value of Assets for the 12/31/99 actuarial valuation report. Different methods were used to determine the Actuarial Value of Assets for the 12/31/98 and earlier reports.

#### ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

This page is included to provide the information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 25 and 27. The values below are based on the assumptions contained in Exhibit 8. The Annual Pension Cost disclosed in this exhibit will almost always differ from the actual cash contribution to the fund. We must emphasize that these disclosures are shown in the city's financial statements; Sound actuarial projections should be used to determine the actual cash contribution requirements.

#### RECONCILIATION OF NET PENSION OBLIGATION (NPO)

		2004	2005	2006
1.	Actuarially Required Contribution	5,161,220	5,161,220	8,175,513
2.	Interest on NPO	(50,015)	50,479	121,779
3.	Adjustment to (1)	(178,323)	179,977	434,186
4.	Annual Pension Cost (1)+(2)-(3)	5,289,527	5,031,722	7,863,106
5.	Actual Contribution Made	3,614,615	3,843,398	
6.	Increase in NPO (4)-(5)	1,674,912	1,188,324	
7.	NPO Beginning of Year	(833,589)	841,324	2,029,648
8.	NPO End of Year	841,324	2,029,648	

#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d) Unfunded	(e)	(f)	(g)
		Entry Age	Accrued			UAL as a %
Actuarial	Market	Actuarial	Liability	Funded	Annual	of Covered
Valuation	Value of	Accrued	(UAL)	Ratio	Covered	Payroll
Date	Plan Assets	Liability	(c)-(b)	(b)/(c)	Payroll	(d)/(f)
12/31/1997	70,610,935	83,574,653	12,963,718	84.5%	4,973,319	260.7%
12/31/1999	85,047,916	92,470,542	7,422,626	92.0%	4,050,671	183.2%
12/31/2001	81,627,419	105,512,669	23,885,250	77.4%	3,162,756	755.2%
12/31/2003	84,772,761	106,719,410	21,946,649	79.4%	2,363,860	928.4%
12/31/2005	84,064,932	122,001,989	37,937,057	68.9%	278,939	13600.5%

For volunteer/part paid members, Annual Covered Payroll is \$200 for such active members

<sup>\*</sup> Note:

EXHIBIT 4

COMPARISON WITH PRIOR YEARS

This exhibit compares current valuation results with those of prior years.

			Full Paid ve Members	Actuarial Computed Employer Contribution		Total Plan			
		11011	<u> </u>	<u>Limpioyer C</u>	Ontribution		Unfunded	Normal	
Valuation			Annual	Percent	Dollar		Actuarial	Cost	Funded
Date		No.	Payroll	of Pay	Amount	Assets	Liability	Percent	Percent
12/31/1984		273	5,925,411	29.7%	1,760,631	12,750,000	17,850,000	18.3%	41.7%
12/31/1986		250	6,272,311	29.9%	1,877,828	18,120,000	18,090,000	18.2%	50.0%
12/31/1987	*	245	6,413,650	32.7%	2,098,427	20,760,000	19,950,000	19.5%	51.0%
12/31/1989		227	6,984,680	29.5%	2,062,111	28,590,000	18,730,000	22.2%	60.4%
12/31/1991		210	6,992,608	28.5%	1,994,457	33,620,000	16,550,000	21.1%	67.0%
12/31/1993	*	191	6,813,155	51.1%	3,482,725	40,213,736	29,466,060	28.2%	57.7%
12/31/1995		149	5,756,728	63.7%	3,665,888	47,364,321	28,995,526	27.9%	62.0%
12/31/1997	*	117	4,973,319	71.3%	3,544,582	61,541,957	22,032,696	27.6%	73.6%
12/31/1999	*	88	4,050,671	72.9%	2,953,799	77,434,021	15,036,521	27.9%	83.7%
12/31/2001	*	63	3,162,756	115.0%	3,635,690	88,976,274	16,536,395	26.9%	84.3%
12/31/2003	*	44	2,363,860	180.3%	4,262,235	88,975,164	17,744,246	25.7%	83.4%
12/31/2005	*	5	278,939	2841.4%	7,925,747	85,232,491	36,769,498	27.5%	69.9%

<sup>\*</sup>Benefits or assumptions changed

Note: Normal cost prior to 12/31/89 is net of 6% employee contributions.

