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September 6, 1984

Ms. Rose Mendonca
City Clerk
City of Providence
City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Ms. Mendonca:

The enclosed copies of the Narragansett Bay Commission's 1982 Annual Report and informational brochure are being made available to you for distribution to city officials and interested members of the public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Pezzi".

Gail Pezzi
Information & Public Relations Specialist

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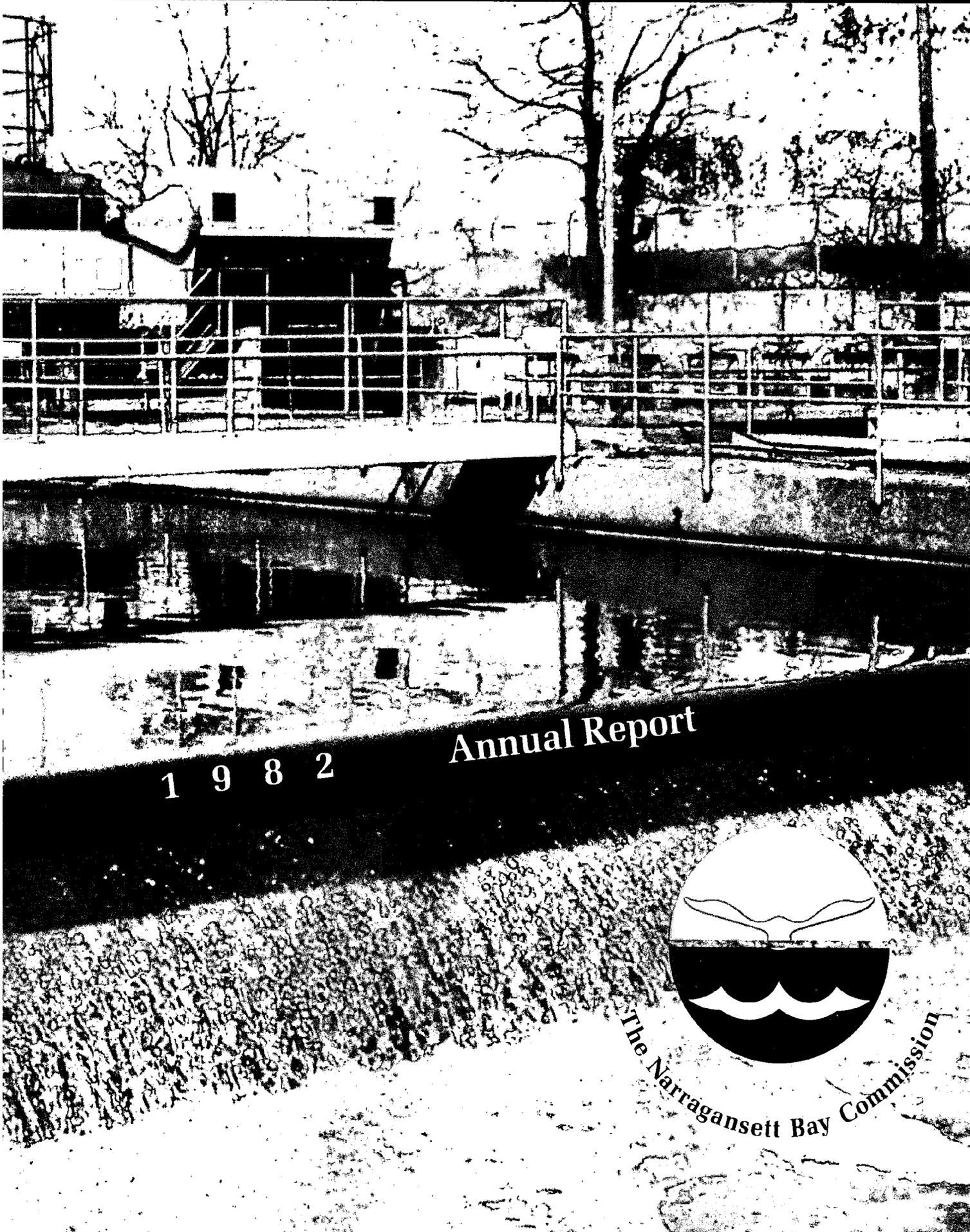
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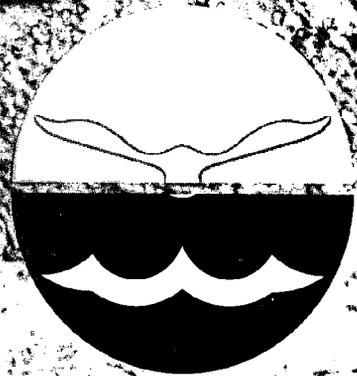
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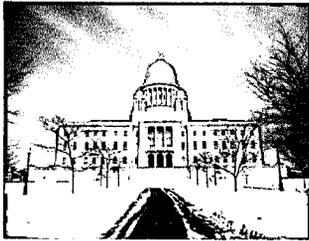


The Narragansett Bay Commission

**Dear Governor Garrahy
and Members of the
General Assembly**

As Chairman of the Narragansett Bay Commission, I am pleased to submit to you the Agency's first Annual Report.

