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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 1995

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GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
and Members of the Town Council
Post Office Box 531
Coushatta, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana's, management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. 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 the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, as of December 31, 1995, the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund type for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each of the individual funds and account groups of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, as of December 31, 1995, and the results of operations of such funds and the cash flows of the individual proprietary fund for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole and on the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements. The accompanying financial information listed as schedules in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose, combining, individual fund and account group financial statements and in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the financial statements of each of the respective individual funds and account groups, taken as a whole.

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
and Members of the Town Council
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The financial information for the year ended December 31, 1994, which is included for comparative purposes was taken from the financial report for that year in which we expressed an unqualified opinion dated June 1, 1995.

Hines, Jackson & Hines
Natchitoches, Louisiana
May 24, 1995

COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>Governmental Fund Type</u>		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 90,333	\$ 31,650	\$ 0
Investments, at cost	115,168	179,957	0
Receivables (net, where applicable, of allowances for uncollectibles)			
Accounts	0	0	0
Ad valorem taxes	0	0	0
Alcoholic beverage taxes	931	0	0
Franchise taxes	14,157	0	0
Tobacco taxes	2,400	0	0
Accrued interest	161	733	0
Prepaid expenditures	1,183	0	0
Due from other funds	71,937	24,775	0
Due from other governmental units	0	49,785	0
Land	0	0	0
Buildings	0	0	0
Improvements other than Buildings	0	0	0
Equipment, furniture & fixtures	0	0	0
Utility plant and equipment	0	0	0
Accumulated depreciation	0	0	0
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total assets	<u>\$296,270</u>	<u>\$286,900</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 18,032	\$ 3,074	\$ 0
Payroll taxes and retirement withheld	12,063	0	0
Insurance withheld	0	0	0
Sales taxes payable	0	0	0
Accrued liabilities	389	0	0
Customers' deposits	0	0	0
Due to other funds	0	0	0
Due to other governmental units	1,215	0	0
Accumulated unpaid vacation	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total liabilities	31,699	3,074	0
Fund equity:			
Contributed capital	0	0	0
Investment in general fixed assets	0	0	0
Retained earnings - unreserved (deficit)	0	0	0
Fund balances -			
Reserved for prepaid expenditures	1,183	0	0
Reserved for public improvements	1,398	0	0
Reserved for sewerage improvements-Dist.#1	1,289	0	0
Reserved for rural economic development	0	0	0
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>260,701</u>	<u>283,826</u>	<u>0</u>
Total fund equity	<u>264,571</u>	<u>283,826</u>	<u>0</u>
Total liabilities & fund equity	<u>\$296,270</u>	<u>\$286,900</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise	Fiduciary Fund Type Agency	Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)	
		Gen. Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt	1995	1994
		\$	\$	\$	\$
\$ 96,874	\$ 40,203	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 259,060	\$ 220,133
95,249	0	0	0	390,374	370,442
26,801	0	0	0	26,801	25,655
0	31,331	0	0	31,331	35,650
0	0	0	0	931	1,521
0	0	0	0	14,157	13,001
390	0	0	0	2,400	2,405
0	0	0	0	1,284	895
0	0	0	0	1,183	0
1,904	0	0	0	96,712	76,287
0	0	0	0	51,689	61,387
0	0	113,000	0	113,000	113,000
0	0	109,367	0	109,367	106,965
0	0	468,964	0	468,964	252,391
0	0	161,242	0	161,242	132,497
1,399,996	0	0	0	1,399,996	1,381,150
(505,552)	0	0	0	(505,552)	(451,655)
0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>\$1,115,662</u>	<u>\$ 71,534</u>	<u>\$ 852,573</u>	<u>\$ 4,404</u>	<u>\$2,627,343</u>	<u>\$2,344,720</u>
\$ 9,236	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 30,342	\$ 18,159
3,550	0	0	0	15,613	10,960
93	0	0	0	93	244
626	0	0	0	626	524
0	0	0	0	389	2,295
49,335	0	0	0	49,335	48,055
25,178	71,534	0	0	96,712	76,287
0	0	0	0	1,215	2,964
<u>3,207</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,404</u>	<u>7,611</u>	<u>5,575</u>
91,225	71,534	0	4,404	201,936	165,063
1,205,438	0	0	0	1,205,438	1,199,074
0	0	852,573	0	852,573	604,853
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1,183	0
0	0	0	0	1,398	1,398
0	0	0	0	1,289	1,289
0	0	0	0	0	25,000
<u>(181,001)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>363,526</u>	<u>348,043</u>
<u>1,024,437</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>852,573</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,425,407</u>	<u>2,179,657</u>
<u>\$1,115,662</u>	<u>\$ 71,534</u>	<u>\$ 852,573</u>	<u>\$ 4,404</u>	<u>\$2,627,343</u>	<u>\$2,344,720</u>

