# State of Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System

Actuarial Valuation Report as of June 30, 2000

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### **Highlights**

This report has been prepared by William M. Mercer, Incorporated for the State of Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System to:

- 1. present the results of a valuation of the Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System as of June 30, 2000;
- 2. determine the contribution rate for the Retirement System for Fiscal Year 2003 and Fiscal Year 2004;
- 3. provide reporting and disclosure information for financial statements, governmental agencies, and other interested parties.

The report is divided into three sections. Section 1 contains the results of the valuation. It includes a development of assets during the 1999 and 2000 fiscal years, the current annual costs and reporting and disclosure information.

Section 2 contains disclosure information required by GASB No. 25. It contains schedules of employer contributions and funding progress.

Section 3 describes the basis of the valuation. It summarizes the System provisions, provides information relating to the System's participants, and describes the funding methods and actuarial assumptions used in determining liabilities and costs.

The principle results are as follows:

Fur	nding Status as of June 30:	<u>1998</u>	2000
a.	Valuation Assets	\$12,671,276	\$13,734,397
b.	Present Value of Accumulated Benefits	14,252,184	17,967,471
c.	Accumulated Benefit Funding Ratio, (a)/(b)	88.9%	76.4%
Rec	commended Contribution Amounts:	FY01/02	FY03/04
a.	Normal Cost	\$596,874	\$635,554
b.	Past Service Cost	282,910	686,948
c.	Total Annual Cost	\$879,784	\$1,322,502

#### Highlights (continued)

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We have prepared an actuarial valuation of the State of Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System as of June 30, 2000. The results of the valuation are set forth in this report, which reflects the provisions of the Plan as amended and effective through June 30, 2000.

The valuation is based on employee and financial data, which were provided by the System and which are summarized in this report.

All costs, liabilities and other factors under the Plan were determined in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and procedures, in accordance with the provisions of current federal statutes and regulations issued thereunder, using an actuarial cost method which we believe is appropriate. In our opinion, the actuarial assumptions are reasonable and represent our best estimate of the anticipated experience under the Plan. This report fully and fairly discloses the actuarial position of the Plan on an ongoing basis.

There have been no changes in plan provisions, valuation procedures, actuarial cost method or actuarial assumptions (except for a change in the mortality assumption) since the last valuation of the plan as of June 30, 1998.

We are available to answer any questions on the material contained in the report, or to provide explanations or further details as may be appropriate.

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### **Analysis of Valuation**

The actuarial methods used to value plan liabilities this year are the same as those used in the June 30, 1998, actuarial report. The Highlights section on page 1 of this Report shows that the funding ratio has decreased from 88.9% at June 30, 1998, to 76.4% at June 30, 2000.

The average annual rate of return on assets during the period was 7.7%, compared to our assumption of 8.25%, resulting in an actuarial loss from investment return. Section 1.1 of the Report shows that the value of assets rose during the period from \$12,671,276 to \$13,734,397.

### **Section 1**

# **Valuation Results**

This section sets forth the results of the actuarial valuation.

Section 1.1 shows the transactions of the System's fund during FY99 and FY00.

Section 1.2 shows the actuarial present values of benefits and the normal cost as of June 30, 2000.

Section 1.3 develops the total contribution.

# 1.1 Development of Valuation Assets as of June 30

	FY99	FY00
Net Assets Available for Benefits, July 1	<u>\$12,671,276</u>	\$13,043,038
Additions:		
Employer Contributions	\$ 1,104,519	\$ 1,104,500
Investment Income	1,016,116	1,086,795
	\$ 2,120,635	\$ 2,191,295
Deductions:		
Retirement Benefits	\$ 1,673,523	\$ 1,411,858
Administrative Expenses	75,350	<u>88,078</u>
	\$ 1,748,873	\$ 1,499,936
Net Assets Available for Benefits, June 30	<u>\$13,043,038</u>	<u>\$13,734,397</u>
Estimated Investment Return,		
Net of Expenses	7.6%	7.7%

### 1.2 Breakdown of Present Value of Benefits as of June 30, 2000

	Normal Cost	Accrued Liability
Active Members		
Retirement Benefits	\$ 414,206	\$ 7,247,943
Termination Benefits*	164,634	1,870,709
Death Benefits	34,442	287,228
Involuntary Retirement Benefits	22,272	229,659
Subtotal	\$ 635,554	\$ 9,635,539
Inactive Members		
Vested Terminated		\$ 4,660,622
Retirees (including QDROs)		3,671,310
Subtotal		\$ 8,331,932
Total		<u>\$ 17,967,471</u>

<sup>\*</sup> Members who terminate before assumed retirement age, but after completing 20 years of service.

