

7. Property, Plant and Equipment:

Property, plant and equipment (amounts expressed in thousands) consisted of the following as of June 30, 1987:

Enterprise Funds:

	<u>Depreciable Assets</u>	<u>Non- depreciable Assets</u>
Land and improvements (includes land being held for sale of \$2,124)		\$ 8,574
Structure and improvements	\$31,071	1,665,075
Equipment	26,005	579
	<u>57,076</u>	<u>1,674,228</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	29,675	
Total	<u>\$27,401</u>	<u>\$1,674,228</u>
<i>Nonexpendable Trust Fund:</i>		
Land	\$ 164	
Equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$452	1,323	
Total	<u>\$ 1,487</u>	

General Fixed Assets:

General fixed assets activity by asset classification for the year ended June 30, 1987, was as follows (amounts expressed in thousands):

Classification	Balance July 1, 1986	Additions	Deletions	Transfers in (out)	Balance June 30, 1987
Land and improvements	\$ 478,522	\$ 25,412	\$ 5,478	\$ 14,185	\$ 512,641
Structure and improvements	1,837,270	70,098	3,002	73,740	1,978,106
Equipment	549,448	63,757	20,308	46,365	639,262
Construction in progress	301,616	145,985		(134,290)	313,311
Total	<u>\$3,166,856</u>	<u>\$305,252</u>	<u>\$28,788</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$3,443,320</u>

Higher Education Fund:

Land	\$ 53,383
Building and improvements	757,734
Contents	421,966
Construction in progress	<u>67,433</u>
Total	<u>\$1,300,516</u>

8. General Obligation Bonds:

General obligation bonds are authorized and issued primarily to provide funds for state owned capital improvements, including facilities for institutions of higher learning, and the construction of public schools in political subdivisions. Bonds have also been issued for local government improvements, including grants and loans for water quality improvement projects and correctional facilities, and to provide funds for repayable loans or outright grants to private, not-for-profit cultural or educational institutions. Under constitutional requirements and practice, the Maryland General Assembly, by a separate enabling act, authorizes a loan for a particular object or purpose. Thereafter the Board of Public Works, a constitutional body composed of the Governor, the Comptroller of the Treasury and the State Treasurer, by resolution authorizes the issuance of bonds in a specified amount for part or all of the loan authorized by a particular enabling act.