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995
WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1994

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
				1995	1994
REVENUES:					
Taxes	\$105,712	\$328,932	\$ 0	\$434,644	\$445,766
Licenses and permits	109,467	0	0	109,467	93,575
Intergovernmental	17,394	6,000	203,609	227,003	229,978
Charges for services	123,190	0	0	123,190	124,843
Fines and forfeitures	17,807	0	0	17,807	17,562
Miscellaneous	22,453	9,612	0	32,065	48,946
Total revenues	396,023	344,544	203,609	944,176	960,670
EXPENDITURES:					
Current -					
General government	206,319	5,863	0	212,182	179,205
Public safety	207,125	8,350	0	215,475	180,238
Public works	70,488	0	216,573	287,061	303,138
Sanitation	167,884	0	0	167,884	168,859
Highways and streets	0	6,592	0	6,592	25,412
Culture and recreation	0	16,676	0	16,676	18,665
Total expenditures	651,816	37,481	216,573	905,870	875,517
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(255,793)	307,063	(12,964)	38,306	85,153
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Operating transfers in	287,000	6,000	12,964	305,964	304,515
Operating transfers out	(12,964)	(293,000)	0	(305,964)	(304,515)
Sale of fixed assets	1,253	0	0	1,253	0
Total other financing sources (uses)	275,289	(287,000)	12,964	1,253	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	19,496	20,063	0	39,559	85,153
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	245,075	263,763	0	508,838	423,685
FUND BALANCES, end of year	\$264,571	\$283,826	\$ 0	\$548,397	\$508,838

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	General Fund		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
REVENUES:			
Taxes	\$ 98,800	\$ 105,712	\$ 6,912
Licenses and permits	101,100	109,467	8,367
Intergovernmental	13,000	17,394	4,394
Charges for services	121,000	123,190	2,190
Fines and forfeitures	20,000	17,807	(2,193)
Miscellaneous	17,000	22,453	5,453
Total revenues	370,900	396,023	25,123
EXPENDITURES:			
Current -			
General government	199,710	206,319	(6,609)
Public safety	175,412	207,125	(31,713)
Public works	84,717	70,488	14,229
Sanitation	161,060	167,884	(6,824)
Highways and streets	0	0	0
Culture and recreation	0	0	0
Debt service:			
Capitalized leases	0	0	0
Interest and fiscal charges	0	0	0
Total expenditures	620,899	651,816	(30,917)
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	(249,999)	(255,793)	(5,794)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/(USES):			
Operating transfers in	289,500	287,000	(2,500)
Operating transfers out	(13,000)	(12,964)	36
Sale of fixed assets	0	1,253	1,253
Total other financing sources (uses)	276,500	275,289	(1,211)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 26,501	19,496	\$ (7,005)
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year		245,075	
FUND BALANCES, end of year		\$ 264,571	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

<u>Special Revenue Fund Types</u>			<u>Capital Projects Fund</u>		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 322,300	\$ 328,932	\$ 6,632	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
0	0	0	0	0	0
7,200	6,000	(1,200)	203,609	203,609	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>9,200</u>	<u>9,612</u>	<u>412</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
338,700	344,544	5,844	203,609	203,609	0
5,000	5,863	(863)	0	0	0
12,200	8,350	3,850	0	0	0
0	0	0	216,609	216,573	36
0	0	0	0	0	0
6,400	6,592	(192)	0	0	0
6,000	16,676	(10,676)	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>29,600</u>	<u>37,481</u>	<u>(7,881)</u>	<u>216,609</u>	<u>216,573</u>	<u>36</u>
309,100	307,063	(2,037)	(13,000)	(12,964)	36
0	6,000	6,000	13,000	12,964	(36)
(289,500)	(293,000)	(3,500)	0	0	0
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>(289,500)</u>	<u>(287,000)</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>12,964</u>	<u>(36)</u>
<u>\$ 19,600</u>	20,063	<u>\$ 463</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	\$ 0	<u>\$ 0</u>
	<u>263,763</u>			<u>0</u>	
	<u>\$ 283,826</u>			<u>\$ 0</u>	