# 1.3 Calculation of Total Contribution Amount - FY03 and FY04

1.	Accrued Liability	\$ 17,967,471
2.	Assets	13,734,397
3.	Total Unfunded Accrued Liability, (1) - (2)	4,233,074
4.	Amortization Factor (8.0 years) (assuming payments at beginning of the year)	6.162150
5.	Past Service Payment, (3)/(4)	686,948
6.	Normal Cost	635,554
7.	Total Contribution, (5) + (6)	\$ 1,322,502

#### **Section 2**

#### **Information Required by GASB No. 25**

This section contains supplementary information on retirement benefits that is required to be disclosed in financial statements to comply with Statements No. 25 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB No. 25)

Section 2.1 shows the Schedule of Employer Contributions.

Section 2.2 shows the Schedule of Funding Progress.

Supplemental Contributions*	l	1	8,000,000	l	1	I	
Percentage Contributed	100.0%	100.0%	81.2%	88.2%	88.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Annual actual Contribution	964,001	1,104,352	1,104,400	1,434,900	1,434,900	1,104,519	1,104,500
Annual required Contribution	964,001	1,104,352	1,359,862	1,626,000	1,626,000	1,104,519	1,104,519
Year ended June 30	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000

# Supplemental Contribution

required contribution. The original contribution requirements for the years ended June 30, 1998 and 1997 were calculated to be During the year ended June 30, 1996, the Plan received an \$8,000,000 supplemental appropriation from the State of Alaska General Fund to increase Plan funding. This appropriation was in addition to the amount designated for the 1996 actuarial \$2,584,919. These contribution requirements were revised to \$1,626,000 as a result of the supplemental contribution in fiscal year 1996.

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (AAL) Projected Unit Credit (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
June 30, 1994	\$ 2,414,426	\$ 14,031,289	\$ 11,616,863	17.2%	N/A	N/A
June 30, 1996	9,948,108	12,511,803	2,563,695	79.5%	N/A	N/A
June 30, 1998	12,671,276	14,252,184	1,580,908	%6'88	N/A	N/A
June 30, 2000	13,734,397	17,967,471	4,233,074	76.4%	N/A	N/A

#### **Section 3**

#### **Basis of Valuation**

In this section, the basis of the valuation is presented and described. This information — the provisions of the System and the census of participants — is the foundation of the valuation, since these are the present facts upon which benefit payments will depend.

A summary of the System's provisions is provided in Section 3.1 and participant census information is shown in Sections 3.2 and 3.3.

The valuation is based upon the premise that the System will continue in existence, so that future events must also be considered. These future events are assumed to occur in accordance with the actuarial assumptions and concern such events as the earnings of the fund, the number of participants who will retire, die, terminate their services, their ages at such termination and their expected benefits.

The actuarial assumptions and the actuarial cost method, or funding method, which have been adopted to guide the sponsor in funding the System in a reasonable and acceptable manner, are described in Section 3.4.

#### 3.1 Summary of System Provisions

#### (1) Effective Date

January 1, 1973.

#### (2) Members Included

Members of the Alaska National Guard who were active on or after January 1, 1973, and members of the Alaska Naval Militia who were active on or after July 1, 1980.

#### (3) Retirement

#### (a) Eligibility:

Members are eligible for voluntary retirement after completing 20 years of satisfactory service in the Alaska National Guard, Alaska Naval Militia or U.S. Armed Forces, and the reserve of them or any combination of that service if they have at least five years of Alaska National Guard or Naval Militia service. Credit is also allowed for Territorial Guard service rendered to the former territory of Alaska.

Members are eligible for involuntary retirement at any time assuming there has been no misconduct.

#### (b) Benefit:

Eligible members may elect to receive:

- (i) monthly benefits of \$100 which are payable for a period equal to the number of months that they were active members;
- (ii) a lump sum benefit equal to the actuarial equivalent of (i); or
- (iii) monthly payments until age 72 equal to the actuarial equivalent of (i).

#### (4) Vesting

Members are 100% vested after 20 years of total service in the Alaska National Guard, Alaska Naval Militia, U.S. Armed Forces or Reserves, or any combination of that service if members have at least five years of Alaska National Guard or Naval Militia service.

#### 3.1 Summary of System Provisions (continued)

#### (5) Death Benefits

(a) Active Members:

If the member has at least five years of active service in the Alaska National Guard or Naval Militia, the designated beneficiary will receive a lump sum benefit equal to the benefit in 3(b) above.

(b) Retired or Terminated Vested Members:

The designated beneficiary will receive a lump benefit equal to the remaining benefits payable in 3(b) above.

