

DES MOINES WATER WORKS Board of Water Works Trustees Agenda Item No. <u>PEN-III</u> Meeting Date: July 28, 2015 Chairperson's Signature □Yes ⊠ No

## AGENDA ITEM FORM

#### SUBJECT: Pension Plan Actuarial Valuation

#### SUMMARY:

Although the DMWW Pension Plan was frozen at December 31, 2013, contributions to the plan will continue for some time. One of the main principles of pension funding is that the cost of retirement benefits for a current employee should be paid during the years of service of that employee. Although frozen, benefits will continue to be funded over the remaining working years of employees.

DMWW uses the services of the Principal Financial Group to prepare an annual actuarial valuation of the pension plan. Included in the valuation is the calculation of an "actuarially determined contribution (ADC)" for the pension plan. (This used to be called the Annual Required Contribution or ARC.) The ADC for 2015 is \$911,175.

Linda Kirk, our Consulting Actuary from Principal will make a presentation at the Board meeting.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) is included in the DMWW budget annually.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive and file Pension Plan Actuarial Valuation

#### **BOARD REQUIRED ACTION:**

Motion to receive and file Pension Plan Actuarial Valuation

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Attachment: Actuarial Valuation Report

ACTUARIAL VALUATION REPORT

# Des Moines Water Works Pension Plan

## 4-49122

Plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015





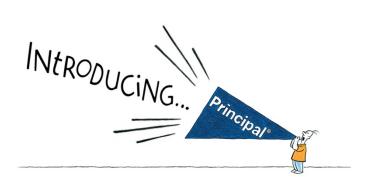
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This report is for the defined benefit retirement plan named on the report cover and may only be provided to other parties in its entirety. Employee data and other information you provide, along with benefits described in your plan document are used for the basis of this report. This report includes your Actuarial Determined Contribution. Amounts in this report are not meant for your financial statements or to terminate your plan. Upon request, we will prepare other reports for these purposes.



## New Report Features

This year we've enhanced your actuarial valuation report. These changes are designed to make it easier to find important information quickly and to provide new information for planning and reference.

### **Finding Information Faster**

- Using the pdf of this report, you can quickly find key topics from the <u>Table of Contents</u>. Just click on the topic to jump to that page in the report.
- There are also additional links throughout the report to jump you to additional information.

### **New Information Included**

- <u>Understanding Your Plan's Funded Status</u>
- Options for Your Frozen Plan
- Benefit Cash Flows
- Liabilities and assets measured at a <u>Risk-Free</u> interest rate
- Historical Results

### **Other changes**

Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 68 (GASB Statement 68) replaced GASB Statement 27. Since GASB has separated accounting measures used for financial reporting from funding measures used to determine pension contributions, we are no longer:

- Including GASB Statement 27 information in your valuation report
- Using the term ARC in this report. The cost assigned to a given year is now referred to as the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC).

### Finding Your Report Later

You can also find this report on your plan's Principal website on <u>www.principal.com</u>. Three years of reports will be saved for you there. To grant additional people (including your auditors) access to your site, work with your client service associate.



## Summary of Results

## **Current Year Plan Costs**

The following is a synopsis of your plan costs for the current year, including the Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC). For a complete schedule of the cash due and received by the plan, see the <u>Contribution Schedule</u>.

The Actuarially Determined Contribution for this plan year is	<ul> <li>We have received \$205,000 in employer contributions for the current plan year.</li> <li>See <u>Funding Calculations</u> for details.</li> <li>Contributing less than this amount will increase your next</li> </ul>
\$911,175	year Actuarially Determined Contribution.

## Factors Impacting Current Year Costs

Your Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) has not changed materially since last year. The increase in the ADC due to changes in actuarial assumptions was partially offset by an experience gain.

During the last year, your plan experienced an actuarial gain of \$528,764. This gain primarily resulted from greater than assumed return on the actuarial value of assets.

Your actuarial value of assets is determined by smoothing gains and losses over 4 years. This year's actuarial value of assets is greater than expected due to investment gains from prior years. A portion of investment gains from prior plan years was spread with the current year investment loss to determine the actuarial value of assets. Even though the market value of plan assets earned 5.6% over the last year (less than the assumed rate of 6.5%), the actuarial return was 8.2% due to prior year asset gains and deferred recognition of the current year loss.

## Summary of Results

While completing this valuation, we reviewed the actuarial assumptions. The assumption changes made are disclosed in the <u>Assumptions and Methods</u> section of this report. The increase in liabilities due to the change in mortality assumptions was partially offset by the change in withdrawal and retirement age assumptions. The net effect of the assumption changes is an increase in your Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) of \$78,186.

- In general, we are recognizing that people are likely to live longer so the plan will need to pay benefits for a longer time.
- We are assuming more people will quit before becoming eligibile for retirement, reducing the benefits payable from the plan.
- Based on past experience, we are now assuming that active participants will be paid sooner than in the past, including participants who have not met the rule of 85.

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#### Summary of Results

## Understanding Your Plan's Funded Status

While it is important to know the actuarially determined contribution level, it is also important to understand your plan's funded status. The funded status determines contribution levels and can help you make informed decisions about plan funding, investment policies and benefit changes.

