DAY IN. YEAR OUT.



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VISION

TO BE RECOGNIZED AS THE MOST TRUSTED AND RELIABLE SUPPLIER OF PETROLEUM, CROP, LIVESTOCK, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IN THE MARKETS WE SERVE.

VALUES

PERFORMANCE
INTEGRITY
COLLABORATION
PROGRESSIVE THINKING

ACCOUNTABILITY
AGILITY
RESPECT













2019 GOVERNANCE



PROVIDED \$100,000 IN COMBINED FUNDING TO A COMMUNITY GARDEN IN DELIA, THE HERITAGE VILLAGE IN ONOWAY, AND THE CLIMB THRU TIME MUSEUM IN PARADISE VALLEY.

















2019 FINANCIALS

\$346 M

AGRIBUSINESS REVENUE.

COMPARED TO \$357 MILLION IN 2018.





47 AGENTS 950 EMPLOYEES OVER 120,000 MEMBERS

34 FARM & RANCH SUPPLY STORES. 111 PETROLEUM AGENCIES. 6 FERTILIZER PLANTS.



































CANOLA SALES. INCREASED.

INCREASE OF 10% OVER 2018.



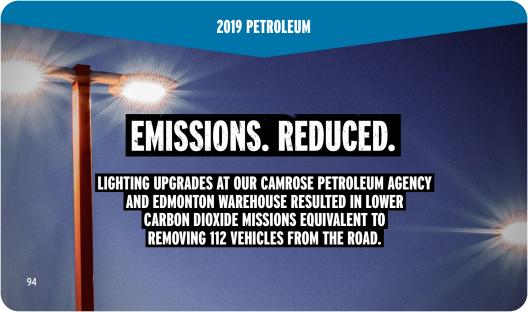












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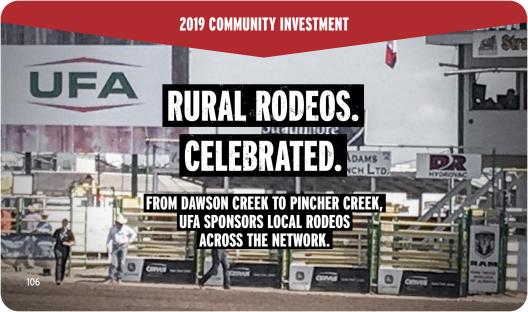
IN COMMUNITY INITIATIVES ACROSS THE NETWORK.















2019. DONE.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS.





REPORT

CORPORATE PROFILE

UFA Co-operative Limited is an Alberta-based agricultural co-operative with more than 120,000 member-owners.

Founded in 1909, UFA's network comprises 111 bulk fuel and Petroleum Cardlock locations, 34 Farm & Ranch Supply stores, six fertilizer plants and a support office located in Calgary, Alberta. Independent Petroleum agents and more than 950 employees provide products, services and agricultural solutions to farmers, ranchers, members, consumers and commercial customers in Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan.

For more information, please visit UFA.com

CORE PURPOSE

To improve the economic and social well-being of our agricultural owners and their communities.

CORE VALUES

A company is defined by its values. These are the principles by which we go about the day-to-day business of serving our owners and customers, and how we treat each other as employees.

Here is how our co-operative values represent our core beliefs:

- Accountability
- Agility
- Collaboration
- Integrity
- Performance
- Progressive thinking

Respect

VISION

To be recognized as the most trusted and reliable supplier of petroleum, crop, livestock, building products and services in the markets we serve.

MISSION STATEMENT

To accomplish this, we will:

- Unite our customers, member/owners, staff, and elected officials toward balancing our common purpose of improving economic and social well-being of agriculture owners and their communities with sound business decisions that drive profit growth.
- Develop and execute a strategic plan that strives for best-in-class customer experiences, recognizes and quickly adapts to relevant technology and promotes sustainable practices on behalf of and for our member/owners in all markets.
- Promote and support the establishment of strong, professional business relationships by understanding the needs of our loyal customers/members and providing relevant, worthwhile solutions.
- Remain connected to our roots and grounded in communities, Alberta's natural resources, rural involvement and awareness, and the ideal that cooperation, neighbor to neighbor, town to town, and member to member is a heritage to be proud of and protected.

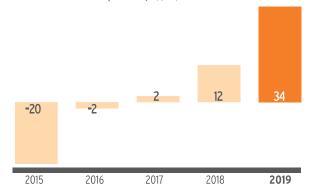
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS & FIVE-YEAR SUMMARY

| (All figures stated in thousands of Canadian dollars) | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Continuing Operations | | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ 1,578,901 | \$ 1,817,492 | \$ 1,536,163 | \$ 1,227,942 | \$ 1,478,250 |
| Gross margin | 188,580 | 206,195 | 169,866 | 151,199 | 155,028 |
| Operating and administrative expenses | (128,815) | (139,104) | (128,193) | (119,338) | (148,214) |
| EBITDA | 69,702 | 76,627 | 47,263 | 38,282 | 16,948 |
| Net income (loss) from Continuing Operations before Patronage Dividend, pension remeasurement and income tax | 34,950 | 45,048 | 17,101 | 4,913 | (18,604) |
| Patronage Dividend | \$ (14,100) | \$ (14,000) | \$ (12,500) | - | - |

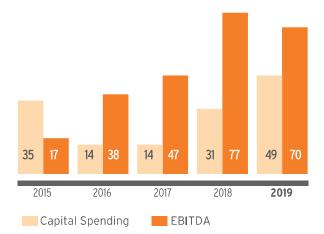
2019 was a year of challenges for the Alberta economy. Low energy sector activity, the most challenging harvest in a generation and international trade issues affected conditions and sentiment. Despite headwinds, UFA was able to reduce operating costs, improve efficiency and deliver EBITDA of \$69.7 million, the second best results this decade. A patronage dividend of \$14.1 million is recommended to the Assembly, the highest allocation since 2008.

2019 was also a year of investment with \$49 million spent on projects including a new point of sale system at all locations, completion of a 57 location roll out of Dieselex® Gold, a new farm store in Ponoka and upgrades to numerous petroleum and agriculture sites. UFA continues to maintain a strong balance sheet with a 1.7 to 1.0 working capital ratio and bank line availability in excess of \$90 million.

