

Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Statements of

BRITISH COLUMBIA FERRY SERVICES INC.

Three months ended June 30, 2022 and 2021 (Unaudited)

BRITISH COLUMBIA FERRY SERVICES INC.

Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Financial Position (Unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Note	As at	
		June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		170,572	204,446
Restricted short-term investments	7(b)	32,948	32,978
Other short-term investments		203,313	169,073
Trade and other receivables		26,574	17,793
Prepaid expenses		31,321	12,783
Inventories		41,964	37,513
Derivative assets	11(b)	39,328	28,290
		546,020	502,876
Non-current assets			
Loan receivable		24,515	24,515
Property, plant and equipment	3	1,835,722	1,850,974
Intangible assets	4	77,348	80,944
Derivative assets	11(b)	20,998	17,566
		1,958,583	1,973,999
Total assets		2,504,603	2,476,875
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	5	142,435	139,104
Provisions		4,492	5,205
Lease liabilities	6	2,994	2,855
Contract liabilities		57,924	44,786
Long-term debt	6,7	10,902	10,887
Interest payable on long-term debt	6	17,100	21,385
Accrued employee future benefits		2,700	2,700
Other liabilities	9	1,590	1,495
Derivative liabilities	11(b)	-	78
		240,137	228,495
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	6	32,775	33,420
Contract liabilities		7,615	10,333
Long-term debt	6,7	1,403,751	1,406,392
Accrued employee future benefits		17,893	18,812
Other liabilities	9	7,687	7,109
		1,469,721	1,476,066
Total liabilities		1,709,858	1,704,561
Equity			
Share capital		75,478	75,478
Contributed surplus		25,000	25,000
Retained earnings		598,677	590,776
Total equity before reserves		699,155	691,254
Reserves	12(a)	95,590	81,060
Total equity including reserves		794,745	772,314
Total liabilities and equity		2,504,603	2,476,875

Commitments (Note 3)

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Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Earnings and Other Comprehensive Income
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	Note	Three months ended June 30	
		2022	2021
Revenue			
Vehicle and passenger fares		178,000	103,650
Net retail	13	15,773	5,480
Fuel surcharges (rebates)	18	2,508	(1,668)
Other income		2,769	1,376
Revenue from customers		199,050	108,838
Safe Restart Funding	14,19	2,120	59,658
Ferry service fees		55,398	52,629
Federal-Provincial Subsidy Agreement		8,336	8,046
Total revenue		264,904	229,171
Expenses			
Operations	15	159,233	129,568
Maintenance		27,212	28,803
Administration		10,420	8,771
Depreciation and amortization		45,262	43,626
Total operating expenses		242,127	210,768
Operating profit		22,777	18,403
Net finance and other expenses			
Finance expenses	16	16,673	14,871
Finance income		(1,830)	(1,133)
Net finance expense		14,843	13,738
Net loss (gain) on disposal and impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		33	(4)
Net finance and other expenses		14,876	13,734
NET EARNINGS		7,901	4,669
Other comprehensive income			
Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to net earnings:	12(b)		
Hedge gains on fuel swaps		27,692	16,715
Total comprehensive income		35,593	21,384

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Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

(Expressed in thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Operating activities		
Net earnings	7,901	4,669
Items not affecting cash:		
Net finance expense	14,843	13,738
Depreciation and amortization	45,262	43,626
Net loss (gain) on disposal and impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	33	(4)
Other non-cash changes to property, plant and equipment	(1,251)	571
Changes in:		
Accrued employee future benefits	(919)	(306)
Derivative assets recognized in net earnings	(80)	(16)
Provisions	(713)	(148)
Accrued financing costs	1,082	510
Total non-cash items	58,257	57,971
Movements in operating working capital:		
Trade and other receivables	(8,781)	(1,169)
Prepaid expenses	(18,538)	(11,318)
Inventories	(4,451)	(691)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,331	13,712
Contract liabilities	10,420	(46,884)
Change in non-cash working capital	(18,019)	(46,350)
Change in non-cash working capital attributable to investing activities	(2,109)	(1,305)
Change in non-cash operating working capital	(20,128)	(47,655)
Cash generated from operating activities before interest	46,030	14,985
Interest received	787	623
Interest paid	(21,204)	(21,264)
Cash generated from (used in) operating activities	25,613	(5,656)