## Measures of Plan Funded Status

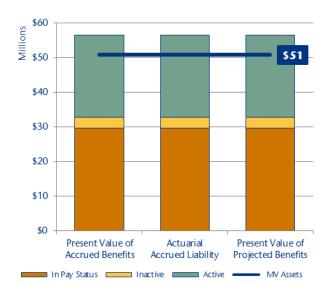
The table below compares the plan's 01/01/2015 market value of assets (the solid line) to 01/01/2015 plan liabilities measured using the assumptions we have made about future events. The liabilities assume:

- No one will enter the plan after the valuation date
- Your asset allocation will remain the same with a return of 6.50% each year into the future.
- Plan participants will retire, die, terminate, and become disabled based on our assumptions.

### Three liability measures are shown:

- 1. **Present Value of Accrued Benefits** benefits already earned through the valuation date
- 2. **Present Value of Projected Benefits** all benefits expected to be earned through assumed retirement date
- Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) represents the targeted asset level under your plan's cost method

Compare your plan's assets to each of the three liability measures to determine the funded status. *Since your plan is frozen, all liabilities are equal.* 



### Considerations

These funded status measurements should be evaluated when making decisions about your plan. The goal of the plan's cost method is to accumulate assets equal to the AAL. As long as your AAL is fully funded, you will only need to contribute the plan's Normal Cost each year. Otherwise, you'll also need to contribute amortization payments toward funding this liability.

Understanding how your assets compare to your Present Value of Accrued Benefits is important. At a minimum you want to have enough assets in the plan to cover the present value of the benefits accrued to date.

Funding in excess of the Present Value of Projected Benefits may not be the best use of your organization's funds. However, having excess assets may provide funding and plan design flexibility.

## Asset Allocation, Interest Rates and Actuarially Determined Contributions (ADC)



Three key factors are linked in the determination of the pattern and level of the ADC for your plan: your asset allocation, the assumed funding interest rate and the pattern of your ADC. This section discusses how these three factors are related, illustrates the impact of interest rates on measures of benefit liability, and provides information to consider as you review your funding and asset allocation decisions.

The liability measures shown on the previous page and used to calculate your Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) reflect assumptions about future investment returns based on your asset allocation. However, future investment returns are not guaranteed, and will fluctuate. To make informed decisions about funding policy, benefit design, and asset allocations, you need to understand the effect of the <u>liability interest rate assumption</u>.

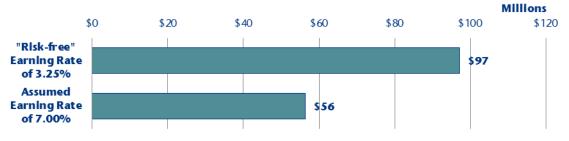
The only sources of funding for your benefits are your cash contributions and asset earnings. The present value of benefits (liability measure) is less than the benefits payable because it is reduced for assumed future asset earnings. When asset earnings fall below expectations, additional cash will be needed to allow payment of all your benefits. Your cost method is used to budget the expected total cost of your plan, and determines the ADC for each plan year.

### **Asset Allocations and Interest Rates**

To help understand how the level of ADC can change over time, a best practice is to evaluate the benefit liability ignoring the plan's asset allocation. A recommended approach is to use a conservative "risk-free" interest rate such as U.S. Treasury instruments.

	Diversified Asset Allocation	"Risk free" Return
Expected future returns	<u>interest</u> rate based on your plan's asset allocation	conservative interest rates such as U.S. Treasury instruments (not based on your plan's investment allocation)
Means	<b>Lower ADC today</b> and potentially <b>higher ADC later</b> if returns fall below that assumed	<b>Higher ADC today</b> and potentially <b>lower ADC later</b> if greater returns are earned

The chart below shows your plan's Actuarial Accrued Liability used in the ADC calculation compared to the liability determined using a "risk-free" interest rate. This chart indicates how much impact asset earnings can have on the cash required to fund benefits over the life of the plan.



### **Actuarial Accrued Liability**

As you can see above, higher expected returns generate a lower benefit liability. The additional assumed returns between Funding Basis (6.50%) and Risk-Free Basis (2.61%) are referred to as "risk premium". The \$40,840,633 difference in the two liability amounts is the assumed risk premium to be earned over the life of the plan.

The <u>Risk-Free Results</u> section later in this report shows additional liability comparisons.

## Asset Allocation and ADC

The interest return assumption we use to measure benefit liabilities for funding is **based on your asset allocation**. As a result, your asset allocation choices impact your ADC:

- More volatile asset classes may reduce the current ADC for your plan, but will cause both future ADC and funded status to fluctuate more. There is the potential for severe declines in funded status and increases in ADC when markets perform poorly.
- More conservative asset classes may result in a higher ADC, but provide a more stable basis for planning and budgeting.

The more volatile the value of your asset classes, the greater the range of the potential ADC. You can evaluate the potential impact of alternative asset allocations - and how you could balance your long-term cost and the volatility of your annual ADC - through forecasting studies.

## Benefit Changes and Risk-Free Interest Rates

A decision to change plan benefits can have long-term funding implications. Plan sponsors should be cautious about spending what appears to be excess assets in a given plan year on benefit increases. Working with your actuary to request a plan design study can help with your decision.

Recognizing the volatility of the ADC (discussed in the paragraph above), you will want to include the value of the proposed benefit change on a more conservative rate (ex. a risk-free rate) and/or a forecast of long-term funding levels. Discussing the study with your plan actuary can help you decide what, if any, benefit changes you can afford over the long term.

## Forecasting: A Best Practice

Industry experts agree that it is a prudent best practice to review the long-term trends of your plan. We provide historical information at the back of this report. But that is like driving using just your rear view mirror: you only see part of the picture.

