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CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 2

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 1997

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# UNQUALIFIED OPINION ON GENERAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2

I have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2, a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated July 17, 1998, on my consideration of the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the District taken as a whole. The accompanying schedules, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly state, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

What Assr. "ARC"
Leesville, Louisiana

July 17, 1998

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

Board of Commissioners Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2

I have audited the financial statements of the Cameron Parish Water-works District No. 2 as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, and have issued my report thereon dated July 17, 1998. I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts an grants, 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 my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed one instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards which is described as follows:

Finding: This audit report is not being issued within the six months of the close of its December 31, 1997 fiscal year-end. This is a violation of LA R.S. #24:513(A)(5)(a).

Management Response: The CPA performing the examination of accounts had an external quality review performed in December 1997. Based on the results of that review, a specific letter of comment suggested that, due to the firm's size, the firm should consider retaining another qualified CPA firm to review all governmental type reports prior to issuance to improve its quality control features.

The firm adopted the recommendation; however, implementation and coordination of the pre-issuance review has delayed the release of certain reports until after the statutory deadline. Future reports beginning with the next fiscal year will be issued within the statutory time frame.

Internal Control Over Compliance

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements and not to provided assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of management. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Willet ASC. "ARC" Leesville, Louisiana

July 17, 1998

# Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

I have audited the financial statements of Cameron Waterworks District No. 2 as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, and have issued my report thereon dated July 17, 1998. I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. My audit of the financial statements as of December 31, 1997 resulted in an unqualified opinion.

### Section I Summary of Auditor's Reports

	a. Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements
Internal	Control Material Weaknesses ( ) Yes (X) No Reportable Conditions ( ) Yes (X) No
Compliand	ce Compliance Material to Financial Statements (X) Yes ( ) No
	b. Federal Awards
	Internal Control Material Weaknesses ( ) Yes ( ) No (X) N/A Reportable Conditions ( ) Yes ( ) No (X) N/A
	Type of Opinion On Compliance For Major Programs Unqualified ( ) Qualified ( ) Disclaimer ( ) Adverse ( ) N/A (X)
	r findings required to be reported in accordance with Circular ection .510(a)? ( ) Yes ( ) No (X) N/Å

#### c. Identification of Major Programs

CFDA Number(s)

Name of Federal Program

None

None

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs:  $\frac{\$ N/A}{}$ 

Is the auditee a "low-risk" auditee, as defined by OMB Circular A-133?
( ) Yes ( ) No (X) N/A

#### Section II Financial Statement Findings

1997.1 <u>Late Filing</u>: This audit report is not being issued within the six months of the close of its December 31, 1997 fiscal year-end. This is a violation of LA R.S. #24:513(A)(5)(a), but does not have any effect on the financial statements. All future reports should be issued within the required time frame.

Section III Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

N/A

COMPONENT UNIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### BALANCE SHEET

### December 31, 1997

#### **ASSETS**

Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 284,105
Receivables:	
Ad valorem taxes	119,134
Accounts	38,139
State revenue sharing	1,242
Accrued interest	2,068
Prepaid insurance	3,843
Total current assets	448,531
Restricted assets:	
Cash Meter deposit fund (Note 2)	8,484
Cash Construction fund (Note 2)	<u>377,9</u> 82
Total restricted assets	386,466
Fixed assets (Note 4)	
Land	1,000
Buildings	127,587
Plant.	494,739
Improvements other than buildings	464,299
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	123,082
Less: accumulated depreciation	(731,916)
Fixed assets (net of accumulated	
depreciation)	<u>478,79</u> 1
	•
Total assets	<b>\$1,313,788</b>

### Exhibit A

### LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Current liabilities: Accounts payable Salaries payable Deferred revenue Sales taxes payable Retirement deductions payable	\$ 1,445 10,839 4,164 266 3,361
Total current liabilities	20,075
Current liabilities payable from restricted assets:  Customer deposits	<u>8,484</u>
Total current liabilities payable from restricted assets	<u> </u>
Total liabilities	28,559
Equity:	
Contributed capital (Note 5)	226,646
Retained earnings: Reserved for general construction Unreserved	377,982 <u>680,601</u>
Total retained earnings	1,058,583
Total equity	1,285,229
Total liabilities and equity	<u>\$1,313,788</u>

# Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings

# For the year ended December 31, 1997

Operating revenues: Charges for sales and services: Water sales Installation service Berthing fee Miscellaneous income	\$ 231,341 1,230 21,900 2,059
Total operating revenues	256,530
Operating expenses: Current: Salaries and related benefits Per diem of board members Operation of plant Depreciation	171,777 3,300 126,387 43,565
Total operating expenses	345,029
Operating income (loss)	(88,499)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):  Ad valorem tax Interest income State revenue sharing Gain on sale of asset	103,557 32,245 4,342 2,557
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	142,701
Net income	54,202
Add depreciation on assets acquired through contributed capital (Note 5)	20,392
Increase in retained earnings	74,594
Retained earnings, January 1, 1997	983,989
Retained earnings, December 31, 1997	\$1,058,583

# CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS NO. 2 STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND RETAINED EARNINGS (BUDGETARY BASIS) AND ACTUAL For the Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable ( <u>Unfavorable</u> )
Operating revenues: Water sales Installation Berthing fee Miscellaneous income	\$ 215,500 1,200 21,500 5,600	\$ 231,341 1,230 21,900 2,059	\$ 15,841 30 400 (3,541)
Total revenues	243,800	256,530	12,730
Operating expenses: Salaries and related benefits Per diem of board members Operation of plant Depreciation	169,000 3,300 136,500 41,000	171,777 3,300 126,387 43,565	10,113
Total operating expenses	349,800	345,029	4,773
Operating Income (loss)	(106,000)	(88,499	) 17,501
Nonoperating Revenue/ (Expenses):   Ad valorem tax   Interest income   State revenue sharing   Gain on sale of asset	78,000 14,300 6,200	103,557 32,245 4,342 2,557	17,945 (1,858)
Total nonoperating revenues	98,500	142,701	44,201
Net income (loss):	(7,500)	54,202	61,702
Add depreciation	20,392	20,392	)
Increase (decrease) in retained earnings	12,892	74,594	61,702
Ret. Earnings Jan. 1	983,989	983,989	<u> </u>
Ret. Earnings Dec.31	\$ <u>996,881</u>	\$1,058,583	<u>\$ 61,702</u>

### Statement of Cash Flows

### For the year ended December 31, 1997

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$ (88,499)
Depreciation	43,565
Changes in assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable Other current assets Accounts payable Other current liabilities Deferred revenue Customer deposits Retirement deductions payable	(16,171) (594) (3,424) 10,769 762 358 1,495
Net cash provided by operating activities	(51,739)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Ad valorem taxes	80, <u>91</u> 8
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES State revenue sharing Acquisition of property, plant and	4,275
equipment Proceeds from sale of asset	(19,756) 3,502
Net cash provided by capital financing activities	(11,979)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received	31,881
Increase in cash	49,081
CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	621,490
CASH, END OF YEAR	\$670,571
CLASSIFIED AS Current Assets Restricted Assets	\$284,105 386,466
Totals	\$670,571

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 1997

#### NOTE 1--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Cameron Parish Police Jury is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. Cameron Parish Police Jury is the reporting entity for Cameron Parish as defined by NCGA Statement 3, (Defining the Governmental Reporting Entity).

In April of 1984, the Financial Accounting Foundation established the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to promulgate generally accepted accounting principles and reporting standards with respect to activities and transactions of state and local governments. In November of 1984, the GASB issued a codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards. This codification is recognized as generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments.

Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 "District" is a component unit of Cameron Parish Police Jury as defined by GASB codification Section 2100. The District was created by the Cameron Parish Police Jury as authorized by Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:3811-21. The District is governed by a board of five commissioners appointed by the Cameron Parish Police Jury, who are responsible for providing water service within the boundaries of the district.

#### A. FUND ACCOUNTING

Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 is organized and operated on a fund basis as a Proprietary Fund Type-Enterprise Fund. In an enterprise fund the accrual basis of accounting is utilized and revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. 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 and ad valorem taxes.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

# NOTE 1--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### B. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Proprietary funds follow GAAP prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and all Financial Accounting Standards Board's standards issued prior to November 30, 1989. All proprietary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Fund equity, (i.e., net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fundtype operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets.

#### C. BUDGETARY PRACTICE

The Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 utilizes the following budgetary practice:

Annually the District adopts a budget for the Enterprise Fund as a management device for control of revenues and expenses. The budget is amended at various times during the year as the need arises. A comparison of revenues and expenses is not included with the accompanying statements.

#### D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash includes amounts in petty cash, demand deposits, interest earning demand deposits, and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits, with maturities of three months or less. Under state law, the district may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, and time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana, or United States bonds, treasury bills and notes, or certificates.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

# NOTE 1--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### E. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE WRITE-OFF METHOD

The District has adopted a write off policy wherein any account that is deemed uncollectible is written off directly when the account's collection efforts have been deemed unsuccessful.