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS
PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	<u>ENTERPRISE</u>	
	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Operating revenues:		
Charges for services -		
Water sales	\$ 193,885	\$ 189,861
Connect fees	4,075	4,190
Service fees, maintenance charge, other	<u>2,899</u>	<u>3,604</u>
Total operating revenues	200,859	197,655
Operating expenses:		
Dues	1,830	312
Salaries	75,242	72,180
Retirement	3,459	3,091
Insurance - employees	6,218	5,336
Professional services	8,396	5,310
Office supplies and expense	6,763	6,994
Operating supplies and tools	29,829	26,651
Maintenance and repairs	16,467	9,732
Telephone	3,073	2,385
Travel	52	258
Insurance	10,301	10,528
Utilities	30,631	31,490
Rent	883	781
Miscellaneous	6,051	801
Taxes	428	694
Contractual services	1,464	1,112
Depreciation	<u>53,759</u>	<u>53,555</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>254,846</u>	<u>231,210</u>
Operating income/(loss)	(53,987)	(33,555)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):		
Interest income	6,094	5,024
Interest expense	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total nonoperating revenues/(expenses)	<u>6,094</u>	<u>5,024</u>
Income/(loss)	(47,893)	(28,531)
Retained earnings - Unreserved, Beginning of Year/(deficit)	<u>(133,108)</u>	<u>(104,577)</u>
Retained earnings - Unreserved, End of year/(deficit)	<u>\$(181,001)</u>	<u>\$(133,108)</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	<u>ENTERPRISE</u>	
	<u>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</u>	
	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operating Income	\$ (53,987)	\$ (33,555)
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		
Depreciation	53,759	53,555
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets		
Accounts Receivable		
Trade	(1,054)	676
Other	(80)	(63)
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Trade	4,463	614
Payroll taxes and retirement payable	382	(296)
Other	2,186	3,226
Customer deposits	1,280	3,289
Accumulated unpaid vacation	628	(556)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	7,577	26,890
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of equipment	(18,708)	(2,756)
Receipts from capital grants	6,364	1,800
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(12,344)	(956)
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts of interest	6,094	5,024
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	6,094	5,024
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1,327	30,958
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	135,796	104,838
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 137,123</u>	<u>\$ 135,796</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1995

The financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board is the accepted standard - setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the Town's Financial Report.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial reporting entity

The Town of Coushatta was incorporated on April 22, 1872, under the provisions of special home rule charter. The Town operates under a Mayor-Council form of government. The Town's major operations include public safety, fire protection, streets, sanitation, recreation and parks, utilities, and general administrative services.

Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. Oversight responsibility by the Town is determined on the basis of the following criteria:

- (a) Financial interdependency. When a separate agency produces a financial benefit for or imposes a financial burden on a unit of government, that agency is a part of the reporting entity. Manifestations of financial interdependency include responsibility for financial deficits, entitlements to surpluses, and guarantees of, or "moral responsibility" for, debt.
- (b) Selection of governing authority. An authoritative appointment is one where the entity's chief elected official maintains a significant continuing relationship with the appointed officials with respect to carrying out important public functions.
- (c) Designation of management. When management is appointed by and held accountable to a governing authority that is included in the entity, the activity being managed falls within the entity.
- (d) Ability to significantly influence operations. This ability includes, but is not limited to, the authority to review and approve budgetary requests, adjustments, and amendments.
- (e) Accountability for fiscal matters. Fiscal authority normally includes the authority for final approval over budgetary appropriations, responsibility for funding deficits and operating deficiencies, disposal of surplus funds, control over the collection and disbursement of funds, and maintenance of title to assets.

There may be, however, factors other than oversight that are so significant that exclusion of a particular agency from a reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading. These factors include:

- (a) Scope of Public Service. Aspects to be considered include who the activity benefits and whether it is conducted within the entity's geographic boundaries and generally available to its citizens.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
DECEMBER 31, 1995

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

- (b) Special Financing Relationship. Such a relationship may have been created to benefit the entity by providing for the issuance of debt on behalf of the entity.

Based on the application of these criteria, the financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, consist only of the funds and account groups of the Town since the Town has no oversight responsibility for any other governmental entity.

Fund accounting

The accounts of the Town of Coushatta 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 comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, or expenses, as appropriate. The individual funds account for the government resources allocated to them for the purpose of carrying on specific activities in accordance with laws, regulations, or other restrictions. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into five generic fund types and three broad fund categories as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds account for all or most of the Town of Coushatta's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets, and the servicing of general long-term obligations.

General Fund

The general fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. General tax revenues and other sources of revenue used to finance the fundamental operations of the Town are included in this fund. The fund is charged with all cost of operating the government for which a separate fund has not been established.

Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The Town's special revenue funds consist of the sales tax, street tax, fire tax, and recreation tax funds.

Capital Project Fund

Capital project funds are established to account for major capital expenditures not financed by enterprise funds, internal service funds or trust funds.

