



**Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Board of Directors of  
Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation:

We have audited the statement of net assets (deficit) and governmental fund balance sheet and the related statement of activities and governmental fund revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance of Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (a blended component unit of Dutchess County, New York), (the "Corporation") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, and have issued our report thereon dated March 28, 2011. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Corporation's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.



This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, others within the entity and the Office of State Comptroller and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

March 28, 2011

**Financial Documents:**

Question	Response	URL (if applicable)	Attachments
1. Attach the independent audit of the Authority's financial statements.	N/A	<a href="http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/DTASC/DTindex.htm">http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/DTASC/DTindex.htm</a>	Attachment Included
2. Has the Authority's independent auditor issued a management letter to the Authority in connection with its audit of the Authority's financial statements?	Yes	<a href="http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/DTASC/DTindex.htm">http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/DTASC/DTindex.htm</a>	Attachment Included
3. Has the Authority's independent auditor issued a Report on Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting to the Authority?	Yes	<a href="http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/DTASC/DTindex.htm">http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/DTASC/DTindex.htm</a>	Attachment Included
4. Attach any other communication required or allowed by government auditing standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States to be issued by the Authority's independent auditor in connection with its annual audit of the Authority's financial statements.			

Additional Comments:

# **Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation**

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## Report of Independent Auditors

To the Board of Directors of  
Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation:

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of net assets (deficit) and governmental fund balance sheet and the related statement of activities and governmental fund revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (a blended component unit of Dutchess County, New York), (the "Corporation") at December 31, 2010 and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated March 28, 2011 on our consideration of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 2 through 6 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

March 28, 2011

# **Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation**

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## **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

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The following discussion and analysis of the financial statements of the Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (the "TASC" or "Corporation") provides an overview of the Corporation's financial activities from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010. It should be read in conjunction with the basic financial statements and notes to the financial statements contained herein.

This report of the TASC includes statements that are not historical or current facts and are considered "forward looking statements" under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Forward looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those presently anticipated. The management of the TASC cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any such forward looking statements. Some of the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from forward looking statements include, for example, a change in realized tobacco settlement payments or other uncertainties not identified at this time.

The TASC undertakes no obligation to publicly correct or update any forward looking statement if it later becomes aware that such results have not or are not likely to be achieved.

### **The Corporation**

The Corporation was formed on December 1, 2003. In December 2003, the Corporation entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the County of Dutchess to purchase the rights, title and interest in Tobacco Settlement fund litigation awards in the amount of \$41.97 million, under a Master Settlement Agreement (the "MSA"). The MSA was entered into on November 23, 1998, among the Attorneys General of 46 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the North Mariana Islands (collectively the "Settling States") and the four largest United States tobacco manufacturers" Philip Morris Incorporated, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, and Lorillard Tobacco Company (collectively the "Original Participating Manufacturers or "OPMs"). The MSA resolved cigarette smoking-related claims by the Settling States, and provides for a continuing release of future smoking-related claims in exchange for certain payments to be made to the Settling States. The MSA also provides for the imposition of certain tobacco advertising and marketing restrictions, among other things. The Corporation is not a party to the MSA.

On December 18, 2003, the Corporation, together with local development corporations in Rockland and Oswego counties formed a pool known as the New York Counties Tobacco Trust III and issued \$79.7 million in Tobacco Settlement Pass-Through Bonds Series 2003 (Turbo Term Bonds). The TASC's share of the pool totaled \$47.8 million.

In November 2005, the Corporation entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the County of Dutchess to purchase the rights, title and interest in Tobacco Settlement fund litigation awards in the amount of \$25.5 million. On November 28, 2005, the New York Counties Tobacco Trust V was formed and issued \$199.4 million in Tobacco Settlement Bonds Series 2005 [Subordinate Turbo Capital Appreciation Bonds ("CABs")]. The TASC's share of this pool totaled \$26.2 million.

Both Series of bonds are collateralized by, and payable from, all of the annual payments allocated to the County under the MSA. The bond payments are due on the Subordinate Turbo CAB bonds after the series 2003 Term bonds are paid in order to match the cash flows of the underlying collateral. On December 31, 2010, \$34,816,903 and \$26,236,279 (excluding accrued interest of \$10,645,326) remained outstanding under the Turbo Term Bonds and the Subordinate Turbo CABs, respectively.

