FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 AND THE EAST IBERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE PARISH OF IBERVILLE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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St. Gabriel, Louisiana

SCHEDULES OF AGREED UPON PROCEDURES AND INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Under provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of the report has been submitted to the entity and other appropriate public officials. The report is available for public inspection at the Baton Rouge office of the Legislative Auditor and, where appropriate, at the office of the parish clerk of court.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Honorable J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., Parish President and The Iberville Parish Council Plaquemine, Louisiana and

East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department St. Gabriel, Louisiana

I have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Parish President, solely to assist you in evaluating compliance by the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department with the cooperative endeavor agreement entered into on October 20, 1991 with Iberville Parish. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, I make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

My procedures and findings are as follows:

I met with the fire chief and president of the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department to determine if the volunteer fire department has been collecting fees for certain services and depositing the revenue into an account or accounts that are <u>not</u> recorded in the general ledger accounts that are maintained for Fire Protection District No. 1 by the Parish staff.

I verified that the volunteer fire department has been collecting fees for certain services and depositing the revenue into an account is <u>not</u> recorded in the general ledger accounts that are maintained for Fire Protection District No. 1 by the Parish staff. The account was opened on March 2, 1972 with Iberville Trust and Savings Bank in St. Gabriel, Louisiana. I prepared the accompanying schedule, Exhibit A, summarizing the sources of deposits into the account and expenditures from the account from January 1, 1998 to and including December 31, 1999. My letter dated March 10, 2000 to management provides additional comments and suggestions regarding this account.

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In an attempt to identify possible waste I also prepared the accompanying schedule, Exhibit B, listing all transactions amounting to \$250.00 or more in accounts general ledger accounts 410420264, 410420322, 410420327 410420335, 410420339, 410420650 and 410420658 for Fire Protection District No. 1 for the three year period 01/01/97 to 12/31/99. I have designated those items that were tested for existence or occurrence.

There are indications of possible waste in the use of public funds. My letter dated March 10, 2000 to management provides additional comments and suggestions regarding these transactions.

I was not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance by the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department with the cooperative endeavor agreement entered into on October 20, 1991 with Iberville Parish. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of Honorable J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., Parish President, The Iberville Parish Council and the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility of the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes.

White Castle, Louisiana March/10, 2000



EXHIBIT A

EAST IBERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS ACCOUNT 501379 FOR THE PERIOD 01/01/98 - 12/31/99

BEGINNING BALANCE 01/01/98		\$ 18,715.79
RECEIPTS		
DONATIONS	\$40,759.00	
FORESTRY GRANT	1,870.00	
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS CALLS	6,212.50	
INTEREST	550.98	
OTHER	433.35	\$49,825.83

DISBURSEMENTS

BOOKS	\$ 1,735.43	
CAPS, SHIRTS & UNIFORMS	5,544.61	
CLASSES & TRAINING	2,998.00	
EQUIPMENT	23,420.72	
MEALS & ENTERTAINMENT	10,607.69	
OFFICE EXPENSE	432.34	
OTHER	248.46	
PROMOTIONS	1,216.82	
REPAIRS	2,046.31	
POSTAGE	1,398.89	
SUPPLIES	3,258.98	\$ 52,908.25

