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PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT
NO. 8 OF EVANGELINE PARISH
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Financial Report

Year Ended December 31, 1999

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Release Date MAY 03 2000

PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT
 NO. 8 OF EVANGELINE PARISH
 EVANGELINE PARISH POLICE JURY
 STATE OF LOUISIANA

General Purpose Financial Statements
 As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 1999
 With Supplemental Information Schedule

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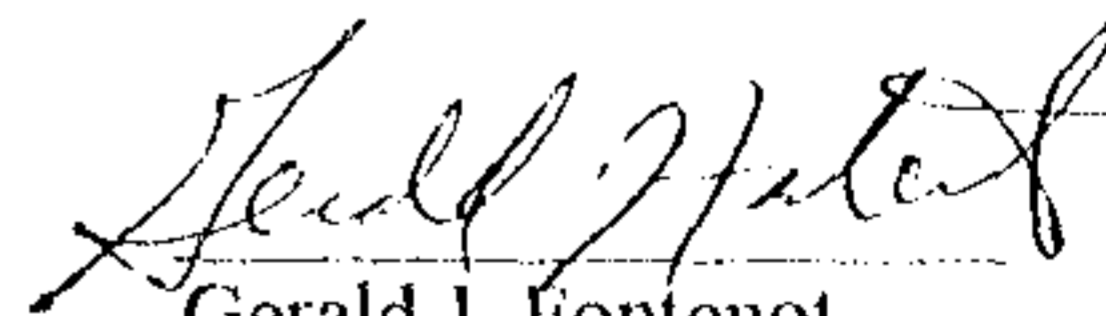
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 28, 1999

Office of Legislative Auditor
Attention: Ms. Dorothy Milner
1600 North Third
Post Office Box 94397
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9397

Dear Ms. Milner:

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514, enclosed are the annual financial statements for the Prairie Mamou Gravity Drainage District No. 8 of Evangeline Parish as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999. The report includes all funds under the control and oversight of the district. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Sincerely,



Gerald J. Fontenot,
Secretary/Treasurer
Prairie Mamou Gravity
Drainage District No. 8
Of Evangeline Parish

Enclosure

PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 8
OF EVANGELINE PARISH
STATE OF LOUISIANA

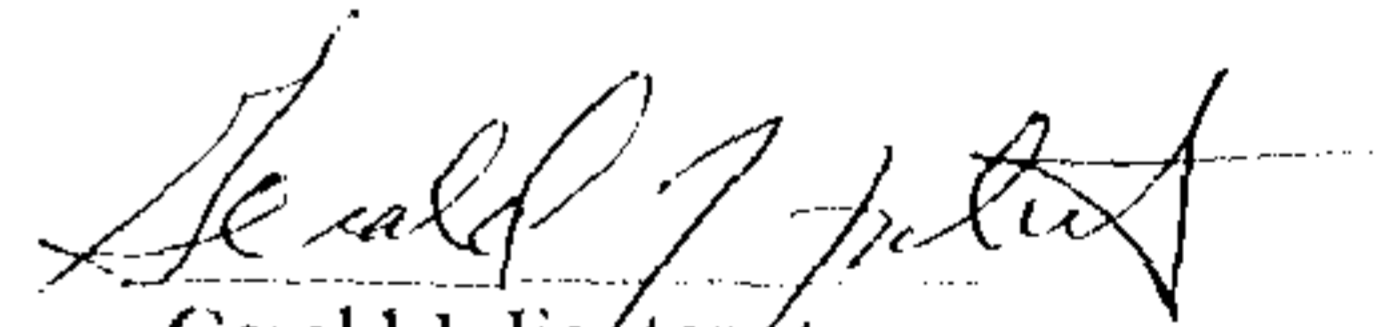
ANNUAL SWORN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
CERTIFICATION OF REVENUES \$50,000 OR LESS (if applicable)

The annual sworn financial statements are required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514 to be filed with the Legislative Auditor within 90 days after the close of the fiscal year. The certification of revenues \$50,000 or less, if applicable, is required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513(I) (I) (c) (i).

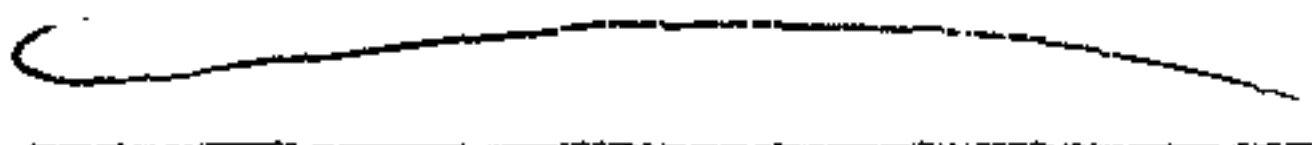
AFFIDAVIT

Personally came and appeared before the undersigned authority, Gerald J. Fontenot, who, duly sworn, deposes and says that the financial statements herewith given present fairly the financial position of the Prairie Mamou Gravity Drainage District No. 8 of Evangeline Parish as of December 31, 1999, and the results of operations for the year then ended, in accordance with the basis of accounting described within the accompanying financial statements.

