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**CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
CONCORDIA PARISH POLICE JURY**

**Component Unit Financial Statements and
Independent Auditor's Reports
For the Two Years Ended
December 31, 1999**

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SECTION I – GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**Members of the Board Supervisors
Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2
Ferriday, Louisiana**

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2 as of December 31, 1999 and 1998 as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2, as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and the results of its operations for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 26, 2000 on our consideration of the Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental information schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the

**Members of the Board of Supervisors
Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2
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general purpose financial statements of the Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

**Ferriday, Louisiana
June 26, 2000**

Switzer, Hopkins & Manger

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
 DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types				Account Groups		(Total Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	General		1999	
				Fixed Assets	Long-Term Debt		
ASSETS							
Cash	\$ 127,061	\$ 112,687	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 239,748	\$ 245,380
Receivables-property taxes	123,428	151,088	-	-	-	274,516	280,435
Buildings and improvements	-	-	-	465,436	-	465,436	465,436
Furniture and equipment	-	-	-	1,113,881	-	1,113,881	958,755
Amount available in debt service fund	-	-	-	-	263,775	263,775	240,373
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	-	-	-	-	694,227	694,227	724,627
Total assets	250,489	263,775	-	1,579,317	958,002	3,051,583	2,915,006
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	20,556	-	-	-	-	20,556	5,425
Note payable	-	-	-	-	88,002	88,002	-
Bonds payable (Note B)	-	-	-	-	870,000	870,000	965,000
Total liabilities	20,556	-	-	-	958,002	978,558	970,425
Fund Equity:							
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-	1,579,317	-	1,579,317	1,424,191
Fund Balance:	-	263,775	-	-	-	263,775	240,373
Reserved for debt service	-	-	-	-	-	229,933	280,017
Unreserved-undesignated	229,933	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Fund equity	229,933	263,775	-	1,579,317	-	2,073,025	1,944,581
Total Liabilities and fund equity	\$ 250,489	\$ 263,775	\$ -	\$ 1,579,317	\$ 958,002	\$ 3,051,583	\$ 2,915,006

The following notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			Total
	General	Debt Service	Capital	(Memorandum
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Projects</u>	<u>Only</u>)
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Taxes	\$ 143,832	\$ 176,899	\$ -	\$ 320,731
Interest earned	6,979	3,162	125	10,266
Other income	14,684	-	-	14,684
Total revenues	<u>165,495</u>	<u>180,061</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>345,681</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Salaries and benefits	60,986	-	-	60,986
General administrative	42,446	-	-	42,446
Principal paid	-	106,997	-	106,997
Interest paid	-	67,429	-	67,429
Maintenance	39,379	-	-	39,379
Capital outlay-equipment	37,742	-	17,384	55,126
Total expenditures	<u>180,553</u>	<u>174,426</u>	<u>17,384</u>	<u>372,363</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(15,058)	5,635	(17,259)	(26,682)
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u>				
Operating transfers in	-	17,767	-	17,767
Operating transfers (out)	<u>(17,629)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(138)</u>	<u>(17,767)</u>
Total other	<u>(17,629)</u>	<u>17,767</u>	<u>(138)</u>	<u>-</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(32,687)	23,402	(17,397)	(26,682)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>262,620</u>	<u>240,373</u>	<u>17,397</u>	<u>520,390</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 229,933</u>	<u>\$ 263,775</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 493,708</u>

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CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			
	<u>General</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Projects</u>	<u>(Memorandum</u>
			<u>Fund</u>	<u>Only)</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Taxes	\$ 138,070	\$ 169,820	\$ -	\$ 307,890
Interest earned	7,390	3,113	652	11,155
Other income	13,294	-	-	13,294
Total revenues	<u>158,754</u>	<u>172,933</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>332,339</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Salaries and benefits	55,510	-	-	55,510
General administrative	38,764	-	-	38,764
Principal paid	-	85,000	-	85,000
Interest paid	-	67,241	-	67,241
Maintenance	35,674	-	-	35,674
Capital outlay-equipment	43,879	-	24,460	68,339
Total expenditures	<u>173,827</u>	<u>152,241</u>	<u>24,460</u>	<u>350,528</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES				
	(15,073)	20,692	(23,808)	(18,189)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR				
	<u>277,693</u>	<u>219,681</u>	<u>41,205</u>	<u>538,579</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR				
	<u>\$ 262,620</u>	<u>\$ 240,373</u>	<u>\$ 17,397</u>	<u>\$ 520,390</u>