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### Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Corporation's basic financial statements. The Corporation's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) governmental fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. Due to the single purpose nature of the activities of the Corporation, the government-wide and governmental fund financial statements have been presented together with an adjustments column reconciling the differences.

The *Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet* includes all of the Corporation's assets and liabilities and provides information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to Corporation creditors (liabilities). It also provides the basis for computing rate of return, evaluating the capital structure of the Corporation and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the Corporation. The Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) column reports information about the Corporation using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies (accrual basis of accounting) and presents all assets and liabilities of the Corporation – both current and long-term. The Governmental Fund Balance Sheet focuses on the Corporation's balances of spendable resources available for the payment of governmental expenditures including payment of debt service requirements at the end of the current period.

All of the current period's activity is accounted for in the *Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance*. These statements measure the success of the Corporation's operations and can be used to determine the Corporation's ability to meet its financial objectives and credit-worthiness. The Statement of Activities column presents information on how the Corporation's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal period. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances focuses on near term inflows and outflows of spendable resources.

### Summary of Financial Results

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The table below summarizes the Corporation's Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) at December 31, 2010 and 2009.

	2010	2009	Change	Change
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and investments	\$ 3,531,128	\$ 3,563,430	\$ (32,302)	-0.91%
Due from other governments	3,445,061	3,595,357	(150,296)	-4.18%
Other assets	984,409	1,003,109	(18,700)	-1.86%
Total assets	<u>\$ 7,960,598</u>	<u>\$ 8,161,896</u>	<u>\$ (201,298)</u>	<u>-2.47%</u>
Accrued interest payable	\$ 10,645,326	\$ 8,303,902	\$ 2,341,424	28.20%
Bonds payable	61,053,182	62,554,343	(1,501,161)	-2.40%
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 71,698,508</u>	<u>\$ 70,858,245</u>	<u>\$ 840,263</u>	<u>1.19%</u>
Total net assets (deficit)	<u>\$ (63,737,910)</u>	<u>\$ (62,696,349)</u>	<u>\$ (1,041,561)</u>	<u>1.66%</u>

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At December 31, 2010, the Corporation assets amounted to \$8.0 million, of which \$3.5 million is restricted cash and investments and \$3.4 million is due from other governments for 2010 tobacco settlement revenue expected to be received in 2011. At December 31, 2010, total liabilities of the Corporation amounted to \$71.7 million, of which \$61.1 million is bonds payable. The change in net assets (deficit) from 2009 to 2010 relates primarily to tobacco settlement revenue of \$3.4 million offset by interest expense of \$4.5 million. Accrued interest increased by \$2.3 million due to the accrual of interest on the Subordinated Turbo CABs which will not be paid until the Turbo Term Bonds are paid in full, currently scheduled in 2043.

*Statement of Activities.* The table below summarizes the Corporation's Statement of Activities for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009.

	2010	2009	Change	Change
Revenues	\$ 3,643,582	\$ 4,106,130	\$ (462,548)	(11.26)%
Expenses	4,685,143	4,598,324	86,819	1.89 %
Decrease in net assets (deficit)	(1,041,561)	(492,194)	(549,367)	(111.62)%
Net assets (deficit) - beginning of year	(62,696,349)	(62,204,155)	(492,194)	(0.79)%
Net assets (deficit) - end of year	<u>\$ (63,737,910)</u>	<u>\$ (62,696,349)</u>	<u>\$ (1,041,561)</u>	<u>(1.66)%</u>

In 2010, the Corporation's revenues consist of \$3,480,000 of tobacco settlement revenue and \$164,000 of investment income. In 2010, the Corporation's expenses consisted of, interest expense of \$4,510,000, administrative expenses of \$81,000 and amortization expense of \$93,000 as compared to interest expense of \$4,450,000, administrative expense of \$61,000 and amortization expenses of \$87,000 in 2009.

### Governmental Fund Financial Statement

*Governmental Fund Balance Sheet.* The table below summarizes the Corporation's Balance Sheet at December 31, 2010 and 2009.

