Financial Statements of the

# **Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation**

For the year ended March 31, 2023

# **Responsibility for Financial Reporting**

The preparation, presentation and integrity of the financial statements are the responsibility of management. This responsibility includes the selection and consistent application of appropriate accounting principles and methods in addition to making the estimates, judgments, and assumptions necessary to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. The accompanying financial statements of the Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation (OCRC) have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and include amounts that are based on management's best estimates and judgement.

Management maintains a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that the assets are safeguarded, and that reliable financial information is available on a timely basis. The system includes formal policies and procedures and an organizational structure that provides for appropriate delegation of authority and segregation of responsibilities. An internal audit function independently evaluates the effectiveness of these internal controls on an ongoing basis reports its findings to management and the Finance & Governance Committee of the Board.

The Board of Directors, through the Finance & Governance Committee, is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and internal controls. The Finance & Governance Committee, comprised of OCRC Board members only, generally meets periodically with management, the internal auditors, and the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario to satisfy itself that each group has properly discharged its respective responsibilities. Also, the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario meets with the Finance & Governance Committee without management present.

The financial statements have been audited by the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario. The Auditor General's responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. The Independent Auditor's Report outlines the scope of the Auditor General's examination and opinion.

On behalf of management:

David Lobo

President and Chief Executive Officer

Zeela Merchant

Chief Financial Officer

June 30, 2023



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of the Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation

# Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of the Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation (the Corporation), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the statements of income and comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Corporation as at March 31, 2023, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

# **Basis for Opinion**

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of my report. I am independent of the Corporation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to my audit of the financial statements in Canada, and I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

# Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Corporation either intends to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Corporation's financial reporting process.

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# Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
  fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
  evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting
  a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may
  involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal
  control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Corporation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events
  in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

Bonnie Lysyk, MBA, FCPA, FCA, LPA Auditor General

Toronto, Ontario June 30, 2023

# **Statement of Financial Position**

(Thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Note	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Assets			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash	3	535,696	385,930
Trade and other receivables	4	3,091	969
Inventories	5	113,450	74,943
Prepaid services		939	962
		653,176	462,804
Non-current Assets			
Prepaid services		441	284
Property, equipment, and intangible assets	6	3,549	3,595
Right-of-use assets	7	45,351	49,930
		49,341	53,809
Total Assets		702,517	516,613
Liabilities and Equity			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	8	135,263	172,125
Provisions	9	1,362	1,261
Leases	7	4,143	3,954
Borrowings	10	9,386	9,386
		150,154	186,726
Non-current Liabilities			
Provisions	9	473	480
Leases	7	42,860	46,997
Borrowings	10	50,329	57,955
		93,662	105,432
Total Liabilities		243,816	292,158
Equity			
Accumulated equity		458,701	224,455
Total Liabilities and Equity		702,517	516,613

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Approved by:

Connie Dejak, Chair, Board of Directors

Philip Leong, Board Member, Chair, Finance and Governance Committee

# **Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income**

(Thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Note	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Revenue	11	1,474,484	1,180,849
Cost of sales	12	(1,151,144)	(914,519)
Gross margin		323,340	266,330
Other income	13	67	22
Selling, general and administrative expenses	14	(103,043)	(81,052)
Income from operations		220,364	185,300
Finance income	15	16,769	2,118
Finance costs	15	(2,887)	(2,987)
Total comprehensive income		234,246	184,431

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# ONTARIO CANNABIS RETAIL CORPORATION Statement of Changes in Equity

(Thousands of Canadian dollars)

	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Accumulated equity at beginning of year	224,455	40,024
Total comprehensive income for the year	234,246	184,431
Accumulated equity at end of year	458,701	224,455

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# ONTARIO CANNABIS RETAIL CORPORATION Statement of Cash Flows

(Thousands of Canadian dollars)

	Note	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Operating activities:			
Total comprehensive income		234,246	184,431
Less:			
Depreciation of property, equipment, and intangible assets	6	596	568
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	7	4,827	4,063
Interest on borrowings	15	1,760	1,974
Interest expenses on leases	15	1,127	1,013
Interest paid on leases		(1,140)	(1,013)
Write-off of right-of-use assets	7	-	44
Loss on disposal of assets	14	5	8
		241,421	191,088
Changes in non-cash balances related to operations:			
Trade and other receivables	4	(2,122)	(147)
Inventories	5	(38,507)	(2,182)
Prepaid expenses		(134)	(95)
Trade and other payables	8	(36,862)	44,969
Provisions	9	94	(54)
Net cash from operating activities		163,890	233,579
Investing activities:			
Purchase of property, equipment, and intangible assets	6	(555)	(464)
Purchase of right-of-use assets	7	-	(338)
Net cash used in investing activities		(555)	(802)
Financing activities:			
Repayments of lease liabilities	7	(3,961)	(3,441)
Prepayments of right-of-use assets under construction	7	(222)	(414)
Repayments of borrowings	10	(9,386)	(9,386)
Net cash used in financing activities		(13,569)	(13,241)
Net increase in cash		149,766	219,536
Cash, beginning of year		385,930	166,394
Cash, end of year		535,696	385,930