The following notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - GENERAL AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types				VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
	General Fund		Capital Projects		
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ 143,263	\$ 143,832	\$ 569	\$ -	\$ -
Interest earned	6,979	6,979	-	125	-
Other income	18,052	14,684	(3,368)	-	-
Total revenues	<u>168,294</u>	<u>165,495</u>	<u>(2,799)</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>-</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and benefits	64,767	60,986	3,781	-	-
General administrative	39,990	42,446	(2,456)	-	-
Maintenance	38,840	39,379	(539)	-	-
Capital outlay-equipment	39,591	37,742	1,849	17,384	-
Total expenditures	<u>183,188</u>	<u>180,553</u>	<u>2,635</u>	<u>17,384</u>	<u>-</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(14,894)	(15,058)	(164)	(17,259)	(17,259)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Operating transfers in	138	-	(138)	-	-
Operating transfers (out)	-	(17,629)	(17,629)	(138)	(138)
Total other	<u>138</u>	<u>(17,629)</u>	<u>(17,767)</u>	<u>(138)</u>	<u>-</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(14,756)	(32,687)	(17,931)	(17,397)	(17,397)
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>262,620</u>	<u>262,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,397</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 247,864</u>	<u>\$ 229,933</u>	<u>\$ (17,931)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - GENERAL AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended December 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types					
	General Fund			Capital Projects		
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$ 147,000	\$ 138,070	\$ (8,930)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest	4,000	7,390	3,390	150	652	502
Other income	13,535	13,294	(241)	-	-	-
Total revenues	<u>164,535</u>	<u>158,754</u>	<u>(5,781)</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>502</u>
EXPENDITURES						
Salaries and benefits	79,500	55,510	23,990	-	-	-
General administrative	49,350	38,764	10,586	-	-	-
Maintenance	46,000	35,674	10,326	-	-	-
Capital outlay-equipment	36,500	43,879	(7,379)	40,500	24,460	16,040
Total expenditures	<u>211,350</u>	<u>173,827</u>	<u>37,523</u>	<u>40,500</u>	<u>24,460</u>	<u>16,040</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(46,815)	(15,073)	31,742	(40,350)	(23,808)	16,542
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>277,693</u>	<u>277,963</u>	-	<u>41,205</u>	<u>41,205</u>	-
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 230,878</u>	<u>\$ 262,890</u>	<u>\$ 31,742</u>	<u>\$ 855</u>	<u>\$ 17,397</u>	<u>\$ 16,542</u>

The following notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999

INTRODUCTION

1. The Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2 was created October 9, 1989 by the Concordia Parish Police Jury by ordinance. The District operates in compliance with Part II, Title 40:1492-1502 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.
2. The purpose of the District is to provide fire protection.
3. The District's boundaries are outside of the corporate limits of any municipality in Concordia Parish and outside of the Monterey Fire Protection District No. 1. Concordia Parish is located in East Central Louisiana.
4. A Board of Supervisors appointed by the Concordia Parish Police Jury governs the District. The board members are presently serving without compensation.
5. The District has one full time employee and three part time employees.

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. **Financial Reporting Entity**

This report includes all funds that are controlled by or dependent of the Board of Supervisors. Control by or dependence on the Fire District was determined on the basis of budget adoption, authority to issue debt, appointment of governing body, and other general oversight responsibility.

2. **Fund Accounting**

The accounts of the Fire District are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. Revenues are accounted for in these individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The funds presented in the accompanying financial statements are described as follows:

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES-CONTINUED

Debt Service Fund

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

Capital Projects Funds

The Capital Projects Fund accounts for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities that are not found financier by any other fund.

General Fixed Assets and General Long-Term Debt Account Groups

General Fixed Assets –

The General Fixed Assets Account Group is used to account for fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations for control purposes. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date of donation. No depreciation is recorded on general fixed assets.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group

The General Long-Term Debt Account Group is used to account for long-term liabilities to be financed from government funds.

3. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. The accompanying general-purpose financial statements have been prepared on the modified accrual basis (GAAP) of accounting.

Revenues

Ad valorem taxes are recorded in the year the taxes are assessed. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, become due on November 15, of each year, and become delinquent on December 31. The taxes are generally collected in December, January, and February.

Taxes levied at 7.05 mills of the assessed valuation of property in the district for operations and maintenance and 8.63 mills for payment of bonds and interest.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES-CONTINUED

Interest income on investments is recorded when the investments have matured and the income is available.

Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

Expenditures

Purchase of equipment and supplies are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

4. Budget Practices

Annually, the Fire District adopts a budget. Appropriations lapse at year-end and the District does not utilize encumbrance accounting.

5. Cash and Investments

At year-end, the bank's balance of the District's deposits (checking and savings accounts) was \$239,748. Of this balance, \$130,562 was covered by FDIC insurance, \$109,186 was covered by collateral held by its agent in the District's name.

6. Total Column on Combined Statements – Overview

The total column on the combined statements is captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation.

