***CIBL Inc.***

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*To our shareholders:*

CIBL’s cash and equivalents and investment assets as of September 30, 2021, consisted of:

* Cash and United States Treasury investments of $26.1 million and an investment merger limited partnership of $1.7 million, or $1,837 per share. As of September 30, 2021, CIBL had 15,169 common shares outstanding.
* Ownership of Bretton Woods Telephone Company and World Surfer, Inc. providers of broadband and communication services in Northern New Hampshire.
* 10,000 shares in Solix, Inc., a private outsourcing firm that provides, among other services, Universal Service Fund (“USF”) administration services to the telecommunications industry.

Revenues for the third quarter ended September 30, 2021, increased to $478,000 from $460,000 for the prior year, while EBITDA increased by $30,000 to $152,000 from $122,000. We repurchased 1,035 of our common shares, 7.0% of our total shares outstanding, at an average price of $1,779 per share. CIBL’s shares trade on OTC Pink®: CIBY.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the health and economics of our nation and the world. Throughout, we continued to provide service when to our communities. To that end, we have taken several steps to make sure that our customers and communities stay connected to loved ones and have access to information, including modifying how we handle repairs and installations in accordance with CDC and New Hampshire guidelines.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact us at the above or e-mail us at: [office@ciblinc.com](mailto:office@ciblinc.com), or visit us on our website: ciblinc.com.

**CIBL, Inc. and Subsidiaries**

**Financial Report to Shareholders**

**September 30, 2021**

**CIBL, Inc.**

**Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

**Forward-Looking Statements and Uncertainty of Financial Projections**

The following discussion contains certain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not based on historical information but relate to future operations, strategies, financial results or other developments. Forward-looking statements are necessarily based on estimates and assumptions that are inherently subject to significant business, financial, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control and all of which, with respect to future business decisions, are subject to change. These uncertainties and contingencies can affect actual results and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements made by, or on behalf of, the Company.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

**Three Months Ended September 30, 2021, compared to 2020.**

In the third quarter of 2021 revenues increased by $18,000 to $478,000 from $460,000 due to a non-recurring project that was completed in the third quarter of 2021.

EBITDA in the third quarter of 2021 increased by $30,000 to $152,000 from $122,000 in the previous year. The increase in EBITDA is directly related to the revenue increase and a reduction in New Hampshire general and administrative expenses versus the third quarter of 2020.

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|  | Three Months Ended  September 30, | | |
| *(in thousands)* | 2021 |  | 2020 |
| **Reconciliation to net income:** |  |  |  |
| EBITDA | $152 |  | $122 |
| Corporate office expenses | (166) |  | (130) |
| Management fee | (31) |  | (31) |
| Interest Income | 2 |  | 5 |
| Investment Income | 30 |  | 51 |
| Other income (expense) | -- |  | (1) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (64) |  | (63) |
| Income tax benefit | 18 |  | 11 |
| Net Income (loss) | $(59) |  | $(36) |

Corporate expenses for the quarter ended September 30, 2021 increased $36,000 to $166,000 from $130,000 as compared to 2020. The increases were driven by insurance and administrative expenses.

Management fee to LICT Corporation for administrative services of $31,000 includes professional fees, insurance, shareholder expenses, and other miscellaneous office expenses.

Investment income of $2,000 in 2021 and $5,000 in 2020, primarily consisted of interest from United States Treasury securities and money market accounts.

Investment income represents CIBL’s investment in a merger/arbitrage limited partnership investment. CIBL’s share was a gain of $30,000 and $51,000 in 2021 and 2020, respectively.

The Company’s effective tax rates for 2021 and 2020 periods were 23.4%.

As a net result, CIBL’s operations had a net loss of $59,000, or $(3.87) per share in 2021 as compared to a net loss of $36,000, or $(2.16) per share, respectively.

**Nine Months Ended September 30, 2021, compared to 2020.**

In the first nine months of 2021 revenues increased by $97,000 to $1,429,000 from $1,332,000 that was mostly due to non-recurring project that was completed in the third quarter of 2021.