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	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Financing activities		
Repayment of long-term debt	(2,820)	(2,821)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(765)	(721)
Cash used in financing activities	(3,585)	(3,542)
Investing activities		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	14	10
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	(21,706)	(35,903)
Changes in restricted short-term investments	30	30
Net purchase of other short-term investments	(34,240)	(4,000)
Cash used in investing activities	(55,902)	(39,863)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(33,874)	(49,061)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	204,446	285,389
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	170,572	236,328

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Condensed Interim Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity (Unaudited)

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	Share capital	Contributed surplus	Retained earnings	Total equity before reserves	Reserves (note 12(a))	Total equity including reserves
Balance as at April 1, 2021	75,478	25,000	562,679	663,157	19,168	682,325
Net earnings	-	-	4,669	4,669	-	4,669
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	16,715	16,715
Realized hedge gains recognized in fuel swaps	-	-	-	-	(313)	(313)
Hedge losses on interest rate forward contract reclassified to net earnings	-	-	-	-	62	62
Balance as at June 30, 2021	75,478	25,000	567,348	667,826	35,632	703,458
Balance as at April 1, 2022	75,478	25,000	590,776	691,254	81,060	772,314
Net earnings	-	-	7,901	7,901	-	7,901
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	27,692	27,692
Realized hedge gains recognized in fuel swaps	-	-	-	-	(13,224)	(13,224)
Hedge losses on interest rate forward contract reclassified to net earnings	-	-	-	-	62	62
Balance as at June 30, 2022	75,478	25,000	598,677	699,155	95,590	794,745

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British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated under the Company Act (British Columbia) by way of conversion on April 2, 2003, and now validly exists under the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia). The Company's primary business activity is the provision of coastal ferry services in British Columbia.

The Company is subject to the Coastal Ferry Act (the "Act") as amended, which originally came into force on April 1, 2003. Its common share is held by the B.C. Ferry Authority (the "Authority"), a corporation without share capital, and it is regulated by the British Columbia Ferries Commissioner (the "Commissioner") to ensure that rates are fair and reasonable and to monitor service levels.

Historically, the Company's business is seasonal in nature, with the highest activity in the summer (second quarter) and the lowest activity in the winter (fourth quarter), due to the high number of leisure travellers and their preference for travel during the summer months.

Beginning in March 2020, the Company faced significantly lower passenger and vehicle traffic, earnings and cash from operations, as a result of the coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic with its corresponding preventative measures and imposed travel restrictions. Once conditions improved and travel restrictions were lifted late in the first quarter of fiscal 2022, the Company subsequently experienced a significant increase in passenger and vehicle traffic from July 2021 to June 2022.

1. Accounting policies:

(a) Reporting entity:

British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. is domiciled in Canada. The address of the Company's registered office is Suite 500, 1321 Blanshard Street, Victoria, BC Canada. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements, as at and for the three months ended June 30, 2022 and 2021, comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group").

(b) Basis of preparation:

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and its interpretations, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, and comply with International Accounting Standard 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements do not include all disclosures normally provided in the annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Group's last annual consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended March 31, 2022, as they follow the same accounting policies.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost method, except for items that IFRS permits to be measured at fair value - owned land, head office land under lease and certain financial assets and liabilities, including derivatives.

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1. Accounting policies (continued):

(b) Basis of preparation (continued):

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars ("CAD") which is the Group's functional currency. All tabular financial data is presented in CAD and rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise stated.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on August 17, 2022.

2. Adoption of new and amended standards:

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group did not adopt any new or amended standards in preparing these condensed interim consolidated financial statements.

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3. Property, plant and equipment:

	Vessels	Berths, buildings and equipment	Right-of-use assets - Berths, buildings and equipment	Right-of-use assets - Land	Land	Construction in progress	Total
Cost:							
Balance as at April 1, 2022	1,993,030	710,698	175,358	45,806	52,479	121,854	3,099,225
Additions	(327) ¹	-	-	259	-	24,578	24,510
Disposals and Impairment	(369)	(107)	(70)	-	-	(44)	(590)
Transfers from construction in progress	101,291	10,380	-	-	777	(112,448)	-
Balance as at June 30, 2022	2,093,625	720,971	175,288	46,065	53,256	33,940	3,123,145
Accumulated depreciation:							
Balance as at April 1, 2022	857,391	301,139	87,458	2,263	-	-	1,248,251
Depreciation	28,952	8,901	1,724	138	-	-	39,715
Disposals	(369)	(104)	(70)	-	-	-	(543)
Balance as at June 30, 2022	885,974	309,936	89,112	2,401	-	-	1,287,423
Net carrying value:							
As at April 1, 2022	1,135,639	409,559	87,900	43,543	52,479	121,854	1,850,974
As at June 30, 2022	1,207,651	411,035	86,176	43,664	53,256	33,940	1,835,722

¹ Reclassifications from Other liabilities (Note 9).

