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METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED

DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

MetroVision Partnership Foundation
New Orleans, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of MetroVision Partnership Foundation (the "Foundation") as of December 31, 1999 and 1998 and the related statements of unrestricted revenues, expenses, and other changes in unrestricted net assets, changes in net assets, and of cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide* 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 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements, referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation at December 31, 1999 and 1998, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of the Foundation taken as a whole. The accompanying supplementary information presented in Schedules "1" through "3" is for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. These schedules are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards,* we have also issued a report dated June 14, 2000 on our consideration of the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants.

June 14, 2000 Ericksen, Krentel, Canton & LaPorte LLP

Certified Public Accountants

Exhibit "A"

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

ASSETS

	1999	1998
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 500,390	$ 619,043
Contributions and grants receivable	635,212	800,980
Prepaid expenses	3,460	8,189
Total current assets	1,139,062	1,428,212
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:		
Furniture and office equipment	159,159	165,341
Leasehold improvements	14,999	14,999
Less: accumulated depreciation	(77,090)	(88,726)
Net property and equipment	97,068	91,614
Total assets	$ 1,236,130	$ 1,519,826

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	1999	1998
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$ 636,735	$ 856,094
Due to the Chamber	415,584	356,917
Total liabilities	1,052,319	1,213,011
NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted	86,326	155,315
Temporarily restricted (Note 2)	97,485	151,500
Total net assets	183,811	306,815
Total liabilities and net assets	$ 1,236,130	$ 1,519,826

Exhibit "B"

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF UNRESTRICTED REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND
OTHER CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

	1999	1998
UNRESTRICTED REVENUES:		
Contributions	$ 1,306,297	$ 1,303,929
Grants:		
Government	1,784,495	2,013,868
Private	354,233	512,176
Interest	15,331	16,569
Other	42,925	87,454
Total unrestricted revenues	3,503,281	3,933,996
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS:		
Expiration of time restrictions	151,500	145,000
Total unrestricted revenues, gains and other support	3,654,781	4,078,996
UNRESTRICTED EXPENSES:		
Payroll and fringe benefits	1,748,099	1,752,397
Postage and telephone	73,795	64,592
Stationary and supplies	46,152	47,736
Travel, meals and meetings	225,734	244,334
Consultants, communications and publications	598,491	858,279
General insurance	10,430	14,013
Sponsorship and contributions	9,767	10,691
Equipment	44,628	25,268
Rent	84,256	85,719
Depreciation	36,147	24,336
Miscellaneous	74,142	45,595
Interest expense	10,023	9,106
Fundraising	182,733	168,482
Curriculum development	579,373	510,228
Total unrestricted expenses	3,723,770	3,860,776
Change in unrestricted net assets	(68,989)	218,220
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), beginning of year	155,315	(62,905)
Unrestricted net assets, end of year	$ 86,326	$ 155,315

See accompanying NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Exhibit "C"

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

	1999	1998
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Total unrestricted revenues	$ 3,503,280	$ 3,933,996
Net assets released from restrictions	151,500	145,000
Total unrestricted expenses	(3,723,769)	(3,860,776)
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets	(68,989)	218,220
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Contributions	2,000	151,500
Private grant revenue	95,485	-
Net assets released from restrictions	(151,500)	(145,000)
Increase (decrease) in temporarily restricted net assets	(54,015)	6,500
Increase (decrease) in net assets	(123,004)	224,720
Net assets, beginning of year	306,815	82,095
Net assets, end of year	$ 183,811	$ 306,815

Exhibit "D"

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

	1999	1998
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Change in net assets	$ (123,004)	$ 224,720
Adjustments to reconcile the change in net assets from (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	36,147	24,336
Loss on disposal of equipment	16,333	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in contributions and grants receivable	165,768	(63,145)
Decrease in due from affiliates	-	24,117
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	4,729	5,038
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(219,359)	162,776
Increase in due to the Chamber	58,667	68,899
Net cash from (used in) operating activities	(60,719)	446,741
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of property and equipment	(57,934)	(23,951)
Net cash (used in) investing activities	(57,934)	(23,951)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(118,653)	422,790
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	619,043	196,253
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	$ 500,390	$ 619,043
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF NON-CASH OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operating activities reflect the following:		
Interest paid	$ 10,023	$ 9,106

See accompanying NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

(1) NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

The MetroVision Partnership Foundation ("the Foundation") is a Louisiana non-profit corporation organized on a non-stock basis. The Foundation was created to in order to provide a permanent structure through which the implementation of the economic development plan developed by its predecessor organization, the MetroVision Partnership, could be accomplished. The plan is intended to restructure the Regional New Orleans area economy to provide an adequate base of employment opportunities into the 21st century.