#### SHORT CONDITION TEST

The Arkansas General Assembly has stated that the funding objective for these plans is to pay for benefits with contributions that remain level as a percentage of employee payroll. Thus, the long-term condition test is met when the actual contributions are fairly level and are paid when due.

A short condition test can be used to measure a plan's progress. Under the short condition test, the fund's assets are compared with:

- Active member contributions;
- 2) The liabilities for future benefits to the present retirees and inactive members;
- 3) The liabilities for service already rendered by active members.

If the plan has been following level cost funding, liability (1) and liability (2) above will almost always be fully covered by the rest of the present assets. In addition, liability (3) above will at least partially funded. The larger the funded portion of liability (3), the stronger the condition of the fund. For a closed fund i.e., one like yours, where no new members are admitted), the funded portion of liability (3) should be steadily increasing.

The following table illustrates the history of the short condition test for this plan:

	Portion	ı of Liabili	ties				
,		cover	ed by Ass	<u>ets</u>			
	(1)	(2)	(3)				
	Active	Retirees,	Actives-				
Valuation	Members	Inactives,	Employer	Valuation			
Date	Contributions	and DROPS	Financed	Assets	(1)	(2)	(3)
12/31/1984	2,000,000	10,820,000	17,780,000	12,750,000	100%	99%	0%
12/31/1986	2,560,000	13,370,000	20,280,000	18,120,000	100%	100%	11%
12/31/1987	2,900,000	13,670,000	24,140,000	20,760,000	100%	100%	17%
12/31/1989	3,450,000	16,160,000	27,710,000	28,590,000	100%	100%	32%
12/31/1991	3,980,000	18,550,000	27,640,000	33,620,000	100%	100%	40%
12/31/1993	4,372,806	27,039,616	38,267,374	40,213,736	100%	100%	23%
12/31/1995	3,921,702	40,649,316	31,788,829	47,364,321	100%	100%	9%
12/31/1997	3,581,126	52,173,022	27,820,505	61,541,957	100%	100%	21%
12/31/1999	3,129,346	65,378,804	23,962,392	77,434,021	100%	100%	37%
12/31/2001	2,581,353	84,091,498	18,839,818	88,976,274	100%	100%	12%
12/31/2003	2,057,219	90,610,919	14,051,272	88,975,164	100%	96%	0%
12/31/2005	248,814	119,942,388	1,810,787	85,232,491	100%	71%	0%

# Exhibit 6

# **Employee Profile**

Employee data needed for the valuation was obtained from the records furnished by the Arkansas Fire and Police Pension Review Board. The following table shows a detailed breakdown of the present participants by the number of participants and total salary.

# Actives

Years of Service

		Tears of Bervice							
	_							30 and	
Age		0-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-25	25-30	Over	Total
Under	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
25	Salary	0	0	0	0	0 _	0	0	1 0
25-29	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 🖁	$= \emptyset = \emptyset$
	Salary	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	Ō
30-34	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ō
35-39	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 🛚	0
40-44	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-0
	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45-49	Count	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3
,	Salary	0	0	0	0	113,355	49,675	0 [	163,030
50-54	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55-59	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	115,909	115,909
60-64	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 &	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	_ 0	0
Over	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Unknown		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 = 1
Age	Salary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	Count	10 H	0	0	0	2	10	2	5
	Salary	. 100	0	0.	0.1	113,355	49,675	115,909	278,939

# Exhibit 6

# **Inactive Profile**

Employee data needed for the valuation was obtained from the records furnished by the Arkansas Fire and Police Pension Review Board. The following table shows a detailed breakdown of the present payees by the number of payees and total annual benefit.