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3. Property, plant and equipment (continued):

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, financing costs capitalized during construction of qualifying assets amounted to \$0.5 million (June 30, 2021: \$2.4 million) with an average capitalization rate of 4.55% (June 30, 2021: 4.65%).

As at June 30, 2022, contractual commitments for assets to be constructed totalled \$60.6 million (March 31, 2022: \$46.5 million). Most of these contractual commitments relate to betterments to existing vessels and terminals.

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group recognized property, plant and equipment asset impairments of less than \$0.1 million (June 30, 2021: \$nil). The impairment loss is reported under "Net loss (gain) on disposal and impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets" in the consolidated statement of earnings and other comprehensive income for the three months ended June 30, 2022.

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group received \$0.4 million (June 30, 2021: \$0.2 million) of rental income earned from buildings held for leasing purposes. These buildings have a cost and accumulated depreciation of \$11.9 million and \$5.0 million, respectively, as at June 30, 2022 (March 31, 2022: cost of \$11.9 million and accumulated depreciation of \$4.9 million).

The *Bowen Queen* (decommissioned during the year ended March 31, 2022) and the *Queen of Burnaby* (decommissioned during the year ended March 31, 2018) are classified as held for sale and have no carrying value.

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4. Intangible assets:

	Acquired software, licenses and rights	Internally developed software and website	Assets under development	Total
Cost:				
Balance as at April 1, 2022	147,163	44,771	17,637	209,571
Additions	-	-	1,951	1,951
Transfers from assets under development	11	3	(14)	-
Balance as at June 30, 2022	147,174	44,774	19,574	211,522
Accumulated amortization:				
Balance as at April 1, 2022	105,676	22,951	-	128,627
Amortization	3,935	1,612	-	5,547
Balance as at June 30, 2022	109,611	24,563	-	134,174
Net carrying value:				
As at April 1, 2022	41,487	21,820	17,637	80,944
As at June 30, 2022	37,563	20,211	19,574	77,348

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, additions of intangible assets under development totalled \$2.0 million (June 30, 2021: \$2.8 million) of which \$1.1 million (June 30, 2021: \$2.2 million) were acquired and \$0.9 million (June 30, 2021: \$0.6 million) were internally developed.

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5. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

	As at	
	June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022
Trade payable and accrued liabilities	58,162	57,678
Wages payable	84,273	81,426
Balance as at June 30, 2022	142,435	139,104

Wages payable consists of contractual liabilities to employees for deferred or accrued compensation. Liabilities for deferred compensation amounts are generally settled through either payment or provision of paid time off.

6. Liabilities arising from financing activities:

Continuity of liabilities arising from financing activities:

	Long-term debt	Lease liabilities ¹	Interest payable on long-term debt
Balance as at April 1, 2022	1,417,279	36,275	21,385
Additions	-	259	16,404
Payments	(2,820)	(765)	(20,689)
Amortization of debt issue costs	194	-	-
Balance as at June 30, 2022	1,414,653	35,769	17,100
Current	10,902	2,994	17,100
Non-current	1,403,751	32,775	-
Balance as at June 30, 2022	1,414,653	35,769	17,100

¹ Interest expense related to lease liabilities is presented in net finance expense (Note 16).

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7. Long-term debt:

	As at	
	June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022
6.25% Senior Secured Bonds, Series 04-4, due October 2034 (effective interest rate of 6.41%)	250,000	250,000
5.02% Senior Secured Bonds, Series 07-1, due March 2037 (effective interest rate of 5.06%)	250,000	250,000
5.58% Senior Secured Bonds, Series 08-1, due January 2038 (effective interest rate of 5.62%)	200,000	200,000
4.70% Senior Secured Bonds, Series 13-1, due October 2043 (effective interest rate of 4.75%)	200,000	200,000
4.29% Senior Secured Bonds, Series 14-1, due April 2044 (effective interest rate of 4.45%)	200,000	200,000
2.79% Senior Secured Bonds, Series 19-1, due October 2049 (effective interest rate of 2.83%)	250,000	250,000
2.09% Loan, maturing October 2028 (effective interest rate of 2.70%)	24,288	25,223
2.09% Loan, maturing January 2029 (effective interest rate of 2.68%)	25,451	26,394
2.09% Loan, maturing January 2029 (effective interest rate of 2.70%)	25,451	26,394
	1,425,190	1,428,011
Less: Unamortized deferred financing costs and bond discounts	(10,537)	(10,732)
Total	1,414,653	1,417,279
Current	10,902	10,887
Non-current	1,403,751	1,406,392
Total	1,414,653	1,417,279

