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LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT RUSTON, LOUISIANA

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

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LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT RUSTON, LOUISIANA GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Communications District Ruston, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Communications District as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, as listed on the contents page. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Communication District'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 the <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, 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 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. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Lincoln Parish Communications District as of December 31, 1995, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

HULSEY, HARWOOD & HULSEY, CPA's A Professional Accounting Corporation

March 22, 1996

LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT RUSTON, LOUISIANA COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS DECEMBER 31, 1995

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	General Fixed Assets Account Group	Totals (Memo- randum Only)
Assets: Cash and cash equivalents (Note 1) Investments Receivables (User fees) Prepaid expense General fixed assets	\$ 132,149 14,058 1,192	\$ 108,023 213,272	\$ - - - 52,325	\$ 240,172 213,272 14,058 1,192 52,325
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 147,399</u>	<u>\$ 321,295</u>	<u>\$ 52,325</u>	<u>\$ 521,019</u>
Liabilities and Fund Equity: Liabilities: Accounts payable Total liabilities	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$	· \$
Fund Equity: Fund balances: Investment in general fixed assets		-	52,325	52,325
Reserve for equipment replacement Unreserved:	-	321,295	-	321,295
Undesignated	147,399			147,399
Total fund equity	147,399	321,295	<u>52,325</u>	521,019
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 147.399</u>	<u>\$ 321,295</u>	<u>\$ 52,325</u>	\$ 521,019

LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT RUSTON, LOUISIANA

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Totals (Memo- randum Only)	
Revenues: User fees	\$ 166,395	\$ -	\$ 166,395	
Interest	5,795	14,734	20,529	
Total revenues	172,190	14,734	186,924	
Expenditures: Public safety:				
Professional services	19,961	-	19,961	
Office and postage	2,059	-	2,059	
Telephone	71,754	••	71,754	
GIS Mapping	19,804 745	-	19,804 745	
Capital outlay	<u> </u>			
Total expenditures	114,323		114,323	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	57,867	<u>14,734</u>	72,601	
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers in Operating transfers out	(90,945_)	90,945	90,945 (90,945)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	(90,945)	90,945	<u></u>	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	(33,078)	105,679	72,601	
Fund balance, beginning Prior year adjustments	180,477	215,000 616	395,477 616	
Fund balance, ending	<u>\$ 147.399</u>	<u>\$ 321,295</u>	<u>\$ 468,694</u>	

LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT RUSTON, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

		Budget		<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)		
Revenues:							
User fees	\$	158,000	\$	166,395	\$	8,395	
Interest		5,000	_	5,795		<u>795</u>	
Total revenues		163,000		172,190		9,190	
Expenditures:							
Public Safety:							
Travel	_	1,000				1,000	
Professional services		20,000		19,961		39	
Office and postage		2,500		2,059	,	441	
Telephone		71,000		71,754	(754)	
GIS mapping		20,000		19,804		196	
Capital outlay		5,000	 -	<u>745</u>	11 =	<u>4,255</u>	
Total expenditures		119,500		114,323		5,177	
Excess of revenues over expenditures		43,500		57,867		14,367	
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers out	_(90,945)	_(_	90,945)			
Total other financing sources (uses)	_(90,945)	(_	90,945)		-	
Excess (deficiency) of revenue and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ (</u>	<u>47,445</u>)	(33,078)	\$	14,367	
Fund balance, beginning				180,477			
Fund balance - ending			<u>\$</u>	<u>147,399</u>			

LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT RUSTON, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP) BASIS AND ACTUAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	
Revenues: Interest	\$ 6,462	\$ 14,73 <u>4</u>	\$ 8,272	
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Excess of revenues over expenditures	6,462	14,734	<u>8,272</u>	
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers in	90,945	90,945	<u>-</u>	
Total other financing sources (uses)	90,945	90,945		
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	<u>\$ 97,407</u>	105,679	\$ 8,272	
Fund balance, beginning Prior period adjustment		215,000 <u>616</u>		
Fund balance, ending		<u>\$ 321,295</u>		

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Lincoln Parish Communications District (the "District") was created by Ordinance 85-88-(2) adopted by the Police Jury of Lincoln Parish on August 23, 1988. The governing body of the District consists of a seven member Board of Commissioners.

The accounting policies of Lincoln Parish Communications District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments.

The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

Financial Reporting Entity

This report includes the funds and account group which are controlled by the Board of Commissioners. The accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and results of operations of only the transactions of the District.

Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Lincoln Parish Communications 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 fund and account group presented in the financial statements are described as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund for the Lincoln Parish Communications District. It is used to account for all financial sources and uses of the Communications District, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Special Revenue Fund

The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Special Revenue Fund (Continued)

The equipment replacement fund was established in 1994 to account for funds to replace equipment.

Fixed Assets

The fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations of the District are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in the governmental funds. Public domain or infrastructures are not capitalized. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if historical is not available.

The account group is not a "fund." Its purpose is to measure financial position, not results of operations.

Memorandum Only - Total Columns

The total column on the Combined Statement is captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither are such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in aggregation of this data.