NOTE B – GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

At December 31, 1999, long-term debt was comprised of the following:

\$1,400,000 1991 General Obligation Bonds due in annual installments of \$155,000 to \$159,000 through March 1, 2006; interest at 5.95% to 7.05%.	<u>\$ 870,000</u>
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\$100,000 note payable to a Commercial Bank in annual installments of \$17,767 through March 1, 2005; interest at 5.77%.	<u>\$ 88,002</u>
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CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999

NOTE B – GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT-CONTINUED

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions for the years 1998 and 1999:

<u>1998</u>	<u>Bonds</u>		
Payable at beginning of period		\$ 1,050,000	
Bonds paid		<u>(85,000)</u>	
Payable at end of year		<u>\$ 965,000</u>	
<u>1999</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Bonds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Payable at beginning of period	\$ -	\$ 965,000	\$ 965,000
Funds borrowed	100,000	-	100,000
Note and bonds paid	<u>(11,998)</u>	<u>(95,000)</u>	<u>(106,998)</u>
Payable at end of year	<u>\$ 88,002</u>	<u>\$ 870,000</u>	<u>\$ 958,002</u>

The maturity schedule for the general obligation bonds and the note payable is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Notes and Bonds</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2000	\$ 112,690	\$ 60,593	\$ 173,283
2001	123,422	53,138	176,560
2002	129,196	45,050	174,246
2003	140,015	36,246	176,261
2004	145,882	26,675	172,557
2005-2006	<u>306,797</u>	<u>21,697</u>	<u>328,494</u>
	<u>\$ 958,002</u>	<u>\$ 243,399</u>	<u>\$ 1,201,401</u>

NOTE C – COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The Fire District has the following policy relating to vacation and sick leave:

1. Employees with one year in service with the District accrue one week of vacation and ten days sick leave.
2. Employees with more than two years in service with the District accrue two weeks of vacation and ten days sick leave.
3. Vacation and sick leave is not cumulative.

The cost of accrued absences was not accrued at December 31, 1999 because it is not material.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999

NOTE D – CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	<u>1998</u>			
	<u>Balance</u> <u>6/30/97</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>6/30/98</u>
Buildings	\$ 465,436	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 465,436
Equipment	891,133	67,622	-	958,755
Total	<u>\$ 1,356,569</u>	<u>\$ 67,622</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,424,191</u>

	<u>1999</u>			
	<u>Balance</u> <u>6/30/98</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>6/30/99</u>
Buildings	\$ 465,436	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 465,436
Equipment	958,755	155,126	-	1,113,881
Total	<u>\$ 1,424,191</u>	<u>\$ 155,126</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,579,317</u>

NOTE E – PENSION PLAN

Substantially all employees of Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2 are members of the Louisiana Firefighters Retirement System (System), a multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public employee retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees.

Membership in the Louisiana Firefighters Retirement System is mandatory for all full-time firefighters employed by a municipality, parish, or fire protection district that did not enact an ordinance before January 1, 1980, exempting itself from participation in the System.

Employees are eligible to retire at or after age 55 with at least 12 years of creditable service or at or after age 50 with at least 20 years creditable service. Upon retirement, members are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life for life, equal to three and one-third per cent of their final-average salary. Final-average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. Employees who terminate with at least 12 years or service and do not withdraw their employee contributions may retire at or after age 55 (or at or after age 50 with at least 20 years of creditable service at termination) and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999

NOTE E – PENSION PLAN – CONTINUED

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Firefighters' Retirement System, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 80804, or by calling (504) 925-4060.

Funding Policy. Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 8.0% of their annual covered salary and the Concordia Fire Protections District No. 2 is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 9.0% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2 are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by R.S. 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2's contributions to the System for the years ending December 31, 1999 and 1998 were \$2,503 and \$2,398 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

SECTION II – SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES

**CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998**

COMPENSATION PAID BOARD MEMBERS

The schedule of compensation paid to Board members are presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Compensation of the Board members is included in the Legislative expenditures of the General Fund.

**CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
 SCHEDULE OF PER DIEM PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998**

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Charlie Sutton	\$ -	\$ 200
Charles Dew	-	200
Howard Jackson	-	200
Judy Pugh	-	200
Malcolm Smith	-	200
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	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>

SECTION III – COMPLIANCE/INTERNAL CONTROL

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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*

**Members of the Board of Supervisors
Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2
Ferriday, Louisiana**

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2 as of and for the two years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2000. We have conducted our 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 Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and 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 object of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Concordia Fire Protection District No. 2's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general-purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting 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

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to the general purpose 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. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider being material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information and use of management of the district and the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

**Ferriday, Louisiana
June 26, 2000**

Switzer, Hopkins & Mang

**SECTION IV – SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended December 31, 1999**

Summary of Audit Reports

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the General Purpose Financial Statements.**
- 2. No reportable condition was disclosed during the audit of the financial statements reported in the Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards.**
- 3. No instances of noncompliance with certain laws and regulations of the District were disclosed during the audit.**

Findings – Financial Statement Audit

None

CONCORDIA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

**Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
December 31, 1999**

INTERNAL CONTROL FINDINGS

97-A – Six Month Statutory Issue Date

Condition: The auditor did not comply with the six-month statutory issue date requirement. The audit report was mailed to the Legislative Auditor approximately three weeks after the due date.

Current status: This finding has been corrected.