Proprietary Fund Types:

Proprietary funds account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary of useful to sound financial administration. Proprietary funds differ from governmental funds in that their focus is on income measurement, which, together with the maintenance of equity, is an important financial indicator.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Enterprise Fund

The enterprise fund is used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or

- (b) where the governing body has decided the periodic determination of revenue earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Fiduciary Fund Types

These funds account for assets held by the Town as a trustee or agent for individuals, private organizations, other units of governments, and/or other funds.

Agency Fund

The agency fund is used to account for the collection of property taxes and the subsequent distribution to other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Account Groups

An account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

General fixed assets account group

This is not a fund but rather an account group that is used to account for general fixed assets acquired principally for general purposes and excludes fixed assets in the Enterprise Fund.

General long-term debt account group

This is not a fund but rather an account group that is used to account for the outstanding principal balances of general obligation bonds and other long-term debt not reported in the proprietary funds.

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and long-term liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, and are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when purchased. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements, including roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems, and lighting systems, are not capitalized. No depreciation has been

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

General long-term debt account group (continued)

provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at cost.

Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental fund types are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

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The two account groups are not "funds". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Property, plant, and equipment acquired for proprietary funds is capitalized in the respective funds to which it applies.

The proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activity is included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by the enterprise fund is charged as an expense against its operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on the enterprise fund balance sheet. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	20
Wells	30
Transmission and Distribution Mains	20
Storage tanks	30
Pumping equipment	10
Pumping equipment	20
Meters	10
Meters	20
Hydrants	15
Hydrants	30
Power tools	3
Office furniture and equipment	5

Basis of accounting

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

All governmental funds as well as the agency fund, are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction 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. Ad valorem taxes are recorded as revenue when levied because they are considered to be both measurable and available even though a portion of the taxes are collected in subsequent years.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

General long-term debt account group (continued)

Those revenues susceptible to accrual are ad valorem taxes, franchise taxes, interest revenue, intergovernmental revenues, and charges for services. Fines, permits, licenses, penalties and interest, and miscellaneous revenues are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. Anticipated refunds of taxes are recorded as liabilities and reductions of revenue when they are measurable and their validity seems certain.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred except that principal and interest on general long-term debt is recognized when due. Purchase of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased.

All proprietary funds are accounted for by using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid (or any other types, such as capital lease transactions, sales of fixed assets, debt extinguishments, long-term debt proceeds, et cetera) are accounted for as other financing sources or uses. These other financing sources or uses are recognized at the time the underlying events occur.

Budgets and budgetary accounting

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control. Annual operating budgets are adopted each fiscal year and amended as required.

The Town follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in these financial statements:

1. Prior to November 1, the town clerk submits to the town council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. A summary of the proposed budget is published and the public notified that the proposed budget is available for inspection. A public hearing is called.
3. A public hearing is held on the proposed budget at least ten days after publication of the call for the hearing.
4. Prior to December 31, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.
5. The town clerk is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund. However, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the town council.
6. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.
7. Budgets for the general and special revenue funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The Town's procedures with respect to its budget are designed to meet the requirements of applicable Louisiana Revised Statutes. The Town prepares budgets for its General Fund and Special Revenue Funds on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Cash and cash equivalents

Consistent with GASB Statement 9, "Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting", the Town of Coushatta defines cash and cash equivalents as follows:

Cash - includes not only currency on hand but also demand deposits with banks or other financial institutions and other kinds of accounts that have the general characteristics of demand deposits in that the customer may deposit additional funds at any time and also effectively may withdraw funds at any time without prior notice or penalty.

Cash equivalents - all short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of interest rates. Generally, only investments which, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months qualify under this definition.

Investments

Investments are stated at lower of cost or market and consist of certificates of deposit and capital stock in Coushatta Industrial Development Corporation. Discounts and premiums on the purchase of investments are amortized over the life of the investment remaining from the date of purchase to the date of maturity.

Receivables

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where applicable, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. Estimated unbilled revenues from the enterprise fund are recognized at the end of each fiscal year on a pro rata basis. The estimated amount is based on billings during the month following the close of the fiscal year.

Bad debts

Uncollectible amounts due for ad valorem taxes and customers' utility receivables are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable.

Short-term interfund receivables/payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables" and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed.

Interest receivable

Interest on investments and certain receivables are recorded as revenue in the year the interest is earned and is available to pay liabilities of the current period.

Compensated absences

Vacation earned is recorded as an expenditure of the governmental fund that it relates to when it is paid. Vacation leave of the enterprise fund is recorded as an expense and liability of that fund as the benefits accrue to employees.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Compensated absences - (continued)

The cost of current leave privileges, computed in accordance with GASB Codification C 60, is recognized as a current year expenditure in the governmental funds when leave is actually taken. The cost of leave privileges not requiring current resources is recorded in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group. Compensated absences associated with employees of the Enterprise Fund are recorded as a fund liability and operating expense.