For years, the City of Providence's 100-year old Field's Point Wastewater Treatment Facility was one of Narragansett Bay's major polluter. The Narragansett Bay Commission was created by legislative mandate in May 1980 after you,



recognizing the need to clean up Narragansett Bay, appointed a Blue Ribbon Task Force which recommended that a regional authority be established for the purpose of acquiring, rehabilitating, and maintaining Providence's Wastewater Treatment and Collection System. In the 1980 November election, Rhode Islanders overwhelmingly approved an \$87.7 million bond issue, the largest in the State's history, to finance the modernization and expansion of the State's largest municipal system.

The Narragansett Bay Commission was entrusted to carry out the electorate's mandate. Beginning with one staff member, a secretary, and 17 dedicated Commissioners, we have since hired an Executive Director and a hard-working professional staff.

After 16 months of negotiations with the City, the Narragansett Bay Commission took over operation of the Field's Point Wastewater Treatment Facilities and major intercepting sewers on May 2, 1982, two months before the annual reporting period ended. In those two months, 60 additional employees were automatically acquired, the plant was cleaned up, needed staff were hired, and plans were made for over \$200 million worth of renovation and construction projects.

The Narragansett Bay Commission operates a regional wastewater service which treats 64 million gallons of wastewater daily from over 200,000 residential, community, and industrial users in Providence, North Providence, Johnston, and parts of Cranston. User fees are expected to finance the Commission's daily operation.

Over the next ten years, the Commission plans to spend several million dollars of federal grants, revenues from State

**Sewer plant takeover panel
will begin work Nov. 25**

bonds, and user fees to repair and upgrade the antiquated collection and treatment systems to meet water quality standards set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the R.I. Department of Environmental Management. A phased construction process will be used to ensure the best wastewater treatment during the construction and refurbishment of the new facilities.

The failure of the aging and deteriorating Field's Point Plant to adequately treat wastewater continues to pose a real threat to the water quality of Narragansett Bay. The Narragansett Bay Project, the largest public engineering and construction project in the State's history, will establish a wastewater collection and treatment system that the State can be proud of and will serve its users for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Turco
Chairman



City council transfers authority of sewer plant to bay commission

Dear Friends

Throughout Rhode Island's history, Narragansett Bay has played a dominant role in shaping the recreational and business lives of our people as well as serving as a calling card for the thousands of visitors to our state each year. Unfortunately, the Bay's popularity has contributed to its problems. Necessary, sometimes competing, uses of the Bay have resulted in a limiting or despoiling of certain other uses. Since the mid-19th Century, the pressures on the use of the Bay have resulted in water quality problems. Each generation of Rhode Islanders has attempted to deal with these problems.

On November 4, 1980, this generation of Rhode Islanders made their commitment to a clean Bay by overwhelmingly approving an \$87.7 million bond referendum to finance the Narragansett Bay Project. The public support which led to passage of this referendum serves as a testimony of the people of Rhode Island to preserve the State's greatest natural resource, Narragansett Bay, from needless pollution due to poorly managed public sewerage facilities.

On May 1, 1982, the Narragansett Bay Commission assumed the ownership and operation of the Field's Point Wastewater Treatment Facility and sewer interceptors, pump stations, tide gates, regulator structures, and combined sewer overflows from the City of Providence. Since then, sewerage facilities in the Towns of Johnston and North Providence have also been acquired by the Narragansett Bay Commission. In addition to acquiring facilities, work has begun on a major upgrading and expansion of the Field's Point Wastewater Treatment Facility, rehabilitating the sewer system, and correcting dry and wet weather discharges from the combined sewer system. This construction work, which will be financed by funds from the 1980 Bond Issue, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management and user fees, will have a direct beneficial impact on water quality in Narragansett Bay and on the economy of the State.

Upper bay can be reclaimed coastal resource study says

Future plans of the Commission include:

Contract I Field's Point Waste Water Treatment Facility

- 4 new Primary Tanks
- 10 new Aeration Tanks
- 6 new Final Clarifiers
- 4 new Gravity Thickeners
- New Primary Pumping Station
- New Chlorine Contact Tank