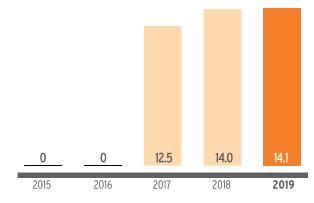
➤ Net Income (Loss) (\$M)



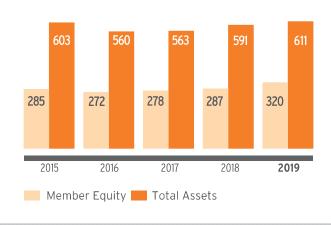
➤ Capital Spending and EBITDA (\$M)



➤ Patronage Dividend (\$M)



➤ Members' Equity and Total Assets (\$M)



2019 SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(All figures stated in thousands of Canadian dollars)

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|--|-------------------|-------------------|--|
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| Income tax expense | (14,870) | (3,652) | |
| Net income | \$ 34,360 | \$ 11,521 | |

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The management of United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited (UFA) is responsible for the preparation of the accompanying financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Private Enterprises, which recognize the necessity of relying on management's judgment and the use of estimates. Management has determined such amounts on a reasonable basis to ensure the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

Management's responsibility to ensure integrity of financial reporting is fulfilled by maintenance of a system of internal accounting controls designed to provide assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded and proper records maintained. Controls include a comprehensive planning system and processes to ensure timely reporting of periodic financial information.

Final responsibility for the financial statements and their presentation to members rests with the Board of Directors. The Board carries out this responsibility principally through its Audit Committee. The Audit Committee meets separately with management and UFA's external auditors, to review financial statements, discuss internal controls, the financial reporting process and other financial and auditing matters; all to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities. The Audit Committee reports its findings to the Board for its consideration when the Board approves the financial statements prepared by management.

The financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the external auditors, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. The external auditors have had full and free access to management, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors.

SIGNATURE

Scott Bolton

President and Chief Executive Officer February 25, 2020

SIGNATURE

Dilip Krishna

Interim Chief Financial Officer February 25, 2020



Independent auditor's report

To the Members of United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited

Our opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited and its subsidiary (together, the Entity) as at December 31, 2019 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Private Enterprises (ASPE).

What we have audited

The Entity's consolidated financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated balance sheet as at December 31, 2019;
- the consolidated statement of operations for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of changes in members' equity for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report comprises the Management Discussion & Analysis.

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"PwC" refers to PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an Ontario limited liability partnership.



Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the consolidated financial statements

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

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity'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 management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 our 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 consolidated financial statements.

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

• Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated 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 our 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 Entity'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 Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Entity to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We 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 we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants

Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP

Calgary, Alberta February 25, 2020

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

| As at (Stated in thousands of Canadian dollars) | December 31, 20 | 19 De | December 31, 2018 | |
|--|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|--|
| Assets | | | | |
| Current Assets | | | | |
| Cash | \$ 7,70 | \$ | 10,766 | |
| Accounts receivable (note 3) | 102,79 | 90 | 109,092 | |
| Inventories | 161,13 | 39 | 171,630 | |
| Prepaid expenses and deposits | 39,9 |)11 | 31,768 | |
| Property held for sale (note 4) | | - | 6,754 | |
| Future income tax asset (note 10) | 3,24 | 18 | 3,745 | |
| | 314,79 | 90 | 333,755 | |
| Investments (note 5) | 50 | 50 | 642 | |
| Other long-term assets (note 6) | 45,8 | 18 | 16,172 | |
| Goodwill and intangible assets (note 7) | 45,18 | 39 | 25,10 | |
| Future income tax asset (note 10) | 10,73 | 35 | 22,848 | |
| Property and equipment (note 8) | 194,23 | 36 | 192,618 | |
| | \$ 611,32 | 28 \$ | 591,136 | |
| Liabilities and Members' Equity | | | | |
| Current Liabilities | | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 18) | \$ 73,85 | 50 \$ | 93,885 | |
| Deferred revenue | 12,4 | 81 | 15,032 | |
| Current portion of member loans (note 9) | 15,4 | 79 | 15,000 | |
| Current portion of long-term debt (note 11) | 3,65 | 50 | 2,82 | |
| Current portion of long-term liabilities (note 13) | 2,00 | 52 | 2,852 | |
| | 107,52 | 22 | 129,590 | |
| Long-term debt (note 11) | 102,02 | 25 | 91,864 | |
| Member loans (note 9) | 51,70 | 56 | 52,067 | |
| Asset retirement obligations (note 12) | 24,48 | 36 | 24,437 | |
| Long-term liabilities (note 13) | 5,64 | 15 | 6,078 | |
| | 291,44 | 14 | 304,036 | |
| Members' Equity | | | | |
| Member entitlements (note 15) | 218,0 | 54 | 215,614 | |
| Retained earnings | 101,83 | 30 | 71,486 | |
| | 319,88 | 34 | 287,100 | |
| | \$ 611,32 | 28 \$ | 591,136 | |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

KEVIN HOPPINS SIGNATURE

Kevin Hoppins Chairman DON CORMACK SIGNATURE

Don Cormack Director

On behalf of the Board

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

| For the year ended (Stated in thousands of Canadian dollars) | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Revenue (note 19) | \$ 1,578,901 | \$ 1,817,492 |
| Cost of sales | (1,390,321) | (1,611,297) |
| Gross margin | 188,580 | 206,195 |
| Operating and administrative expenses | (128,815) | (139,104) |
| Other income | 9,937 | 9,536 |
| Earnings before the under noted | 69,702 | 76,627 |
| Depreciation and amortization | (25,349) | (23,387) |
| Interest (notes 9, 11) | (9,227) | (8,207) |
| Foreign currency exchange (loss) gain (note 16) | (176) | 15 |
| Income before Patronage Dividend, pension remeasurement and income taxes | 34,950 | 45,048 |
| Gain (loss) from pension remeasurement (note 17) | 28,380 | (15,875) |
| Patronage Dividend (note 15) | (14,100) | (14,000) |
| Income tax expense (note 10) | (14,870) | (3,652) |
| Net income | \$ 34,360 | \$ 11,521 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

| As at (Stated in thousands of Canadian dollars) | December 31, 201 | D e | December 31, 2018 | |
|--|------------------|-------------|-------------------|--|
| Member Entitlements (note 15) | | | | |
| Beginning of period | \$ 215,61 | 4 \$ | 214,144 | |
| Patronage Dividend | 14,10 | | 14,000 | |
| Dividends paid in cash | (6,23 | 5) | (5,416) | |
| Redemptions / repayments | (3,62 | 7) | (6,224) | |
| Less than minimum, unclaimed and other adjustments | 20 | 2 | 110 | |
| Contribution to UFA Rural Communities Foundation | (2,00 | 0) | (1,000) | |
| | 218,05 | 1 | 215,614 | |
| Retained Earnings | | | | |
| Beginning of period | 71,48 | 5 | 63,629 | |
| Net income | 34,36 | | 11,521 | |
| Dividends on investment shares | (4,01 | 5) | (3,664) | |
| | 101,83 |) | 71,486 | |
| Total Members' Equity | \$ 319,88 | 4 \$ | 287,100 | |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