	2010	2009	Change	Change
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,976,189</u>	<u>\$ 7,158,787</u>	<u>\$ (182,598)</u>	<u>(2.55)%</u>
Total fund balance	<u>\$ 6,976,189</u>	<u>\$ 7,158,787</u>	<u>\$ (182,598)</u>	<u>(2.55)%</u>

The Corporation's assets, as reported on the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet, amounted to \$7.0 million at December 31, 2010, which include cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and investments and amounts due from other governments.

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*Governmental Fund Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance.* The table below summarizes the Corporation's Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009.

	2010	2009	Change	Change
Revenues	\$ 3,643,582	\$ 4,106,130	\$ (462,548)	(11.26)%
Expenditures	<u>3,826,180</u>	<u>4,489,504</u>	<u>(663,324)</u>	<u>(14.77)%</u>
Deficiency of revenues over expenditure	(182,598)	(383,374)	200,776	(52.37)%
Fund balance - beginning of year	<u>7,158,787</u>	<u>7,542,161</u>	<u>(383,374)</u>	<u>(5.08)%</u>
Fund balance - end of year	<u>\$ 6,976,189</u>	<u>\$ 7,158,787</u>	<u>\$ (182,598)</u>	<u>(2.55)%</u>

In 2010, revenues of \$3,644,000 reflect \$3,480,000 in tobacco settlement revenue and \$164,000 in investment income, whereas in 2009, revenues of \$4,106,000 reflect the receipt of \$3,940,000 in tobacco settlement revenue and \$166,000 in investment income.

In 2010, the Corporation's expenditures primarily include repayment of principal of \$1,575,000, interest expense of \$2,170,000 and administrative expenses of \$81,000, whereas in 2009, expenditures primarily included repayment of principal of \$2,165,000 interest expense of \$2,263,000 and administrative expenses of \$61,000.

**Long Term Debt Activity**

The 2003 Series Bonds issued by the Corporation are forty-year obligations scheduled to retire in ordinary course in May 2043. However, under early redemption provisions, particularly Turbo Redemption's, any MSA payments exceeding annual debt service requirements of the Bonds must be applied to the early redemption of principal. During 2010, the Corporation made a Turbo Redemption payment in the amount of \$1,575,000.

During 2005, the Corporation issued additional bonds, Subordinate Turbo CABs that are subordinate to the 2003 Series Bonds. The Subordinate Turbo CABs consist of four series scheduled to retire in ordinary course in June 2038, 2050, 2055 and 2060.

Since the Corporation has pledged all future Tobacco Settlement revenues ("TSRs") to the bonds currently outstanding until those bonds have been retired, the Corporation cannot issue additional debt without rating agency confirmation and residual holder consent. The Corporation monitors market conditions for circumstances conducive to undertaking a refunding transaction that would result in savings of interest expense over time. No such conditions arose during the most recently completed fiscal period.

**Significant Currently Known Facts**

The following are currently known facts that could have a potential significant effect on net assets and changes in fund balance in future years.

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### *Payment Collections*

On November 23, 1998, participating cigarette manufacturers, entered into a Master Settlement Agreement with 46 states and 5 other jurisdictions. The Master Settlement Agreement provides for Tobacco Settlement payments in exchange for a release from claims. Tobacco Settlement payments consists of initial payments to be received through 2003; annual payments, to be made on April 15, continuing in perpetuity; and strategic contribution fund payments, to be made on April 15, 2008 continuing annually through 2017.

Payments may vary based on inflation adjustments, volume adjustments of cigarette sales, litigation adjustments from non-settling states, offsets for miscalculated or disputed payments, federal tobacco legislation offsets, litigation releasing parties offsets, and offsets for claims over the amounts of the award.

The ability of the Corporation to make debt service payments on bonds is contingent upon the receipt of Tobacco Settlement payments. The bonds issued by the Corporation do not constitute a claim against the full faith, credit, or taxing powers of Dutchess County, New York.

### **Contacting the TASC's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the TASC's finances and to demonstrate its accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact James M Fedorchak, President or Pamela Barrack, Treasurer, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601.