Fund equity

The unreserved fund balances for governmental funds represent the amount available for budgeting future operations. The reserved fund balances for governmental funds represent the amount that has been legally identified for specific purposes. Unreserved retained earnings for proprietary funds represent the net assets available for future operations or distribution. Reserved retained earnings for proprietary funds represent the net assets that have been legally identified for specific purposes.

Contributed capital is recorded in the Enterprise Fund for capital grants restricted for the acquisition or construction of capital assets. Contributed capital is not amortized based on the depreciation recognized on that portion of the assets acquired or constructed from such resources.

Comparative data

Comparative total data for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Town's financial position and operations. However, comparative (i.e., presentation of prior year totals by fund type) data have not been presented in each of the statements since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read. Certain amounts from prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform with current classifications.

Total columns on combined statements - overview

Total columns on the general purpose financial statements are captioned "(Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

NOTE 2 AD VALOREM TAXES

The Town of Coushatta levies taxes on real and business personal property located within its boundaries. The Red River Parish Tax Assessor assesses the property values and prepares the Town's property tax roll. The Town bills and collects its own property taxes.

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 of each year. Taxes levied on October 31, are payable upon receipt of notice. All ad valorem tax revenues are recognized in compliance with NCGA Interpretation -3 and GASB Codification Section P70 (Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes) which states that such revenue is recorded when it becomes measurable and available. Available means due, or past due and receivable within the current period and collected no longer than 60 days after the close of the current period.

For the year ended December 31, 1995, taxes of 10.08 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$7,124,640 and were dedicated as follows:

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NOTE 2 AD VALOREM TAXES (CONTINUED)

General alimony	5.38 mills
Street improvements	.94 mill
Fire department	.94 mill
Recreation department	2.82 mills

Total taxes levied were \$71,637. Taxes receivable at December 31, 1995, consist of the following:

Taxes receivable current roll (Net of \$218 allowance for uncollectible taxes)	\$31,132
Taxes receivable prior years	<u>199</u>
Total taxes receivable	<u>\$31,331</u>

Delinquent taxes are collected by the sale of the related property; therefore, no allowance for uncollectible taxes is considered necessary.

NOTE 3 INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

A summary of interfund receivables and payables at December 31, 1995, is as follows:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS</u>	<u>DUE TO OTHER FUNDS</u>
General fund	\$ 71,937	\$ 0
Special revenue funds:		
Street tax fund	5,008	0
Fire tax fund	5,008	0
Recreation tax fund	14,759	0
Agency fund:		
Property tax fund	0	71,534
Enterprise fund	<u>0</u>	<u>25,178</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 96,712</u>	<u>\$ 96,712</u>

Due From/To Other Funds:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General fund	Property tax fund	\$ 46,759
Street tax fund	Property tax fund	5,008
Fire tax fund	Property tax fund	5,008
Recreation tax fund	Property tax fund	14,759
General Fund	Enterprise fund	<u>25,178</u>
	Total	<u>\$ 96,712</u>

NOTE 4 CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	<u>Balance January 1, 1995</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance December 31, 1995</u>
Land	\$ 113,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 113,000
Buildings	106,965	2,402	0	109,367
Improvements other than buildings	252,391	216,573	0	468,964
Equipment, furniture & fixtures	<u>132,497</u>	<u>31,745</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>161,242</u>
Total general fixed assets	<u>\$ 604,853</u>	<u>\$ 250,720</u>	<u>\$ 3,000</u>	<u>\$ 852,573</u>

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NOTE 5 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

A summary of proprietary fund type property, plant and equipment at December 31, 1995 follows:

	Straight- Line Rate	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net	Depreciation This Year
Land	-	\$ 10,782	\$ 0	\$ 10,782	\$ 0
Buildings	20 yrs	74,497	46,386	28,111	4,000
Improvements other than buildings	20-30 yrs	1,068,976	241,919	827,057	43,252
Equipment	3-30 yrs	223,051	195,890	27,161	6,022
Furniture & fixtures	5 yrs	22,690	21,357	1,333	485
Total		<u>\$1,399,996</u>	<u>\$ 505,552</u>	<u>\$ 894,444</u>	<u>\$ 53,759</u>

Changes during the year:

Balance, beginning of year	\$1,381,150	\$ 451,793	\$ 929,357
Additions:			
Buildings	0	0	0
Improvements other than buildings	8,119	0	8,119
Equipment	10,327	0	10,327
Furniture & fixtures	400	0	400
Depreciation	0	53,759	(53,759)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$1,399,996</u>	<u>\$ 505,552</u>	<u>\$ 894,444</u>

NOTE 6 LONG-TERM DEBT

Accumulated Unpaid Vacation

At December 31, 1995, employees of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana have accumulated and vested \$7,611 of employee leave benefits, which were computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C 60. \$4,404 is recorded within the General Long-Term Debt Account Group. \$3,207 is recorded as a liability within the Enterprise Fund.