#### **Short-Term**

Neither this year's ADC nor funded status is a good estimate of future amounts because they are volatile from year to year. These measures depend on your plan's assets and benefit liability:

- Plan Asset Values increase or decrease with market returns on investments, contributions made, benefit payments and expenses. Using an asset smoothing method also affects the upcoming year asset values.
- Benefit Liability is impacted by benefit payments, census or demographic changes, and assumption changes.

If you need to budget for next year or explore the potential volatility of results over the next few years, consider requesting a short-term forecast.

#### Long-Term

A 10- or 20-year forecast of your plan's ADC and funded status under both expected and adverse economic scenarios is an excellent planning tool and can be a good investment.

- Comparing the results from your current asset allocation to alternative investment options can provide valuable insights to guide asset allocations. Comparing different funding policies can help evaluate whether your policy will meet your goals and fit in your budget.
- Stress-testing based on economic conditions can help you assess plan risk, and to set funding and investment policies.
- Projecting census or demographic changes, and the benefits offered can help identify long-term trends.

If you want to explore the potential volatility of results over an extended time period, consider requesting a long-term forecast.

## Keep Us Informed

Please make us aware of any upcoming plan design or significant participant group changes (such as layoffs, increases in staff, or large retirements). Knowing about possible changes gives us the chance to advise you whether further analysis of the cost impact should be considered.

## Options for Your Frozen Plan

Even though your plan is frozen, **you can choose to maintain the plan or plan for a future termination date.** Either way, you must continue to fund the benefits already earned and the expenses paid from your plan assets.

**If your intent is to terminate**, you will be required to provide all benefits in full, and that cost almost always exceeds the ongoing cost of the plan. Even having a 100% funded status in this report doesn't translate to being sufficient to terminate the plan right now. Plan termination liability changes with market conditions, and is ultimately set at the time of the final asset distribution.

In most situations, the liabilities settled at plan termination are more costly than either your plan's funding or accounting liabilities. Termination uses interest rates that are available in the market at the date of termination for liabilities and the market value of assets. The relationship between these measures and your funding or accounting funded status can vary over time. Plan provisions, averaging of interest rates or market returns, and providing benefits during the plan's life that are not provided at termination all can affect the comparison to plan termination liability. Non-retired participants' choices at termination - an annuity instead of a lump sum - can increase the cost of a plan termination. To help your planning, we can provide a termination liability estimate for your specific situation based on current market conditions.

Knowing the potential shortfall can help you develop a contribution timeline that fits your situation. The simplest first step may be to increase your annual contribution. We can also help you develop a more detailed funding plan – keying to either your timeline or your annual contribution budget.

As you move along your path to termination, we can assist you with developing a timeline with a funding strategy and by providing monitoring tools to track your progress.

## **Contribution Schedule**

The table below shows the contributions received and payments that are due to meet the Actuarially Determined Contribution for this year. You can fund more than this schedule.

- The total cash contributions made for the 2014 plan year is \$906,542.
- So far, cash contributions of \$ 205,000 have been received for the current plan year.

Paid or	For Plan Year Beginning in				
Date Due	2014	2015	2016		
05/12/2014	\$225,000				
07/03/2014	227,180				
10/29/2014	227,180				
12/22/2014	227,182				
04/14/2015		\$205,000			
12/31/2015		706,175			
12/31/2016			To be determined		
<b>Contributions</b> :	Received	Due for	Due for		

Current Year

Next Year



## **Funding Calculations**

## Actuarially Determined Contribution

The actuarially determined contribution (ADC) includes two primary components. First, the Normal Cost is the cost attributed to the current year, due to the continued accrual of plan benefits for active employees, and plan expenses.

The second main component is an amortization of any unfunded accumulated past costs (Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability).

The sum of these two components is then increased for interest to the end of the plan year.

Total Normal Cost	\$25,000
Plus Amortization Amounts	830,563
Plus valuation interest to the end of the plan year	55,612
Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC)	\$911,175

### **Funding Calculations**

## Development of Total Normal Cost

Normal cost is the portion of cost assigned to each year based on the <u>cost method</u> and <u>assumptions</u> shown in this report.

Total Normal Cost	\$25,000
Plus estimated expenses	25,000
Normal cost	\$0

## Actuarial Accrued Liability

The Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) is the targeted asset level for the plan and is used in the calculation of the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability on the following page. The AAL below is the amount after any assumption or plan changes.

Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$56,352,197
Participants and beneficiaries in pay status	30,401,541
Inactive participants	2,254,779
Active participants	\$23,695,877

## Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability

Each year the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) is calculated and equals the Actuarial Accrued Liability less the Actuarial Value of Assets. An experience gain or loss occurs when actual plan experience differs from what was assumed. The gain or loss is calculated separately and amortized as a charge (for a loss) or a credit (for a gain). The UAAL is then adjusted for amendments, assumption changes, or method changes and a liability base is created.