The Foundation is the recipient of government and private grants which fund the Foundation's involvement with the State of Louisiana's School-to-Work program. The School-to-Work program's goal is to provide a continuous system that prepares all students for productive citizenship by challenging them with a curriculum that is rigorous, meets the highest standards, and is relevant to the needs of business and industry.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Foundation have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly revenue is recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Financial Statement Presentation

The Foundation follows standards established for external financial reporting by not-for-profit organizations which requires that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into three net asset categories according to externally (donor) imposed restrictions. A description of the three net asset categories follows:

- **Unrestricted** - Net assets which are free of donor-imposed restrictions; all revenues, expenses, gains, and losses that are not changes in permanently or temporarily restricted net assets.

- **Temporarily Restricted** – Net assets whose use by the Foundation is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that either expire by passage of time or that can be fulfilled or removed by actions of the Foundation pursuant to those stipulations.

- **Permanently Restricted** – Net assets whose use by the Foundation is limited by donor-imposed stipulations that neither expire with the passage of time nor can be fulfilled or otherwise removed by actions of the Foundation.

(1) NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Foundation considers all short-term, highly liquid debt instruments purchased with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost, less an allowance for accumulated depreciation. Additions, improvements, and betterments to property and equipment in excess of $500 are capitalized.

Expenditures for maintenance, repairs, and improvements which do not materially extend the useful lives of the assets are charged to expense as incurred. When property and equipment are removed from service, the cost of the assets and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the books, and any resulting gain or loss is credited to or charged against the current period's income.

Depreciation is provided in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated service lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives used in computing depreciation are as follows:

Furniture and office equipment	5 - 8 years
Leasehold improvements	5 - 10 years

Depreciation expense was $36,148 and $24,336 for the year ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

Contributions Receivable

The Foundation considers contributions receivable to be fully collectible. Accordingly, no allowance for uncollectible contributions is required. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be written off when that determination is made. Unconditional promises to give cash and other assets are recorded at fair value at the date the promise is received, which is then treated as cost. The gifts are reported as either temporarily or permanently restricted support if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified as unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of unrestricted revenues, expenses, and other changes in unrestricted net assets released from restrictions. Donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met within the same year as received are reflected as unrestricted contributions in the accompanying financial statements.

(1) NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Revenue Recognition

Revenues are provided primarily by contributions and grants. Contributions received, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues in the period received. Grant revenues are recognized in accordance with the terms of the grant.

Advertising

The Foundation expenses the production costs of advertising as incurred, except for direct-response advertising which is capitalized and amortized over its expected period of future benefits. Advertising expense for December 31, 1999 and 1998 was $73,642 and $31,956, respectively.

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.

Income Taxes

The Foundation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Paid Leave

All full-time classified employees of the Foundation are permitted to accrue up to a maximum of 30 days of paid leave (annual leave). Upon termination of employment, an employee is paid for accrued paid leave based on the respective current hourly rate of pay. All liabilities are accrued when incurred.

(2) TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets are available for the following purposes or periods;

	1999	1998
For periods after December 31, 1999 and 1998	$ 97,485	$ 151,500

(3) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Certain officers of the Foundation are also officers of the New Orleans Regional Chamber of Commerce (the Chamber).

In the ordinary course of operations, the Chamber has made available to the Foundation on a reimbursement basis specific assistance in the form of administrative support and use of facilities. A portion of the salaries and related fringe benefits of those individuals providing such support is allocated to the Foundation. All such allocated amounts are included in the Statements of Unrestricted Revenues, Expenses and Other Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets as "Payroll and Fringe Benefits," "Equipment" and "Rent" and totaled $326,141 and $304,809 for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

The Foundation also reimburses the Chamber for its portion of certain payments to vendors for operating and administrative expenditures incurred specifically on behalf of the Foundation.

