LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners Lower Cameron Hospital Service District Creole, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District, a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the financial information of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Cameron Parish Police Jury as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in its financial position, or its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 31, 2022, on our consideration of the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Certified Public Accountants Lafayette, Louisiana

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May 31, 2022

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31,

ASSETS	<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	\$ 2,676,147	\$	3,421,181
Property tax receivable, net of allowance of \$51,131 and \$85,292 for 2020 and 2019, respectively	526,116		182,574
Due from other governmental agencies (Note 4)	872,677		926,348
Rent receivable	37,600		134,000
Other receivables	1,284,301		85,496
Total Current Assets	5,396,841		4,749,599
CAPITAL ASSETS			
Nondepreciable assets (Note 6)	35,221		35,221
Depreciable capital assets (Note 6)	5,452,986		15,517,006
Total Capital Assets	5,488,207		15,552,227
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 10,885,048	\$	20,301,826
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 1,496,858	\$	69,719
Due to other governmental agencies	334,202	-	334,202
Third-party payor settlements (Note 7)	7,833,285		7,833,285
Total Current Liabilities	9,664,345		8,237,206
NET POSITION			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	5,488,207		15,552,227
Unrestricted (deficit)	(4,267,504)		(3,487,607)
Total Net Position	1,220,703		12,064,620
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$ 10,885,048	\$	20,301,826

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>
REVENUES				
Rental income	\$	112,800	\$	112,800
Other operating revenue	•	5,837	•	6,906
Total Revenues		118,637		119,706
EXPENSES				
Depreciation and amortization		490,240		593,537
Legal and professional fees		162,159		98,089
Contract labor		9,600		9,600
Intergovernmental transfer - supplemental payment program		1,900,216		1,766,815
Mitigation expense		196,468		-0-
Other operating expenses		35,148		8,591
Total Expenses		2,793,831		2,476,632
Operating Loss		(2,675,194)		(2,356,926)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Ad valorem taxes, net		1,253,380		963,661
Impairment loss on disposal of capital assets		(9,573,781)		-0-
Investment income		5,000		2,445
Noncapital grants		146,678		-0-
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Total Nonoperating Revenues		(8,168,723)		966,106
DECREASE IN NET POSITION		(10,843,917)		(1,390,820)
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NET POSITION BEGINNING OF YEAR		12,064,620		13,455,440
NET POSITION END OF YEAR	\$	1,220,703	\$	12,064,620

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	2020	<u>2019</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Receipts from rental activities Payments to suppliers and contractors Other receipts and payments, net	\$ 209,200 (876,452) (1,192,968)	\$ 1,885 (1,883,095) 6,695
Net cash used by operating activities	_(1,860,220)	(1,874,515)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Ad valorem taxes Noncapital grants	963,508 146,678	1,043,548
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,110,186	1,043,548
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest income	5,000	2,445
Net cash provided by investing activities	5,000	2,445
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(745,034)	(828,522)
BEGINNING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	3,421,181	4,249,703
ENDING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ 2,676,147	\$ 3,421,181

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Continued) YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS FROM		
OPERATIONS TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating loss	\$ (2,675,194) \$	(2,356,926)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net		
cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation and amortization	490,240	593,537
Changes in current assets (increase) decrease:		
Rent and other receivables Changes in current liabilities increase (decrease):	(1,102,405)	(94,211)
Due to other governmental agencies	-0-	(16,915)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,427,139	<u>-0-</u>
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (1,860,220) \$	(1,874,515)

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

Organization

The Lower Cameron Hospital Service District (the "Service District") was established by the Cameron Parish Police Jury on July 15, 1959, by virtue of the authority of La. R.S. 46:1051 et seq. The purpose of the Service District is to provide health services to lower Cameron Parish. Construction of the hospital building was financed through a bond issue, Hill Burton Funding, and local contributions. The Service District's Board of Commissioners is appointed by the Cameron Parish Policy Jury. The Service District is a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury. The accompanying financial statements present only the Hospital District.