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7. Long-term debt (continued):

The Group has six outstanding series of obligation bonds and a credit facility agreement secured by pledged bonds. In addition, the Group has three 2.09% loans outstanding with KfW IPEX-Bank GmbH, a German export credit bank.

(a) Credit facility:

The Group has a credit facility with a syndicate of Canadian banks, secured by pledged bonds (the "Credit Facility"). The Credit Facility was amended and restated on April 19, 2022, to, among other things, reduce the amount of the revolving facility from \$155.0 million to \$105.0 million and set a maturity date of April 2026. There were no draws on this Credit Facility as at June 30, 2022 or March 31, 2022, and no interest was expensed during the three months ended June 30, 2022 (June 30, 2021: \$nil). Letters of credit outstanding against this Credit Facility as at June 30, 2022 totalled \$0.5 million (March 31, 2022: \$0.6 million).

(b) Debt service reserves:

Long-term debt agreements require the Group to maintain debt service reserves equal to a minimum of six months of interest payments, to be increased under certain conditions.

As at June 30, 2022, debt service reserves of \$32.9 million (March 31, 2022: \$33.0 million) were held in short-term investments and have been classified as restricted short-term investments on the statement of financial position.

(c) Debt service coverage:

Under the Master Trust Indenture ("MTI"), an agreement which secures and governs the Group's borrowings, the Group is subject to indebtedness tests that prohibit additional borrowing if the Group's leverage ratio exceeds 85% or if the debt service coverage ratio (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and rent or EBITDAR divided by debt service cost) is less than 1.5.

As at June 30, 2022, the debt service coverage ratio was 3.44.

In addition, there are other covenants contained in the MTI available at www.SEDAR.com. The Group was in compliance with all of its covenants at June 30, 2022 and at March 31, 2022.

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8. Accrued employee future benefits:

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group recognized total defined benefit costs of \$0.4 million (June 30, 2021: \$0.4 million) within operating expenses.

9. Other liabilities:

FortisBC Energy Inc. has committed to provide the Group with funding of \$7.0 million for the Salish Class vessels and up to \$10.0 million for the two Spirit Class vessels to be applied towards their mid-life upgrade and conversion to LNG. The funding is part of the Natural Gas for Transportation incentive funding and is dependent upon the purchase of LNG and the incremental costs of building/converting vessels to be capable of using LNG for propulsion.

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group received an additional contribution of \$1.0 million related to the Salish Class vessels.

As of June 30, 2022, the Group had received \$7.0 million of the total eligible contributions related to the Spirit Class vessels, and all of the eligible contributions related to the Salish Class vessels.

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group recognized \$0.3 million (June 30, 2021: \$0.3 million) as an offset to the capital costs of the vessels.

	Note	Salish Class	Spirit Class	Total
Balance as at April 1, 2022		4,175	4,429	8,604
Additions		1,000	-	1,000
Reclassifications to property, plant and equipment	3	(120)	(207)	(327)
Balance as at June 30, 2022		5,055	4,222	9,277
Current		704	886	1,590
Non-current		4,351	3,336	7,687
Balance as at June 30, 2022		5,055	4,222	9,277

10. Financial instruments:

The carrying values of the Group's financial instruments approximate fair value as at June 30, 2022 and March 31, 2022 for all financial instruments except for long-term debt.

	As at June 30, 2022		As at March 31, 2022	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Long-term debt, including current portion ¹	1,414,653	1,416,541	1,417,279	1,582,029

¹ Classified in Level 2 as the significant measurement inputs used in the valuation models are indirectly observable in active markets (derived from prices).

Carrying value is measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Fair value is calculated by discounting the future cash flows of each debt issue at the estimated yield to maturity for the same or similar issues at the date of the statements of financial position, or by using available quoted market prices.