In addition, Gerald J. Fontenot, who, duly sworn, deposes and says that the Prairie Mamou Gravity Drainage District No. 8 of Evangeline Parish received \$50,000 or less in revenues and other sources for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1999, and, accordingly, is not required to have an audit for the previously mentioned fiscal year end.


Gerald J. Fontenot,
Secretary/Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21 day of MARCH, 2000.


NOTARY PUBLIC

Officer: Gerald J. Fontenot
Address: P. O. Box 239
Mamou, LA 70554
Phone No.: (377)468-2300

PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 8
OF EVANGELINE PARISH
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Balance Sheets -- General Fund
December 31, 1999

	1999
ASSETS	
Interest-bearing deposits	\$ 26,241
Receivables -- Taxes	3,705
Receivables -- State Revenue Sharing	899
Total Assets	<u>\$ 30,845</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,000
Fund balance -- unreserved, undesignated	29,845
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 30,845</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 8
OF EVANGELINE PARISH
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -- General Fund

Year Ended December 31, 1999

	1999
Revenues:	
Ad Valorem taxes	\$ 3,821
State revenue sharing	899
Miscellaneous -- interest	1,314
Total revenues	\$ 6,034
 Expenditures:	
Current -	
Per diem -- Board	\$ 450
Construction and maintenance	7,405
Pension fund contribution	117
Accounting	-0-
Administrative fees	600
Insurance	50
Total expenditures	\$ 8,622
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ (2,588)
Fund balance, Beginning of year	\$ 32,433
Fund balance, End of year	\$ 29,845

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 8
OF EVANGELINE PARISH
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Statements of Revenue, Expenditures, and changes in Fund Balance-Governmental Fund Type-
General Fund Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual Years Ended December 31, 1999

	Budget	Actual	Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,821	\$ 221
State revenue sharing	900	899	(1)
Miscellaneous-interest	1,000	1,314	314
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Total	\$ 5,500	\$ 6,034	\$ 534
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Accounting	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Pension fund contribution	125	117	8
Per Diem	525	450	75
Administrative fees	600	600	-0-
Insurance	50	50	-0-
Construction and maintenance	7,405	7,405	-0-
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Total expenditures	\$ 8,705	\$ 8,622	\$ 83
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Excess of revenues over Expenditures	\$ (3,205)	\$(2,588)	\$ 617
Fund balance, Beginning of year	\$32,433	\$32,433	-0-
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Fund balance, End of year	\$29,228	\$29,845	\$ 617

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

PRAIRIE MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 8
OF EVANGELINE PARISH
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Notes to Financial Statements

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Prairie Mamou Gravity Drainage District No. 8 (District), which is a component unit of Evangeline Parish Police Jury, was created by an ordinance of the Evangeline Parish Police Jury on February 16, 1926. The purpose of the District is the draining and reclaiming of the undrained or partially drained marsh, swamp, and overflowed lands in the area specified in its creation ordinance.

A. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the District are organized on a fund basis (General Fund) which is considered a portion of the fund structure of the State of Louisiana. The operation of the fund is accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

B. Financial Reporting Entity

This report includes all funds which are controlled by or dependent on the District. The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the District's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. Oversight responsibility is derived from the governmental unit's power and includes, but is not limited to, financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designations of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters.

This component unit is an integral part of another reporting entity.

C. 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.

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

The General Fund is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Its revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Ad valorem taxes are recorded in the year taxes are due and payable by the taxpayers of the district. Interest income on investments is recorded when earned, and all other revenues are recorded when received.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

D. Budgetary Practice

The district adopted a budget for 1999 as described on page 6 hereof.

(2) Interest-Bearing Deposits

Under state law, the District may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the Union, or the laws of the United States. The district may invest in certificates and time deposits of the state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 1999, the District has interest-bearing deposits (book balances) totaling \$26,241, as follows:

Money market accounts	\$ 7,281
Time deposits	\$18,960

Total	\$26,241

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits, (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent bank. Deposit balances (bank balances) at December 31, 1999 are secured as follows:

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

Bank balances	\$26,241
Federal deposit insurance	\$26,241

(3) Litigation and Claims

There are no pending or threatened litigation involving the District or any unasserted claims which should be disclosed at December 31, 1999.

(4) Ad Valorem Taxes

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 of each year. Taxes are levied in September or October and billed to the taxpayers in December. Billed taxes become delinquent on January 1 of the following year.

The taxes are collected and remitted to the District by the Evangeline Parish Sheriff's office.

For the year ended December 31, 1999, taxes of 3.27 mills were levied on property With assessed valuations totaling \$1,798,630 for 1999.

Total taxes levied in 1999 were \$3,821. Taxes receivable were \$3,705 at December 31, 1999.

(5) Payroll

The District has no employees and pays no salaries.

(6) Fixed Assets

The District has no fixed assets.

SCHEDULE 1

MAMOU GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 5
OF EVANGELINE PARISH
EVANGELINE PARISH POLICE JURY
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Schedule of Compensation Paid Board Members
For the year Ended December 31, 999

NAME	AMOUNT
Charles Bieber	\$125
Robert Vidrine	\$100
Audley Landreneau	\$125
Reinhard Bieber	\$100
Glenwood Landreneau	\$-0-
Total	\$450