EBITDA for the first nine months of 2021 increased by $63,000 to $407,000 from $344,000 in 2020. The increases were primarily driven by the increase in revenues and a decline in New Hampshire general and administrative expenses.

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|  | Nine Months Ended  September 30, | | |
| *(in thousands)* | 2021 |  | 2020 |
| **Reconciliation to net income:** |  |  |  |
| EBITDA | $407 |  | $344 |
| Corporate office expenses | (531) |  | (328) |
| Management fee | (94) |  | (94) |
| Interest Income | 6 |  | 144 |
| Investment Income | 106 |  | (47) |
| Other income (expense) | 18 |  | (1) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (194) |  | (192) |
| Income tax benefit | 186 |  | 44 |
| Net Income (loss) | $(96) |  | $(130) |

Corporate expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021, increased $203,000 to $531,000 as compared to $328,000 in 2020. The increases were driven by higher administrative and insurance expenses. This increase includes a $95,000 out of period adjustment in the second quarter of 2021 related to the prior six months for insurance expense.

Management fee to LICT Corporation for administrative services of $94,000 includes professional fees, insurance, shareholder expenses and other miscellaneous office expenses.

Interest income of $6,000 in 2021 and $144,000 in 2020, primarily consisted of interest from U.S. Treasury Bills and money market accounts. The decrease in 2021 is due to a decline in interest rates.

Investment income represents CIBL’s investment in a merger/arbitrage limited partnership investment. CIBL’s share was a gain of $106,000 in 2021 versus $47,000 in 2020.

The Company’s tax rate for 2021 and 2020 were 25.8% and 25.3%, respectively, excluding a refund in 2021. In the second quarter of 2021 we received a refund of $113,000 from the state of New Mexico related to tax withholdings from 2012. This was reported as an income tax benefit in the consolidated income statement in 2021. In addition, we recorded $19,000 of interest income related to the state refund in the other income (expense) category.

As a net result, CIBL’s operations had net loss of $96,000 or $(6.13) per share in 2021 as compared to a net loss of $130,000, or $(7.73) per share, respectively.

**LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

**Working Capital**

As of September 30, 2021, CIBL had $26,182,000 in cash, cash equivalents, and United States Treasury Securities as compared to $27,711,000 as of December 31, 2020.

**Share Repurchases and Distributions**

CIBL’s Board of Directors has authorized a stock repurchase program. Since its spin-off from

LICT Corporation (“LICT”) on November 19, 2007, the Board has the authorized the repurchase of a cumulative 7,824 shares of its common stock, of which 1,223 shares are remaining to be purchased. In the first nine months of 2021, 1,035 shares were repurchased, at an average price of $1,779 per share. CIBL has repurchased 42% of its issued shares since the inception of the program.