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# **Notes to the Financial Statements**

(Thousands of Canadian dollars)

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements

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# 1. Corporate and general information

The Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation ("OCRC") is a corporation without share capital incorporated under the *Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation Act*, S.O. 2017, Chapter 26, Schedule 2 ("the Act"). OCRC was established on December 12, 2017, as an agent of the Crown.

The Act authorizes the OCRC to buy, possess and sell non-medical cannabis and related products, establishes it as Ontario's online non-medical cannabis retailer, and provides it with the exclusive right to wholesale non-medical cannabis to privately-run cannabis retail stores licensed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario ("AGCO").

As an Ontario Crown corporation, OCRC is exempt from income taxes. Under *the Act*, OCRC will transfer its net profits to the Province of Ontario ("Province") at such times and in such manner as may be directed.

OCRC's fiscal year begins on April 1 in each year and ends on March 31 in the following year.

OCRC's head office is located at 4100 Yonge Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M2P 2B5.

# 2. Basis of presentation and significant accounting judgments and policies

# 2.1 Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The audited financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorized for issue on June 29, 2023.

# 2.2 Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost. Cost is recorded based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the assets.

# 2.3 Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, OCRC's functional currency.

# 2.4 Accounting standards, amendments and interpretations issued, but not yet effective

There are no IFRS standards that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on OCRC.

# 2.5 Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognized initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost. The carrying amount of trade and other receivables is reduced through the use of an allowance for lifetime expected credit losses.

Chargeback receivables are made up of are made up of vendor chargeback receivables and trade receivables are made up of customer receivables, less allowances for expected credit losses. Other receivables are made up of recoverable input tax credits, sundry receivables, and interest receivable on cash balances.

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The carrying amount of chargeback and trade receivables is reduced through the use of an allowance where there is objective evidence that OCRC will not be able to collect amounts due from a vendor chargeback or customer receivable. OCRC makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for trade and other receivables and records the loss allowance as lifetime expected credit losses. These are the expected shortfalls in contractual cash flows, considering the potential for default at any point during the life of the financial instrument. OCRC assess impairment of chargeback and trade receivables on an individual basis as they possess separate credit risk characteristics. OCRC establishes an allowance on vendor chargebacks and trade receivables taking into consideration, external indicators, current economic trends, historical experience, and forecasts of future economic conditions. When receivables are deemed uncollectible it is written off against the allowance. The loss is recognized as selling, general, and administrative expenses in the Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income.

#### 2.6 Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined by the weighted average cost method. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less applicable variable selling expenses.

Cost includes all direct expenditures to bring the inventory to its present location and condition net of vendor allowances. Inventories are written down to net realizable value when the cost of inventories is not estimated to be recoverable.

# 2.7 Property and equipment

Capital expenditures with a future useful life beyond the current year are measured at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

Depreciation is recognized in the Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income over the expected useful lives of each major component of property and equipment, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

The cost of subsequently replacing part of an item of property and equipment is recognized in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits related to the part will flow to OCRC, and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced item of property and equipment is derecognized, if it is disposed, or if there are no future economic benefits expected. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property and equipment are recognized as expense as incurred.

The estimated useful lives of property and equipment are as follows:

Computer hardware 4 years Furniture and fixtures 10 years

Leasehold improvements Initial building lease term + 1 renewal term

Property and equipment that is work-in-progress is measured at historical cost. Depreciation commences when they are available for use.

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# 2.8 Intangible assets

Intangible assets with finite lives are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. These intangible assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives.

Intangible assets include externally acquired software, which has an estimated useful life of three to four years.

# 2.9 Impairment of property, equipment, and intangible assets

After recognition of an asset, an item of property, equipment and intangible asset shall be carried at its cost less any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. An asset is impaired when its carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. To determine whether an item of property, equipment and intangible assets is impaired, OCRC considers whether:

- the asset value has declined significantly.
- significant changes with adverse effects on OCRC have taken place, impacting the use of the asset.
- the carrying value of a net asset is significantly higher than its market value.
- evidence is available of obsolescence or physical damage, having a significant impact on OCRC's financial position.

If any such indications exist, the recoverable amount of the asset or cash-generating unit (CGU) which is the higher of its fair value less cost of disposal and its value in use, must be determined. A CGU is the smallest identifiable group of assets that generate cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or group of assets. If the recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the amount of the asset or CGU is reduced to its recoverable amount.