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**Statement of Net Assets (Deficit) and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet**  
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	Special Revenue Fund and Total Governmental Fund	Entity-wide Adjustments	Statement of Net Assets (Deficit)
<b>Assets</b>			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 33,780	\$ -	\$ 33,780
Restricted cash	55,910	-	55,910
Due from other governments	3,445,061	-	3,445,061
Total current assets	<u>3,534,751</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,534,751</u>
Noncurrent assets			
Bond issuance costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$133,602	-	984,409	984,409
Restricted investments	3,441,438	-	3,441,438
Total noncurrent assets	<u>3,441,438</u>	<u>984,409</u>	<u>4,425,847</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,976,189</u>	<u>\$ 984,409</u>	<u>\$ 7,960,598</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Current liabilities			
Accrued interest	\$ -	\$ 177,526	\$ 177,526
Total current liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>177,526</u>	<u>177,526</u>
Noncurrent liabilities			
Accrued interest	-	10,467,800	10,467,800
Bonds payable, net of a discount of \$1,478,097	-	61,053,182	61,053,182
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>71,520,982</u>	<u>71,520,982</u>
Total liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 71,698,508</u>	<u>\$ 71,698,508</u>
<b>Fund Balance/Net Assets (Deficit)</b>			
Fund Balance			
Reserved for debt service	6,976,189	(6,976,189)	-
Total fund balance	<u>6,976,189</u>	<u>(6,976,189)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 6,976,189</u>		
Net assets (deficit)			
Restricted		(63,737,910)	(63,737,910)
Total net assets (deficit)		<u>\$ (63,737,910)</u>	<u>\$ (63,737,910)</u>

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

**Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation**  
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**Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and  
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	<b>Special Revenue Fund and Total Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Entity-wide Adjustments</b>	<b>Statement of Activities</b>
<b>General revenues</b>			
Other financing sources			
Investment income	\$ 164,705	\$ -	\$ 164,705
Tobacco settlement revenue	3,478,877	-	3,478,877
Total general revenues	<u>3,643,582</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,643,582</u>
<b>General expenditures/expenses</b>			
Other financing uses			
Interest expense	2,169,688	2,341,424	4,511,112
Amortization of debt discount	-	73,839	73,839
Amortization of bond issuance costs	-	18,700	18,700
Administrative expenses	81,492	-	81,492
Debt service principal payments	1,575,000	(1,575,000)	-
Total expenditures/expenses	<u>3,826,180</u>	<u>858,963</u>	<u>4,685,143</u>
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(182,598)	-	-
Decrease in net assets (deficit)	-	-	(1,041,561)
<b>Fund balance/net assets (deficit)</b>			
Beginning of the year	<u>7,158,787</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(62,696,349)</u>
End of the year	<u>\$ 6,976,189</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (63,737,910)</u>

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

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### 1. Reporting Entity and Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (Blended Component Unit)**

The Dutchess Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (the "TASC" or "Corporation") is a special purpose local development corporation organized pursuant to Section 1411 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, created by Dutchess County (the "County") for the purposes of: (i) purchasing from the County all rights, title and interest in certain litigation awards under the Consent Decree and Final Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York dated December 23, 1998 and in and under all portions due to the County under the Master Settlement Agreement with respect to tobacco related litigation among various Settling States and participating manufacturers, (ii) to purchase, acquire, own, hold, sell, dispose of tobacco assets and any future rights of tobacco assets and (iii) to issue and sell bonds to pay for the acquisition of such tobacco assets. The sole member of the Corporation is the County Attorney. There are three directors, one appointed by the County Executive, one appointed by the Chairman of the Dutchess County Legislature and one jointly appointed by the County Executive and Chairman of the County Legislature.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **General**

The accompanying general purpose financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for governments as prescribed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) which is the primary standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

#### **Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are considered measurable and available. Revenues are considered available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Corporation considers revenues to be available if they are collected within one year after the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which interest, amortization and administrative expenses are offset by tobacco settlement revenue and investment income.

In addition to the government-wide financial statements, the Corporation has prepared financial statements for the Corporation's only governmental fund. Governmental fund financial statements continue to use the modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus. Due to the single purpose nature of the activities of the Corporation, the government-wide and fund financial statements have been presented together with an adjustments column reconciling the differences.

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Under the entity-wide basis the Corporation is required to report the full amount of the bonds outstanding, however, cannot recognize the tobacco settlement revenue to be received in the future. The future collection of tobacco settlement revenue (TSR) is dependent on many factors, including future cigarette consumption. As such, the future collection is not reasonably estimatable and is not recorded as an asset in either the government-wide financial statements or the governmental fund financial statements. This results in a significant deficit in net assets on the government-wide financial statements.