ENDING BALANCE 12/31/99

\$ 15,633.37

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EXHIBIT B

STRICT NO 1 IA NDITURES

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S	SUP	ERIOR LAMP & SUPPLY	108317	7/16/97	S1436849	527.79
E RESPONSE KITS	MOM	ORE MEDICAL CORP	173	2/6/98	9528260	600.00
ŝ	EMO	EMCO COMPANY	115134	8/26/98	514369	255.00
ES, ETC	ST G	SABRIEL IND HARDWARE	119855	6/30/99	103969601	380.07
	MAR	RGUETTE ELECTRONICS	120874	66/8/6	529371	306.04
	MAR	MARGUETTE ELECTRONICS	121567	10/6/99	68090	304.10
IOSES, ETC	STG	ST GABRIEL IND HARDWARE	117796	2/9/99	102030901	329.16
R LUBRICANT ETC	STO	INE COLD CHEMICALS	118196	3/3/99	982405	1,297.85
ts, BINDERS, ETC	STG	ST GABRIEL IND HARDWARE	122469	12/8/99	105726301	353.54
(IT, GAUZE, ETC	DOM	MOORE MEDICAL CORP	109039	8/27/97	9254406	548.14
ARS, PEN LIGHTS, ETC	MED	MED-TECH RESOURCES	113742	6/3/98	7116	291.14
D,BUCKETS,SPRAY,ETC	STG	ST GABRIEL IND HARDWARE	115883	10/7/98	10137101	425.07
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AT & PANTS	FIRE	E EQUIPMENT & MAINT	113815	6/10/98	201016201	850.00
SHTS, ETC	FER	RARA FIREFIGHTING EQUIP	119732	6/23/99	60226	476.89
NCE PACKS	STA:	TE CHEMICAL CO	111821	2/13/98	1280492	609.70
DITIVE	STO	STONE COLD CHEMICALS	121592	10/6/99	992453	653.95
BLANKET	CHIE	EF SUPPLY CORPORATION	119984	66/6/2	10217291	388.16
NITIZER	STO	STONE COLD CHEMICALS	115361	9/2/98	981794	1,426.56
S,FOAM KIT,SPEAKER,ETC		RARA FIREFIGHTING EQUIP	112379	3/19/98	49939	578.00
SIDE, FRAGRANCE PAKS	STA.	TE CHEMICAL CO	121255	9/15/99	90364927	504.62
SUPPLIES	FER	RARA FIREFIGHTING EQUIP	121839	10/26/99	1703	592.78
VT MARKERS, EPOXY	CON	CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL	121951	11/8/99	527358	265.00
	LOU	LOUISIANA OFFICE SUPPLY	122166	11/17/99	2969750	264.40
PE,ETC	STG	ST GABRIEL IND HARDWARE	119108	5/12/99	103416401	889.81
FLAGS, ETC	STG	ST GABRIEL IND HARDWARE	121800	10/20/99	105072601	453.66
ERS, ETC	SOU	SOUTHLAND FIRE & SAFETY	118596	4/6/99	103711901	354.78
S, EYE WASH, ETC	DOM	MOORE MEDICAL CORP	106279	3/19/97	8945379	739.48
OLTS,ETC	STG	SABRIEL IND HARDWARE	1886	4/28/99	102956501	399.00

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MASK, ETC		MOORE MEDICAL CORP	112834	16/2/21	48075 9526037	839.91 733.31
S	* VAL	VALLEN SAFETY SUPPLY CO	113441	5/20/98	1121781	ര്
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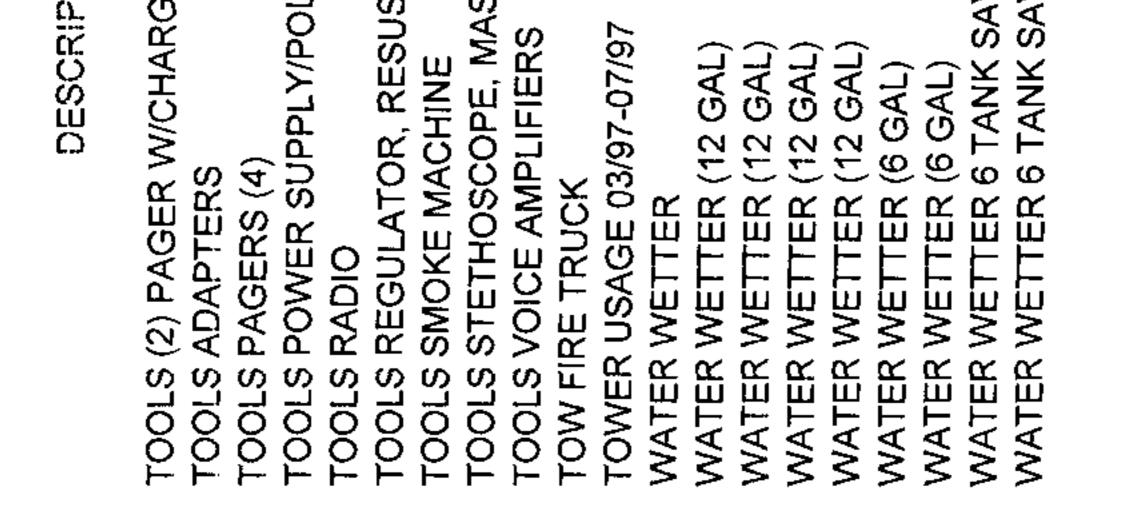
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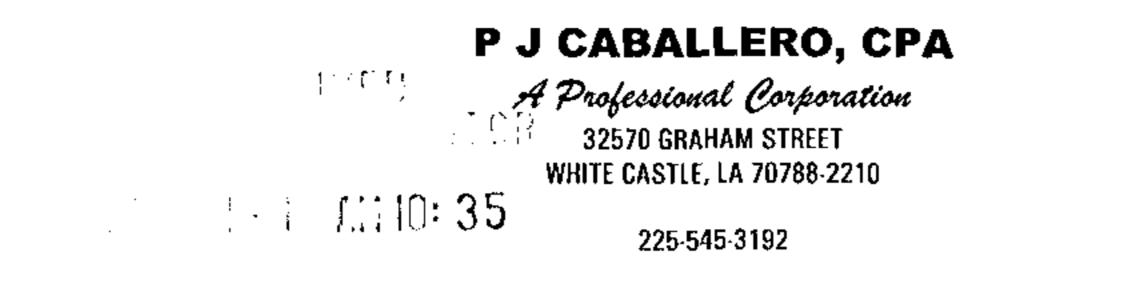
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Honorable J. Mitchell Ourso, Jr., Parish President and The Iberville Parish Council Plaquemine, Louisiana and