Any impairment loss is recognized as an expense in the period in which it occurs.

#### 2.10 Leases

The OCRC assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease at inception of the contract. A lease conveys the right to direct the use and obtain substantially all of the economic benefits of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

With the exception of short-term leases and leases of low-value assets, OCRC recognizes a lease liability on the lease commencement date. The initial amount of the lease liability comprises the present value of the lease payments during the lease term. The lease term is the non-cancellable period for which OCRC has the right to use the asset, including extension or termination option periods that OCRC is reasonably certain to exercise.

The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease if that rate can be readily determined. If that rate cannot be readily determined, the lease payments are discounted using OCRC's incremental borrowing rate, which is the applicable rate of the Ontario Financing Authority at the lease commencement date. Subsequently, the lease liability is measured by increasing the liability to reflect interest and decreasing the liability to reflect payments. The lease liability is remeasured to reflect reassessment or modification or to reflect in-substance fixed lease payments. The revised lease payments are discounted using the OCRC's incremental borrowing rate at the date of reassessment when the rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined. The amount of the remeasurement of the lease liability is reflected as an adjustment to the carrying

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amount of the right-of-use asset. The exception being when the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero then any excess is recognized in Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income.

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, comprised of the initial amount of the lease liability; lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, less any incentives received; initial direct costs; and an estimate of dismantling or restoration costs to be incurred. Depreciation of right of-use-assets is recognized in the Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income over the lease term, using the straight-line method.

Right-of-use assets under construction are capitalized when lease payments are made prior to the commencement date. Right-of-use assets under construction are not depreciated until such time they are available for use. Right-of-use assets under construction is subsequently transferred to its applicable category and depreciation would commence over the lease term.

At the end of each distribution centre equipment lease term, the OCRC may purchase the underlying asset from the lessor at a third-party determined fair market value. Purchased right-of-use assets continue to be classified as such as the OCRC continues to direct its use over its economical useful life. The purchase costs can be measured reliably, and the future economic benefits are probable. After purchasing a right-of-use asset, its cost is either recorded or continues to be recorded as a right-of-use asset, and the purchase costs are included in the total carrying amount of right-of-use assets. The right-of-use asset is then depreciated on a straight-line basis over its remaining economic useful life. Purchased distribution centre equipment assets have estimated useful lives ranging between eight to twenty years.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are accounted for by recognizing the lease payments on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

As a practical expedient, IFRS 16 permits a lessee not to separate non-lease components, and to instead account for any lease and associated non-lease components as a single arrangement. OCRC has not used this practical expedient, as a result the OCRC accounts for each lease component and any associated non-lease component as a separate lease component. Non-lease components, also referred to as variable lease payments, such as property taxes, management fees and utilities have been expensed as incurred throughout the year.

# 2.11 Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are classified and measured at amortized cost as they are generally short-term in nature and due within one year of the Statement of Financial Position date. Trade payables are non-interest bearing and are initially measured at fair value and subsequently remeasured at amortized cost.

Vendor chargebacks are offset against liabilities when OCRC has a legally enforceable right to offset the receivable amount and intends to settle on a net basis.

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#### 2.12 Provisions

Provisions are recognized when there is a present legal or constructive obligation because of a past event, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefit will be required to settle the obligation and where a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

# 2.13 Borrowings

Borrowings are financial liabilities with original maturity dates greater than one year. They are initially measured at fair value less transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortized cost, using the effective interest method.

# 2.14 Employee benefits

#### Pension benefits costs

OCRC provides defined pension benefits for all its permanent employees (and to non-permanent employees who elect) through the Public Service Pension Fund ("PSPF") and the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) Pension Fund. The Province, which is the sole sponsor of the PSPF and a joint sponsor of the OPSEU Pension Fund, determines OCRC's annual contribution to the funds. As sponsors are responsible for ensuring that the pension fund is financially viable, any surpluses and unfunded liabilities arising from statutory actuarial funding valuations are not assets or obligations of the OCRC.

The OCRC does not have a net obligation in respect of the defined benefit pension plans as the plan are established by the Province of Ontario. The Province of Ontario controls all entities included in the pension plans. The OCRC has classified these plans as state plans as there is no contractual agreement or stated policy for charging the net defined benefit cost of the plans to the OCRC. As such, the OCRC records these post-employment benefits as a defined contribution plan and is charged to the Statement of Income and Other Comprehensive Income in the period the contributions become payable.

#### Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are benefits that are expected to the wholly settled within twelve months of the annual reporting period in which they are earned by employees.