Expected Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability		
01/01/2014 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)	\$7,979,089	
01/01/2014 Employer Normal Cost	25,000	
Interest on the above items	520,266	
Total Expected UAAL without Contributions		\$8,524,355
Employer contributions	\$906,542	
Interest on employer contributions	19,431	
Total Contributions with interest		\$925,973
Expected 01/01/2015 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabil	ity	\$7,598,382
(Total Expected UAAL less Contributions with interest)		\$7,370,302
Actual Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (before any cha	anges)	
Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$55,790,128	
Less Actuarial Value of Assets	48,701,079	
Preliminary 01/01/2015 Unfunded Actuari	al Accrued Liability	\$7,089,049
Experience (Gain) or Loss		
Actual Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$7,089,049	
Less Expected Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	7,598,382	
(Gain)Loss		\$(509,333)
2014 Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$906,542	
Less Total Contributions with interest	925,973	
Additional (Gain)/Loss from (excess) shortage of contribu	utions	\$(19,431)
Total experience (gain) or loss		\$(528,764)
Final Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (after any chang	es)	
Actuarial Accrued Liability after assumption changes	\$56,352,197	
Less Actuarial Value of Assets	48,701,079	
01/01/2015 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability after c	hanges	\$7,651,118
Change in Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Due to:	(Gain)/Loss	
Change in assumptions	\$562,069	

## Schedule of Amortization Bases

Your cost method allocates a portion of plan funding to be amortized in equal annual installments, rather than to be paid through future normal costs. The following amortization periods will be applied consistently to any amortization bases.

- Initial Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability: 15 years
- Experience gains/losses: 10 years.
- Amendments: 15 years
- Assumption changes: 10 years

Date Created	Reason	Initial Balance	Remaining Period (Years)	Outstanding Balance	Annual Amortization
01/01/2015	Assumption	562,069	10	562,069	73,414
01/01/2015	Experience (gain)/loss	(528,764)	10	(528,764)	(69,064)
01/01/2014	Experience (Gain)/Loss	(1,228,910)	9	(1,045,253)	(147,452)
01/01/2014	Benefit Freeze	(5,777,832)	14	(5,538,903)	(576,984)
01/01/2013	Initial Unfunded Liability	15,527,955	13	14,201,969	1,550,649
			Total	7,651,118	830,563

### **Funding Calculations**



## Data and Assumptions

## **Plan Assets**

We measure your plan's assets at the beginning of each plan year. Plan assets reflect all contributions made for prior plan years. Contributions you may have already made for the 2015 plan year are not included.

Both market value and actuarial value for the 2015 plan year are shown below.

### **Market Value of Assets**

Investments held by the Principal Financial Group	\$50,674,441
2014 contributions received on or after 01/01/2015	0
Total Market Value of Assets	\$50,674,441

### **Actuarial Value of Assets**

Your plan's actuarial value of assets is a smoothed value instead of the market value. Using a smoothing method allows you to soften the volatility of assets from year to year. The Actuarial Value of Assets is used to calculate your ADC.

The actuarial value of assets held by Principal Financial Group is determined on a combined basis. See the following page for the development of this value.

Investments held by the Principal Financial Group	\$48,701,079
2014 contributions received on or after 01/01/2015	0
Total Actuarial Value of Assets	\$48,701,079

### **Calculation of Actuarial Value**

To determine the actuarial value of Investments held by the Principal Financial Group we have adjusted the market value by:

- Subtracting any remaining deferred appreciation in excess of expected investment earnings. •
- Adding any remaining deferred appreciation short of expected investment earnings (shortfall).

Of the total excess appreciation or shortfall for any one plan year, 25% is allocated to the current plan year and each of the next three plan years.

a) b) c) d) e)	Market value of assets as of 2014 Contributions/transfers Benefit payments Expenses Expected 6.50% interest on (a, b, c, and d)	\$49,788,262 906,542 (2,696,531) (26,661) 3,160,570
f)	Expected value of assets as of 01/01/2015 (a+b+c+d+e)	\$51,132,182
g)	Market value as of 01/01/2015	\$50,674,441
h)	Current year excess appreciation/(shortfall) (g-f)	(457,741)
i)	Adjustment to market value (sum of deferred amounts – see below)	1,973,362
j)	Actuarial value of assets (g-i)	\$48,701,079

## Allocation of Deferred Appreciation

		Plan Year	,	
Allocation Year	2012	2013	2014	2015
2012	\$(700,040)			
2013	(700,039)	\$527,073		
2014	(700,039)	527,073	\$894,798	
2015	(700,039)	527,073	894,798	\$(114,436)
2016		527,073	894,797	(114,435)
2017			894,797	(114,435)
2018				(114,435)
Total	(2,800,157)	\$2,108,292	\$3,579,190	\$(457,741)
Deferred	\$O	\$527,073	\$1,789,594	\$(343,305)
Adjustment to marke	t value (sum of deferred ar	nounts)		\$1,973,362

## **Census Characteristics**

	01/01/2014	01/01/2015	Change
	Number of Covere	d Participants	
Actives	160	154	-6
Terminated Vested	60	58	-2
Disabled	5	6	+1
Retirees	144	148	+4
Total	369	366	-3
	Average /	Age	
Actives	49.0	49.9	+0.9
Terminated Vested	52.8	53.0	+0.2
Disabled	59.1	58.7	-0.4
Retirees	69.1	69.7	+0.6
All	57.6	58.5	+0.9

Monthly Accrued Retirement Benefits			
Actives	\$268,509	\$348,045	+29.6%
Terminated Vested	34,587	34,211	-1.1%
Disabled	4,940	5,675	+14.9%
Retirees	209,471	218,014	+4.1%

The monthly accrued retirement benefit for active participants is the 12/31/2013 frozen benefit payable at age 65, including the annual 5.50% increase (if applicable) to the assumed retirement age for 2014 and age 65 for 2015.

Included in the inactive participants is the spouse of 1 deceased participant who will receive a qualified pre-retirement survivor annuity.