| For the period ended (Stated in thousands of Canadian dollars) | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Operating activities | | |
| Net income for the year - continuing operations | \$ 34,360 | \$ 11,521 |
| Items not requiring an outlay of cash | | |
| Patronage Dividend | 14,100 | 14,000 |
| Gain on disposal of property and equipment | (3,334) | (2,817) |
| Asset retirement obligation accretion (note 12) | 1,191 | 1,187 |
| Future income tax expense (recovery) (note 10) | 12,610 | (4,792) |
| (Decrease) increase in other long-term liabilities | (88) | 2,378 |
| Other amortization and expenses | 105 | (411) |
| Pension remeasurement (gain) loss | (28,380) | 15,875 |
| Depreciation and amortization (notes 7, 8) | 25,349 | 23,387 |
| Funds flow | 55,913 | 60,328 |
| Asset retirement obligations settled (note 12) | (1,324) | (1,351) |
| Wholesale Sports US legal obligations settled (note 13) | - | (14,865) |
| Changes in non-cash working capital (note 20) | (14,888) | (21,193) |
| Cash from operating activities - continuing operations | 39,701 | 22,919 |
| Cash used in operating activities - discontinued operations | - | (14,540) |
| Cash from operating activities | 39,701 | 8,379 |
| Investing activities | | |
| Additions to property and equipment | (27,634) | (19,668) |
| Acquisition of All Peace Petroleum | - | (16,154) |
| Additions to intangible assets | (21,227) | (11,728) |
| Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment | 12,846 | 10,668 |
| Increase in other long-term assets | (1,184) | (2,962) |
| Cash used in investing activities - continuing operations | (37,199) | (39,844) |
| Financing activities | | |
| Long-term debt issued (note 11) | 10,885 | 47,398 |
| Member loans issued (note 9) | 3,046 | 6,678 |
| Member loans redeemed (note 9) | (2,868) | (10,416) |
| Repayment of revolving equity | - | (601) |
| Dividends paid on investment shares | (4,969) | (2,659) |
| Redemption / repayment of shares | (3,425) | (5,513) |
| Contribution to UFA Rural Communities Foundation | (2,000) | (1,000) |
| Patronage dividends paid in cash | (6,235) | (5,416) |
| Cash (used in) from financing activities - continuing operations | (5,566) | 28,471 |
| Decrease in cash | (3,064) | (2,994) |
| Cash, beginning of period | 10,766 | 13,760 |
| Cash, end of period | \$ 7,702 | \$ 10,766 |

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Tabular amounts are stated in thousands of Canadian dollars)

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited (UFA) was incorporated by special act under the laws of Alberta and operates as two business segments distributing fuel products and farm supplies to its customers. As a co-operative, a significant portion of its business is with its member-owners. The outdoor recreation products segment operating through a wholly-owned subsidiary, Wholesale Sports Canada Ltd. (Wholesale Sports) concluded operations on December 28, 2017. The legal entity was wound up during 2018.

Bar W Petroleum & Electric Inc. (Bar W), a part of the business segment distributing fuel products since 2005, was established as a separate legal entity in 2016. Bar W is a wholly-owned subsidiary of UFA.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

UFA prepares its consolidated financial statements on a calendar basis.

Financial figures and tables do not include Wholesale Sports as it was not part of continuing operations at the reporting date.

Basis of Presentation

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Private Enterprises.

Comparative Figures

Certain comparative financial information has been reclassified to be consistent with the presentation adopted for 2019.

Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of UFA and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Transactions between UFA and its wholly-owned subsidiaries are eliminated on consolidation. These consolidated financial statements are expressed in Canadian dollars.

Business Combinations

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. The application of this method requires certain estimates and assumptions especially concerning the determination of the fair value of the acquired asset, as well as the liabilities assumed at the date of the acquisition, based on information available at that date. At the acquisition date, UFA recognizes, separately from goodwill, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed are measured at their acquisition-date fair values. The consideration transferred for each acquisition is measured as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred, and equity instruments issued by UFA to obtain control of the subsidiary.

Income Taxes

UFA follows the future tax method of tax allocation in accounting for income taxes. Under this method, income taxes are recognized for the differences between financial statement carrying values and the respective income tax basis of assets and liabilities (temporary differences), and for the carry-forward of unused tax losses and income tax reductions. Future income tax assets and liabilities are measured using income tax rates expected to apply in the years in which temporary differences are expected to be recovered

or settled. The effect on future income tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is included in income in the period that the change is substantively enacted. Temporary differences relating to subsidiaries are accounted for using inside basis differences, unless it is apparent that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future, in which case the outside basis differences are recorded. Future income tax assets are evaluated and recorded as required in the consolidated financial statements if realization is considered more likely than not. Valuation allowances are established for amounts not likely to be realizable.

Revenue Recognition

UFA recognizes revenue when products, goods and services are delivered to the customer or when the risks and rewards associated with ownership are transferred to the customer. Revenue invoiced but not yet earned is recorded as deferred revenue.

Cash

Cash consists of cash on account and bank balances.

Inventories

Inventories are comprised of finished goods and are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value, with cost being determined using the weighted average cost method. The cost of inventories includes the cost of purchase and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Costs such as storage costs, administrative overheads that do not contribute to bringing the inventories to their present location and condition, and selling costs are specifically excluded from the cost of inventories and are expensed in the period incurred. The amount of inventory recognized as a cost of sales in the current period was \$1,367.9 million (2018 - \$1,568.0 million).

Investments

Investments held in other co-operative enterprises that are not publicly traded, are financial instruments and measured at amortized cost. Provisions are made for impairments that are considered to have a significant adverse change to the carrying value of the investment.

Investments over which UFA exercises significant influence are accounted for using equity method. The equity method involves the recording of the initial investment at cost and subsequently adjusted for UFA's share of the investee's income or losses less UFA's portion of distributions from the investee. Provisions are made for impairments that are considered to have a significant adverse change to the carrying value of the investment.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets at the rates indicated below commencing the month that the assets are placed into service. Capital leases which transfer significant ownership rights to UFA are recorded as property and equipment.

Buildings, fences and yards
Equipment
Computer equipment
Automotive equipment
Leased assets

15 to 25 years
2 to 8 years
3 to 5 years
4 to 5 years
3 to 15 years

Property and equipment classified as "assets under construction" is expected to be placed into productive use within 12 months and represents work commenced but not completed on major projects. Depreciation will commence once these assets are put into service.

Property Held for Sale

Property held for sale is recorded at the lower of cost or fair value less selling costs.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets

UFA records as goodwill the excess amount of the purchase price of entities acquired over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired, including intangible assets, at the date of acquisition. Goodwill is not amortized but is tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the reporting unit to which the goodwill is assigned may exceed the fair value of the reporting unit. In the event of impairment, the excess of the carrying amount (including goodwill) of a reporting unit over its fair value would be charged to earnings. Intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the assets identified.