# Other long-term employee benefits

Employee benefits other than those provided by the Province include Workplace Safety and Insurance Board ("WSIB") and Long-Term Disability ("LTD"). These plans provide long-term income protection benefits to employees when they are no longer providing active service.

As a Schedule 2 employer, the OCRC is a self-insured employer and therefore must pay for the full cost of claims as the payments are due and cover all WSIB related administrative expenses. The WSIB maintains full authority over the Schedule 2 claims entitlement process.

Other long-term employee benefits are employee benefits that are not expected to be wholly settled within twelve months of the annual reporting period in which they are earned by employees. Provisions for long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows.

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#### 2.15 Revenue

Revenue from sale of wholesale and e-commerce goods is measured at the fair value of consideration received from the sale of goods in the ordinary course of OCRC's activities less any applicable taxes, actual and expected returns. Revenue from wholesale and e-commerce is recognized when the customer receives the product or upon estimated receipt by the customer.

Revenue from the data subscription program is measured at the fair value of consideration received from participants in the program, less any applicable taxes. Revenue from the data subscription program is recognized at the time the annual fee is charged.

# 2.16 Cost of sales

Cost of sales includes the cost of inventories expensed during the year and other costs incurred to fulfill performance obligations to customers.

# 2.17 Other income

Other income comprises income from pre-authorized debit reprocessing fees charged to customers. The income from these fees charged can be measured reliably.

#### 2.18 Finance income and costs

Finance income comprises interest income on cash balances.

Finance costs consist of interest expense on borrowings and lease liabilities.

Interest income and expense are calculated using the effective interest method.

# 2.19 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when OCRC becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value, plus or minus transaction costs that are directly attributable to their acquisition.

The measurement of financial instruments in subsequent periods and the recognition of changes in fair value depend on the category in which they are classified.

OCRC has classified and measured its financial instruments as follows:

Financial Asset/Liability	Measurement
Cash	Amortized cost
Trade and other receivables	Amortized cost
Trade and other payables	Amortized cost
Borrowings	Amortized cost

#### Amortized cost

This measurement category applies to financial instruments in which assets are held for collection of contractual cash flows in which the cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest. Cash, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and borrowings are measured at amortized cost.

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#### Fair value measurements

The OCRC does not have financial instruments measured at fair value.

# 2.20 Use of Estimates and Judgments

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires Management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as at the date of the financial statements, and the carrying amount of revenues and expenses for the reporting period. These estimates are changed periodically and, as adjustments become necessary, they are recognized in the financial statements in the period in which they become known.

The judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant effect on the amounts recognized in these financial statements are disclosed in the relevant notes to which the estimates and judgments relate.

# Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realizable value which required the OCRC to utilize estimates related to fluctuations in shrink, future prices, the impact of vendor chargebacks on cost, seasonality, and costs necessary to sell the inventory.

#### Leases

Management exercises judgement in determining the appropriate lease term on a lease-by-lease basis. Management considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise a renewal option or to not exercise a termination option including investments in major leaseholds, past business practice and the length of time remaining before the option is exercisable. The periods covered by renewal options are only included in the lease term if Management is reasonably certain to renew. Management considers reasonably certain to be a high threshold. Changes in the economic environment or changes in the cannabis industry may impact Management's assessment of lease term, and any changes in Management's estimate of lease terms may have a material impact on the OCRC Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income.

In determining the carrying amount of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities, OCRC is required to estimate the incremental borrowing rate specific to each leased asset if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determined. Management determines the incremental borrowing rate using the applicable rate of the Ontario Financing Authority ("OFA") at the lease commencement date.

# **Provisions**

Provisions have been made for certain employee benefits, sales returns, and contract terminations. These provisions are estimates, the actual costs and timing of future cash flows are dependent on future events. Any difference between expectations and the actual future liability will be accounted for in the period where such determination is made.

#### 3. Cash

Cash as at March 31, 2023, includes interest-bearing bank accounts. OCRC did not hold any cash equivalents as at March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$nil).

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#### 4. Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables include the following:

	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Chargeback receivables	910	252
Trade receivables	460	34
Loss allowance for expected credit losses	(916)	(31)
Recoverable input tax credits	30	-
Sundry receivables	316	379
Interest receivable	2,291	335
	3,091	969

The carrying amount of trade and other receivables approximates its fair value due to its short-term nature. Chargeback receivables is made up of vendor chargeback balances from price protection or returned products. Trade receivables is made up of wholesale customer balances. The carrying amount of chargeback and trade receivables is reduced through the use of an allowance at levels considered adequate to absorb credit losses. Subsequent recoveries of receivables previously provisioned are credited to Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.

The amount of lifetime expected credit losses on trade and other receivables, specifically chargeback and trade receivables, is \$916 (2022 - \$31). Information about the OCRC's exposure to credit risks and analysis relating to the loss allowance for expected credit losses is included in note 17.