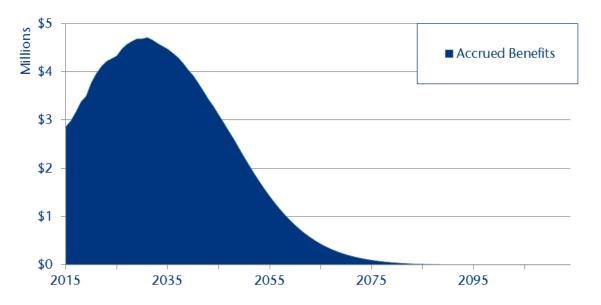
This census data does not include 4 non-participating spouses who are eligible for a benefit under a Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO). However, the entire monthly pension benefits (for the participants and QDRO spouses) are included.

## **Benefit Cash Flows**

Benefit cash flows are the benefit payments expected to be paid from your plan assets. We provide cash flows to help you calculate and understand your plan obligations and the future liquidity needs of the plan.

You can compare your cash flows to the 01/01/2015 market value of assets, \$50,674,441, to evaluate your asset liquidity needs, and whether cash contributions in excess of the Actuarially Determined Contribution may be needed in the short term.

The cash flows are based on the 12/31/2013 frozen accrued benefits as of 01/01/2015 including the 5.5% future annual increases (if applicable) until assumed retirement age. The graph below shows the total benefits expected to be paid to current participants each plan year.



## **Accrued Benefit Payments – Closed Group**

The table on the next page provides the details of this graph, showing the accrued benefits expected to be paid, by plan year. All benefit cash flows shown on these two pages are based on the demographic assumptions (retirement and withdrawal rates, mortality and form of benefit) as outlined in the <u>Assumptions and Methods</u>, but do not reflect an interest discount.

## Benefit Cash Flow Detail

Year	Accrued Benefit Cash Flow	Year	Accrued Benefit Cash Flow	Year	Accrued Benefit Cash Flow
2015	2,863,339	2048	2,600,854	2081	30,195
2016	2,985,425	2049	2,415,425	2082	24,154
2017	3,172,031	2050	2,233,668	2083	19,082
2018	3,383,628	2051	2,056,815	2084	14,866
2019	3,497,162	2052	1,886,996	2085	11,407
2020	3,774,191	2053	1,724,595	2086	8,609
2021	3,968,085	2054	1,568,565	2087	6,388
2022	4,115,488	2055	1,422,195	2088	4,656
2023	4,221,271	2056	1,283,564	2089	3,331
2024	4,274,583	2057	1,154,128	2090	2,338
2025	4,332,382	2058	1,033,907	2091	1,612
2026	4,477,225	2059	922,814	2092	1,091
2027	4,573,147	2060	820,646	2093	727
2028	4,635,593	2061	727,121	2094	476
2029	4,689,051	2062	641,906	2095	307
2030	4,686,894	2063	564,602	2096	196
2031	4,713,683	2064	494,871	2097	123
2032	4,662,089	2065	432,303	2098	76
2033	4,592,776	2066	376,469	2099	45
2034	4,531,806	2067	326,886	2100	26
2035	4,472,847	2068	283,028	2101	15
2036	4,391,716	2069	244,360	2102	8
2037	4,302,749	2070	210,382	2103	4
2038	4,183,437	2071	180,584	2104	2
2039	4,044,831	2072	154,501	2105	1
2040	3,923,693	2073	131,717	2106	1
2041	3,769,096	2074	111,856	2107	0
2042	3,602,476	2075	94,576	2108	0
2043	3,431,604	2076	79,572	2109	0
2044	3,282,465	2077	66,574	2110	0
2045	3,111,088	2078	55,331	2111	0
2046	2,944,828	2079	45,639	2112	0
2047	2,769,950	2080	37,311	2113	0

## **Plan Provisions**

This report reflects the maximum benefit limits under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 415 and maximum compensation limits under IRC Section 401 in effect on the first day of each plan year.

The following is a summary of plan provisions and does not alter the intent or meanings of the provisions contained in the contract or plan document. This report reflects the provisions of the December 31, 2013 plan restatement signed 09/24/2013.

Plan Eligibility		
Class	Any full-time employee or any employee who works at least 1,040 hours in a calendar year or works during two consecutive calendar quarters.	
Plan Entry	Entry into the plan is frozen September 26, 2012. After that date no employee or former employee will become an active participant, and no inactive participant or former participant will again become an active participant.	

	Normal Retirement Benefit
Age	Attained age 65.
Form	Monthly annuity payable for life (optional forms may be elected in advance of retirement).
Amount (Accrued Benefit)	1.5% of Average Compensation times service. The accrued benefit shall not be less than the accrued benefit as of December 31, 1988.
	The accrued benefit is frozen effective 12/31/2013 and will not increase due to any changes in average compensation or continuous service after this date.
	An Active participant's retirement benefit on his retirement date will be increased 5.5% per year from the later of (a) or (b) below:
	(a) December 31, 2013
	(b) The earlier of Normal Retirement Date or the date a participant attains age 55 and the sum of age and service is equal to 85 (or more).

	Early Retirement Benefit
Age	Attained age 55.
Service	Completed 5 years of vesting service.
Form	Same as Normal Retirement Benefit
Amount	If the sum of age and service is at least 85 (rule of 85), a participant will receive his accrued benefit unreduced for early retirement on his early retirement date. If the sum of age and service is less than 85, the benefit will be the accrued benefit reduced by 3% for each year his early retirement date precedes his normal retirement date.