The following is a summary of changes in accumulated unpaid vacation of the Town for the year ended December 31, 1995:

Accumulated Unpaid Vacation, January 1, 1995	\$5,575
Increase/(Decrease) in Unpaid Vacation	<u>2,036</u>
Accumulated Unpaid Vacation, December 31, 1995	<u>\$7,611</u>

NOTE 7 DEDICATION OF PROCEEDS AND FLOW OF FUNDS

1% Sales Tax

Proceeds of the 1% sales tax levied by the Town of Coushatta (1994 collections - \$307,310; 1995 collections - \$295,103) are dedicated to the following purposes:

Constructing, acquiring, extending, improving and/or maintaining drainage facilities, streets, street lighting facilities, bridges, sidewalks, waterworks, sewers and sewer disposal works, recreational facilities, public parks, public buildings and fire department stations and equipment, payment of salaries of municipal employees, maintaining and operating the municipal police department and garbage collection and disposal facilities including the purchase of equipment therefor, or for any one or more of said purposes, title to which improvements shall be in the public.

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NOTE 7 DEDICATION OF PROCEEDS AND FLOW OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

.94 Mill Street Improvement Tax

Proceeds of the .94 mill street improvement tax (1994 revenue - \$6,665; 1995 revenue \$6,697) are dedicated to the following purpose:

Improvement and maintenance of streets.

.94 Mill Fire Department Tax

Proceeds of the .94 mill fire department tax (1994 revenue - \$6,665; 1995 revenue - \$6,697) are dedicated to the following purpose:

Paying and liquidating all maturing indebtedness and general operating expenses of the Fire Department District No. 1.

2.82 Mill Recreation Tax

Proceeds of the 2.82 mill recreation tax (1994 revenue - \$19,996; 1995 revenue - \$20,091) are dedicated to the following purpose:

Payment of maintenance and operating expenses of the public buildings and other works of permanent public improvements used for recreation purposes.

NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS

The Town participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer statewide retirement systems (PERS) for its employees. Each retirement system is administered and controlled by a separate board of trustees.

Following is a brief description of each retirement system in which the Town participates:

Louisiana Municipal Employees' Retirement System

The Louisiana Municipal Employees' Retirement System was established by Act 356 of the 1954 Legislature to provide retirement benefits to employees of all incorporated villages, towns and cities within the State which do not have their own retirement system and elect to become members of the System.

Membership is mandatory as a condition of employment if the employee is on a permanent basis working at least thirty-five hours per week, not participating in another public funded retirement system, and under age sixty (60) at the date of employment. Those individuals paid jointly by the participating employer and the parish are not eligible for membership in the System.

The System has two retirement plans available for its members; Plan "A" and Plan "B". Plan "A" combines the original plan and the supplemental plan for those members, participating in both plans, while Plan "B" is available for those members, participating in only the original plan. These plans have different contribution rates and provide different retirement benefits.

All employees of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, who participate in this System are covered by Plan "A". Any member of Plan "A" can retire providing he meets one of the following criteria:

1. Any age with thirty (30) or more years of creditable service.
2. Age 55 with twenty-five (25) years of creditable service.
3. Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) years of creditable service.
4. Under age 60 and five (5) years of creditable service and eligible for disability benefits.
5. Survivor's benefits require five (5) years creditable service at death of member.

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NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

Generally, the monthly retirement allowance for any member of Plan "A" shall consist of an amount equal to three percent of the member's final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions, as outlined in the statutes, the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

Upon the death of any member of Plan "A" with five (5) or more years of creditable service, who is not eligible for retirement, benefits are provided for the surviving spouse and minor children as outlined in the statutes. The surviving spouse of an employee eligible for normal retirement at the time of death shall receive benefits for life.

A member of Plan "A" with five (5) years of creditable service is eligible for disability benefits. A disabled member receives a normal retirement allowance if eligible or, if age sixty, receives a benefit based on years of creditable service without regard to the minimum service requirement. If the member is under age sixty and is not eligible for a normal retirement allowance, he receives a disability benefit consisting of an amount equal to three percent of his final compensation multiplied by his years of creditable service projected to his earliest normal retirement age not to exceed sixty percent of his final compensation. Disability benefits are converted to a normal retirement allowance upon the member's attainment of his earliest normal retirement age based on his final compensation and creditable service.