# 5. Inventories

The cost of inventories sold and recognized as cost of sales during the year ended March 31, 2023, was \$1,151,144 (2022 - \$890,246). This includes inventory write-downs recognized during the year of \$10,481 (2022 - \$4,015). The write downs and reversals are included in inventory cost of sales. No inventory is pledge as security.

Write-downs from the prior period are reversed in the year as a result of selling through or charging back the cost of the inventory to the vendor upon return or destruction.

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# 6. Property, equipment, and intangible assets

The following table presents the net book value and changes in the cost and accumulated depreciation of property, equipment, and intangible assets.

Property, equipment, and intangible assets continuity for the year ended March 31, 2023:

		<b>Furniture</b>			Leasehold	
	Computer hardware	and fixtures	Computer software	Leasehold improvements	improvements in progress	Total
Cost						
Balance at March 31, 2022	1,029	1,389	15	2,557	40	5,030
Additions	450	-	-	9	96	555
Disposals	(49)	(5)	(4)	-	-	(58)
Transfers	-	-	-	76	(76)	-
Balance at March 31, 2023	1,430	1,384	11	2,642	60	5,527
Accumulated dep	reciation					
Balance at March 31, 2022	674	385	11	365	-	1,435
Depreciation	241	138	2	215	-	596
Disposals	(48)	(2)	(3)	-	-	(53)
Balance at March 31, 2023	867	521	10	580	-	1,978
Carrying amount						
As at March 31, 2022	355	1,004	4	2,192	40	3,595
As at March 31, 2023	563	863	1	2,062	60	3,549

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Property, equipment, and intangible assets continuity for the year ended March 31, 2022:

	Computor	Furniture	Commuter	Leasehold	Leasehold	
	Computer hardware	and fixtures	Computer software	improvements	improvements in progress	Total
Cost						
Balance at March 31, 2021	895	1,343	15	1,165	1,174	4,592
Additions	158	48	-	62	196	464
Transfer	-	-	-	1,330	(1,330)	-
Disposals	(24)	(2)	-	-	-	(26)
Balance at March 31, 2022	1,029	1,389	15	2,557	40	5,030
Accumulated depre	ciation					
Balance at March 31, 2021	458	253	7	169	-	887
Depreciation	235	133	4	196	-	568
Disposals	(19)	(1)	-	-	-	(20)
Balance at March 31, 2022	674	385	11	365	-	1,435
Carrying amount						
As at March 31, 2021	437	1,090	8	996	1,174	3,705
As at March 31, 2022	355	1,004	4	2,192	40	3,595

# 7. Leases

# a) Lease liabilities

The following table presents the changes in the lease liability for the year ended March 31, 2023:

	Office premises	Distribution centre premises	Distribution centre equipment	Total
Balance, as at March 31, 2022	10,050	32,251	8,650	50,951
Additions	26	-	-	26
Modifications	(1)	-	(12)	(13)
Principal payments	(695)	(1,170)	(2,096)	(3,961)
Balance, as at March 31, 2023	9,380	31,081	6,542	47,003

	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Current portion	4,143	3,954
Long-term portion	42,860	46,997
	47,003	50,951

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Interest expense on these lease obligations for the year ended March 31, 2023, was \$1,127 (2022 - \$1,013). Total cash outflow for the year ended March 31, 2023, was \$5,088 (2022 - \$4,454) including interest.

# Maturity analysis of lease liabilities

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities reflecting the future contractual lease payments that are expected to be made over the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

	March 31, 2023
Less than one year	5,108
One to five years	16,533
Thereafter	33,805
Total undiscounted lease payments	55,446
Less: Imputed interest on lease	(8,443)
Total discounted lease payments	47,003

# Low-value leases

Expenses relating to low-value leases (low-value distribution centre office furniture, fixtures, and information technology equipment) accounted for on a straight-line basis over lease terms ranging between 36 months to 60 months were \$209 for the year ended March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$362). As at March 31, 2023, commitments for low-value leases are \$211 (2022 - \$420).

#### Office premises lease

OCRC entered into an office lease during the year ended March 31, 2020. The lease term is for 5 years with two optional extension terms of 5 years each. The lease payments were discounted using OCRC's incremental borrowing rate, which is the applicable rate of the Ontario Financing Authority ("OFA") at the lease commencement date.

# Distribution centre premises lease

OCRC entered into a distribution centre lease during the year ended March 31, 2021. The lease term is for 10 years with two optional extension terms of 5 years each. The lease payments were discounted using OCRC's incremental borrowing rate, which is the applicable rate of the Ontario Financing Authority ("OFA") at the lease commencement date.