Effective January 1, 1998, the Chamber began charging the Foundation interest on monies advanced to the Foundation. For the year ended December 31, 1999 and 1998 the Foundation was charged interest expense of $10,023 and $9,106, respectively on the average outstanding balance due the Chamber.

(4) FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Expenses incurred were for the following purposes:

	1999	1998
Program services	$ 3,253,484	$ 3,080,624
General and administrative	251,405	257,334
Fundraising	182,733	168,482
Depreciation	36,148	24,336
	$ 3,723,770	$ 3,860,776

(5) CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

The Foundation maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts at various financial institutions. The balances at times may exceed federally insured limits. At December 31, 1999 and 1998, the Foundation exceeded the insured limit by $603,780 and $211,909, respectively.

(6) RECLASSIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 1998 financial statements to conform with the 1999 financial statement presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on change in net assets as previously reported.

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF UNRESTRICTED REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND
OTHER CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS BY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	MetroVision	School-to-Work State of Louisiana Grant	School-to-Work Baptist Community Ministry Grant	Consortia	Total
UNRESTRICTED REVENUES:					
Contributions	$ 1,256,465	$ -	$ -	$ 49,832	$ 1,306,297
Grants:					
Government	580,576	1,203,919	-	-	1,784,495
Private	-	-	354,233	-	354,233
Interest	3,104	-	12,227	-	15,331
Other	42,925	-	-	-	42,925
Total unrestricted revenues	1,883,070	1,203,919	366,460	49,832	3,503,281
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS:					
Expiration of time restrictions	151,500	-	-	-	151,500
Total unrestricted revenues, gains and other support	2,034,570	1,203,919	366,460	49,832	3,654,781
UNRESTRICTED EXPENSES:					
Payroll and fringe benefits	1,111,788	483,269	153,042	-	1,748,099
Postage and telephone	57,140	15,170	1,485	-	73,795
Supplies	19,805	20,817	5,530	-	46,152
Travel, meals, and meetings	133,848	57,894	33,992	-	225,734
Consultants, communication, and publications	286,382	221,724	90,385	-	598,491
General insurance	10,430	-	-	-	10,430
Sponsorships and contributions	9,767	-	-	-	9,767
Equipment	42,704	1,924	-	-	44,628
Rent	84,256	-	-	-	84,256
Depreciation	36,147	-	-	-	36,147
Miscellaneous	41,002	20,128	13,009	3	74,142
Interest expense	10,023	-	-	-	10,023
Fundraising	177,833	-	-	4,900	182,733
Curriculum development	-	391,407	187,966	-	579,373
Total unrestricted expenses	2,021,125	1,212,333	485,409	4,903	3,723,770
Change in unrestricted net assets	13,445	(8,414)	(118,949)	44,929	(68,989)
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), beginning of year	(51,519)	-	206,834	-	155,315
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), end of year	$ (38,074)	$ (8,414)	$ 87,885	$ 44,929	$ 86,326

See accompanying Auditors' Report

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF UNRESTRICTED REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND
OTHER CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS BY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	MetroVision	School-to-Work State of Louisiana Grant	School-to-Work Baptist Community Ministry Grant	Total
UNRESTRICTED REVENUES:				
Contributions	$ 1,303,929	$ -	$ -	$ 1,303,929
Grants:				
Government	545,868	1,468,000	-	2,013,868
Private	-	-	512,176	512,176
Interest	8,494	-	8,075	16,569
Other	87,454	-	-	87,454
Total unrestricted revenues	1,945,745	1,468,000	520,251	3,933,996
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS:				
Expiration of time restrictions	145,000	-	-	145,000
Total unrestricted revenues, gains and other support	2,090,745	1,468,000	520,251	4,078,996
UNRESTRICTED EXPENSES:				
Payroll and fringe benefits	963,392	648,300	140,705	1,752,397
Postage and telephone	57,704	5,280	1,608	64,592
Supplies	14,685	30,687	2,364	47,736
Travel, meals, and meetings	145,898	71,377	27,059	244,334
Consultants, communication, and publications	486,195	197,404	170,872	854,471
General insurance	14,013	-	-	14,013
Sponsorships and contributions	10,691	-	-	10,691
Equipment	22,152	3,000	-	25,152
Rent	85,719	-	-	85,719
Depreciation	24,336	-	-	24,336
Miscellaneous	47,795	-	-	47,795
Interest expense	9,106	-	-	9,106
Fundraising	168,482	-	-	168,482
Curriculum development	-	511,952	-	511,952
Total unrestricted expenses	2,050,168	1,468,000	342,608	3,860,776
Change in unrestricted net assets	40,577	-	177,643	218,220
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), beginning of year	(92,096)	-	29,191	(62,905)
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), end of year	$ (51,519)	$ -	$ 206,834	$ 155,315