	Late Retirement Benefit
Age	No maximum age
Form	Same as Normal Retirement Benefit.
Amount	Accrued benefit on late retirement date, increased by 5.5% for each year after the later of 12/31/2013, or the earlier of Normal Retirement Date and the date attained both rule of 85 and age 55.

	Termination Benefit
Vesting Percentage	100% after 5 years of vesting service.
Form	Same as Normal Retirement Benefit with income deferred until Normal Retirement Date.
Amount	Accrued Benefit on date of termination multiplied by the Vesting Percentage.

Disability Benefit		
Eligibility	Qualified for disability benefits under the Title II of the Federal Social Security Act.	
Service	Ten years of vesting service.	
Form	Monthly income payable until normal retirement, death, or recovery and a deferred annuity payable at the Normal Retirement Date.	
Amount	Accrued Benefit on date of disability.	

Pre-Retirement Death Benefit			
Greater of A or B be	elow for an active participant.		
A. Survivor Annuity D	eath Benefit (a vested benefit if termination occurs on or after age 55)		
Eligibility	Attained age 55, 5 years of vesting service, and survived by a spouse on date of death.		
Form	Monthly annuity payable to spouse.		
Amount	The amount that would have been received had the participant elected a joint and 66 2/3% survivorship benefit option and early retired the day before death.		
B. Lump Sum Death B	B. Lump Sum Death Benefit (a nonvested benefit)		
Service	Five years of vesting service.		
Form	Lump sum payable to beneficiary.		
Amount	\$5,000 for the first year of service plus \$1,000 for each additional year of service.		

Postretirement Death Benefit		
Eligibility	Participant who was active at time of retirement.	
Form	Lump sum payable to beneficiary.	
Amount	\$10,000.	

	Definitions
Average Compensation	The average of monthly compensation received for the 60 consecutive calendar months out of the latest 120 months which gives the highest average.
	The monthly compensation for December 2013 includes sick leave, vacation, and personal time accrued but not used as of 12/31/2013.
	The December, 2013 monthly compensation will not include unused sick leave if a participant terminates prior to the earlier of meeting the requirements for early retirement (age 55 with 5 years of service) or normal retirement (age 65).
Optional Forms of Benefit Payments	<ul> <li>The optional forms of benefit payments are:</li> <li>Monthly annuity payable for life, or 5 or 10 years certain and life</li> <li>Monthly annuity payable as a survivorship life annuity with survivorship percentages of 50, 66 2/3, or 100</li> <li>The optional form conversion basis is 7.5% interest and the mortality table in</li> </ul>
	Revenue Ruling 95-6 for payments other than lump sums.

## Assumptions and Methods

The following assumptions and methods are used in this year's valuation report. The rationale for each non-prescribed economic assumption is also included. Some assumptions rely on the **Principal RAS Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions (CMA) 2014**. These assumptions are developed focusing on forward-looking market indicators and valuation models, as well as utilizing the analysis of historical data and trends, the outlook and forecasts from credible economic studies, and investment expert opinions. See <u>Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions 2014</u> for additional information.

### Assumptions and Method Changes Since Last Year

### **Assumption Changes**

We recently did a comprehensive review of the economic and demographic assumptions used in the valuation. As a result, we changed the following assumptions for your plan:

	01/01/2015	01/01/2014
Mortality – During Benefit Payment Period	RP-2014 Mortality with Scale MP-2014 - Generational Annuitant, male and female.	2014 IRS Mortality-Static Annuitant, male and female.
Mortality – Before Benefit Payment Period	RP-2014 Mortality with Scale MP-2014 - Generational Non- annuitant, male and female.	2014 IRS Mortality- Static Non-annuitant, male and female.
Active Retirement Age	Retirement Age Based Table – see following page.	The later of the rule of 85 or age 58 (maximum age 65). The present value of vested benefits is valued at age 65 for participants who are either not yet age 55 or have not met the rule of 85.
Withdrawal	2003 Society of Actuaries Small Plan Age Table, multiplied by 0.45.	V Table from August 1992 Pension Forum published by the Society of Actuaries, multiplied by 0.40.

#### **Net Effect of Assumption Changes**

The net effect of the assumption changes is to increase the Actuarially Determined Contribution.

### **Method Changes**

No methods affecting the comparability of results were changed since the last valuation report was completed.

	Assumptions S	elected by A	ctuary		
Liability Interest	During Benefit Payment Period 6.50%				
	Before Benefit Payment Period				
	6.50%				
	return on plan a weighted avera plan's target as under lognorm	The interest rate is developed as a long-term expected geometric return on plan assets. Arithmetic expected return is calculated as the weighted average of broad asset classes' arithmetic returns of the plan's target asset allocation, and then converted to the geometric under lognormal distribution assumption. For details, see Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link.			
Asset Return	6.50% for the c	6.50% for the current plan year.			
	See Liability Inte	See Liability Interest rate for how this rate was determined.			
Expected Expense		The expected expense included in Normal Cost is an estimate based on prior year expenses paid from plan assets.			
	This is the best	This is the best estimate available for the upcoming year's expense.			
Retirement	Active Participa percentages:	Active Participants are assumed to retire using the following			
		Age	Percentage		
		55	25%		
		56	15%		
		57	5%		
		58 5%			
		59 5%			
		60 5%			
	61 5%				
	62 20%			_	
		63	5%	_	
		64	10%	_	
		65	100%		
	This assumption is based on the results of recent experience analysis and anticipated future experience. Some participants retire early since the plan provides an early retirement subsidy beginning at age 55.			ants retire early	
	Inactive participants are assumed to retire at age 65.			55.	