#### Distribution centre equipment - leased

During the year ended March 31, 2022, OCRC entered into additional equipment leases for use at the distribution centre. The lease terms range from 36 months to 60 months with optional one year extension terms. The lease payments were discounted using OCRC's incremental borrowing rate, which is the applicable rate of the Ontario Financing Authority ("OFA") at the lease commencement date.

#### Distribution centre equipment - purchased

During the year end March 31, 2022, the OCRC elected to purchase the underlying assets of distribution centre equipment leases that expired at an arm's length fair market value determined at the end of each lease term. The measurable purchase costs were added to the right-of-use asset's carrying amount at the end of the lease term. The purchased right-of-use assets' remaining carrying values are depreciated over their remaining economic useful lives.

# Variable lease payments

Total variable lease expenses that are not included in the measurement of lease liabilities are \$584 (2022 - \$671).

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# b) Right-of-use assets

The following table presents the changes in the cost of right-of-use assets for the year ended March 31, 2023:

	Office	Distribution centre	Distribution centre	Distribution center equipment under	
	premises	premises	equipment	construction	Total
Cost	•	•	•		
Balance at March 31,2022	11,577	33,539	12,270	-	57,386
Additions	26	-	-	222	248
Modifications	-	-	(124)	-	(124)
Balance at March 31, 2023	11,603	33,539	12,146	222	57,510
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance at March 31, 2022	2,277	2,750	2,429	-	7,456
Depreciation	771	1,649	2,407	-	4,827
Modifications	-	-	(124)	-	(124)
Balance at March 31, 2023	3,048	4,399	4,712	-	12,159
Carrying amount					
As at March 31, 2022	9,300	30,789	9,841	-	49,930
Balance at March 31, 2023	8,555	29,140	7,434	222	45,351

The distribution centre equipment consists of leased and purchased right-of-use assets.

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The following table presents the changes in the cost of right-of-use assets for the year ended March 31, 2022:

	Offi	Distribution	Distribution	Distribution centre	
	Office premises	centre premises	centre equipment	equipment under construction	Total
Cost		•			
Balance at March 31,2021	11,577	34,582	5,345	252	51,756
Additions	-	-	6,014	708	6,722
Modifications	-	-	(5)	-	(5)
Transfers	-	-	916	(916)	-
Disposals	-	(1,043)	-	-	(1,043)
Write off				(44)	(44)
Balance at March 31, 2022	11,577	33,539	12,270	-	57,386
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance at March 31, 2021	1,518	2,096	822	-	4,436
Depreciation	759	1,697	1,607	-	4,063
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	(1,043)	-	-	(1,043)
Balance at March 31, 2022	2,277	2,750	2,429	-	7,456
Carrying amount					
As at March 31, 2021	10,059	32,486	4,523	252	47,320
Balance at March 31, 2022	9,300	30,789	9,841	-	49,930

The distribution centre equipment consists of leased and purchased right-of-use assets.

# 8. Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables include the following:

	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Inventory payables and accruals	128,682	164,683
Chargebacks offset against inventory payables	(9,999)	(4,317)
Other trade payables and accrued expenses	11,971	8,968
Refundable input tax credits payable	4,339	2,476
Deferred revenue	85	58
Customer deposits	185	257
	135,263	172,125

The fair values of trade and other payables approximate their carrying amounts due to their short-term nature.

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# 9. Provisions

The following tables represent the changes to OCRC's provisions:

Provisions continuity for the year ended March 31, 2023

	Contract terminations	Short term employee benefits	Other	Total
Balance at March 31, 2022	-	1,169	572	1,741
Additional provisions recognised during the year	90	1,216	56	1,362
Utilization of provision	-	(1,047)	(92)	(1,139)
Reversal of unused provisions	-	(122)	(7)	(129)
Balance at March 31, 2023	90	1,216	529	1,835

Provisions continuity for the year ended March 31, 2022

	Short term employee		
	benefits	Other	Total
Balance at March 31, 2021	1,254	541	1,795
Additional provisions recognised during the year	1,169	251	1,420
Utilization of provision	(1,254)	(220)	(1,474)
Balance at March 31, 2022	1,169	572	1,741

	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Current portion	1,362	1,261
Long-term portion	473	480
	1,835	1,741

The employee benefits provision includes short-term employee benefits expected to be paid in the following year. Other provisions include a sales returns allowance and long-term employee benefits (refer to Note 2.14). The sales returns allowance ("Other") is estimated based on historical sales return trends.

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# 10. Borrowings

During the year ended March 31, 2020, OCRC entered into a non-revolving 10-year term loan ("OFA Loan") with the Ontario Financing Authority (OFA) for \$81,405 that bears interest at 2.79 per cent per annum, compounded semi-annually, and is repayable in equal semi-annual instalments of \$4,693. The loan is unsecured and is due January 1, 2030.