Operation and Management

On February 1, 2007, the Service District entered into Amended and Restated Cooperative Endeavor Lease with Pacer Health Management Corporation ("Pacer"). During 2011, the Service District consented to an asset purchase agreement dated May 6, 2011 by which Frontier Hospitals, Inc. ("Frontier") acquired certain assets of Pacer and the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals license for the operation of the hospital facilities of the Service District. Pacer and Frontier, with the consent of the Service District, entered into a management agreement dated May 6, 2011 by which Frontier agreed to manage the operations of the hospital facilities for the Service District on behalf of Pacer for the period of time between May 6, 2011 and the closing date of the sale, June 15, 2011, at which time the lease with Pacer was terminated. Also on May 6, 2011, the Service District entered into a Cooperative Endeavor Lease with Frontier whereby Frontier began operating the hospital facilities on the closing date of the sale, June 15, 2011.

The lease with Frontier was for a one-year period ending June 14, 2012 with automatic renewals for three consecutive successive five-year renewal terms. Rent under the lease was \$9,400 per month.

The lease was intended to be a triple net lease, with the understanding that Frontier was fully responsible for all rent, all applicable insurance premiums, and all repairs and maintenance of the premises and equipment.

The Service District, subject to the ability to fund from its resources, provides operational assistance to Frontier under the lease agreement. During the initial term of the lease, the Service District provided \$1,380,000 in four installments, \$115,000 in May 2011, \$115,000 in June 2011, \$575,000 on July 1, 2011 and \$575,000 on August 1, 2011. Effective May 2012, the second year of the lease, the Service District was to provide \$110,000 per month. Frontier may request additional operational assistance from the Service District; however, payment of additional operational assistance was at the discretion of the Service District.

On January 1, 2014, the Cooperative Endeavor Lease Agreement by and between the Service District and Frontier was terminated. Stonebridge Health Systems, LLC ("Stonebridge") has been designated by the Service District as the replacement for Frontier as the operator of South Cameron Memorial Hospital and Calcasieu Oaks Behavioral Center.

On January 1, 2014, the Service District entered into a Cooperative Endeavor Lease with Stonebridge whereby Stonebridge began operating the hospital facilities.

The lease with Stonebridge is for an initial term of five years ending on December 31, 2018 with automatic renewal for one, five-year renewal term. Rent under the lease is \$9,400 per month.

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS (Continued)

The lease is intended to be a triple net lease, with the understanding that Stonebridge is fully responsible for all rent, all applicable insurance premiums, and all repairs and maintenance of the premises and equipment.

The Service District, subject to the ability to fund from its resources, provides operational assistance to Stonebridge under the lease agreement. During the initial term of the lease, the Service District was to provide \$1,320,000 in nine installments, \$330,000 in January 2014 and \$110,000 per month in April through December. However, the District provided \$2,420,000 in seven installments, \$330,000 in January 2014, \$330,000 in January 2014, \$660,000 in February 2014, \$110,000 in March 2014, \$110,000 in April 2014, \$440,000 in April 2014 and \$440,000 in July, 2014. Effective January 2015, the second year of the lease, the Service District is to provide \$110,000 per month. Effective August 2015, with the opening of the physician clinic in the Hospital, the Service District began providing an additional \$15,000 per month in operational assistance to Stonebridge to subsidize clinic operations. Stonebridge may request additional operational assistance from the Service District; however, payment of additional operational assistance is at the discretion of the Service District.

Effective October 15, 2018, the Cooperative Endeavor Lease Agreement was amended to delete section 4.12 <u>Lessor Operational Assistance</u> section whereby the Service District will provide \$-0- in direct operational assistance to Stonebridge. The Service District will provide an intergovernmental transfer to Louisiana Department of Health for a supplemental payment program.

The financial statements of the Service District have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP") applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting and reporting policies and practices used by the Service District are described below.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The Service District's financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the time of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year they are levied. Grants are recognized as revenue as soon as eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. The Hospital District's accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514 and to the guide set forth in the <u>Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide</u>, and the <u>Audit and Accounting Guide- Health Care Organizations</u>, published by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and standards established by the GASB.