# Retirees and Survivors

				Years I	Since Retire	ment			
								10 and	
Age		0-1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-10	Over	Total
Under	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 }	10
40-44	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ij
	Benefit	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	- 90
45-49	Count	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	14.55
	Benefit	0	0	59,332	0	0	55,996	5,064	120,892
50-54	Count	0	1	0	6	2	7	2	8
	Benefit	0	28,037	0	168,472	54,213	176,818	36,924	s 4(64 464
55-59	Count	0 .	0	6	4	8	20	11	49
	Benefit	0	0	183,421	119,475	245,474	519,400	226,312	1 204 [[82
60-64	Count	0	0	4	6	6	14	20	<b>3</b> (51)
	Benefit	0	0	135,252	198,678	188,936	396,156	392,667	1.341.689
65-69	Count	0	0	0	0	2	16	35	₹.
	Benefit	0	0	0	0	70,325	478,902	629,740	1,178,967
70-74	Count	0	0	1	0	0	7	18	26
	Benefit	0	0	6,300	0	0	254,432	321,669	<b>#5</b> 82, <b>#</b> 01
75-79	Count	0	0	0	0	0	3	28	31
	Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	152,956	558,741	711697
80-84	Count	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	28
	Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	42,486	232,330	274,816
85 &	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	_ 21	2)1
Over	Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	270,533	270,533
Unknown	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7 (1 2 0
Age	Benefit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	Count	0	1	151	16	18	70	, 158	276
	Benefit		28,037	384,305	486,625	558,948	2,077,146	2,673,980	6.209.041

This includes	211 retirees	with annual benefit of	\$5,209,446	
This includes	21 disableds	with annual benefit of	\$306,029	
This includes	44 survivors	with annual benefit of	\$693,566	

Exhibit 6

#### Deferred Retirement Option Plan Profile

Employee data needed for the valuation was obtained from the records furnished by the Arkansas Fire and Police Pension Review Board. The following table shows a detailed breakdown of the current participants on DROP by the number of participants and total annual DROP benefit.

# **DROP** Participants

Years Since Electing DROP

0-11-2 2-3 3-4 4-5 5-10 Total Age 0 0 0 0 Under 0 ō Count 0 0 40 Benefit 0 0 0 0 40-44 0 0 Count 0 0 0 0 Benefit 0 0 0 0 0 0 45-49 Count 3 0 1 2 0 0 0 Benefit 89,430 0 50,310 0 29,767 50-54 8 Count 10 0 0 4 Benefit 0 0 315,852 124,083 257,581 122,340 55-59 2 Count 5 3 Benefit 201,020 167,995 93,108 200,258 60,785 63,310 60-64 3 Count 3 0 0 93,175 0 Benefit 58,249 115,968 30,362 0 65-69 0 Count 0 0 0 0 0 Benefit 0 0 0 0 0 0 70-74 Count 0 0 0 0 0 0 Benefit 0 0 0 0 0 0 **75 &** 0 Count 0 0 0 0 0 Benefit 0 0 0 Over 0 0 0 0 0 Jnknown Count 0 0 0 Benefit 0 0 0 0 0 Age

16

Total

Count

Benefit

#### PRINCIPLE PROVISIONS OF THE PLAN

**EMPLOYEE** 

Member of Fire Department

**EMPLOYER** 

Little Rock Fire Department

**MEMBERSHIP** 

Condition of Employment. Firefighters hired after 1982 must join the

statewide Local Police and Firefighters Retirement System

**CREDITABLE SERVICE** 

Determined on basis of service since employment

**CONTRIBUTIONS** 

Employee

6.00% of salary. Refundable if member terminates before retirement

eligibility.

**Employer** 

1. Matching contribution equal to employee contribution

2. State Insurance Premium Tax turnback

3. Local Millage

FINAL SALARY

Salary attached to the rank of the member at time of retirement, based on

regularly scheduled work-week.

DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN

This plan has elected to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan effective January 26, 1994. Members who elect to participate have a DROP account that is increased by the monthly amount of their retirement as if they had retired as of the date DROP was elected. Has not elected

coverage under Act 1457 of 1999.

#### **RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

Eligibility

20 Years of Service regardless of age.

<u>Benefit</u>

50% of Final Salary, plus \$3,000, but not less than \$6,000. If service exceeds 20 years, the annual benefit is increased by \$240 for each year

over 20, up to \$1,200/year extra.

If service is more than 25 years, member receives an extra 1.25% (for each year over 25) of Final Salary, payable once the retiree reaches age 60. The

benefit cannot exceed 100% of Final Salary.

#### EXHIBIT 7 (Continued)

#### **DEATH BENEFITS**

Eligibility Death before 20 Years of Service not occurring while performing work in

gainful employment outside the fire department, or death after 20 years.