At March 31, 2023, changes in borrowings are as follows:

	OFA Loan
	67,341
	(9,386)
	1,760
	59,715
March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
59,715	67,341
(9,386)	(9,386)
	59,715

50,329

The fair value of borrowings at March 31, 2023 approximates their carrying amount.

# 11. Revenue

Non-current borrowings

Revenue is comprised of sales of cannabis products and accessories, net of returns, and delivery fees and is recognized at the time the customer receives the product.

	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Wholesale revenue	1,431,212	1,107,774
E-commerce revenue	42,789	72,693
Data subscription program	483	382
	1,474,484	1,180,849

Credit losses incurred on e-commerce transactions were \$34 for the year ended March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$35). Refer to Note 17.

57,955

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# 12. Cost of sales

Cost of sales includes the cost of product sold, determined by the weighted average cost method, as well as other costs incurred by OCRC to fulfill its contractual obligations to customers.

	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Cost of goods sold	1,117,114	890,246
Delivery fees	33,789	23,945
Transaction fees	241	328
	1,151,144	914,519

# 13. Other income

Other income includes the following:

	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Fees	67	19
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	-	3
	67	22

# 14. Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses include the following:

	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Salaries and benefits	39,335	32,924
Warehouse and logistics	36,663	28,884
Information systems and technology support	6,862	5,189
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	4,827	4,063
Depreciation of property, equipment, and intangible assets	596	568
Media expenses	3,539	954
Contract services	3,126	2,704
Professional services	2,855	1,825
Insurance	1,429	1,246
E-commerce transaction processing	1,067	1,405
Occupancy	945	844
Provision (recovery) of bad debts	930	(97)
Recruitment services	135	140
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	5	8
Other expenses	729	395
	103,043	81,052

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#### 15. Finance income and costs

Finance income and costs include the following:

	For the year ended March 31, 2023	For the year ended March 31, 2022
Interest income on bank balances	16,769	2,118
Lease liabilities interest expense (Note 7)	(1,127)	(1,013)
OFA loan interest expense (Note 10)	(1,760)	(1,974)
	13,882	(869)

# 16. Post-employment and other long-term employee benefits

# (i) Employee pension benefits

During the year, OCRC made pension contributions to the plans that amounted to \$2,625 (2022 - \$2,350). These amounts are included in salaries and benefits expenses and reported in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income.

# (ii) Other long-term employee benefit plans

Other long-term employee benefits provided by OCRC include long-term income protection benefits.

As at March 31, 2023, the liability for long-term income protection benefits recognized amounted to \$473 (2022 - \$480), which is included in the Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income.

# 17. Financial risk management

OCRC's Treasury Policy and Customer Credit Risk Management Policy regarding financial risk management and internal controls set out a prudential framework for the identification, measurement, management, and control of financial risks. These policies are a fundamental part of OCRC's long-term strategy covering areas such as credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. OCRC's financial risk management approach is to minimize the potential adverse effects from these risks on its financial performance. OCRC is exposed to the following financial risks:

# (a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss due to a financial counterparty or another third party failing to meet its financial or contractual obligations to the OCRC.

OCRC minimizes credit risk on its cash accounts by restricting its banking and cash management to arrangements with Schedule I banks. Payment for orders from Licensed Retailers is collected via pre-authorized debit upon shipment, or prepaid, making the likelihood of credit loss very low. Payment for orders from e-commerce customers is authorized at checkout, making the likelihood of credit loss very low. In addition, OCRC employs various fraud detection tools to identify high-risk e-commerce transactions. These practices enable OCRC to minimize credit risk related to customers.

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OCRC is exposed to credit risk under circumstances where chargebacks are issued from OCRC to vendors, resulting in balances due to OCRC, and receivables from customers. OCRC mitigates such risk by reviewing the receivables position against future planned inventory purchases for eventual offset against the receivable, where applicable. OCRC also analyses the vendor and customer financial health and assesses their ability to meet their obligations based on information available, as well as actively processing collections activities to assist in mitigating the risk of non-payment resulting from chargebacks to vendors and receivables from customers. A risk assessment is completed on a periodic basis, and a provision for expected credit losses is booked based on the outcome of the risk assessment. Chargeback and trade receivables are derecognized when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery.

OCRC applies the IFRS 9 simplified model of recognizing lifetime expected credit losses for all vendor chargeback and trade receivables as these items do not have a significant financing component.