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10. Financial instruments (continued):

The following items shown in the consolidated statements of financial position as at June 30, 2022 and March 31, 2022 are carried at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 1 or 2 inputs. There were no financial assets and liabilities at June 30, 2022, or at March 31, 2022, valued using Level 3 inputs.

	As at June 30, 2022		As at March 31, 2022	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 1	Level 2
Asset (liability):				
Cash ^{1,2}	107,990	-	191,936	-
Cash equivalents ^{1,2}	8	-	8	-
Derivative assets ³	-	60,326	-	45,856
Derivative liabilities ³	-	-	-	(78)
	107,998	60,326	191,944	45,778

¹ Excluding Cash and cash equivalents of \$62.6 million (March 31, 2022: \$12.5 million) held at amortized cost.

² Classified in Level 1 as the measurement inputs are derived from observable, unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.

³ Classified in Level 2 as the significant measurement inputs used in the valuation models are indirectly observable in active markets (derived from prices).

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates cannot be determined with precision as they are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of judgment. Where market prices are not available, fair values are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis. No amounts have been reclassified between levels during the three months ended June 30, 2022.

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, gains or losses related to Level 2 derivatives have been recorded in OCI.

The Group may use derivative instruments to hedge its exposure to fluctuations in fuel prices, interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. The fair value of commodity derivatives reflects only the value of the commodity derivatives and not the offsetting change in value of the underlying future purchase of fuel. These fair values reflect the estimated amounts that the Group would receive or pay should the derivative contracts be terminated at the period end dates.

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11. Financial risk management:

(a) Credit risk:

The Group is using the lifetime expected credit loss ("ECL") simplified approach as the method to determine the provision for impairment. The Group reviews for changes in circumstances at each reporting date.

Based on the historical default experience, the Group has established a lifetime ECL allowance of 1% of the trade receivables. Amounts due from the Government of Canada and the Province are considered low credit risk and are excluded. As at June 30, 2022, the provision for impairment was \$0.1 million (March 31, 2022: \$0.1 million).

Based on historical default experience, financial position of the counterparties and estimating the probability of default, the lifetime ECL is \$nil for the Group's restricted and other short-term investments.

The Group has a loan receivable with a term of 15 years, secured by a second mortgage. The collateral is expected to exceed the amount of the loan and be available while the loan is outstanding.

(b) Fuel price risk:

The Group is exposed to risks associated with changes in the market price of marine diesel fuel and LNG. In order to reduce price volatility and add a fixed component to the inherent floating nature of fuel prices, the Group may manage its exposure by entering into hedging instruments with certain financial intermediaries. Fuel price hedging instruments are used to reduce fuel price risk and to minimize fuel surcharges, not for generating trading profits. Gains and losses resulting from fuel forward contracts are recognized as a component of fuel costs. The Group's Financial Risk Management Policy limits hedging to a maximum of 95% of anticipated monthly fuel consumption for the immediately following 12-month period; and 90% of anticipated monthly fuel consumption for the 12-month period thereafter to the end of the fifth performance term ("PT5"). PT5 commenced April 1, 2020 and will end on March 31, 2024.

The Group is also allowed by regulatory order to use deferred fuel cost accounts to mitigate the impact of changes in fuel price on its regulatory (non-IFRS) earnings (Note 18).

The Group hedges using CAD denominated ultra-low sulfur diesel ("ULSD") fuel swaps to reduce its exposure to changes in ULSD and foreign exchange risk components associated with forecast diesel fuel purchases. During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group did not enter into any ULSD fuel swap contracts (June 30 2021: \$14.9 million notional value of ULSD fuel swap contracts entered into). The notional value of all fuel swap contracts outstanding as at June 30, 2022 was \$75.4 million (March 31, 2022: \$86.5 million). Hedge accounting was applied to these contracts. No LNG swap contracts were entered into during the three months ended June 30, 2022 and no LNG swap contracts were outstanding as at June 30, 2022.

An economic relationship exists between the hedged item and the hedging instrument as the value of the hedging instrument and the value of the hedged item move in the opposite direction as a result of the change in the hedged risk. A change in the credit risk of the hedging instrument or the hedged item does not dominate the value changes that result from the economic relationship.