Application software 3 to 10 years
Trademarks/Trade names 10 years
Lease/Licenses 10 years

Intangible assets classified as "intangibles under construction" represents work commenced but not completed on major projects. Amortization will commence once these assets are put into service.

Impairment of long-lived assets

UFA tests its long-lived assets including property and equipment and intangible assets when a significant change in circumstances indicates that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Impairment losses are recognized when the carrying value of an asset exceeds the total projected undiscounted future cash flows expected from its use and eventual disposition. The impairment recognized is measured as the amount by which the carrying value of the property and equipment or intangible asset exceeds its fair value.

Asset Retirement Obligations

UFA recognizes the current best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the asset retirement obligation for all long-lived assets in the period when the liability is incurred or the period when it can be reasonably estimated, whichever is earlier. The liability is adjusted due to revisions in the associated estimated timing and amount of costs. Estimates are determined using management's best judgment supplemented by historical experience, market information and, in some cases, a review of engineering data. UFA also recognizes a corresponding increase in the carrying cost of the asset. The carrying cost of the asset is depreciated on a straight-line basis, similar to the underlying assets for which the liability is recognized.

Employee Future Benefits

UFA operates a defined benefit pension plan for its employees along with an unfunded supplemental employee retirement plan for those employees affected by the Canada Revenue Agency maximum pension and contribution limits. A defined contribution pension plan was adopted in 2013 for new employees starting from October 1, 2012; the defined benefit pension plan remained intact for employees who entered this plan prior to October 1, 2012. The obligations of the plans are determined using the projected benefit method prorated on service and UFA's best estimate of salary growth and demographic changes.

Gains or losses arising from actual changes in plan assets or from experience differing from assumptions are recognized immediately in the Consolidated Statement of Operations as pension remeasurement. The corresponding Net Funded Status of the plan is represented in Employee Future Benefits (note 17). The market value of plan assets is used for all calculations. UFA contributions to employees under the defined contribution pension plan are charged to expenses.

UFA has elected to use the actuarial valuation for funding purposes (funding valuation) for the defined benefit pension plans.

Foreign Currency Translation

UFA translates foreign currency assets and liabilities into Canadian dollars at the period-end exchange rate for monetary items and at the historical exchange rate for non-monetary items. Foreign currency revenues and expenses are translated at the exchange rate in effect on the date of the related transaction. Foreign currency gains and losses are included in income immediately.

Financial Instruments

CPA Canada Handbook, Part II, Section 3856 provides the disclosure and presentation requirements for privately-owned organizations. It deals with the classification of financial instruments, from the perspective of the issuer, between liabilities and equity, the classification of related interest, dividends, losses and gains, and the circumstances in which financial assets and financial liabilities are offset.

Financial assets and financial liabilities will be recognized on the balance sheet when UFA becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. UFA classifies financial assets and liabilities according to their characteristics and management's choices and intentions related thereto for the purposes of ongoing measurement.

Financial instruments will include cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, various debt-based instruments and certain derivatives products. All financial instruments are measured at fair value upon initial recognition. Subsequent measurement is at amortized cost or at fair value depending on the type of the financial instrument.

UFA recognizes derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities and measures those instruments at fair value without any adjustments for transaction costs arising from disposals. Where UFA elects to apply hedge accounting, it documents the relationship between the derivative and the hedged item at inception of the hedge, and then assesses at each reporting period whether the derivative has been, and will continue to be, highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged item.

For derivative instruments that are not designated as accounting hedges, changes in fair value are recognized in earnings in the period of change.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with Canadian Accounting Standards for Private Enterprises requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. These estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions that UFA may undertake in the future. Management believes that the estimates are reasonable; however, actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used when accounting for such items as inventory provisions, depreciation, pension obligation, percentage of completion, future income tax asset, income and other taxes, allowance for doubtful accounts, asset retirement obligations and long-lived assets and goodwill for impairment. Information presented, and estimates used in the financial statements do not reflect anticipated resolutions to uncertainties by management.

3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable is comprised of customer and member receivables of \$92.4 million (2018 - \$94.8 million) extended under commercial terms, financial instruments of \$0.0 million (2018 - \$2.5 million) and other miscellaneous receivables of \$10.4 million (2018 - \$11.8 million). The customer and member receivables are net of an allowance of \$1.9 million (2018 - \$1.6 million). In 2019, UFA recorded \$0.8 million in bad debts (2018 - \$0.6 million).

In 2019, UFA earned interest on overdue accounts receivable of \$3.5 million (2018 - \$3.5 million).

4. PROPERTY HELD FOR SALE

| | 2019 | | 2018 |
|------------------------------|------|---|----------|
| Land, building and equipment | \$ | - | \$ 6,754 |

Property held for sale represents assets which management has evaluated as not integral to business operations and meet the criteria for this accounting treatment. The 2018 assets are principally related to the wind up of a retail lumber operation (Spruceland Lumber) in Fort McMurray. The sale and transfer of this property closed in January 2019.

5. INVESTMENTS

| | 2019 | 2018 |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| MDSI | \$ 18 | \$ 100 |
| Other investments | 542 | 542 |
| | \$ 560 | \$ 642 |

In October 2018, UFA entered into an agreement with Associated Veterinary Specialists Inc. incorporating Micro Dispensing Services Inc. (MDSI) to conduct a new business venture. UFA has 35% legal ownership position in MDSI.

Other investments consist primarily of shares of other co-operatives.

6. OTHER LONG-TERM ASSETS

| | 2019 | 2018 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Accrued pension benefit asset (note 17) | \$ 43,742 | \$ 13,943 |
| Deferred charges | 2,076 | 2,229 |
| | \$ 45,818 | \$ 16,172 |

Deferred charges consist primarily of properties under remediation.

7. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

| | 2019 | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value | |
| Application software | \$ 64,559 | \$ 61,461 | \$ 3,098 | |
| Intangibles under construction | 30,627 | - | 30,627 | |
| Goodwill | 11,464 | - | 11,464 | |
| | \$ 106,650 | \$ 61,461 | \$ 45,189 | |

| | 2018 | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----|-----------------------------|----|----------------|
| | Cost | | Accumulated Amortization | | Net Book Value |
| Application software | \$ 64,521 | \$ | 59,227 | \$ | 5,294 |
| Intangibles under construction | 8,343 | | - | | 8,343 |
| Goodwill | 11,464 | | - | | 11,464 |
| | \$ 84,328 | \$ | 59,227 | \$ | 25,101 |

Intangibles under construction consist primarily of expenditures associated with the implementation of an enterprise resource planning (ERP) system. Amortization will commence once these assets are put into service.

8. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

| | 2019 | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|--|
| | Cost | Accumulated Depreciation | Net Book Value | |
| Land | \$ 48,783 | \$ - | \$ 48,783 | |
| Buildings, fences and yards | 182,859 | 114,749 | 68,110 | |
| Equipment | 162,828 | 119,608 | 43,220 | |
| Computer equipment | 18,235 | 16,770 | 1,465 | |
| Automotive equipment | 5,829 | 4,576 | 1,253 | |
| Leased assets | 36,895 | 18,429 | 18,466 | |
| Assets under construction | 12,939 | - | 12,939 | |
| | \$ 468,368 | \$ 274,132 | \$ 194,236 | |

| | 2018 | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|----|-----------------------------|----|----------------|
| | Cost | | Accumulated Depreciation | | Net Book Value |
| Land | \$ 49,687 | \$ | - | \$ | 49,687 |
| Buildings, fences and yards | 193,154 | | 110,087 | | 83,067 |
| Equipment | 157,776 | | 117,637 | | 40,139 |
| Computer equipment | 19,096 | | 17,772 | | 1,324 |
| Automotive equipment | 6,914 | | 5,388 | | 1,526 |
| Leased assets | 29,457 | | 15,238 | | 14,219 |
| Assets under construction | 2,656 | | - | | 2,656 |
| | \$ 458,740 | \$ | 266,122 | \$ | 192,618 |

Assets under construction as at December 31, 2019 are expected to be placed into productive use during fiscal 2020 and represent work commenced but not completed on buildings and equipment. Depreciation and amortization will commence once these assets are put into service. Leased assets include \$7.9 million (2018 - \$7.2 million) of capital leases entered in 2019.

On August 21, 2018, Bar W acquired the assets of All Peace Petroleum Ltd. (All Peace) for cash consideration of \$16.2 million and \$2.0 million of working capital considerations. All Peace is head-quartered in Grande Prairie, Alberta with operations focused in the downstream maintenance, calibration and construction business as well as a tank rental and mobile cardlock solutions business. Since the acquisition, the results of operations of All Peace have been reflected in UFA's results.

Fair value of acquired net assets were as follows:

| Accounts receivable | \$ 1,449 |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Inventory and prepaid | 1,075 |
| Capital assets | 8,177 |
| Goodwill | 9,496 |
| Future income tax | (1,512) |
| Accounts payable | (535) |
| | \$ 18,150 |

9. MEMBER LOANS

| | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 5.5 til 2019 MIP (matured 2019) | \$ - | \$ 15,000 |
| 5.0 til 2020 MIP (maturing 2020) | 15,479 | 15,489 |
| 3-5-7 MIP issued 2018 | | |
| 5.5 til 2021 MIP (maturing 2021) | 20,197 | 20,197 |
| 6.0 til 2023 MIP (maturing 2023) | 8,160 | 8,160 |
| 6.5 til 2025 MIP (maturing 2025) | 7,953 | 8,221 |
| 3-5-7 MIP issued 2019 | | |
| 5.5 til 2022 MIP (maturing 2022) | 5,907 | - |
| 6.0 til 2024 MIP (maturing 2024) | 5,295 | - |
| 6.5 til 2026 MIP (maturing 2026) | 4,254 | - |
| | 67,245 | 67,067 |
| Less: current portion | (15,479) | (15,000) |
| | \$ 51,766 | \$ 52,067 |

UFA offers voluntary member loan programs, known as Member Investment Programs (MIP), which provides members, employees, and agents the opportunity to invest in UFA and earn a return on their investment. All member loans are unsecured.

The 5.5 til 2019 MIP was introduced on June 16, 2016. The program paid interest of 5.5% semi-annually and matured on June 15, 2019. Loans were redeemed and investors had the option of principal repayment or investing in the new 3-5-7 MIP. \$12.4 million of this program was re-invested into the new 3-5-7 MIP with the balance repaid in cash. Interest of \$0.4 million (2018 - \$0.8 million) is included in interest expense.

The 5.0 til 2020 MIP was introduced on June 16, 2017. \$15.5 million (2018 - \$15.5 million) is currently invested in the program. The program pays interest of 5.0% semi-annually and matures on June 15, 2020. Interest on this program of \$0.8 million (2018 - \$0.8 million) is included in interest expense.

3-5-7 MIP issued 2018

The program was introduced September 16, 2018 in three tranches with different maturity dates.

The 5.5 til 2021 MIP program pays interest of 5.5% annually and matures on September 15, 2021. \$20.2 million (2018 - \$20.2 million) is currently invested in the program. Interest on this program of \$1.1 million (2018 - \$0.3 million) is included in interest expense.

The 6.0 til 2023 MIP program pays interest of 6.0% semi-annually and matures on September 15, 2023. \$8.2 million (2018 - \$8.2 million) is currently invested in the program. Interest on this program of \$0.5 million (2018 - \$0.1 million) is included in interest expense.

The 6.5 til 2025 MIP program pays interest of 6.5% semi-annually and matures on September 15, 2025. \$8.0 million (2018 - \$8.2 million) is currently invested in the program. Interest on this program of \$0.5 million (2018 - \$0.2 million) is included in interest expense.

3-5-7 MIP issued 2019

The program was introduced June 16, 2019 in three tranches with different maturity dates.

The 5.5 til 2022 MIP program pays interest of 5.5% annually and matures on June 15, 2022. \$5.9 million is currently invested in the program. Interest on this program of \$0.2 million is included in interest expense.

The 6.0 til 2024 MIP program pays interest of 6.0% semi-annually and matures on June 15, 2024. \$5.3 million is currently invested in the program. Interest on this program of \$0.2 million is included in interest expense.

The 6.5 til 2026 MIP program pays interest of 6.5% semi-annually and matures on June 15, 2026. \$4.3 million is currently invested in the program. Interest on this program of \$0.2 million is included in interest expense.

The repayment of member loans may be redirected in order to repay delinquent amounts owing to UFA and is subject to UFA meeting the covenants contained under the Asset-Based Credit Agreement (note 11).