OCRC estimates lifetime expected credit losses, specifically on chargeback and trade receivables, as at March 31, 2023, to be \$916 (2022 - \$31). The changes in the vendor chargeback and trade receivables loss allowances were as follows:

	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Beginning balance	31	217
Loss allowance recognized during the year	952	9
Loss allowance utilized during the year	(67)	-
Loss allowance unused and reversed during the year	-	(195)
Ending balance	916	31

The details of OCRC's aging of vendor chargeback and trade receivables are as follows:

	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022
Less than 60 days past due	991	46
61-180 days past due	280	-
Greater than 180 days past due	99	206
Total	1,370	252
Less: Loss allowance	(916)	(31)
Chargeback & trade receivables (net)	454	221

Incurred credit losses are due to fraudulent e-commerce customer transactions that occur subsequent to shipment of product. Refer to Notes 4 and 11.

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# (b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that OCRC may not have cash available to satisfy financial liabilities as they fall due.

OCRC seeks to limit its liquidity risk by actively monitoring and managing its available cash reserves to ensure that it has sufficient access to liquidity at all times to meet financial obligations when due as well as those relating to unforeseen events. In addition, OCRC has developed policies and practices to maximize working capital.

Trade and other payables are all due within one year of the Statement of Financial Position date. Refer to note 7 for the maturity analysis of lease liabilities reflecting the remaining contractual lease payments and refer to note 10 for information relating to the remaining semi-annual payments on borrowings until its maturity in 2030.

#### (c) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the value of a financial instrument or cash flows associated with an instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. OCRC is exposed to minimal interest rate risk related to lease obligations as the rates are determined at commencement date, and minimal risk on its loan liability balance owed to the OFA, as a 10-year amortizing interest rates is applied (refer to note 10).

In OCRC's assessment, the impact of changes in interest rates would not have a significant impact on net income.

# 18. Capital management

OCRC is a corporation without share capital. Its capital structure consists of borrowings and accumulated equity. Total managed capital as at March 31, 2023, is \$518,416 (2022 - \$291,796).

OCRC's objectives in managing its capital are to preserve capital and to maintain sufficient liquidity to meet future financial commitments, including the repayment of borrowings from the OFA. By achieving these objectives, OCRC is able to fund its future growth.

The Board of Directors is responsible for oversight of Management, including policies related to financial risk management. OCRC's Management is responsible for overseeing its capital structure and mitigating financial risk in response to changing economic conditions.

The OCRC is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

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#### 19. Related parties

The related parties of OCRC consist of the Province and its government departments, agencies, ministries, Crown Corporations, and key management personnel of OCRC, close family members of these individuals, or entities controlled or jointly controlled by these individuals.

The following transactions were carried out with related parties and recorded at the exchange amount.

# (a) Ontario Financing Authority

The carrying value of the 10-year term loan with OFA (refer to note 10) as at March 31, 2023, is \$59,715 (March 31, 2022 - \$67,341) including accrued interest of \$408 (March 31, 2022 - \$463).

# (b) Ontario Pension Board, & Ontario Public Service Employees Union and Workplace Safety Insurance Board

Contributions to pension plans pertaining to employee future post-employment benefits and accrued benefit costs for other long-term employee benefit plans are disclosed in note 16.

# (c) Key management personnel

Key management personnel are those individuals having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of OCRC. Key management personnel include members of the Board of Directors as well as the President and Chief Executive Officer and top senior officers of OCRC. Board members receive a per diem remuneration for attending regularly scheduled meetings and for serving on the Finance and Governance Committee and the Human Resources and Compensation Committee.

Key management personnel compensation for the year ended March 31, 2023, was \$3,114 (2022 - \$3,503), comprised of salaries and benefits, directors per diem fees, and other short-term employee benefits.

# 20. Contingencies

#### Standby letter of credit

In order to meet the contribution payment demand requirements as set out in the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) agreement, the OCRC entered into an irrevocable standby letter of credit with one of its financial institutions in the amount of \$350. The beneficiary of this letter of credit is the OPSEU. The purpose of this letter of credit is to have funds available to be drawn and payable to the OPSEU in the event a contribution payment is missed at any point in time during OCRC's participation in the OPSEU OP Trust pension plan. This standby letter of credit is irrevocable, bears commission at a daily rate of 0.50% paid up front and is renewed annually provided that OCRC remains a participant.

No amounts have been drawn against the standby letter of credit during the period and as at March 31, 2023 (March 31, 2022 - \$nil).

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# Other Contingencies

OCRC is involved in various legal actions arising out of the ordinary course and conduct of business. In view of the inherent difficulty of predicting the outcome on such matters, OCRC cannot state what the eventual outcome on such matters will be. However, based upon legal assessment and information presently available, OCRC does not believe that liabilities, if any, arising from pending litigation will have a material effect on the financial statements. Settlements, if any, concerning these contingent liabilities will be accounted for in the period in which the settlement occurs.

# 21. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the financial statement presentation adopted for the current year.