East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department St. Gabriel, Louisiana

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I have performed the procedures, which were agreed to by the Parish President; solely to assist in evaluating compliance by the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department with the cooperative endeavor agreement entered into on October 20, 1991 with Iberville Parish and I have issued my report thereon dated March 10, 2000. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, I make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The estimated completion date for this engagement was April 30, 2000 as submitted in my engagement proposal dated February 8, 2000. A draft of my report was sent to the Parish President's office on March 20, 2000. A draft of my management letter was transmitted to the Parish President's office on April 4, 2000. After receiving these documents the Parish President, in an effort to more fully understand financial needs of Fire District No. 1, has consulted with other Fire Departments and officials in the Parish. The delay in publishing my report was in part due to the President's efforts to be thorough. When it appeared that the report would be delayed I failed to recommend that we amend the engagement proposal accordingly. I therefore accept responsibility for the delay.

I recommend that you consider the following comments and suggestions relative to the Volunteer Fire Department's compliance with the cooperative endeavor agreement entered into on October 20, 1991 with Iberville Parish.

The cooperative endeavor agreement provides for Parish funding which currently amounts to approximately \$121,000.00 annually (\$41,000.00 from property tax levies and \$80,000.00 from sales taxes). Expenditures are monitored by Parish Government and accounted for in public records maintained by the Parish for Iberville Parish Fire Protection District No. 1. The Fire District is a component unit of the Parish and is subject to the rigorous requirements of public accountability.

Separately and apart from the Fire Protection District, the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department receives approximately \$25,000.00 annually, primarily from appeals to the public for donations. Approximately 1,100 letters (requests for donations) are mailed annually to individual households and \$25.00 is requested. Approximately 100 letters (requests for donations) are mailed annually to business and industry with no amount specified. For the two-year period ended December 31, 1999 the Fire Department received \$40,759.00 from annual appeals to the citizens, business and industry

in that jurisdiction. The Fire Department also received \$6,212.50 from billings for hazardous materials calls and \$2,854.33 from other sources. Expenditures for the same time period included \$5,544.61 for caps, shirts and uniforms, \$2,998.00 for training and classes, \$23,420.72 for equipment, \$10,607.69 for meals and entertainment, and \$10,337.23 for other categories. There are currently 28 volunteers and there is no public accountability for the use of these funds. I recommend that the Parish have the Volunteer Fire Department provide explanations involving the substantial payments for meals and entertainment and for caps, shirts and uniforms. These seem excessive since there are only 28 volunteers in that Fire Department.

In addition to the lack of public accountability for the Volunteer Fire Department spending, there is a material overlap for actual fire protection expenditures in the separate accounts for the Fire District and the Volunteer Fire Department. I recommend that the cooperative endeavor agreement between the Parish and the Fire Department be amended to include the following.