# 3.2 Participant Census Information

		June	30
		<u>1998</u>	<u>2000</u>
Act	ive Air Guard Members		
1.	Number	1,745	1,836
2.	Average Age	35.57	36.60
3.	Average Alaska Guard Service	6.85	7.76
4.	Average Total Military Service	13.42	14.32
Act	ive Army Guard Members		
1.	Number	1,583	1,896
2.	Average Age	34.45	34.15
3.	Average Alaska Guard Service	8.08	6.29
4.	Average Total Military Service	12.38	9.75
Act	tive Naval Militia Members		
1.	Number	76	100
2.	Average Age	35.35	37.52
3.	Average Alaska Militia Service	5.64	9.72
4.	Average Total Military Service	10.73	13.06
Ves	sted Terminated Members		
1.	Number	310	471
2.	Average Age	49.57	49.69
3.	Average Alaska Militia Service	18.27	18.58
4.	Average Total Military Service	27.03	26.90
Day	tines (in aludina ODDOs)		
	tirees (including QDROs)		407
1.	Number	511	497
2.	Average Age	60.34	61.54
3.	Average Years Remaining	10.42	10.03

3.3(a) Distributions of Active Participants

State of Alaska National Guard - All Actives

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3.3(b) Distributions of Active Participants

State of Alaska National Guard - Air Actives

# Valuation Date 6/30/00

# **Total Military Service**

	0 - 4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	+0+	
0-19	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27
20-24	110	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	148
25-29	65	107	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	223
30-34	27	50	237	55	0	0	0	0	0	369
35-39	16	19	129	237	89	0	0	0	0	469
40-44	7	13	32	26	135	13	0	0	0	292
45-49	-	n	16	34	9	63	6	0	0	191
50-54	0	1	2	14	14	79	32	7	0	91
55-59	0	0	0	9	7	<b>—</b>	7	m	-	25
60-64	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	1
69-59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
70-74	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	248	231	467	443	290	103	48	5	П	1,836

3.3(c) Distributions of Active Participants

State of Alaska National Guard - Army Actives

Valuation Date 6/30/00

# **Total Military Service**

	101	301	313	329	338	248	136	104	25		0	0	0	1,896
40+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35-39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	7
30-34	0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	17	4	0	0	0	0	21
25-29	0	0	0	0	0	B	16	12	9	0	0	0	0	37
20-24	0	0	0	0	13	70	4	27	7	₩	0	0	0	162
15-19	0	0	0	15	125	96	50	32	9	0	0	0	0	324
10-14	0	0	23	129	110	48	19	13	0	0	0	0	0	342
5-9	0	13	146	126	64	24	9	2	0	0	0	0	0	381
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	0-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	69-59	70-74	75+	

3.3(d) Distributions of Active Participants

State of Alaska National Guard - Navy Actives

Valuation Date 6/30/00

# Total Military Service

	0	13	16	11	19	14	18	9	3	0	0	0	0	100
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25-29	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	-		0	0	0	0	4
20-24	0	0	0	0		4	8	С	0	0	0	0	0	16
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	0-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	69-59	70-74	75+	

#### 3.4 Actuarial Method and Assumptions

A. Actuarial Method - Projected Unit Credit. Liabilities and contributions shown in the report are computed using the Projected Unit Credit method of funding.

The objective under this method is to fund each participant's benefits under the plan as they accrue. Thus, each participant's total pension is broken down into units, each associated with a year of past or future service. The principle underlying the method is that each unit is funded in the year for which it is credited. Typically, when the method is introduced there will be an initial liability for benefits credited for service prior to that date, and to the extent that this liability is not covered by assets there is an Unfunded Liability to be funded over a chosen period in accordance with an amortization schedule.

An <u>Accrued Liability</u> is calculated at the valuation date as the present value of benefits credited with respect to service to that date.

The <u>Unfunded Liability</u> at the valuation date is the excess of the Accrued Liability over the Assets of the System. The Unfunded Liability is amortized over 20 years less the average total military service of active members, and is referred to as the <u>Past Service Cost</u>.

The <u>Normal Cost</u> is the present value of those benefits which are expected to be credited with respect to service during the year beginning on the valuation date.

Under this method, differences between the actual experience and that assumed in the determination of costs and liabilities will emerge as adjustments in the Unfunded Liability, subject to amortization.

#### B. Actuarial Assumptions -

1. Interest 8.25% per year, compounded annually, net of investment expenses.

2. Mortality 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Basic Table for males and females, 1994 base year.

#### 3.4 Actuarial Method and Assumptions (continued)

3. Turnover

Turnover is assumed at 25% in the first year, and at 8% in the second; both rates are independent of age. Turnover after the second year is assumed to follow the T-3 Table published in the Pension Actuary's Handbook. Sample rates are:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Rate</u>
30	.04930
40	.04041
50	.02172

4. Disability

Disability rates under Group Long Term Disability policies, as given in the 1978 Society of Actuaries Study.

5. Retirement Age

Active members are assumed to retire after 20 years of total military service, except:

- a. if they complete 20 years of total military service before age 55, it is assumed that they will work one-half of the remaining years to age 55;
- b. if they will complete their 20th year of total military service after age 60, it is assumed they will retire at age 60.

Vested Terminated members are assumed to retire at current age or age 50, whichever is later.

Assets

Market value.

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