Member contributions are established by statute at 9.25% of earnable compensation for Plan A. Employer contributions for the year are 6.75% of members' earnings, for Plan A as set by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. The employees' contributions are deducted from the employees' salaries and are remitted by the City on a quarterly basis.

The following provides certain disclosures for the Town that are required by GASB Codification Section P 20.129:

Contribution Rates:

Employees	9.25%
Town of Coushatta	5.50% - 6.75%
Total current year payroll	\$367,340
Total current year covered payroll	\$199,038

Covered payroll refers to all compensation paid by the Town to active employees that are members of the plan.

Contributions:	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Employees	9.25%	\$ 20,520	\$ 20,520
Town of Coushatta	5.50-6.75%	12,201	12,201
<u>Total</u>		<u>\$ 32,721</u>	<u>\$ 32,721</u>

The Frozen Attained Age Normal Cost Method was used to calculate the funding requirements of the System.

The total employer actuarially determined requirement for the System was \$8,821,164. The City's actuarially determined contribution requirement, 6.55% of covered payroll was \$13,037 or .15% of the System's total requirement.

The computation of the pension contribution requirements for 1994 was based on the same actuarial assumptions, benefit provisions, actuarial funding method, and other significant factors used to determine pension contribution requirements in previous years.

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NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

The fiscal year of the System is from July 1 to June 30.

The amount of the total pension benefit obligation is based on a standardized measurement established by GASB-5 that, with some exceptions, must be used by a PERS. The standardized measurement is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits. This pension valuation method reflects the present value of estimated pension benefits that will be paid in future years as a result of employee services performed to date, and is adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases. A standardized measure of the pension benefit obligation was adopted by the GASB to enable readers of PERS financial statements to (a) access the PERS funding status on a going concern basis, (b) assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and (c) make comparisons among other employers.

Total unfunded pension benefit obligation of the Louisiana Municipal Employees' Retirement System as of June 30, 1994, was as follows:

Total pension benefit obligation	\$306,781,658
Net assets available for benefits	<u>267,505,250</u>
Unfunded pension benefit obligation	<u>\$ 39,276,408</u>

The measurement of the total pension benefit obligation is based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 1994. Net assets available to pay pension benefits were valued as of the same date.

Ten-year historical trend information is presented in the June 30, 1994, Louisiana Municipal Employees' Retirement System Annual Financial Report. This information is useful in assessing the pension plan's accumulation of sufficient assets to pay pension benefits as they become due.

Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System

The Municipal Police Employees Retirement System was established by Act 189 of 1973 to provide retirement benefits to employees of any municipality in the State which employs a full-time police officer, empowered to make arrests, or which has an elected Chief of Police whose salary is at least \$100 per month.

The Municipal Police Employee's Retirement System provides retirement benefits to employees of any municipality in the State which employs a full-time police officer, empowered to make arrests, or which has an elected Chief of Police whose salary is at least \$100 per month.

Eligible employees include any full-time police officer, empowered to make arrests, employed by a municipality of the State and engaged in law enforcement, earning at least \$375 per month excluding state supplemental pay, or an elected Chief of Police whose salary is at least \$100 per month. City or Ward Marshals, elected Councilmen and Mayors are excluded from membership.

Persons who were members on September 7, 1977, must remain members of the System and persons hired on or after that date must become members of the System as a condition of employment if they are under age 50 and are not covered by the Social Security System.

All full-time police officers of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, are eligible to participate in this System.

Benefit provisions are authorized within Act 189 of 1973 and amended by LRS 11:2211-11:2233.

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NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

Employees attaining the age of 50 completing 20 or more years of service, or the age of 55 and completing 12 years of service, are entitled to a yearly benefit of 3 1/3% of their average final compensation, as defined in the plan, times years of creditable service. Active employees who become disabled after 1985 due to total and permanent disability, with at least 5 years of creditable service, receive a benefit of 3% of average final compensation multiplied by the years of creditable service, but not less than 40% nor more than 60% of average final compensation. Upon reaching retirement age, disability pensioners receive the greater of disability benefits or accrued benefits earned to date of disability. Prior to the enactment of Act 81 of 1985, other disability rules may be applicable as described in the plan. The system also provides for death benefits as described in the plan.

Member contributions are established by statute at 8.0% of earnable compensation. Employer contributions for the current year are 9.0% of covered employees' earnable compensation excluding overtime but including state supplemental pay. The employees' contributions are deducted from the employees' salaries and are remitted by the City on a monthly basis.

The following provides certain disclosures for the Town that are required by GASB Codification Section P 20.129:

Contribution Rates:	
Employees	7.50%
Town of Coushatta	9.00%
Total current year payroll	\$367,340
Total current year covered payroll	\$127,189

Covered payroll refers to all compensation paid by the Town to active employees that are members of the Plan.