- All fire protection related expenditures will be requisitioned from and made by Fire Protection District No. 1. These expenditures would include but are not limited to payments for books, classes and training, equipment, office expenses, repairs and supplies and uniforms. No direct fire protection related payments should be made from the Volunteer Fire Department's account.
- Require the Volunteer Fire Department to deposit all receipts that are generated from the use
 of equipment and supplies belonging to Fire Protection District No. 1 into accounts for the
 District.
- Require the Volunteer Fire Department to provide an accounting of funds for the prior year with their annual letters appealing for donations.

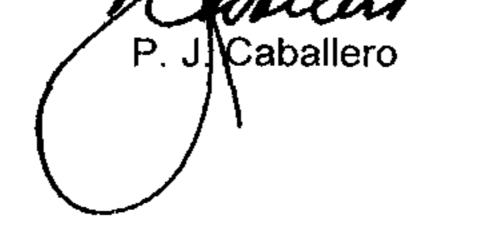
During the course of my agreed upon procedures engagement I noted expenditures in the records for Fire District No. 1 that should be investigated thoroughly. These would include, in particular, expenditures for cleaners, diesel, and supplies. I would recommend that representative(s) of Parish Government meet with Volunteer Fire Department personnel to discuss justification for all of these expenditures.

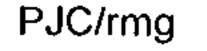
Also, during the course of my engagement, I noted an expenditure of \$6,059.98 to repair a pump on a fire engine that was accidentally damaged. There may be a possibility for insurance recovery in this type of incident. I would recommend that the Volunteer Fire Department alert the appropriate Parish Government officials when such incidents occur to explore any insurance recovery that might be available.

I will be pleased to discuss these matters with you at your convenience.

I thank the officials of the Volunteer Fire Department and the Parish employees for the cooperation given me during the course of this engagement.

Sincerely,





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Iberville Parish Government respectfully submits the following corrective action plan relative to the Agree-Upon Procedures Engagement involving Fire Protection District No. 1 and the East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department as of and for the three year period ended December 31, 1999.

Name and address of independent public accounting firm:

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CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

March 10, 2000

Iherville Parizh Council

P. J. Caballero, CPA (A Professional Corporation) 32570 Graham Street White Castle, La. 70788-2210

Agreed-Upon Procedures Period: January 1, 1997 - December 31, 1999

MANAGEMENT LETTER

The East Iberville Volunteer Fire Department is not a component unit of Iberville Parish. Through a cooperative endeavor agreement dated October 20, 1991 the Fire Department agrees to operate the equipment and facilities belonging to Iberville Fire Protection District No. 1, a component unit of Iberville Parish. The Volunteer Fire Department solicits and receives substantial donations annually from residents and businesses in the St. Gabriel area. They also collect fees for services in connection with calls involving hazardous materials. These revenues are deposited into an account for the Volunteer Fire Department. There is no public accountability for the use of these funds. For the twoyear period ending December 31, 1999 approximately 60% of the Volunteer Fire Department expenditures were made for equipment, supplies, training, and repairs.

Recommendation: Amend the cooperative endeavor agreement to:

• Require that all fire protection related expenditures be requisitioned from and made by Fire Protection District No. 1. These expenditures would include but are not limited to payments for books, classes and training,

equipment, office expenses, repairs and supplies and uniforms. No direct fire protection related payments should be made from the Volunteer Fire Department's account.

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- Require the Volunteer Fire Department to deposit all receipts that are ۰. generated from the use of equipment and supplies belonging to Fire Protection District No. 1 into accounts for the District.
- Require the Volunteer Fire Department to provide an accounting of funds • for the prior year with their annual letters appealing for donations.

Action Taken: Representatives of Parish Government will meet with the Volunteer Fire Department Officials to amend the cooperative endeavor agreement.

There are indications of possible waste in the use of public funds.

Recommendation: Expenditures made by Fire Protection District No. 1 for the three-year period ended December 31, 1999 should be investigated thoroughly. Particular attention should be given to cleaners, diesel, supplies and pump repairs.

Action Taken: Representatives of Parish Government will meet with the Volunteer Fire Department Officials for a thorough discussion of expenditures made by Iberville Fire Protection District No. 1. Particular attention will be given to cleaners, diesel, supplies and pump repairs.

If there are any questions regarding this plan, please call Ms. Judy Burleigh, (225) 687-5190.

Sincerely.

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