**CIBL, Inc. and Subsidiaries**

**Financial Statements**

**September 30, 2021**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | September 30,  2021 |  | December 31, 2020 | | |  | | September 30,  2020 |
| **Assets** |  |  | |  |  | |
| Current Assets |  |  | |  |  | |
| United States Treasury Bills | $23,999 |  | 15,000 | | |  | | $-- |
| Cash | 2,183 |  | 12,711 | | |  | | 28,800 |
| Investments in equity method affiliated entities | 1,686 |  | 1,580 | | |  | | 1,487 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance of $1 | 174 |  | 236 | | |  | | 177 |
| Prepaid expenses | 1 |  | 190 | | |  | | 1 |
| Materials and supplies | 59 |  | 59 | | |  | | 59 |
|  |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Other current assets | 125 |  | 150 | | |  | | 167 |
| Total Current Assets | 28,227 |  | 29,926 | | |  | | 30,691 |
|  |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 4,633 |  | 4,615 | | |  | | 4,697 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (3,659) |  | (3,468) | | |  | | (3,532) |
| Net property, plant and equipment | 974 |  | 1,147 | | |  | | 1,165 |
|  |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Goodwill | 337 |  | 337 | | |  | | 405 |
| Other intangibles, net | 58 |  | 63 | | |  | | -- |
| Other investments | 100 |  | 100 | | |  | | 100 |
| Other assets | 119 |  | 119 | | |  | | 120 |
| Total Assets | $29,815 |  | $31,692 | | |  | | $32,481 |
|  |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| **Liabilities and Equity** |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Current Liabilities |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | $75 |  | $11 | | |  | | $44 |
| Accrued liabilities | 377 |  | 320 | | |  | | 380 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 452 |  | 331 | | |  | | 424 |
|  |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Deferred income taxes | 157 |  | 218 | | |  | | 226 |
| Other liabilities | 104 |  | 104 | | |  | | 104 |
| Total Liabilities | 713 |  | 653 | | |  | | 754 |
|  |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Stockholders’ Equity |  |  |  | | |  | |  |
| Common stock, par value $.01, 30,000 shares authorized; 26,115 issued; and 15,169; 16,204; and 16,623 outstanding | -- |  | -- | | |  | | -- |
| Contributed capital | 5,612 |  | 5,612 | | |  | | 5,612 |
| Retained earnings | 37,469 |  | 37,565 | | |  | | 37,519 |
| Treasury stock, 10,947; 9,912; and 9,493  shares at cost | (13,979) |  | (12,138) | | |  | | (11,404) |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 29,102 |  | 31,039 | | |  | | 31,727 |
| Total Liabilities and Equity | $29,815 |  | $31,692 | | |  | | 32,481 |
| *See notes to consolidated financial statements* |  |  |  | | |  | |  |

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|  | Three Months Ended  September 30, | | |  | Nine Months Ended  September 30, | | |
|  | 2021 |  | 2020 |  | 2021 |  | 2020 |
| **Revenue** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Revenue | $478 |  | $460 |  | $1,429 |  | $1,332 |
| **Costs and expenses** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cost of revenue, excluding depreciation | 258 |  | 263 |  | 816 |  | 752 |
| General and administrative costs at operations | 68 |  | 75 |  | 206 |  | 236 |
| Corporate office expenses | 166 |  | 130 |  | 531 |  | 328 |
| LICT Fee | 31 |  | 31 |  | 94 |  | 94 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 64 |  | 63 |  | 194 |  | 192 |
| Total Operating expenses | 587 |  | 562 |  | 1,841 |  | 1,602 |
| Operating loss | (109) |  | (102) |  | (412) |  | (270) |
| **Other income** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income | 2 |  | 5 |  | 6 |  | 144 |
| Investment Income | 30 |  | 51 |  | 106 |  | (47) |
| Other | -- |  | (1) |  | 18 |  | (1) |
| Total Other income | 32 |  | 55 |  | 130 |  | 96 |
| Net income (loss) Before Income Taxes | (77) |  | (47) |  | (282) |  | (174) |
| Income tax (provision) benefit | 18 |  | 11 |  | 186 |  | 44 |
| Net income (loss) | $(59) |  | $(36) |  | $(96) |  | $(130) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding | 15,265 |  | 16,695 |  | 15,656 |  | 16,827 |
| Actual Shares Outstanding | 15,169 |  | 16,623 |  | 15,169 |  | 16,623 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Earnings Per Share**  **Net income from continuing operations per share** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | $(3.87) |  | $(2.16) |  | $(6.13) |  | $(7.73) |
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| *See notes to consolidated financial statements* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2021 | | | | | |
|  | Common Shares Outstanding | | Common Stock | Contributed Capital | Retained Earnings | Treasury Shares | Total Equity | |
| Balance at December 31, 2020 | 16,204 | | $-- | $5,612 | $37,565 | $(12,138) | $31,039 | |
| Net Income (loss) | -- | | -- | -- | (96) | -- | (96) | |
| Purchase of Treasury shares | (1,035) | | -- | -- | -- | (1,841) | (1,841) | |
| Balance at September 30, 2021 | 15,169 | | $-- | $5,612 | $37,469 | $(13,979) | $29,012 | |

