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# CTASC

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## CHAUTAUQUA TOBACCO ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION

Paul M. Wendel, JR  
Kitty Crow  
Gregory J. Edwards  
*Directors*

Darin Schulz  
*Executive Director*

To: Paul M. Wendel, JR, Chautauqua County Executive  
Kitty Crow, Director of Finance  
Gregory J. Edwards, Director  
Pierre Chagnon, Chairman, County Legislature

From: Darin Schulz, CTASC Executive Director

Date: March 20, 2025

### ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2024

CTASC was formed on August 29, 2000 to securitize the tobacco settlement revenues due to Chautauqua County. Bonds were issued on September 15, 2000 in an amount of \$30,115,000. In 2005 Chautauqua County joined with other counties and issued an additional amount of bonds, \$9,476,371, based on the residual from the 2000 bond issue. On November 6, 2015 CTASC refunded the 2000 Series Bonds and the S4B tranche of the 2005 Series Bonds. The 2014 Senior Bond Principal was \$34,765,000 and the remaining 2005 Series Bond Principal is reduced to \$3,858,931.

#### **1. Operations and accomplishments during 2024**

During 2024 CTASC received tobacco settlement revenue of \$1,968,070. CTASC paid debt service to bond holders in an amount of \$1,911,900. The actual operating expenses covering general and administrative expense and liability insurance were \$74,840.

#### **2. Revenue and Expenses during 2024**

##### Revenue

Tobacco Settlement Revenue	\$1,968,070
Total Investment Income	<u>\$ 252,752</u>
Total Revenue	\$2,220,822

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### Expenses

General and Administrative	\$ 74,840
Interest Expense	\$1,354,620
Bond Accretion	\$ 780,479
Bond Issuance Cost	\$ 32,546
Lease amortization	\$ 10,246
Total Expenses	<u>\$2,253,996</u>

### **3. Assets and Liabilities at 12-31-24**

#### Assets

Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 32,365
Restricted Investments	\$ 2,505,543

#### Unamortized Bond Discounts

Series 2005 Turbo Capital	
Appreciation Bonds	\$ 72,980,652
Series 2014/2005 Bonds	<u>\$ 276,038</u>
Total assets	\$ 75,794,598

#### Liabilities

##### Bonds payable:

Due and payable within one year	\$ 3,220,000
Due and payable after one year	\$ 23,960,000
Turbo capital appreciation bonds payable	\$ 84,714,716
Lease Payable	\$ 10,849
Accrued Interest	<u>\$ 112,666</u>
Total liabilities	\$112,015,951

#### Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred Gain on Refunding	\$ 2,198,074
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#### Net Deficit

Restricted for debt service	\$ 2,365,607
Restricted for capital program	\$ 172,301
Deficit	<u>(\$40,947,088)</u>
Total Net Deficit	(\$38,409,180)

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#### **4. Schedule of Bonds and Notes Outstanding at 12-31-24**

Bonds Payable 2014 Issue	\$ 27,180,000
Bonds Payable 2005 Issue	\$ 37,116,614
Total Liabilities	\$ 64,296,614

#### **5. Compensation Schedule for Officers, Directors or Employees with Salaries in Excess of \$100,000**

None

#### **6. Project Undertaken During 2024**

None

#### **7. Real Property Having and Estimated FMV in Excess of \$15,000**

None (No additions or depositions of such property during the year)

#### **8. Code of Ethics**

CTASC has adopted the code of ethics utilized by the County of Chautauqua

#### **9. Assessment of the Effectiveness of Internal Control Structure and Procedures**

The internal control structure is effective. In accordance with the New York State Public Authorities Accountability Act CTASC established an audit committee of the Board of Directors in 2006 and periodically review CTASC bank statements and accounts. An audit report covering 2024 was issued by Johnson, Mackowiak and Associates, LLP in March 2025.

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### Chautauqua Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation ("CTASC")

#### Resolution of the Board of Directors March 20, 2025

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature has enacted the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005 ("the Act"), and CTASC is deemed a "local authority" under the provisions of the Act, and

WHEREAS, the Act requires local authorities such as CTASC to adopt and submit an annual report to the New York State Authority Budget Office, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of CTASC hereby approves the 2024 Annual Report prepared by and Darin R. A. Schulz, and authorizes submission of the annual report to the New York State Authority Budget Office.

Approved: Absent  
Paul M. Wendel, CTASC President

Approved: Kitty Crow  
Kitty Crow, CTASC Treasurer

Approved: Gregory J. Edwards  
Gregory J. Edwards, CTASC Director

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### CERTIFICATION OF ANNUAL REPORT

The 2024 Annual Report of CTASC was approved by the Board of Directors of CTASC by Resolution dated March 20, 2025. It is hereby certified by the undersigned that based on our knowledge:

- a) The information provided in the 2024 Annual Report is accurate, correct and does not contain any untrue statement of material fact;
- b) Does not omit any material fact which, if omitted, would cause the financial statements to be untrue; and
- c) Fairly presents in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the authority as of, and for the periods presented in the financial statements.

*Absent*

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