Enterprise Fund

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises – where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and time deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the Service District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

The Service District uses the allowance method of recognizing the cost for uncollectible amounts. This method provides an estimate of the loss that is applicable to current year revenue, and any adjustment in previous estimates of prior year losses.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are stated at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of each class of depreciable assets. The following useful lives are generally used:

Building 20 to 50 years
Equipment 3 to 15 years
Land Improvements 10 years

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditure) until then. The Service District does not currently have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Service District does not currently have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Service District's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

The Service District's statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position distinguish between operating and non-operating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues result from rental activities, the Service District's principal activity. Non-exchange revenues, including taxes and investment income, are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are all expenses incurred to provide for the operations of the rental activities.

Grants and Donations

Revenues from grants and donations (including capital contributions of assets) are recognized when all eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. Grants and donations may be restricted for either specific operating purposes or for capital purposes. Amounts that are unrestricted or that are restricted to a specific operating purpose are reported as non-operating revenues. Amounts restricted to capital acquisitions are reported after non-operating revenues and expense.

Income Taxes

The Service District is a political subdivision and exempt from taxes.

Environmental Matters

The Service District is subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. The Service District's policy is to accrue environmental and cleanup related costs of a non-capital nature when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and when the amount can be reasonably estimated. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, management is not aware of any liability resulting from environmental matters.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made in the financial statements at December 31, 2020 and 2019, in order to be consistent with reporting in the current year. These reclassifications had no effect on previous reported retained earnings or net income.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

The GASB issued Statement No. 87, Leases. The objective of GASB 87 is to better meet the information needs of the financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that were previously classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2021.

Net Position

The Service District classifies net position into three components: invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted and unrestricted. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the current balances of any outstanding borrowing used to finance the purchase or construction of those assets. Restricted consists of assets that have constraints that are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Unrestricted are remaining net assets that do not meet the definition of invested in capital assets net of related debt or restricted. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Service District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Service District's investing is performed in accordance with investment policies complying with state statutes. Funds may be invested in time deposits, money market investment accounts, or certificates of deposit with financial institutions insured by FDIC; direct obligations of the United States Government and its agencies; commercial paper issued by United States Corporations with a rating of A-1 (Moody's) and P-1 (Standard and Poor's) or higher; and government backed mutual trust funds. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Service District's funds consisted solely of demand deposits and certificates of deposits. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Service District's deposits may not be returned to it. State law requires collateralization of all deposits with federal depository insurance and other acceptable collateral in specific amounts. The Service District's policy requires that all bank balances be insured or collateralized by the financial institution's pledge of their own securities to cover any amount in excess of Federal Depository Insurance Coverage (FDIC). These securities must be pledged in the Service District's name. At December 31, 2020, \$500,000 of the Service District's deposits were secured from risk by FDIC coverage and \$2,935,785 of deposits were secured by the financial institution's pledged securities. At December 31, 2019, \$500,000 of the Service District's deposits were secured from risk by FDIC coverage and \$2,935,551 of deposits were secured by the financial institution's pledged securities. Accordingly, the Service District had no custodial credit risk related to its deposits at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

NOTE 4 - DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

A summary of due from other governmental agencies is as follows:

		<u>2020</u>	2019
FEMA grant - Physician's Quarters	\$	37,517	\$ 37,517
FEMA grant - Direct Admin Costs FEMA grant - Hospital Canopies		56,202 50,964	56,202 50,964
Cameron Parish Sheriff's Office - Ad Valorem Tax		727,994	781,665
Total due from other governmental agencies	\$_	872,677	\$ 926,348

NOTE 5 - AD VALOREM TAXES

The Service District's property tax is levied by the parish on the taxable real property in the Service District in late October of each year. Bills are sent out in November of each year at which time the Service District records the tax revenue, taxes become delinquent on December 31st, and become a lien in the following March. The Service District levied 16.13 mills in 2020 and 2019, on properties with assessed values of \$82,379,151 and \$69,580,217 net of homestead values, for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

The Service District received approximately 82% in 2020 and 88% in 2019, of its financial support from ad valorem taxes. These funds were used to support operations.