*See notes to consolidated financial statements*

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|  | Nine Months Ended  September 30, | | |
|  | 2021 |  | 2020 |
| **Cash Flows From (Used In) Operating Activities** |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss) | $(96) |  | $(130) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net |  |  |  |
| Cash from operating activities: |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | 194 |  | 192 |
| Investment Income | (106) |  | 47 |
| Deferred income taxes | (61) |  | -- |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities |  |  |  |
| Accounts receivable | 62 |  | 2 |
| Income tax receivable | -- |  | -- |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 121 |  | 35 |
| Other operating assets and liabilities | 216 |  | (48) |
| Net Cash from Operating Activities | 330 |  | 98 |
|  |  |  |  |
| **Cash Flows (Used In) Investing Activities** |  |  |  |
| Capital expenditures | (18) |  | (18) |
| Redemption of U.S. Treasury Bills | 15,000 |  | -- |
| Acquisition of U.S. Treasury Bills | (23,999) |  | -- |
| Net Cash (used in) Investing Activities | (9,017) |  | (18) |
| **Cash Flows (Used in) Financing Activities** |  |  |  |
| Purchase of treasury stock | (1,841) |  | (640) |
| Net Cash (used in) Financing Activities | (1,841) |  | (640) |
| **Net Change in Cash and cash equivalents** | (10,528) |  | (560) |
|  |  |  |  |
| **Cash and Cash Equivalents** |  |  |  |
| Beginning of year | 12,711 |  | 29,360 |
| End of year | $2,183 |  | $28,800 |
|  |  |  |  |
| **Supplemental Cash Flow Information** |  |  |  |
| Cash (received) for income taxes, net | $(110) |  | $66 |
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| *See notes to consolidated financial statements.* |  |  |  |

**1. Organization**

***New Hampshire Operations***

On December 31, 2019, the Company completed the acquisition of New Hampshire Granite (“NH”) from LICT Corporation (“LICT”), the publicly traded company that spun off CIBL in 2007. The acquired operations consist of Bretton Woods Telephone Company (“BWTC”), a Rural Local Exchange Carrier serving the Mt. Washington/Carroll, New Hampshire area, and World Surfer, Inc. (“WS”), a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier serving generally the same area.

The Company exchanged 1,000 shares of common stock for all outstanding shares of BWTC and WS. These companies are leading providers of broadband and communications services to an approximately 35 -square-mile area in northern New Hampshire, including the Omni Mount Washington Hotel and Resort, The Mount Washington Cog Railway and the summit of Mount Washington, New Hampshire’s highest mountain top. In addition, CIBL continues to hold a merger/arbitrage limited partnership described below.

**2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Principles of Consolidation***

The accompanying financial statements included the operations of the Company and its majority owned or controlled subsidiaries, including New Hampshire Granite (“NH”).

All inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

***Regulatory Accounting***

The activities of BWTC, a wholly owned subsidiary of NH, are regulated for the interstate jurisdiction by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) and the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission for the intrastate jurisdiction. BWTC complies with the FCC Uniform System of Accounts, Part 32 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

Where applicable, this regulated accounting recognizes the economic effects of rate regulation by recording costs and a return on investment; as such, amounts are recovered through rates authorized by regulatory authorities. Developments that could give rise to substantial modifications of regulatory accounting practices include (1) increasing competition restricting BWTC’s wireline business’ ability to establish prices to recover specific costs, or (2) significant changes in the manner in which rates are set by regulators from cost-based regulation to another form of regulation. The Company periodically reviews the applicability of regulatory accounting guidelines based on the developments in its current regulatory and competitive environments.

In 2019, BWTC adopted the FCC’s voluntary USF Alternative Connect America Cost Model (“A-CAM”) II effective January 1, 2019. BWTC’s A-CAM II revenues for the third quarter of 2021 and 2020 were $44,000 and $49,000 respectively. A-CAM II revenues for BWTC, transition down $20,000 per year through 2028.

***Use of Estimates***

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”), which require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the financial statement date, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents.

***United States Treasury Bills***

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with maturities in excess of three months, and no greater than nine months at the date of purchase, to be short-term investments.

