Statistics of Urban Municipal Electrical Utilities of Ontario Supplied by the Commission.—The Commission exercises supervisory functions over the electrical utilities owned and operated by the partner-municipalities, and has introduced a uniform accounting system which enables the Commission to present in its Annual Reports consolidated balance sheets and operating reports regarding these utilities. These statistics relate to about 90 p.c. of the retail customers supplied by the undertaking. Summary statistics regarding service to rural consumers are given in Table 14.

Statistics of the assets and liabilities of the electrical departments of urban municipalities served by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission are given in Table 12. These show, for 1937, total assets of \$159,082,200 as compared with liabilities of \$38,611,188. Of the difference, \$63,869,253 is allotted as reserves, leaving a surplus of \$56,626,334. The item "Equities in H.E.P.C. systems", listed under both assets and reserves, relates to the sinking fund equities acquired by the individual municipalities in their collective generation and transmission undertaking administered by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission. All other items relate to the local distributing systems operated individually by the urban municipalities which are partners in the Hydro undertaking. In computing the percentage of net debt to total assets the equity in Hydro systems is not taken into account. It will be noted that between 1933 and 1937 total assets have increased by \$23,378,947, while total liabilities have decreased by \$11,309,566.

12.—Consolidated Statement of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves, and Surpluses of Electrical Departments of Urban Municipalities Served by the Ontarlo Hydro-Electric Power Commission, calendar years 1933-37.

Item.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.
Number of municipalities included	280	282	282	284	284
Assets- Plant.	8	\$	- s	*	\$
Lands and buildings Substation equipment Distribution systems—overhead Distribution systems—underground Line transformers. Meters. Street lighting equipment—regular Street lighting equipment—ornamental Miscellaneous construction expenses Steam or hydraulic plants, Old plant Plants not distributed	21,152,681 5,945,226 9,478,605 8,514,165 2,381,599 1,458,444 4,040,860 502,979 5,016,756 200,000	10,262,693 22,327,619 21,353,726 6,031,768 9,635,279 8,624,505 2,385,296 1,464,307 3,907,360 494,933 4,978,079 200,000	10,381,191 22,072,115 21,650,568 6,068,725 9,678,578 8,767,892 2,420,239 1,486,303 3,616,987 496,050 4,917,917 200,000	10,528,595 22,162,208 22,163,701 6,070,337 9,845,940 9,043,616 2,527,188 1,504,597 4,019,431 496,186 4,876,405 200,000	10, 785, 474 22, 900, 206 22, 699, 652 6, 100, 283 10, 128, 599 9, 234, 774 2, 610, 133 1, 508, 564 4, 389, 592 496, 186 4, 878, 606 Nil
TOTALS, PLANT	91,184,587	91,675,565	91,756,565	93,438,204	95,732,188
OTHER. Bank and cash balances. Securities and investments. Accounts receivable. Inventories. Sinking Junds on local debentures. Equities in H.E.P.C. systems. Other assets.	2,163,785 3,746,911 1,226,043 9,386,177	2,215,914 2,382,447 4,001,596 1,110,705 9,161,420 29,274,341 289,158	2,927,486 2,593,634 4,363,298 1,212,063 9,086,152 32,609,980 301,318	3,921,121 2,924,913 4,560,714 1,261,844 9,585,713 36,193,874 203,168	3,080,864 4,469,368 4,240,741 1,336,528 10,003,874 40,032,439 186,252
Totals, Assets	135,763,253	140, 111, 146	144,850,496	152,039,551	159,082,200
Liabilities— Debenture balances. Accounts payable. Bank overdrafts. Other liabilities.		39,646,990 3,149,035 143,557 3,669,008	36,667,081 2,931,934 72,085 3,462,906	34,485,507 2,879,497 25,560 3,267,142	32,447,412 2,912,960 34,788 3,216,028
Totals, Liabilities	49,920,754	46,608,590	43,134,006	40,657,706	38,611,18