Benefit 1. Widow receives same amount as member is receiving or eligible

2. Each child under age 19 receives \$1,500/year. If no surviving spouse, child receives spouse's benefit to age 19.

#### **DISABILITY BENEFITS**

Eligibility Permanent physical or mental disability not acquired while performing

work in gainful employment outside the fire department.

Benefit Full Paid Non-duty disability

Retirement benefit but not less than \$6,000/year.

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Full Paid Duty related disability

Retirement benefit but not less than 65% of Final Salary and not

less than \$6,000/year.

COST OF LIVING
ADJUSTMENT
Retirees receive a 3% COLA per year (not less than \$75 per month) through 2009.

#### **ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS**

The assumptions for this valuation have been selected in accordance with Actuarial Standards of Practice No. 27. The asset valuation method is prescribed in Arkansas Code Annotated 24-11-207. This prescribed asset valuation method directly impacts the investment return assumption. The assumed salary growth is restricted by A.C.A. 24-11-205 in relation to the investment return assumption.

#### ACTUARIAL COST METHOD

The "entry age normal" cost method has been used.

#### PRE-RETIREMENT MORTALITY

Deaths have been projected on the basis of the 1971 Group Annuity Table for Males, set back five years for females. Mortality rates at a few sample ages are:

<u>Age</u>	Mortality rate per 1,000
25	0.619
35	1.122
45	2.922
55	8.519

#### POST RETIREMENT MORTALITY

The 1971 Group Annuity Mortality Table was used. For females, the male table was used with a five-year setback. The life expectancy according to this table is as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
55	22.71	27.99
65	15.11	19.24

#### **VOLUNTARY TERMINATIONS**

Annual termination rates at a few sample ages are:

Age	Termination rate per 1,000
20	40
25	35
30	29
35	15
40	6
45	5
50	5
55	5

#### EXHIBIT 8 (continued)

When a person had less than 4 years of service, we assumed that his chances of voluntary termination were a multiple of thereafter rates, with the following multiples being used:

1st year	2.85
2nd year	2.00
3rd year	1.50
4th year	1.15

#### ASSUMED INVESTMENT RETURN

6.0%

#### **DISABILITIES**

We continued the disability rates used in prior reports. Disability rates at a few sample ages are:

<u>Age</u>	Disability rate per 1,000
20	0.8
25	0.8
30	0.8
35	0.8
40	2.0
45	2.6
50	4.9
55	8.9
60	14.1

One third of the disabilities were assumed to be service related.

For mortality after disability, we assumed rates based on the Eleventh Actuarial Valuation of the Railroad Retirement System, for occupational disabilities

#### **ASSET VALUATION**

See Exhibit 3, Part G

#### **EXHIBIT 8 (continued)**

#### SALARY GROWTH

We have used the salary scale used in prior reports. Annual assumed growth at a few sample ages is:

	<u>ANNUAL</u>	SALARY IN	<u>ICREASE</u>
<u>Age</u>	Base	<u>Merit</u>	<u>Total</u>
20	4.0%	4.0%	8.0%
25	4.0%	3.2%	7.2%
30	4.0%	2.8%	6.8%
35	4.0%	2.5%	6.5%
40	4.0%	2.2%	6.2%
45	4.0%	1.7%	5.7%
50	4.0%	1.2%	5.2%
55	4.0%	0.7%	4.7%
60	4.0%	0.2%	4.2%

# EXPECTED RETIREMENT AND DROP PATTERN

Since the plan allows full benefits at ages younger than the traditional "65", an assumption that will have an important impact is what percentage of people who are eligible for this early retirement will actually take advantage of it.

This will depend on intangible things such as the economy, health, financial ability to retire, Social Security eligibility, and work patterns. Based on recent experience, we are using the following assumed rates:

	Retirement rate per 1,000		
<u>Age</u>	<u>Retirement</u>	<u>DROP</u>	
40-59	100	200	
60+	1,000	0	

Note:

A member was assumed to be eligible for retirement or DROP after attaining age 40 with 20 years of service. It is also assumed that twice the normal number will retire or elect DROP in the first year of eligibility.

## EXHIBIT 8 (continued)

# RETIREMENT PATTERN AFTER ELECTION OF DROP

Once a person is on DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Program), they were assumed to retiree from the department as follows:

Years on	
<u>DROP</u>	Retirement rate per 1,000
1	100
2	200
3	200
· 4	300
5 or more	1,000