Combined Sewer Overflow, Number 2

- Rehabilitate Pleasant Valley Parkway Interceptor
- In-sewer modifications

Combined Sewer Overflow, Number 9

- Diversion Structure

Butler Hospital

- New Storm/Relief Sewer
- Rebuild Sanitary Sewer

Seekonk River Interceptor

- Rehabilitate

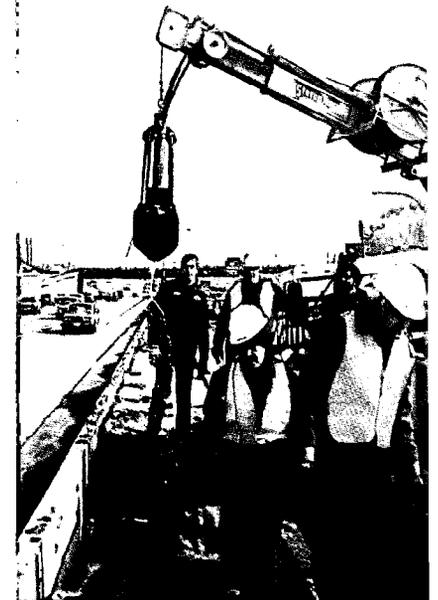
Tide Gates

- Rehabilitate

Woonasquatucket River Interceptor

- Clean and repair

Fields Pt. plant bid comes in \$8.5 million under city estimate



Sewer workers fix gates with surprising ease

This Annual Report serves as an introduction to the Narragansett Bay Commission's activities and responsibilities and is a summary of its accomplishments to date, its future activities, and its revenue and expenses for Fiscal Year 1982. In reading this report, please note that finances are reported for Fiscal Year 1982, while activities are reported from November 1980 through June 1983.

The Narragansett Bay Commission recognizes and accepts its role in cleaning up the Bay and the metropolitan Providence rivers for the next generation of Rhode Islanders to use and enjoy. Working with the public and our elected officials, our professional staff and employees are dedicated to proper operation and management of the metropolitan sewerage system to achieve an ambitious goal - a clean bay today!

Sincerely,

Eric R. Jankel

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Executive Director

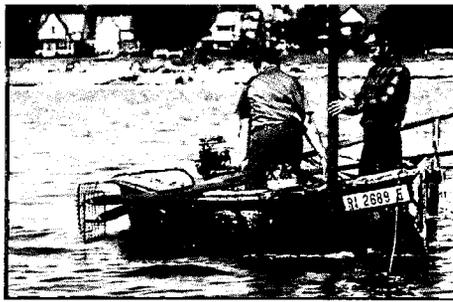
*P.S. A Hearty Thank You
To The Fields Point and
Collection System Employees
for Their Hard Work and
Responsiveness.*

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We have examined the accompanying balance sheet of Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission at June 30, 1982 and the related statement of income and commission equity for the period May 1, 1982 (date revenue producing operations commenced) to June 30, 1982 and the statement of changes in financial position for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted audit-

ing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the statements mentioned above present fairly the financial position of Narragansett Bay Water Quality Management District Commission at June 30, 1982 and the results of operations for the period May 1, 1982 (date revenue producing oper-

ations commenced) to June 30, 1982 and the changes in financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

September 29, 1982

Arthur Young & Company
 800 Industrial Bank Building
 Providence, Rhode Island 02903

The Narragansett Bay Commission Balance Sheet June 30, 1982

Assets

Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 207,812
Unbilled municipal assessments *Note 7	1,544,000
Grants receivable	809,880
Prepaid expenses	1,668
Deferred organization costs, less accumulated amortization of \$68,120	340,598
Total current assets	2,903,958
Property, plant and equipment, at cost:	
Land	1,249,000
Plant and equipment	8,728,755
Construction in progress	913,337
	10,891,092
Less accumulated depreciation	208,370
Net property, plant and equipment	10,682,722
	\$13,586,680

Liabilities and Commission Equity

Current liabilities:	
Advances and loans payable to State of Rhode Island *Note 5	\$ 775,000
Accounts payable	1,218,420
Accrued expenses:	
Interest	198,498
Other	50,060
	248,558
Long-term debt due within one year *Note 6	400,688
Total current liabilities	2,642,666
Deferred grant income	809,880
Long-term debt *Note 6	9,557,570
Commitments and contingencies *Notes 7 and 8	
Commission equity	576,564
	\$13,586,680

Statement of Changes in Financial Position Year ended June 30, 1982

Uses of cash:	
Net income	\$ 576,564
Charges against (credits to) income not involving cash:	
Depreciation and amortization	276,490
Unbilled municipal assessments	(1,544,000)
Change between operational payables and receivables exclusive of unbilled municipal assessments:	
Prepaid expenses	(1,688)
Accrued expenses	244,465
Accounts payable related to operations	231,411
Cash used in operations	(216,738)
Other uses:	
Increase in deferred organization costs	(282,220)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	\$9,977,755
Less debt assumed and amounts included in accounts payable	9,958,258
Total uses	(518,455)
Sources of cash:	
Advances and loans received from State of Rhode Island	660,000
Increase in cash	141,545
Cash at beginning of year	66,267
Cash at end of year	\$ 207,812

Statement of Income and Commission Equity

Period from May 1, 1982 (date revenue producing operations commenced) to June 30, 1982

Revenue:	
Municipal assessments *Note 7	\$1,544,000
Expenses:	
Facility operations	434,190
Depreciation and amortization	276,490
General and administrative	58,258
Interest	198,498
	967,436
Net income *Note 2	576,564
Commission equity at beginning of year	-
Commission equity at end of year	\$ 576,564

The accompanying notes to the balance sheets may be obtained through The Narragansett Bay Commission office.

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