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset additions, retirements, and balances for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 were as follows:

		2019	Additions	Retirements	2020
Nondepreciable capital assets Land	\$ _	35,221	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 35,221
Depreciable capital assets					
Buildings and improvements Equipment	\$	22,162,839 3,521,035	\$ -0- -0-	\$ 9,850,819 3,521,035	\$ 12,312,020 <u>-0-</u>
Total Accumulated depreciation	<u>!</u>	25,683,874 (10,166,868)	-0- (490,240)	13,371,854 (3,798,074)	12,312,020 (6,859,034)
Total depreciable Capital assets, net	\$.	15,517,006	\$ (490,240)	\$ 9,573,780	\$ 5,452,986
		<u>2018</u>	Additions	Retirements	<u>2019</u>
Nondepreciable capital assets Land	\$	35,221	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 35,221
Depreciable capital assets					
Buildings and improvements Equipment	\$	22,162,839 3,521,035	\$ -0- -0-	\$ -0- -0-	\$ 22,162,839 3,521,035
Total Accumulated depreciation		25,683,874 (9,573,331)	-0- (593,537)	-0- -0-	25,683,874 (10,166,868)
Total depreciable Capital assets, net	\$ _	16,110,543	\$ (593,537)	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ 15,517,006

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 amount to \$490,240 and \$593,537, respectively.

In the fall of 2020, Cameron Parish was devastated by two major hurricanes resulting in the Service District relocating. At the present time, the total loss to the Service District and the amount of reimbursement is unknown. The Hospital District is in the process of a two-phase repair process. Phase I of the approach is to restore essential hospital services to the main campus of the Service District with the scope of the Phase I repairs to focus on restoring ten (10) acute beds, imaging and lab services together with reopening of the essential emergency department. Phase II will focus on restoration of kitchen services at the Hospital District to provide food for patients and required staff housing. The Hospital District is in the process of requesting State Capital Outlay Funding, Insurance Proceed Funding, as well as other funding to rebuild the Hospital and provide services to the Hospital District.

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

As of the balance sheet date, the Hospital District's financial statements an impairment loss resulting from the Hurricanes totaling \$9,573,781. The impairment loss includes the complete loss of various buildings and building components, equipment and other as well as the HVAC system. The impairment loss was calculated and valued on the historical cost of the destroyed assets of the Service District. The restorative efforts of the remaining damages were impaired based on appraisal values and destruction estimates determined by the Hospital District.

NOTE 7 - THIRD-PARTY PAYOR SETTLEMENT

The Service District has intermediary receivable/payable balances on cost reports from when the Service District operated the Hospital. Medicare and Medicaid would reimburse the Hospital for cost reimbursable items at an interim tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of the annual cost reports by the Hospital and audits thereof by the Medicare and Medicaid fiscal intermediary. Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. As a result, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates may change by a material amount in the near term.

Retroactive adjustments are considered in the recognition of revenue on an estimated basis in the period related services are rendered, and such amounts are adjusted in future periods as adjustments become known or as years are no longer subject to audit.

The following is a schedule of third-party payor settlement payable (receivable) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

Cost Report Year		<u>Medicare</u>		<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
1995	\$	-0-	\$	2,684,417	\$ 2,684,417
1997		2,262,779		1,168	2,263,947
1998		4,334,615		93,802	4,428,417
1999		238,164		(2,671)	235,493
2000		166,811		(6,996)	159,815
Amounts discharged per bankruptcy plan	_	-0-	-	(1,938,804)	(1,938,804)
Total	\$_	7,002,369	\$	830,916	\$ 7,833,285

NOTE 8 - EMERGENCY ROOM, HEALTH CLINIC, AND OPERATION SHORTFALL MAINTENANCE

For the periods ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Service District paid \$-0-, from its ad valorem tax collections and grant proceeds for the maintenance of the emergency room and health clinic, and operational shortfalls in connection with the Hospital's operations, in accordance with the lease agreements and board resolutions.