***Accounts Receivable***

Trade receivables of New Hampshire (“NH”) were uncollateralized customer obligations due under normal trade terms requiring payment within 30 days from the invoice date. The receivables are non-interest bearing. Payments on trade receivables are applied to the applicable unpaid invoices. The carrying amount of the trade receivables is reduced by an amount that reflects management’s best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected.

***Investments in Affiliated Entities, Equity Basis***

SM Merger/Arbitrage, L.P. During 2016, the Company invested $1,300,000 in a merger/arbitrage limited partnership (“Partnership”) whose primary purpose is to invest in liquidations; stub securities resulting from corporate merger, acquisition, and recapitalization activities; and risk arbitrage transactions in connection with mergers, consolidations, acquisitions, transfers of assets, tender offers, exchange offers, recapitalizations or other similar transactions. The Partnership may engage, to a lesser extent, in other investments in securities including capital structure arbitrage, matched pair trading and related trading in options. A Director of the Company, Salvatore M. Muoio is the managing member of the limited liability company which is the General Partner of the Partnership. As of September 30, 2021, December 31, 2020, and September 30, 2020, the Company’s investment was recorded at $1,686,000, $1,580,000, and $1,436,000, respectively.

***Cost Method Investment***

The Company accounts for certain investments, listed below, using the cost method because the Company does not exercise significant influence over the management.

The Company's ownership interest in Solix, Inc. (“Solix”) is accounted for using the cost method. Solix is an outsourcing firm that provides services such as USF administration services and other business process to the telecommunications industry. The carrying value of such investment as of September 30, 2021, December 31, 2020, and September 30, 2020, was $100,000.

***Marketable Securities***

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, which amends the guidance in U.S. GAAP on the classification and measurement of financial instruments. Although the ASU retains many current requirements, it significantly revises an entity’s accounting related to the classification and measurement of investments in equity securities. To adopt the amendments, entities are required to make a cumulative-effect adjustment to beginning retained earnings as of the beginning of the fiscal year in which the guidance is effective.

***Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets***

The Company evaluates the recoverability of goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives for impairment annually, or more often, whenever events or circumstances indicate that such assets may be impaired. The Company estimates the fair value of each reporting unit based on a number of subjective factors, including: (a) appropriate weighting of valuation approaches (income approach and market approaches), (b) estimates of our future cost structure, (c) discount rates for our estimated cash flows, (d) selection of peer group companies for the market approach, (e) required level of working capital, (f) assumed terminal value and (g) time horizon of cash flow forecasts.

The impairment test for other intangible assets not subject to amortization consists of a comparison of the fair value of the intangible asset with its carrying value. If the carrying value of the intangible asset exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess. There were no impairment losses recorded during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021

***Telecommunications Plant and Equipment***

Additions to the telecommunications plant and equipment are recorded at cost, which includes contracted work, direct labor and materials, and allocable overheads. When units of plant and equipment are retired, sold, or otherwise disposed of in the ordinary course of business, their average book cost less net salvage is charged to accumulated depreciation. Maintenance and repair costs and the replacement and renewal of items determined to be less than units of plant and equipment are charged to expense.

***Depreciation***

The majority of plant and equipment are used for the wireline telephone business. Depreciation is based on the composite group remaining life method and straight-line composite rates. This methodology provides for the recognition of the cost of the remaining investment in telephone plant and equipment less anticipated positive net salvage value, over the remaining asset lives. When depreciable telephone plant is replaced or retired, the carrying amount of such plant is deducted from the respective accounts and charged to accumulated depreciation, and no gain or loss is recognized.

***Fair Value Measurement***

The Company follows the authoritative guidance for fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities and for fair value measurements of nonfinancial items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis, and of nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a nonrecurring basis or are presented only in disclosures. Authoritative guidance defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date and establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three levels. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, or quoted prices for identical assets and liabilities in inactive markets. Level 3 inputs are unobservable.

The Company has three types of assets that are measured at fair value. A money market mutual fund that invests in United States Treasury bills, included in cash and cash equivalents, United States Treasury Bills owned by the company, included in United States Treasury Bills, and marketable securities, included in other investments, which are all classified as Level 1 inputs, because they are valued using quoted market prices. As of September 30, 2021, December 31, 2020, and September 30, 2020, the money market mutual fund had values of $962,000, $8,419,000, and $9,075,000 respectively; the US Treasury Bills had values of $23,999,000, $15,000,000, and $0, respectively.