Mortality	<ul> <li>During Benefit Payment Period</li> <li>RP-2014 Mortality with Scale MP-2014 - Generational Annuitant, male and female</li> <li>Before Benefit Payment Period</li> <li>RP-2014 Mortality with Scale MP-2014 - Generational Non-annuitant, male and female.</li> <li>The Society of Actuaries is a leading actuarial organization that periodically reviews mortality data and publishes mortality tables and improvement scales. This table and improvement scale is based on the most current data available.</li> </ul>
Disability	<ul><li>1987 Commissioner's Group Disability Table, six month elimination period, male and female.</li><li>We rely on a publicly published table due to the limited size of the plan. The 1987 CGDT was recommended by the Society of Actuaries, a leading actuarial organization, for pension valuation purposes.</li></ul>
Withdrawal	2003 Society of Actuaries Small Plan Age Table, multiplied by 0.45. We rely on a publicly published table due to the limited size of the plan. The SOA Small Plan Age Table is the most recent withdrawal experience table published by the Society of Actuaries, a leading actuarial organization. A multiplier of 0.45 is applied to this table to reflect the results of the most recent experience analysis and anticipated future experience.
Marriage	75% married; husbands are 3 years older than wives. This assumption does not have a material impact on the results of this report and has been selected based on our best estimate of the active workforce.
Form of Benefit	Participants are assumed to receive their benefits on the normal form at the assumed retirement age.
	Methods Selected by Plan Sponsor
Actuarial Value of Plan Assets	The market value of the Principal Financial Group accounts is adjusted by spreading the expected value minus the actual value over four years. Contributions received in the current plan year but applied to the prior plan year are added to the actuarial value of the Principal Financial Group accounts.

Actuarial Cost Method	The <b>Entry Age Normal (EAN)</b> cost method is used for this valuation.		
	The value in today's dollars for all projected plan benefits (reflecting service and pay increases through a member's assumed retirement age) is called the present value of benefits ( <b>PVB</b> ). The EAN method allocates each participant's PVB on a level basis over earnings or service between the participant's entry age and assumed retirement age.		
	The portion of the PVB allocated to each valuation year is the normal cost (NC). The individual normal costs are totaled to become the plan's <b>Normal Cost</b> . The plan's Normal Cost as a percentage of pay (pay related plan) or a dollar amount (non-pay related plan) should remain fairly stable, but may vary over time as your plan's population changes. Since plan benefits were frozen at 12/31/2013, the accrual period ended at 12/31/2013, and all benefits are now considered fully accrued. Therefore, future normal costs for benefit accruals are \$0.		
	The <b>Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)</b> is the portion of PVB attributable to past normal costs for all participants, and represents the targeted asset level for the plan. Because the plan is frozen, the actuarial accrued liability (AAL) is the present value of all future benefits payable, including potential actuarial increases for deferral as all benefits are fully accrued at 12/31/2013.		
	The <b>Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)</b> is determined on each valuation date based on updated assets and data and compared to the expected UAAL based on the prior year's assumptions. Gains and losses (experience different than what was assumed) will increase or decrease the funding shortfall and create new liability bases to be funded. New bases are also created with plan amendments, assumption changes, or method changes.		
	The initial Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability, adjustments for benefit or assumption changes, and actuarial gain or loss are		
	amortized as described on the <u>Schedule of Amortization Bases</u> page.		
	Methods Selected by Actuary		
Retirees	Assets and liabilities for current and future retirees are included.		
Vested Benefits	A benefit is included in vested benefits when the participant will meet age and service eligibility requirements at the valuation date. The benefit is multiplied by the participant's vesting percentage applicable to each benefit on the valuation date.		
	The following ancillary benefits are always treated as nonvested: disability benefits payable to retirement age unless in pay status, and pre-retirement death benefits in excess of the Survivor Annuity Death Benefit except as noted in the Plan Provisions.		

## **Actuary Statement**

This report was prepared at the request of the sponsor of the plan named on the cover of this report. It provides information needed for plan funding. It is not to be used for plan termination estimates, accounting information, or other purposes. If these or other measures of liabilities are needed, please contact me.

In preparing this report, I have relied on:

- reports of participants, salary, and service provided by the plan sponsor as of the last day of the 2014 plan year.
- information for any retirees, beneficiaries, and alternate payees being paid by Principal Life Insurance Co as of the last day of the 2014 plan year, as reported by Principal Life Insurance Company.
- benefit, contribution, and expense transaction information for the preceding plan year, and the market value of assets reported as of the last day of the 2014 plan year by Principal Financial Group and the plan sponsor.
- plan documents on file with Principal Life Insurance Company, including changes as noted on the Summary of Plan Provisions page of this report.

Appropriate tests of reasonableness and accuracy have been made and reviewed. The information provided is adequate to support the results in this report.

I confirm that as the actuary for this pension plan. I am completely independent of the plan sponsor and any of its officers or key personnel. Neither I nor anyone closely associated with me has any relationship known to me which would impair my independence.

In my opinion, each assumption and method chosen by the actuary is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations). Each material economic assumption is consistent with other economic assumptions selected by the actuary for this measurement period. Note that several different assumptions may be reasonable for a given measurement, and different actuaries will apply different professional judgment and may choose different reasonable assumptions. Demographic assumptions are not expected to produce significant cumulative actuarial gains or losses over the measurement period, and the combined effect of the assumptions is reasonable.

