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# Fourth Quarter 2024

Update of Financial Markets, NPPD Investments, NDT & OPEB Market Values, NPPD Outstanding Debt

> NPPD Board of Directors Meeting Finance Committee February 2025

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## **Objective**

- Update the Board on 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2024 financial market news, and,
- Review investments as of December 31, 2024, in accordance with the "Investment Policy for Revenue Funds and Certain Special Funds of Nebraska Public Power District", and,
  - The applicable Investment Policy requires quarterly review to the Board
  - Investments include Revenue Fund, Revolving Credit Agreement accounts, Debt Service, Debt Service Reserve (Primary & Secondary), and Construction Funds
  - Excludes: Cooper Nuclear Station Decommissioning Trust Fund and Cooper Nuclear Station Supplemental Decommissioning Trust Fund, Active Employee Hospital-Medical Benefits Trust, Medical and Life Benefits Trust for Employees in Retirement Status; and Hospital-Medical and Employee Life Insurance Benefit Trust for Employees in Disability Status (these funds have separate investment policies reporting requirements)
- Review nuclear decommissioning trust funds and other postemployment benefits market value balances as of December 31, 2024, and,
- Review NPPD outstanding debt as of December 31, 2024

# **Municipal Market Reaction in Q4 2024**

- 2024 Q4 municipal bond issuance was approximately \$122 billion
   2023 Q4 municipal bond issuance was approximately \$104 billion
- Municipal Market Data (MMD) history on Tax Exempt Variable Rates (MMD is a high grade "AAA" municipal bond index / NPPD rating: A1 Moody's, A+ Fitch, A+ S&P):

	2023	2024						
Maturities	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
1-Year MMD	2.69%	3.07%	3.15%	2.60%	2.77%			
30-Year MMD	3.43%	3.65%	3.72%	3.57%	3.89%			

- NPPD Revenue Bonds use the MMD as a basis for pricing the District bonds are priced at a "spread" above the MMD
- During 2024, Federal Funds Target Rate remained unchanged during Q1 & Q2. Federal Funds Target Rate started January 2024 at 5.50% and ended December 2024 at 4.50%. Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) decreased the Federal Funds Target Rate by:
  - 50 basis points in September 2024
  - 25 basis points in November 2024
  - 25 basis points in December 2024
- According to Bloomberg data obtained 2/3/25, the projected FOMC Federal Funds Target Rate will remain as is through Q1 of 2025

### **NPPD General System Fund Balances**

Investment portfolio managed internally by NPPD (Values as of December 31, 2024)

December 31, 2024 Balances
 Par Value - \$813.6 million
 Acquisition Value - \$809.1 million
 Market Value - \$809.8 million
 Money Market Mutual Funds

Cash & Investments		Market Value (In Millions) Unrestricted Funds		Market Value (In Millions) Restricted Funds		Market Value (In Millions) Total	
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Revenue & RCA (1) Accounts	\$	715.2	\$	-	\$	715.2	
Debt Service (2)		-		13.8		13.8	
Debt Service Reserve - Primary		-		22.0		22.0	
Debt Service Reserve - Secondary (3)		51.7		-		51.7	
Construction Funds			_	7.1		7.1	
Total	\$	766.9	\$_	42.9	_ \$	809.8	

- (1) RCA Revolving Credit Agreement (there are currently no investments related to the RCA)
- (2) Includes Capitalized Interest funds of 2023 Series A
- (3) Restricted unless Board approves to use

### **NPPD General System Investment Portfolio Diversity**

All investments are within the allowable ranges per investment policy (Values as of December 31, 2024)

Security	*Par Value (In Millions)		*Market Value (In Millions)		*Acquisition Value (In Millions)		Yield (1)
Agency Notes Federal Home Loan Bank Federal Agriculture Mortgage Corp Federal Farm Credit Bank	\$	380.9 127.0 203.9 50.0	\$	380.8 127.3 203.1 50.4	\$	380.4 126.7 203.8 49.9	<b>4.58%</b> 4.79 4.32 5.06
Agency Discount Notes Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp	\$	<b>3.7</b> 3.7	\$	<b>3.5</b> 3.5	\$	<b>3.5</b> 3.5	<b>4.29</b> % 4.29
U.S. Government Treasury Notes Treasury Bills	\$	<b>268.9</b> 264.9 4.0	\$	<b>265.4</b> 261.4 4.0	\$	<b>265.1</b> 261.1 4.0	<b>4.43%</b> 4.43 4.35
Cash	\$	1.2	\$	1.2	\$	1.2	3.23%
Money Market Mutual Funds Wells Fargo Money Market Select Fund Wells Fargo Money Market Sweep Goldman Sachs Bank of New York Mellon	\$	159.0 148.0 2.4 3.6 5.0	\$	159.0 148.0 2.4 3.6 5.0	\$	159.0 148.0 2.4 3.6 5.0	4.30% 4.31 4.25 4.20 4.25
Grand Total	\$	813.6	\$	809.8	\$	809.1	4.47%