The Corporation reports one governmental fund - the Special Revenue Fund. As a blended component unit of Dutchess County, New York, the Special Revenue Fund is combined into the Governmental Funds of Dutchess County, New York. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Corporation's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash includes cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date acquired by the Corporation. The carrying value of unrestricted cash at December 31, 2010 was \$33,780 and is covered by Federal Depository Insurance.

### **Investments**

Under the GASB's authoritative guidance on accounting and financial reporting for investments, the Corporation reports investments at amortized cost in the statement of net assets and governmental fund balance sheet as all investments are in commercial paper with maturity dates within one year. All investment income is reported as revenue in the statement of activities and the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance.

The Corporation's investment policy is to invest in high quality investments at a yield not to exceed the yield on the TASC bonds.

### **Due from Other Governments**

Due from other governments represents amounts owed to the TASC for tobacco settlement revenue earned in 2010.

### **Bond Issuance Costs**

Bond issuance costs are amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method.

### **Accrued Interest**

Accrued interest represents interest expense owed on the Series 2003 Term Bonds and Subordinate Turbo Capital Appreciation Bonds that will be paid in the future.

### **Income Taxes**

The Corporation is exempt from the payment of all Federal and State income taxes.

### **Use of Estimates**

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

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**3. Restricted Cash and Investment**

Restricted cash and investments consist of amounts required to be on deposit by the Turbo Term Bonds agreement until the Bonds are paid in full, which is scheduled in 2043.

Restricted cash and investments at December 31, 2010 were as follows:

Cash restricted for debt service	\$ 55,910
Investments restricted for debt service	3,441,438
	<u>\$ 3,497,348</u>

Investments consist of collateralized commercial paper which is all scheduled to mature within the next year.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Corporation manages and attempts to minimize interest rate risk by investing in short-term investments that mature within one year, so that they can react to changing interest rates.

**4. Bonds Payable**

On December 18, 2003, the Corporation issued the 2003 New York Counties Tobacco Trust III Tobacco Settlement Pass-Through Bonds (Series 2003 Term Bonds) amounting to \$47,815,000, with an issue value of \$45,912,363, net of bond discount of \$1,902,637. Proceeds of \$41,970,000 were used to purchase tobacco settlement rights from Dutchess County. On November 28, 2005, the Corporation issued the 2005 New York Tobacco Trust V, Tobacco Settlement Pass Through Bonds [Subordinate Turbo Capital Appreciation Bonds ("CABs")] amounting to \$26,236,279. Proceeds of \$25,500,000 were used to purchase tobacco settlement rights from Dutchess County. The bonds are collateralized and payable from collections including all tobacco settlement revenues to be received by the Corporation, reserves, amounts held in other accounts established by the indenture and the Corporation's rights under the purchase agreement. The proceeds have been used for the purpose of purchasing all rights, title and interest in certain litigation awards under the Master Settlement Agreement entered into by participating cigarette manufacturers.

Bonds payable at December 31, 2010, amounted to \$34,816,903 and \$26,236,279 for the Series 2003 Term Bonds and the Subordinate Turbo CABs (collectively the "TASC Bonds"), respectively.

Interest on the Series 2003 Term Bonds is payable semi-annually at interest rates ranging from 5.00% - 6.00% on each June and December 1, beginning with June 1, 2004. The Corporation is responsible for all principal and interest payments on the bonds. Interest was paid in the amount of \$2,169,688 during the year ended December 31, 2010 on the Series 2003 Term Bonds.

Principal and interest on the Subordinate Turbo CABs are subordinate to the Series 2003 Term Bonds and therefore will not be paid until the Series 2003 Term Bonds are fully paid. Interest on the Subordinate Turbo CABs is accruing at rates ranging from 6.00% - 7.85%.