10. INCOME TAXES

Income tax expense differs from the amount that would be computed by applying the Canadian Federal and Provincial statutory income tax rates to earnings before income taxes as set out below:

| | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Income before patronage dividend and income taxes | \$ 63,330 | \$ 29,173 |
| Patronage Dividend | (14,100) | (14,000) |
| Net income before income taxes | \$ 49,230 | \$ 15,173 |
| Statutory income tax rate | 26.51% | 27.00% |
| Expected income tax expense | 13,052 | 4,097 |
| Non-deductible items and other | 278 | 52 |
| Rate adjustment | 2,695 | (322) |
| True ups and other | 404 | (31) |
| Future income tax valuation allowance | (1,559) | (144) |
| Income tax expense | 14,870 | 3,652 |
| Income taxes consist of: | | |
| Current income tax expense | 2,260 | 8,444 |
| Future income tax expense(recovery) | 12,610 | (4,792) |
| | \$ 14,870 | \$ 3,652 |

Effective tax rate for 2019 was 30.2% (2018 - 24.1%). The net future income tax asset at the fiscal period end is comprised of the tax effect of the following temporary differences:

| | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current future income tax asset: | | |
| Inventories | \$ 1,870 | \$ 1,806 |
| Payables, warranty and other | 1,378 | 1,939 |
| | 3,248 | 3,745 |
| Long-term future income tax asset: | | |
| Long-term debt and other long-term liabilities | 4,491 | 4,629 |
| Asset retirement obligation | 5,654 | 6,598 |
| Tax loss | 18,116 | 22,422 |
| Goodwill and intangibles | (403 | 31 |
| Property and equipment | (462) | 1,051 |
| Pension | (10,101 | (3,765) |
| Valuation allowance | (6,560) | (8,118) |
| | \$ 10,735 | \$ 22,848 |

Included in tax loss and property and equipment is \$11,555 (2018 - \$15,105) of future income tax asset relating to the wind up of Wholesale Sports Canada Ltd. UFA has non-capital losses carried forward of \$47,545 (2018 - \$55,936). These non-capital losses will begin to expire in 2034 - 2037. UFA also has capital losses carryforward of \$56,818 (2018- \$60,140) for which there has been no net deferred tax asset recognized. Additionally, these capital losses have no expiration date.

11. LONG-TERM DEBT

| | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| Asset-Based Credit Agreement - Revolving loans | \$ 90,693 | \$ 83,191 | |
| Capital leases obligations | 15,393 | 12,010 | |
| Deferred financing charges | (411) | (516) | |
| | 105,675 | 94,685 | |
| Less: current portion | (3,650) | (2,821) | |
| | \$ 102,025 | \$ 91,864 | |

Asset-Based Credit Agreement

On November 26, 2018, UFA entered into a second amended and restated Asset-Based Credit Agreement (Credit Agreement). The Credit Agreement has a five-year term, maturing on November 26, 2023 and provides for an asset-based revolving credit facility in the maximum aggregate amount of \$250.0 million. There are no fixed terms of repayment under the revolving credit facility.

The Credit Agreement also has an accordion feature, which permits UFA to request an increase in the revolving credit facility up to an additional amount of \$75.0 million. Any increase under the accordion feature is not committed and must first be approved by the lenders.

Borrowing Base

The amount available to be drawn under the Credit Agreement will vary from time to time based on UFA's inventory and accounts receivable balances. Advances under the Credit Agreement cannot exceed the lower of the revolving loans borrowing base determined according to terms under the agreement that factors UFA's inventory and receivables, and the maximum aggregate amount of \$250.0 million. In addition, reserves are calculated under the Credit Agreement to take into account factors such as priority payables and additional collateral requirements.

At December 31, 2019, under the Credit Agreement, the borrowing bases for accounts receivable, inventory and prepayments were margined at \$71.1 million (2018 - \$70.9 million) and \$125.9 million (2018 - \$125.7 million) respectively. In 2019, the total amount of reserve deducted from the borrowing bases was \$15.7 million (2018 - \$19.9 million). As at December 31, 2019, \$90.6 million (2018 - \$93.5 million) of credit was available to fund operations and working capital requirements.

At December 31, 2019, UFA's revolving loan balance was \$90.7 million (2018-\$83.2 million).

Terms

Under the Credit Agreement, UFA can borrow using Prime, LIBOR or BA. Pricing for Canadian and US prime loans is equal to their respective prime rates. LIBOR loans and BA balances are priced at their respective rates plus a spread of 1.20%. The effective interest rate was 4.20% (2018 - 3.57%).

Security

The Credit Agreement grants a security interest in all of UFA's personal and real property.

Covenants

UFA is subject to certain financial and collateral covenants related to the Credit Agreement. In 2019, UFA was in compliance with all covenants.

Capital Lease Obligations

Capital leases under leased assets (*note 8*) are the security for the respective obligations. Scheduled minimum lease payments for the next five years total \$14.7 million, including \$2.2 million in financing expenses. The lease terms range from two to five years at interest rates between 3.3% and 6.5% for 2019 (2018 - 3.2% and 6.4%).

| | Principal | Interest | Total |
|------|---------------|----------|--------------|
| 2020 | \$ 3,367 | \$ 722 | \$ 4,089 |
| 2021 | 3,225 | 597 | 3,822 |
| 2022 | 2,949 | 435 | 3,384 |
| 2023 | 1,761 | 243 | 2,004 |
| 2024 | 1,186 | 165 | 1,351 |
| | \$ 12,488 | \$ 2,162 | \$ 14,650 |

12. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

| | 2019 | | 2018 | |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------|------|---------|
| Balance, beginning of year | \$ | 24,437 | \$ | 24,720 |
| Accretion expense | | 1,191 | | 1,187 |
| Revisions in estimated cash flows | | 182 | | (119) |
| Liabilities settled | | (1,324) | | (1,351) |
| Balance, end of year | \$ | 24,486 | \$ | 24,437 |

Estimated undiscounted future cash flows, adjusted for inflation, are \$57.6 million (2018 - \$59.7 million) and are expected to be incurred up to and including fiscal 2069. The present value or discounted fair value of the obligations was determined using a 6.8% discount rate and a 2.2% inflation rate (2018 - 7.7% and 2.2% respectively). The estimates used in determining UFA's asset retirement obligations could change due to changes in regulations and the timing, nature and extent of environmental remediation required. Changes in estimates are accounted for prospectively in the period that the estimate is revised.

13. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

| | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Other long-term liabilities | \$ 7,707 | \$ 8,930 |
| Less: current portion | (2,062) | (2,852) |
| | \$ 5,645 | \$ 6,078 |

Other long-term liabilities include \$5.4 million (2018 - \$6.9 million) relating to long-term incentive programs and \$2.3 million (2018 - \$2.0 million) relating to deferred lease inducements.

14. COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND GUARANTEES

Future minimum payments under operating leases for certain facilities and equipment are due as listed:

| 2020 | \$ 4,186 |
|------------|--------------|
| 2021 | 4,379 |
| 2022 | 4,385 |
| 2023 | 4,419 |
| 2024 | 3,840 |
| After 2024 | 17,018 |
| | \$ 38,227 |

UFA's by-laws provide indemnification to its current and former directors, officers and employees to the extent permitted by law, against liabilities arising from their service to UFA. The broad nature of these indemnification by-laws does not permit a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount of any liability. No amount has been accrued in the consolidated financial statements in this respect.

UFA is involved in various claims arising in the normal course of business. UFA has made adequate provisions, wherever required, based on the expected outcomes of the claims.