NOTE 9 - BANKRUPTCY PLAN

On November 18, 1999, the Service District filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 9 of the Bankruptcy Code. On September 28, 2000, the Chapter 9 Bankruptcy Plan was accepted by the creditors and was approved by Bankruptcy Court, the Governor, Attorney General, and State Bond Commission, as required by Louisiana Law. The provisions of this confirmed plan bind the Service District and its creditors in accordance with Section 944 of the Code. The Plan also binds all creditors of the Service District to cease any existing offset or recoupment and to refrain from exercising any rights they may have to offset or recoup funds of the Service District or of any lessee of the Service District arising out of amounts owed to creditors based upon periods of time prior to September 28, 2000.

NOTE 10 - CONTINGENCIES

In previous years, the Service District received grant funds for rebuilding of the Hospital after Hurricanes Rita, Gustav and Ike. Based on management's records of grant funds received and expenditures, the Service District has recorded a liability of \$334,201 and \$334,201 at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, due to other governmental agencies. The project worksheets associated with these grants are in the process of being closed by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP). As of the date of this report, the final amount due to GOHSEP cannot be determined and the amount recorded may be subject to change as the project close outs are finalized.

NOTE 11 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 31, 2022, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that no material events occurred that require disclosure. No subsequent events occurring after that date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT SCHEDULES OF OTHER OPERATING REVENUES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

	<u>2020</u>				
State revenue sharing Oil and gas revenue Property lease	\$ 1,467 370 4,000	\$ -	1,305 676 4,925		
Total other operating revenues	\$ 5,837	\$_	6,906		

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT SCHEDULES OF BOARD FEES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019

Board Members

The Service District's board members did not receive any compensation for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT SCHEDULES OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Agency Head Name: Tim Dupont, Chairman

There were no compensation, benefits and other payments to the agency head in the current year.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners Lower Cameron Hospital Service District Creole, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District as of and for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated May 31, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the basic financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and guestioned costs that we consider to be a material weakness, item 2020-001.

Board of Commissioners Lower Cameron Hospital Service District Creole, Louisiana Page Two

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's Response to Findings

Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Lower Cameron Hospital Service District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Certified Public Accountants Lafayette, Louisiana

Lester Miller & Wells

May 31, 2022

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Section I. Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' opinion issued: unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified Yes
- Significant deficiencies No

Compliance

Noncompliance issues noted – No

Management letter issued - No

Federal Awards - Not applicable

Section II. Financial Statement Findings

FINDING 2020-001 - Segregation of Duties

2020-001 - Segregation of Duties

<u>Condition:</u> The Hospital District does not have adequate segregation of duties. A system of internal control procedures contemplates a segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to its completion. While we recognize the Hospital District may not be large enough to permit such procedures, it is important that you be aware of this condition. This condition was also included in the 2019 audit as item 2019-001.

<u>Criteria:</u> An effective system of internal control requires a proper segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to its completion.

Cause: The Hospital District has a limited number of employees within the accounting department.

Effect: Ineffective system of internal controls within the accounting function.

Recommendation: Keeping in mind the limited number of personnel to which duties can be assigned, the Hospital District should continue to monitor assignment of duties to assure as much segregation of duties and responsibility as possible, and the board should review financial information on a timely basis.

Response: The Hospital District is aware of and evaluated this problem and concluded that it would not be cost beneficial or possible with the limited resources available to create a segregated accounting environment. However, the Hospital District will continue to monitor this issue and the Board will review financial information on a timely basis.

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Section III. Federal Award Findings

Not Applicable

Section IV. Management Letter

Not Applicable

LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND RESPONSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Section I. Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

2019-001 - Segregation of Duties

Recommendation: Keeping in mind the limited number of personnel to which duties can be assigned, the Hospital District should continue to monitor assignment of duties to assure as much segregation of duties and responsibility as possible, and the board should review financial information on a timely basis.

Current Status: This finding is repeated at 2020-001.

Section II. Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

Not Applicable

Section III. Management Letter

Not Applicable