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The following displays the 2010 activity related to bonds payable:

Debt	2010 Beginning Balance	Add New Debt	Less Payments	2010 Ending Balance
Series 2003 Term Bonds	\$ 37,870,000	\$ -	\$ (1,575,000)	\$ 36,295,000
Subordinate Turbo CABs	26,236,279			26,236,279
Bonds payable, gross	<u>\$ 64,106,279</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,575,000)</u>	<u>\$ 62,531,279</u>

Future maturity dates and debt service requirements, for the Series 2003 Term Bonds are as follows:

Year Ended 12/31/10	Principal	Interest	Total
2011	\$ -	\$ 2,130,313	\$ 2,130,313
2012	-	2,130,313	2,130,313
2013	-	2,130,313	2,130,313
2014	-	2,130,313	2,130,313
2015-2019	-	10,651,563	10,651,563
2020-2024	-	10,651,563	10,651,563
2025-2029	5,185,000	10,123,981	15,308,981
2030-2034	8,065,000	8,145,700	16,210,700
2035-2039	11,185,000	5,318,550	16,503,550
2040-2043	11,860,000	1,480,200	13,340,200
	<u>36,295,000</u>	<u>54,892,806</u>	<u>91,187,806</u>
Less Discount	(1,478,097)	-	(1,478,097)
Total	<u>\$ 34,816,903</u>	<u>\$ 54,892,806</u>	<u>\$ 89,709,709</u>

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Future maturity dates and debt service requirements for the Subordinate Turbo CABs are as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2011-2037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2038-2042	10,384,242	60,565,758	70,950,000
2043-2047	-	-	-
2048-2052	4,889,934	66,030,066	70,920,000
2053-2057	2,604,375	70,490,625	73,095,000
2058-2060	8,357,728	547,342,272	555,700,000
Total	<u>\$ 26,236,279</u>	<u>\$ 744,428,721</u>	<u>\$ 770,665,000</u>

### Other Information

The Series 2003 Term Bonds are subject to "Turbo Redemption".

"Turbo Redemptions" represent the requirement contained in the Indenture to apply 100% of all collections that are in excess of the requirements in the Indenture for the funding of the operating expenses; interest, sinking fund installments, and term bond maturities; maintenance of the Liquidity Reserve Account (such excess, surplus collections); to the redemption of Series 2003 Term Bonds on each distribution date (each a Turbo Redemption Date) in ascending order of maturity. Such surplus collections will be deposited in an account established and maintained by the trustee under the Indenture (the Turbo Redemption Account). Turbo Redemptions will be credited against sinking fund installments for any particular Series 2003 Term Bonds in ascending order of sinking fund installment dates. Turbo Redemptions are not scheduled amortization payments and are to be made only from surplus collections. In June 2010, the Corporation made a Turbo Redemption payment of \$1,575,000.

### 5. Concentration of Credit Risk

The ability of the Corporation to make debt service payments on the TASC Bonds is contingent upon the receipt of TSRs. TSR payments may vary based on inflation adjustments, volume of cigarette sales adjustments, litigation adjustments from non-settling states, offsets for miscalculated or disputed payments, federal tobacco legislation offsets, litigation releasing party offsets, and offsets for claims over the amounts of the award.

The TASC Bonds are collateralized by and payable solely from TSRs and investment earnings pledged under the Bond Indentures and amounts established and held in accordance with the Bond Indentures.

The TASC Bonds are payable only from the assets of the Corporation. The Subordinate Turbo CABs are subordinate to the Series 2003 Term Bonds and no amounts will be paid on the Subordinate Turbo CABs until the Series 2003 Term Bonds are paid in full. In the event that the assets of the Corporation have been exhausted, no amounts will thereafter be paid on the TASC Bonds. The TASC Bonds are not legal or moral obligations of Dutchess County and no recourse may be had thereto for payment of amounts owing on the TASC Bonds. The Corporation's only source of funds for payments on the TASC Bonds is the TSRs. The Corporation has no taxing power.

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Because of the many adjustments included in the Master Settlement Agreement (MSA), it is not possible to know the exact future collections under the MSA.

**6. Contingencies**

The assets of the Corporation are not available to pay any creditor of Dutchess County. The bonds issued by the Corporation do not constitute a claim against the full faith, credit and taxing power of the General Fund of Dutchess County. The ability of the Corporation to meet debt service payments of bonds is contingent upon the receipt of Tobacco Settlement awards.

**7. Subsequent Events**

The Corporation has performed an evaluation of subsequent events through March 28, 2011, which is the date the financial statements were issued.