15. MEMBER ENTITLEMENTS

Member Entitlements consists of Member Shares, the current period's Patronage Dividend, Class A Investment Shares (Investment Shares) and Contributed Surplus. In accordance with the revised by-laws, effective January 1, 2018, Revolving Equity was repaid by the issuance of Member Shares. The only exception was in cases where a member's combined Member Shares and Revolving Equity exceeded \$30,000. In these cases, the excess was repaid in cash. In 2018, a total of \$36.6 million of Revolving Equity was repaid in Member Shares and \$0.6 million was repaid in cash.

Details of Member Entitlements are as follows:

| | December 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Member Shares | \$ 80,097 | \$ 73,058 |
| Patronage Dividend | 14,100 | 14,000 |
| Investment Shares | 115,639 | 118,575 |
| Contributed Surplus | 8,218 | 9,981 |
| | \$ 218,054 | \$ 215,614 |

The repayment and redemption of Member Entitlements and the payment of the Patronage Dividend is subject to the right of offset of any amounts owing to UFA, and are subject to UFA meeting the covenants contained under the Credit Agreement (note 11). As provided in the By-Laws, the Board of Directors has the authority to limit or suspend payments, dividends or redemptions of Patronage Dividends, and Member and Investment Shares in cases where the business needs of UFA are impacted, liquidity or solvency is jeopardized, a default or breach of any financing facility may occur or in circumstances of significant market uncertainty.

Member Shares

UFA is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Member Shares with a par value of \$5.00.

Member Shares are redeemable (subject to any limitations as set out in the by-laws) at the option of the holder at par value when the member reaches age 70, moves out of the trading area or, at the request of the member's estate. The maximum dollar amount of Member Shares held by a member is \$30,000. Member Shares are not eligible for Member Share dividends.

| | 20 |)19 | 2018 | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|--|
| Member shares issued: | Number (in thousands) | Amount | Number (in thousands) | Amount | |
| Balance, beginning of period | 14,612 | \$ 73,058 | 6,149 | \$ 30,744 | |
| Transfer from Revolving Equity | - | - | 7,321 | 36,607 | |
| Redemptions/ adjustments | (142) | (707) | (194) | (973) | |
| Patronage | 1,571 | 7,855 | 1,416 | 7,080 | |
| Contributed Surplus | (22) | (109) | (80) | (400) | |
| Balance, end of period | 16,019 | \$ 80,097 | 14,612 | \$ 73,058 | |

Patronage Dividend

UFA may distribute a portion of its current fiscal period taxable earnings to its members in the form of a Patronage Dividend.

The Patronage Dividend approved at the Annual Meeting of the co-operative is applied in the following manner:

- 60% is applied toward the purchase by the member of Member Shares until the member has purchased Member Shares having an aggregate par value of \$30,000
- After application of the Patronage Dividend to Member Shares, the remaining amount shall be paid to the member in cash subject to withholding or other taxes

For 2018 a Patronage Dividend of \$14.0 million was approved. \$7.9 million of the dividend was issued as Member shares and \$6.2 million was paid in cash. For 2019, the Board of Directors has recommended a \$14.1 million Patronage Dividend.

| | 2019 | 2018 |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 14,000 | \$ 12,500 |
| Current period distribution: | | |
| Member Shares | (7,855) | (7,080) |
| Cash | (6,235) | (5,416) |
| Distribution adjustments | 90 | (4) |
| Current period allocation | 14,100 | 14,000 |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 14,100 | \$ 14,000 |

Revolving Equity

In accordance with the revised by-laws, effective January 1, 2018 Revolving Equity was repaid by the issuance of Member Shares. The only exception was in cases where a member's combined Member Shares and Revolving Equity exceeded \$30,000. In these cases the excess was repaid in cash. In total, \$36.6 million of Revolving Equity was repaid in Member Shares and \$0.6 million was repaid in cash.

| | 2019 | 2018 |
|------------------------------|------|-----------|
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ - | \$ 37,208 |
| Transfer to Member Shares | - | (36,607) |
| Repayment | - | (601) |
| Balance, end of period | \$ - | \$ - |

Investment Shares

Investment Shares have a par value of \$100 and are redeemable at par value at the option of the holder.

Investment Shares are retractable at par value at the option of UFA and provide a dividend at the bank prime rate less 0.5%. In 2019, dividends of \$4.0 million (2018 - \$3.7 million) were declared and charged against retained earnings. The minimum check issued is \$50 per member. Amounts less than \$50 are held in Investment Shares until the minimum is met.

| | 20 |)19 | 2018 | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|------------------------|-------|------------|----|--|
| | Number | Number Amount Number A | | Amount | | |
| Balance, beginning of period | 1,186 | \$ 118,575 | 1,237 | \$ 123,658 | 8 | |
| Redemption | (30) | (2,920) | (47) | (4,650 | 0) | |
| Contributed Surplus | (1) | (128) | (5) | (547 | 7) | |
| Less than minimum and unclaimed | 1 | 112 | 1 | 114 | 4 | |
| Balance, end of period | 1,156 | \$ 115,639 | 1,186 | \$ 118,575 | 5 | |

Contributed Surplus

The By-laws of the Co-operative provide for termination of a membership due to inactivity. When a member's membership is terminated for inactivity, the member has no further entitlement to be paid any amount in respect of the member's Investment Shares, Member Shares or Unclaimed Funds (together, the Member's Equity), and the membership number and Member's Equity shall be cancelled without any payment or notice to the member. In 2019, Members' Equity of \$0.2 million (2018 - \$0.9 million) was cancelled and classified as Contributed Surplus, as outlined below. As provided in the By-Laws, the Board of Directors established the UFA Rural Communities Foundation (the Foundation) in 2014 with objects consistent to the United Farmers of Alberta Co-operative Limited Act. The Foundation is funded by UFA's Contributed Surplus in annual contributions subject to management approval. In 2019, the Board of Directors passed a resolution to increase the maximum annual contribution limit to the Foundation from \$1 million to \$2 million. In 2019, \$2.0 million was allocated from Contributed Surplus to the Foundation.

| | 2019 | 2018 |
|--|-------------|--------------|
| Balance, beginning of period | \$ 9,981 | \$ 10,034 |
| Current period additions: | | |
| Member Shares | 109 | 400 |
| Investment Shares | 128 | 547 |
| Contribution to UFA Rural Communities Foundation | (2,000) | (1,000) |
| Balance, end of period | \$ 8,218 | \$ 9,981 |

16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

UFA's risk exposures and the impact on UFA's financial instruments are summarized below:

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss associated with a counter-party's inability to fulfill its payment obligations. UFA is exposed to the credit risk on its accounts receivable from members and customers. The accounts receivable are net of applicable allowances for doubtful accounts, which are established based on the specific credit risks associated with individual members and customers and other relevant information. Concentration of credit risk with respect to receivables is limited, due to the large number of members and customers.