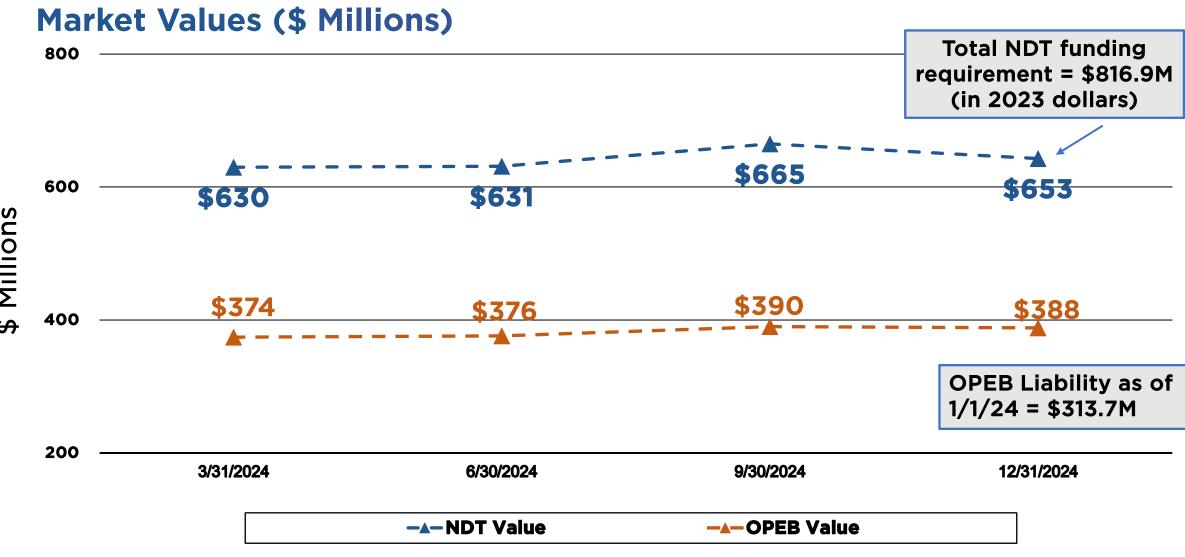
#### Investments include:

- Revenue Fund
- Revolving CreditAgreement accounts
- Debt Service
- Debt Service Reserve (Primary & Secondary)
- Construction Funds

<sup>\*</sup>May not add due to rounding.

<sup>(1)</sup> Since the majority of these investments are "buy and hold", yields are calculated from acquisition.

# Nuclear Decommissioning Trust (NDT) Funds & Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) Fund



# NPPD outstanding debt as of December 31, 2024

- Tax-Exempt Revolving Credit Agreement facility \$150 million
  - □ December 2024 outstanding balance: **\$70.4 million**
  - US Bank provides loan commitment
  - □ Interest rate is tied to SIFMA Index
  - Agreement Termination Date: September 12, 2025
- Taxable Revolving Credit Agreement facility \$300 million
  - □ December 2024 outstanding balance: \$179.9 million
  - □ Wells Fargo Bank provides 2/3 of loan commitment
  - □ Bank of America provides 1/3 of loan commitment
  - Interest rate is tied to SOFR Index
  - □ Agreement Termination Date: July 25, 2025
- General Revenue Bonds Debt Outstanding \$909.5 million
  - Unamortized bond premium net of discount
- Side-by-Side: Commercial Paper & Revolving Credit Agreement \$500 million
  - □ Closed October 17, 2024
  - □ December 2024 outstanding balance: **\$-0-**
  - □ First issuance of commercial paper expected late February or March 2025

SIFMA = Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association SOFR = Secured Overnight Financing Rate



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# Questions

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