#### F. FIXED ASSETS

The fixed assets of the waterworks district are accounted for on the balance sheet of the Enterprise Fund. The fixed assets of the District as shown on the balance sheet are recorded at historical cost. Depreciation is computed by the straight line method based on the estimated useful life of the individual assets.

#### G. VACATION AND SICK LEAVE

The Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 has the following policy related to vacation and sick leave:

Employees of the District accrue from 5 to 25 days annual leave each year depending on length of service. Upon resignation or retirement, unused annual leave is forfeited. In addition, employees of the District accrue from 12 to 18 days of sick leave each year depending on length of service. Upon resignation or retirement, unused sick leave is forfeited.

#### NOTE 2--CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS COLLATERAL

At December 31, 1997, the carrying amount of the District's cash and investments was \$670,571 and the bank balance was \$675,022. Of the bank balance, \$200,000 was covered by federal depository insurance, and \$475,022 was covered by collateral held in the District's name by the pledging banks' safekeeping agents.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

#### NOTE 3--RECEIVABLES

Receivables at December 31, 1997 consist of the following:

Ad valorem taxes	\$119,134
Accounts	38,139
State revenue sharing	1,242
Accrued interest	2,068

Net total receivables

\$160,583

The amount included in the ad valorem receivable on the balance sheet is for ad valorem taxes which attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 of each year. Taxes are levied to the taxpayers in November. Billed taxes become delinquent on January 1 of the following year. Revenues from ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year billed.

The District utilizes the Cameron Parish Tax Collector/Sheriff to bill and collect its property taxes using the assessed values determined by the tax assessor of Cameron Parish.

For the year ended December 31, 1997, taxes of 5.02 mills were levied on property with assessed valuation totaling \$20,703,077 and were dedicated to the General Fund.

Taxes were levied upon a total assessed valuation of \$20,703,077. The total amount levied was \$104,551. Furthermore, collections of delinquent taxes and other adjustments resulted in total collections of \$103,557.

#### Note 4--CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated by the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the various classes of assets.

# CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 2 Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

### Note 4--CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

The following is a summary of changes in fixed assets as of December 31, 1997:

7) - 7	<u>Land</u>	<u>Buildings</u>	0	provements ther than buildings		Š
Balance 12/31/96	\$1,000	\$127,587	\$494,739	\$464,299	\$115,925	\$1,203,550
Additions		Month gave shown			19,756	19,756
Deletions	*		#		(12,599)	(12,599)
Balance 12/31/97	1,000	127,587	494,739	464,299	123,082	1,210,707
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(101,685)	<u>(292,508</u> )	(250,674)	(87,050)	_(731,916)
Net fixed assets 12/31/97	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$ 33,991</u>	\$214, <u>17</u> 8	\$222,806	<u>\$ 31,569</u>	\$ 503,544

The following estimated useful lives are used to compute depreciation:

Buildings Improvements other than buildings	45 years 45 years
Furniture, fixtures, and	_
equipment	3-10 years

#### NOTE 5--CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL

Changes during 1997 in the contributed capital account (shown net) are as follows:

Balance 12/31/96	\$ 247,038
Depreciation of assets acquired by contributed capital	(20,392)
Balance 12/31/97	\$ 226,646

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

#### NOTE 6--LITIGATION

The District has filed a suit against North American Ship Agencies, Inc., et al, on June 11, 1998, seeking to recover damages in the sum of \$27,169 for damages caused by the defendants to cluster piles and the dock facility owned by Waterworks District No. 2. At this time the suit is pending and not all of the defendants have made appearances in the suit that is estimated to be in litigation for at least one year. A determination of the final outcome cannot be determined at this time therefore, there has been no related adjustment in the financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID BOARD MEMBERS

For the year ended December 31, 1997

The schedule of per diem paid to board members was prepared in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 session of the Legislature.

As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4564, the board members received \$60 per diem for attendance at meetings of the board in 1997.

	Number <u>Attended</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Alton Schexnider Donald Broussard Gerald Labove Richard Erickson Darrell Duhon	9 11 10 12 13	\$ 540 660 600 720 540
Totals		\$3,300

# Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

# SECTION I INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

There were no prior year findings relating to internal control and compliance material to the financial statements.

# SECTION II INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO FEDERAL AWARDS

There were no prior year findings relating to internal control and compliance material to federal awards.

#### SECTION III MANAGEMENT LETTER

There was no management letter with prior year audit report.

# Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 2 MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

SECTION I INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1997.1 The Board will more closely will closely monitor the timely completion of the December 31, 1998 audit by June 30, 1999 and require the auditor to complete it in a timely fashion.

SECTION II INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO FEDERAL AWARDS

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SECTION III MANAGEMENT LETTER

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