I am a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein. To the best of my knowledge, this report is complete and accurate, and complies with all relevant pension actuarial standards and legal requirements.

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## Present Value of Accrued Plan Benefits

The current year present value of vested and nonvested accrued benefits are based on the assumptions and methods shown earlier in this report. The present value of non-vested benefits includes future 5.5% annual increases for benefits for which a participant is not yet eligible. For purposes of this report, these increases are considered to be already accrued, but not yet vested since a participant must continue employment to receive them.

All retiree liability is included below except for purchased annuities. These amounts below should not be used for other purposes such as estimating plan termination sufficiency.

The prior year present value of vested and nonvested accrued benefits are based on the assumptions shown in that year's valuation report.

	01/01/2015	01/01/2014
Present Value of Vested Benefits		
Participants in pay status	\$30,401,541 <sup>1</sup>	\$27,890,980 <sup>1</sup>
Inactive participants	2,254,779	2,153,383
Active participants	16,963,328	16,935,006
Total	\$49,619,648	\$46,979,369
Present Value of Nonvested Benefits		
Participants in pay status	\$O	\$0
Inactive participants (not in pay status)	0	0
Active participants	6,732,549	7,749,483
Total	\$6,732,549	\$7,749,483
Total Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits	\$56,352,197	\$54,728,852
Value of Future Service and Compensation	0	0
Total Present Value of Projected Plan Benefits	56,352,197	54,728,852

Change in Present Value of Accrued Plan Benefits		
Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits as of 01/01/2014	\$54,728,852	
Increase (decrease) during the year due to:		
Increase for interest due to decrease in the discount period	3,471,118	
Benefits paid	(2,696,531)	
Benefits accumulated and plan experience	286,689	
Change in assumptions	562,069	
Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits as of 01/01/2015	\$56,352,197	

<sup>1</sup> Includes participants receiving disability benefits from the plan.

Present Value of Accrued Plan Benefits

## **Risk-Free Results**

In the Asset Allocation, Interest Rates and Actuarially Determined Contributions (ADC) section, we explained the difference between long term and risk-free returns. The table below shows your plan's liabilities and assets on both the funding and risk-free interest rate basis.

- The difference in the liability amounts on a Funding Basis versus a Risk-Free Basis represents the additional assumed returns to be earned over the life of the plan; this is also referred to as the "risk premium".
- The assets in the funding basis column reflect the asset method used to determine your plan's ADC; the assets in the risk-free basis column are on a mark-to-market basis consistent with the risk-free liabilities.
- The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability and Normal Cost on the Funding Basis are used to calculate your ADC. Those same measures on a Risk-Free Basis show you more conservative results; if the plan's investment returns fall short of the Funding Basis interest rate, additional contributions will likely be needed.

	Actuarially Determined Contribution	Risk-Free Cost
Interest Rate	6.50%	2.61% <sup>1</sup>
Standard Deviation	9.0%	
Normal Cost <sup>2</sup>	\$0	\$0
Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$56,352,197	\$97,192,830
Market Value of Assets		\$50,674,441
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$48,701,079	
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$7,651,118	\$46,518,389
Present Value of Accrued Benefits	\$56,352,197	\$97,192,830

<sup>1</sup> The actuarial values above at the risk-free rate were calculated using the full Treasury Yield Curve as of 12/31/2014. The risk-free interest rate shown is the single rate that would produce the risk-free Actuarial Accrued Liability.

<sup>2</sup> The Normal Cost does not include any expense estimate.

**Standard deviation** is one way to measure the potential volatility risk in the current asset portfolio. For example, a standard deviation close to 0% would represent a portfolio with minimal volatility risk. For this plan, about two-thirds of your actual annual returns are likely to fall within a range of -2.50% to 15.50% (6.50% -/+ 9.0%).

#### **Risk-Free Results**

## Historical Results

	2014	2015
Plan Cost & Funded Status Measures		
Funded Status of Accrued Benefits		
Present Value of Accrued Benefits (PVAB)	\$54,728,852	\$56,352,197
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	49,788,262	50,674,441
Under (Over)Funded PVAB	\$4,940,590	\$5,677,756
Accrued Benefit Funded Percentage	91%	90%
Funded Status of Actuarial Accrued Liability		
Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	\$54,728,852	\$56,352,197
Actuarial Value of Assets	46,749,763	48,701,079
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$7,979,089	\$7,651,118
Funded Percentage	85%	86%
Actuation (ADC)		
Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC)	¢25.000	\$ 25,000
Employer Normal Cost Amortization of Unfunded AAL	\$25,000	\$25,000
	826,213	830,563
Interest	55,329	55,612
Expected Employer ADC	\$906,542	\$911,175
Actual Contributions		
Actual Employer contributions	\$906,542	
Percentage of Employer's ADC paid	100%	
Liability Interest Rate	6.50%	6.50%
Census at Beginning of Year		
Number of active participants	160	154
Number of terminated vested participants	60	58
Number of disabled participants	5	6
Number of retirees	144	148
Total Participants	369	366
Plan Maturity Measures		
Non-active employees as a percentage of total	57%	58%
In pay status PV Accrued Benefits as a percentage of total	51%	54%
Achievement of Economic Assumptions		
Expected rate of return	6.50%	6.50%
Actual market value rate of return	5.56%	

## Historical Results



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## For Additional Information

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