Basis of Accounting

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

The records of the Lincoln Parish Communications District are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Its revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. "Measurable" means the amount of the transactions can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budget for the General Fund is proposed by the Director and formally adopted by the Commissioners. The budget is prepared on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated require approval of the Commissioners. At year end, all appropriations lapse.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, whereby outstanding purchase commitments are recorded, is not employed by the District.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Louisiana statutes permit the District to invest in United States' bonds, treasury notes, or certificates, or other obligations of the U.S. Government and agencies of the U.S. Government which are federally insured, and certificates of deposit of state banks having their principal office in the State of Louisiana, or in mutual or trust fund institutions which are registered and which have underlying investments limited to securities of the U.S. Government or its agencies.

The District's policy is to include short-term interest bearing deposits with a maturity of three months or less as cash in the financial statements.

Valuation of Carrying Amounts of Deposits

Cash is reported at net book value - the year end bank balance plus any deposits in transit and less any outstanding checks that have not cleared the bank as of that date.

Interfund Receivables and Payables

Due To and From Other Funds

Interfund receivables and payables arising from interfund transactions that are to be repaid in the next accounting cycle are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed. Interfund receivables and payables are not eliminated on the combined balance sheet.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Interfund Transactions

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenue and expenditures. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reduction of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions that are not to be repaid are recorded as transfers.

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

At year end, the carrying amount (book amount) of the Communications District's deposits was \$240,172, while the bank balance was \$250,761. The bank balance is categorized as follows:

Amount insured by FDIC	\$ 100,000
Amount collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the	
Communications District's name	150,761
Total bank balance	<u>\$ 250,761</u>

NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS

Investing is performed in accordance with investment policies complying with state statutes and the District's charter. The investments of the District are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District at December 31, 1995. The categories are described as follows:

- Category 1 Insured or registered, with securities held by the entity or its agents in the entity's name.
- Category 2 Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counter-party's trust department or agent in the entity's name.
- Category 3 Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counter-party, in its trust department in the entity's name.

NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments categorized by level of risk, are:

Types of		Category	Carrying	Fair	
Investments	1	2	3	Amount	<u>Value</u>
Mortgage Backed Securities U.S. Government Securities	\$ 69,148 144,124	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 69,148 144,124	\$ 74,601 146,396
Total investments	\$ 213,272	\$	<u>\$</u>	\$ 213,272	\$ 220.997

NOTE 4 - CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of the changes in the General Fixed Assets Account Group is as follows:

	Dec	Additions		Balance December 31, 1995		
Computers and accessories Communications equipment Miscellaneous office equipment	\$	17,084 34,130 <u>366</u>	\$	- 745 -	\$	17,084 34,875 <u>366</u>
Total	<u>\$</u>	51,580	<u>\$</u>	<u>745</u>	<u>\$</u>	52,325

NOTE 5 - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

A prior period adjustment was recorded to reflect the amortization of the discount on bonds not recorded in the prior year in the amount of \$616.

NOTE 6 - LITIGATION

According to the Parish District Attorney, the District had no pending or threatened litigation as of December 31, 1995.

NOTE 7 - COMPENSATION FOR THE COMMISSION

The members of the Commission for the Lincoln Parish Communications District receive no compensation.

NOTE 8 - FEDERALLY ASSISTED PROGRAMS

The Lincoln Parish Communications District has no federally financial assisted programs, therefore, no schedule of federally assisted program activity has been presented in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1984 and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments".

NOTE 9 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budget/Actual Variances

When comparing budget to actual amounts for the year ended December 31, 1995, the following governmental funds had variances of greater than 5.0%:

	Budget		Actual		<u>Variance</u>	
General Fund - total revenues Special Revenue Fund - total revenues	\$	163,000 6,462	\$	172,190 14,734	\$	9,190 8,272

NOTE 10 - COMPENSATION FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The members of the Board for the Communications District receive no compensation.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE RELATED MATTERS NOTED IN A FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Communications District Ruston, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Communications District for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated March 22, 1996.

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.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Communications District for the year ended December 31, 1995, we considered its internal control structure 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 structure.

The management of the Lincoln Parish Communications District is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgements by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of change in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

For the purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal control structure policies and procedures in the following categories:

Revenues/receipts
Purchasing/disbursements
Budgeting and budget reporting
Property and equipment

For all of the internal control structure categories listed above, we obtained an understanding of the design and relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation 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 structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of management, the Board of Commissioners, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

HULSEY, HARWOOD & HULSEY, CPA's A Professional Accounting Corporation

March 22, 1996



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Communications District Ruston, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Communications District as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated March 22, 1996.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, 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.

Compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to the Lincoln Parish Communications District is the responsibility of the management of the Lincoln Parish Communications District. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the District's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. However, our objective was not to provide an opinion on overall compliance with such provisions.

The results of our tests of compliance indicate that, with respect to the items tested, the Lincoln Parish Communications District complied, in all material respects, with the provisions referred to in the third paragraph of this report, and with respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the District had not complied, in all material respects, with those provisions.

This report is intended for the information of management, the Board of Commissioners, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury, and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

HULSEY, HARWOOD & HULSEY, CPA's A Professional Accounting Corporation

March 22, 1996