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11. Financial risk management (continued):

(b) Fuel price risk (continued):

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, open fuel swap contracts had unrealized hedging gains of \$27.7 million (June 30, 2021: unrealized hedging gains of \$16.7 million) recognized in OCI. In addition, for closed fuel swap contracts net realized hedging gains of \$13.2 million were reclassified from reserves and included in the Group's fuel expense during the three months ended June 30, 2022 (June 30, 2021: net realized hedging gains of \$0.3 million).

Cash flow hedges:

	Fiscal 2023	Fiscal 2024	Total
Fuel contracts (litres in thousands)	54,952	67,195	122,147
Contract price range (\$/litre)	\$0.5960-\$0.6336	\$0.5885-\$0.6490	

The impact of hedging instruments designated in hedging relationships as of June 30, 2022 on the statement of financial position and the statement of earnings and other comprehensive income was as follows:

	Notional amount	Carrying amount	Line item in the statement of financial position	Change in fair value used for measuring ineffectiveness for the period
Fuel swap contracts	40,873	39,326	Current derivative assets	39,326
Fuel swap contracts	34,492	20,998	Non-current derivative assets	20,998
Foreign exchange forward contracts	259	2	Current derivative assets	2

The impact of hedged items designated in hedging relationships as of June 30, 2022 on the statement of financial position and the statement of earnings and other comprehensive income was as follows:

	Change in value used for measuring ineffectiveness	Cash flow hedge reserve
Fuel swap contracts	60,716	60,324

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(b) Fuel price risk (continued):

Cash flow hedge reserve (Note 12):

	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Hedging gains recognized in cash flow hedge reserve:		
Fuel swap contracts	27,692	16,715
Hedging gains reclassified from cash flow hedge reserve:		
Fuel swap contracts – Gains recognized in net earnings	(13,224)	(313)
Interest rate forward contracts – Amortization of hedge loss	62	62
Net change in cash flow hedge reserve	14,530	16,464

12. Other comprehensive income:

(a) Continuity of reserves:

	Note	Land revaluation reserves	Employee future benefit revaluation reserves	Fuel swap reserves	Interest rate forward contract reserves	Total
Balance as at April 1, 2022		48,576	(7,902)	45,856	(5,470)	81,060
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:	11(b)					
Net change in fair value		-	-	27,692	-	27,692
Realized gains		-	-	(13,224)	-	(13,224)
Amortization of losses		-	-	-	62	62
Balance as at June 30, 2022		48,576	(7,902)	60,324	(5,408)	95,590

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12. Other comprehensive income (continued):

(b) Other comprehensive income:

	Note	Three months ended June 30	
		2022	2021
Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to net earnings:			
Hedge gains on fuel swaps	11(b)	27,692	16,715
Total other comprehensive income		27,692	16,715

13. Net retail:

	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Retail revenue	25,343	9,160
Cost of goods sold	(9,570)	(3,680)
Net retail	15,773	5,480

14. Safe Restart Funding:

In December 2020, the Group received a contribution of \$308.0 million from the Province under the Safe Restart Funding Agreement.

The revenue recognition of the contribution is consistent with the Group's submission to the Province from August 2020 which is based on the estimated loss of earnings in relation to the main three components of the contribution for fiscal years 2021 to 2024, and reflects the normal seasonal pattern of earnings.

The Group recognized \$2.1 million (June 30, 2021: \$59.7 million) of the contribution under "Safe Restart Funding", and \$0.4 million (June 30, 2021: \$0.3 million) relating to the Discretionary sailing relief, under "Ferry service fees" in the condensed interim consolidated statements of earnings and other comprehensive income for the three months ended June 30, 2022. The remaining balance of \$17.2 million (March 31, 2022: \$19.7 million) was included in "Contract liabilities" in the condensed interim consolidated statement of financial position as at June 30, 2022.

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15. Operating expenses:

	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Salaries, wages and benefits	113,181	102,234
Fuel	38,941	25,843
Materials, supplies and contracted services	25,803	24,887
Other operating expenses	18,940	14,178
Depreciation and amortization	45,262	43,626
Total operating expenses	242,127	210,768

16. Net finance expense:

	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Finance expenses:		
Long-term debt	16,404	16,479
Short-term debt	69	65
Lease liabilities	407	434
Amortization of deferred financing costs and bond discounts	256	269
Interest capitalized in the cost of qualifying assets	(463)	(2,376)
Total finance expenses	16,673	14,871
Finance income	(1,830)	(1,133)
Net finance expense	14,843	13,738

17. Related party transactions:

In accordance with the Act, the Group is responsible for paying any expenses that are incurred by the Authority, without charge. During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the Group paid \$43,119 (June 30, 2021: \$127,099) of such expenses.