See accompanying Auditors' Report

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATEMENTS OF UNRESTRICTED REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND OTHER
CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS BY FUND -
METROVISION FUND ONLY
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

	1999	1998
UNRESTRICTED REVENUES:		
Contributions	$ 1,256,465	$ 1,303,929
Grants:		
Government	580,576	545,868
Interest	3,104	8,494
Other	42,924	87,454
Total unrestricted revenues	1,883,069	1,945,745
NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS:		
Expiration of time restrictions	151,500	145,000
	2,034,569	2,090,745
UNRESTRICTED EXPENSES:		
Payroll and fringe benefits	1,111,788	963,392
Postage and telephone	57,140	57,704
Supplies	19,805	14,685
Travel, meals, and meetings	133,848	145,898
Consultants, communication, and publications	286,382	486,195
General insurance	10,430	14,013
Sponsorship and contributions	9,767	10,691
Equipment	42,704	22,152
Rent	84,256	85,719
Depreciation	36,147	24,336
Miscellaneous	41,002	47,795
Interest	10,023	9,106
Fundraising	177,833	168,482
Total unrestricted expenses	2,021,125	2,050,168
Change in unrestricted net assets	13,445	40,577
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), beginning of year	(51,519)	(92,096)
Unrestricted net assets (liabilities), end of year	$ (38,074)	$ (51,519)

See accompanying Auditors' Report

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

Description	CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures	
Department of Education				
Pass-Through Programs From:				
The Office of the Governor, Office of Workforce Development/Lifelong Learnings - State of Louisiana	84.278E	113-900072	$ 1,172,000	*
The Office of the Governor, Office of Workforce Development/Lifelong Learnings - State of Louisiana	84.278E	113-900090	31,919	*
			$ 1,203,919	

* **Major program**

See notes to SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

1. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

2. Federal pass-through programs are presented by the entity through which the Foundation received the Federal financial assistance.

3. Contract or Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number is presented for the individual award scheduled.

4. This Schedule consists of program expenditures for the School-to-Work Grant.

5. Of the federal expenditures presented in the Schedule, MetroVision Partnership Foundation provided federal awards to subrecipients as follows:

Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
School-to-Work Grant	84.278E	$ 562,793

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

MetroVision Partnership Foundation
New Orleans, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the MetroVision Partnership Foundation (the "Foundation"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated June 14, 2000. We 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 the Foundation's 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 objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the 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 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. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of management, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

June 14, 2000

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

MetroVision Partnership Foundation
New Orleans, Louisiana

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of MetroVision Partnership Foundation (the "Foundation"), with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 1999. The Foundation's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Foundation's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards,* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Foundation's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Foundation's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Foundation complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 1999.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Foundation is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Foundation's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program 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 compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of management, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

June 14, 2000

Ericksen, Krentel, Canton & LaPorte LLP

Certified Public Accountants

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

SUMMARY OF THE AUDITORS' RESULTS

- An unqualified opinion was issued on the financial statements of the auditee.
- Our audit of the financial statements did not disclose a reportable condition in internal controls.
- The audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance that were material to the financial statements of the auditee.
- The statement that reportable conditions in internal control over major programs were disclosed by the audit and whether any such conditions were material weaknesses is not applicable.
- An unqualified opinion was issued on compliance for major programs.
- The audit disclosed no findings which are required to be reported under Section 501(a) of Circular A-133.
- Major program for the year ended December 31, 1999 was:

    Department of Education – School-to-Work (CFDA #84.278E)

- The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs was $300,000.
- The auditee did qualify as a low-risk auditee.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

There were no items identified in the course of our testing during the current year required to be reported.

SCHEUDLE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS

There were no items identified in the course of our testing during the current year required to be reported.

METROVISION PARTNERSHIP FOUNDATION
STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

There were no items identified in the course of our testing in the prior year which were required to be reported.