Liquidity Risk

UFA's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities when they come due. At December 31, 2019, UFA had current assets of \$314.8 million (2018 - \$333.8 million) to settle current liabilities of \$107.5 million (2018 - \$129.6 million). All of UFA's accounts payable, accrued liabilities and deferred revenue are subject to normal trade terms (see notes 9 and 11 for information on payment terms of member loans and current and long-term debt).

Interest Rate Risk

To manage interest rate risk, UFA utilizes short-term floating interest rate borrowings issued under the Credit Agreement and through the Member loans program. Under its hedging program, UFA utilizes swap agreements to manage interest rate risk on its asset-based revolving credit facility. In June 2018 UFA entered into an interest swap agreement for a period of 7 years which expires on June 27, 2025. The swap agreement applies an effective rate of interest at 2.45% plus a spread of 1.20% on a notional amount of \$75.0 million.

The amortized transaction costs increased the interest rate by 0.35% (2018 - 0.41%) making the effective interest rate 4.20% (2018 - 3.57%). A 1.0% change in the prime rate is anticipated to have an annual change in interest cost of approximately \$0.8 million. UFA has not hedged any of the interest rate risk associated with other short-term borrowings as it considers the risk to be acceptable.

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of loss that may arise from changes in market factors such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and commodity prices. As these fluctuations may be significant on UFA's financial position, UFA has mitigated certain risks through the use of a hedging program. UFA at times will enter into financial instruments to help manage commodity price risks, these are recognized on a mark to market basis in the Statement of Operations.

On December 30, 2019, UFA entered into a Petroleum put option based on heating oil providing UFA an option to purchase 6.7 million US gallons at \$1.97 USD per US gallon of heating oil. The option expires on December 31, 2020. The purchase price of the option was \$1.2 million USD.

Foreign Currency Risk

UFA is exposed to foreign currency risk on exchange fluctuations related to its US dollar borrowings through UFA's Credit Agreement (note 11) and short-term foreign payables. UFA has entered into foreign currency forward contracts to manage its exposure to foreign exchange rate risk arising from certain payables of foreign suppliers.

Certain foreign currency forward contracts have met the criteria for hedge accounting and are designated as hedging instruments for accounting purposes in these financial statements. When hedge accounting is applied, the foreign currency forward contracts are recognized at maturity with changes to their fair values being accounted for through adjustment of the hedged item.

In fiscal 2019, UFA entered into foreign currency exchange agreements that became effective in fiscal 2020. These agreements were designated as hedge instruments for UFA's USD inventory purchases. Hedge accounting was also applied to these transactions with the appropriate adjustments recognized in these financial statements. The carrying value of the foreign currency exchange agreements as at December 31, 2019 was nil (2018 - nil).

At the consolidated balance sheet date, the fair values of the foreign currency exchange agreements were determined using Bank of Canada published foreign exchange rates.

17. EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS

UFA employees who were hired into a pension-eligible position prior to October 1, 2012 are participants of the defined benefit pension plan. UFA administers two defined benefit pension plans: a funded registered plan (RPP) for all employees and an unfunded supplemental employee retirement plan (SERP) for those employees whose earnings exceed the maximum allowable under government guidelines for the RPP. UFA funds the RPP in accordance with current pension legislation. UFA does not fund the SERP but has the obligation to pay SERP benefits out of general revenue in the period payments are made. Pension benefits are provided to qualified employees and are based, in general, on years of service and compensation near retirement.

Employees newly hired or transferred into a pension eligible position on or after October 1, 2012 are participants of the defined contribution pension plan. The employer contribution towards the defined contribution plan, recognized as an expense, was \$1.1 million (2018 - \$0.9 million).

UFA measures its accrued benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets in its pension plans as at the end of each fiscal period. The accrued benefit obligations are computed based on assumptions used in actuarial valuations for funding purposes. The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was completed as at December 31, 2017.

Changes to the accrued asset balances is as follows:

| | 2019 | 2018 |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Plan asset at start of year | \$ 13,943 | \$ 27,066 |
| Remeasurement and other costs | 28,380 | (15,875) |
| Solvency and expense contributions | 1,419 | 2,752 |
| Surplus at end of year | \$ 43,742 | \$ 13,943 |

Information regarding UFA's defined benefit plans is as follows:

| | Dece | December 31, 2019 | | cember 31, 2018 |
|--|------|-------------------|----|-----------------|
| Accrued benefit obligation, end of year | \$ | 153,710 | \$ | 150,282 |
| Market value of plan assets, end of year | | 197,452 | | 164,225 |
| Surplus of plan at end of year | | 43,742 | | 13,943 |
| Accrued asset | \$ | 43,742 | \$ | 13,943 |

Included in the accrued benefit obligation is \$3.5 million related to the SERP (2018 - \$3.6 million).

Key assumptions used in the computation of the defined benefit obligations are:

| | 2019 | 2018 | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Discount rate for funded status | 4.90% | 4.90% | |
| Rate of compensation increase | 1.0% to 2.5% | 1.0% to 2.5% | |

In 2019, UFA recognized termination costs of \$0.4 million (2018 - \$1.1 million) which was included under operating and administrative expenses.

18. GOVERNMENT REMITTANCES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities as at December 31, 2019 include \$7.8 million (2018 - \$14.8 million) in respect of government remittances other than income taxes. Included in this total are federal and provincial sales and excise taxes, payroll related taxes, and environmental levies.

19. REVENUE SEGMENTATION

UFA derives a significant portion of its revenue by providing products and services to its members. UFA's business reflects two distinct categories of activity, including fuel products and farm supplies as outlined below.

| Category | Dece | December 31, 2019 | | December 31, 2018 | % |
|--------------|------|-------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| Petroleum | \$ | 1,232,961 | 78.1 | \$ 1,451,747 | 79.9 |
| AgriBusiness | | 345,940 | 21.9 | 365,745 | 20.1 |
| | \$ | 1,578,901 | | \$ 1,817,492 | |

20. CHANGES IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL

Non-cash working capital used cash flows of \$14.9 million in fiscal year 2019 (2018 - used \$21.2 million). Of this, \$0.9 million of Accounts payable and accrued liabilities relates to capitalized amounts of intangibles.

| | Decen | nber 31, 2019 | December 31, 2018 | |
|---|-------|---------------|-------------------|----------|
| Accounts receivable and current income tax receivable | \$ | 6,302 | \$ | 1,039 |
| Inventory | | 10,491 | | (21,453) |
| Prepaid expenses | | (8,143) | | (2,796) |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | | (20,987) | | 73 |
| Deferred revenue and other | | (2,551) | | 1,944 |
| | \$ | (14,888) | \$ | (21,193) |

21. INTEREST AND INCOME TAXES PAID

Interest paid in fiscal year 2019 was \$9.2 million (2018 - \$8.2 million). Income taxes paid in fiscal year 2019 was \$6.5 million (2018 - \$3.8 million paid).