The Province owns the Group's 75,477 non-voting preferred shares, but has no voting interest in either the Group or the Authority.

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18. Economic effect of rate regulation:

The Group is regulated by the Commissioner to ensure, among other things, that tariffs are fair and reasonable. Under the terms of the Act, the tariffs the Group charges its customers are subject to price caps. The Commissioner may, in extraordinary situations, allow increases in price caps over the set levels.

Under IFRS, the Group is not permitted to recognize its regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities in its consolidated statements of financial position.

Regulatory assets generally represent incurred costs that have been deferred for purposes of rate regulation because they are probable of future recovery in tariffs or fuel surcharges. Regulatory liabilities represent obligations to customers which will be settled through future tariff reductions or fuel rebates. Management continually assesses whether the Group's regulatory assets are probable of future recovery by considering such factors as applicable regulatory changes. Management believes that the regulatory assets at June 30, 2022, are probable of future recovery through fuel surcharges.

(a) Deferred fuel costs:

As prescribed by regulatory order, the Group defers differences between actual fuel costs and approved fuel costs, which were used to develop the regulated price caps.

Also prescribed by regulatory order, the Group collects fuel surcharges or provides fuel rebates from time to time, which are applied against deferred fuel cost account balances.

During the three months ended June 30, 2022, the amount receivable from the Province in relation to fuel cost differences was \$0.6 million (March 31, 2022: less than \$0.1 million).

(b) Tariffs in excess of price cap:

The Act contains provisions which ensure that if tariffs charged by the Group exceed established price caps for four consecutive quarters, the excess amounts collected will be returned to customers through future tariff reductions. At June 30, 2022, tariffs charged to customers exceeded established price caps by \$6.3 million (March 31, 2022: tariffs were above established price caps).

(c) Fare Increase Relief:

On May 3, 2021, the Commissioner approved recognizing the portion of the Safe Restart Funding earmarked for Fare Increase Relief as regulated revenue for the purposes of price cap reporting during PT5, and to allocate the funding using a drawdown approach. Under the funding drawdown approach, actual regulated revenue would be increased each quarter by the lesser of 2.3% or the remaining balance of the Fare Increase Relief.

The Group defers differences between the revenue recognized under IFRS and approved regulated revenue. As at June 30, 2022, the deferred amount was \$9.0 million (March 31, 2022: \$6.8 million).

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18. Economic effect of rate regulation (continued):

If the Group was permitted under IFRS to recognize the effects of rate regulation, the regulatory assets as at June 30, 2022 would have been \$18.4 million (March 31, 2022: \$11.6 million), and the regulatory liabilities would have been \$6.3 million (March 31, 2022: \$nil) on the consolidated statements of financial position.

If the Group was permitted under IFRS to recognize the effects of rate regulation, net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2022 would have been \$0.5 million higher (June 30, 2021: \$1.1 million higher) as detailed below:

Effect of rate regulation on net earnings	Three months ended June 30	
	2022	2021
Fuel costs over (under) set price	7,746	(589)
Fuel (surcharges) rebates	(2,508)	1,668
Fuel price risk recoveries receivable from the Province	(580)	-
Tariffs in excess of price cap	(6,309)	-
Deferred Fare Increase Relief	2,186	-
Total increase in net earnings	535	1,079

19. Economic effect of Safe Restart Funding:

The Group received a one-time contribution of \$308.0 million from the Province, following the Safe Restart Funding Agreement signed with the Province in November 2020. The purpose of the funding is to provide relief from the operating fiscal impacts of COVID-19, and help ensure that the Group continues to deliver essential ferry services to coastal communities through pandemic recovery while avoiding service reductions and minimizing fare increases.

If the Group did not recognize \$2.5 million of the Safe Restart Funding (\$2.1 million recognized under "Safe Restart Funding" and \$0.4 million under "Ferry service fees" in the condensed interim consolidated statements of earnings and other comprehensive income), the net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2022 would have been \$5.4 million (June 30, 2021: a net loss of \$55.3 million):

Effect of Safe Restart Funding on net earnings	Note	Three months ended June 30		
		2022	2021	Increase
Net earnings		7,901	4,669	3,232
Safe Restart Funding	14	(2,453)	(59,991)	57,538
Net earnings (loss) excluding Safe Restart Funding		5,448	(55,322)	60,770