Cash in banks, trade accounts receivable, short-term borrowings, trade accounts payable and accrued liabilities are carried at cost, which approximates fair value due to the short-term maturity of these instruments.

***Impairment of Long-Lived Assets***

Long-lived assets, such as telecommunications plant, and purchased intangibles subject to amortization, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset group to estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset group. If the carrying amount of an asset group exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized in the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset group exceeds the fair value of the asset group. There were no asset impairments recorded during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, and 2020.

***Income Taxes***

Income taxes are provided for the tax effects of transactions reported in the financial statements. Income taxes consist of taxes currently payable and those deferred due to temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax basis of the Company's assets and liabilities, using tax rates in effect in the period in which the temporary differences are expected to reverse. The Company establishes valuation allowances relating to deferred tax assets when management concludes that it is more likely than not that the Company will not realize a benefit from the reversal of such temporary differences. The Company and New Hampshire (“NH”) file separate tax returns.

***Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes***

The Company recognizes the effect of income tax positions only when the tax position is more likely than not to be sustained. Management is not aware of any exposure to uncertain tax positions that would require financial statement recognition or disclosure. The Company is no longer subject to federal or state income tax examinations for periods prior to the year ended December 31, 2016.

***Revenue Recognition***

Telephone service revenue related to New Hampshire (“NH”) operations was primarily derived from regulated local, intrastate, and interstate access and USF services and recognized as services are provided.

The Company’s adopted ASCs (ASC 606) on a modified retrospective basis for its contracts with customers that had not been completed as of January 1, 2018. The Company's customer contracts include performance obligations that are satisfied as products are delivered at a point in time or over time. Under the new standard, recognizing revenue for these performance obligations is consistent with the Company's current practice of recognizing revenue.

At contract inception, the Company assesses the goods and services to be provided to the customer and identifies the associated performance obligation. The Company considers all obligations, whether they are explicitly stated in the contract or are implied by customary business practices.

**3. Treasury Stock**

Since it was spun-off from LICT Corporation on November 19, 2007, CIBL’s Board of Directors has increased its authorized share repurchase program up to a cumulative 7,824 shares of common stock. During the first nine months of 2021 CIBL purchased 1,035 shares at an average price of $1,779 per share.

In addition to its open market repurchase programs, the Company has conducted two tender offers for its shares, purchasing a total of 4,746 shares at an average price of $1,100 per share.

**4. Provision for Income Taxes**

The provision (benefit) for income taxes from continuing operations for the three and six months ended September 30, 2021, and 2020 are summarized as follows:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Three Months | | |  | Nine Months | | |
|  | 2021 |  | 2020 |  | 2021 |  | 2020 |
| Current tax provision (benefit): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Federal | $(18) |  | $(11) |  | $(73) |  | $(44) |
| State |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State Refund (a) | -- |  | -- |  | (113) |  | -- |
|  | (18) |  | (11) |  | (186) |  | (44) |
| Deferred tax provision (benefit): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Federal | -- |  | -- |  | -- |  | -- |
| State | -- |  | -- |  | -- |  | -- |
|  | -- |  | -- |  | -- |  | -- |
| Total | $(18) |  | $(11) |  | $(186) |  | $(44) |

1. In the first quarter of 2021 we received a $113,000 refund from the state of New Mexico

related to tax withholdings from 2012

**5. Concentration of Risk**

***Credit Risk***

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents and the note receivable. The Company's cash and cash equivalents may at times exceed federally insured amounts.

**6. Related Party Transactions (Not Disclosed Elsewhere)**

LICT Corporation, an affiliate, provides administrative and management services to CIBL’s continuing operations. As compensation for these services, LICT received fees of $32,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021, and 2020, respectively.

As of September 30, 2021, December 31, 2020, and September 30, 2020, the money market mutual fund had values of $962,000, $8,419,000, and $9,075,000 respectively.

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