Contributions:	Required by Statute		
	Percent	Amount	Actual
Employees	7.50%	\$ 9,539	\$ 9,539
Town of Coushatta	9.00%	11,447	11,447
Total	16.50%	\$ 20,986	\$ 20,986

The Entry Age Normal Cost Method was used to calculate the funding requirements of the system.

The total actuarially determined employer contribution requirement for the System was \$14,162,785. The City's actuarially determined contribution requirement, 12.59% of covered payroll, was \$16,013, or .11% of the System's total requirement.

The computation of the pension contribution requirements for 1995 was based on the same actuarial assumptions, benefit provisions, actuarial funding method, and other significant factors used to determine pension contribution requirements in previous years.

The fiscal year of the System is from July 1 to June 30.

The amount of the total pension benefit obligation is based on a standardized measurement established by GASB-5 that, with some exceptions must be used by a PERS. The standardized measurement is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits. This pension valuation method reflects the present value of estimated pension benefits that will be paid in future years as a result of employee services performed to date, and is adjusted for the effects of projected salary increases. A standardized measure of the pension benefit obligation was adopted by the GASB to enable readers of PERS financial statements to (a) assess

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NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

the PERS funding status on a going concern basis, (b) assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and (c) make comparisons among other PERS and among other employees.

Total unfunded pension benefit obligation of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System as of June 30, 1995, was as follows:

Total pension benefit obligations	\$736,846,804
Net assets available for benefits	<u>766,365,130</u>
Unfunded (assets in excess of) pension benefit obligation	<u>\$(29,518,326)</u>

The measurement of the total pension benefit obligation is based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 1995. Net assets available to pay pension benefits were valued as of the same date.

Ten-year historical trend information is presented in the Systems June 30, 1995, comprehensive annual financial report. This information is useful in assessing the pension plan's accumulation of sufficient assets to pay pension benefits as they become due.

The Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, does not guarantee the benefits granted by any of the systems in which it participates.

NOTE 9 LEASE OBLIGATIONS

The Town of Coushatta, Louisiana was not obligated under any capital or operating lease commitments at December 31, 1995.

NOTE 10 CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Louisiana Revised Statutes authorize the Town to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes or certificates, or to deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana. They are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are stated at cost. Current fair market value of the capital stock of the Coushatta Industrial Development Corporation is not available.

At December 31, 1995, the Town of Coushatta has cash and cash equivalents totaling \$258,760, as follows:

	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
<u>General Fund:</u>				
Bank of Coushatta:				
Demand deposits:				
Operating account	None	--	\$ 13,930	
Sinking Fund - T.C. Bonds	None	--	1,398	
Sewer District No.1	None	--	1,289	
Industrial Development:				
Construction account	None	--	0	
General	None	--	4,136	
Sewer account	None	--	23,245	
Sunbeam lease account	3.00%	--	46,335	
Rural Development Fund	None	--	<u>\$ 0</u>	\$ 90,333

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NOTE 10 CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Utility Fund:</u>			
Bank of Coushatta:			
Demand deposits:			
Operating Account	2.75%	--	\$ 96,574
<u>Sales Tax Fund:</u>			
Bank of Coushatta:			
Demand deposits:			
Operating Account	None	--	10,477
<u>Street Tax Fund:</u>			
Bank of Coushatta:			
Demand deposits:			
Operating Account	None	--	955
<u>Fire Tax Fund:</u>			
Bank of Coushatta:			
Demand deposits:			
Operating Account	None	--	13,896
<u>Recreation Tax Fund:</u>			
American Bank and Trust:			
Demand deposit:			
Operating Account	None	--	6,322
<u>Property Tax Fund:</u>			
Bank of Coushatta:			
Demand deposit:			
Operating Account	None	--	<u>40,203</u>
Total			<u>\$258,760</u>

The Town of Coushatta has investments totaling \$390,374 as of December 31, 1995. These investments consist of certificates of deposit and capital stock in the Coushatta Industrial Development Corporation. A summary of these investments is as follows:

	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
<u>General fund:</u>				
Bank of Coushatta:				
Time deposit	5.00%	3/04/96	\$ 10,000	
American Bank and Trust:				
Time deposit	3.25%	5/14/96	7,127	
Time deposit	5.00%	3/11/96	<u>43,041</u>	
			<u>50,168</u>	\$ 60,168
<u>Utility fund</u>				
Bank of Coushatta:				
Time deposit	3.25%	1/02/96	15,000	
Time deposit	3.25%	1/02/96	20,000	
Time deposit	3.25%	1/02/96	10,000	
Time deposit	3.25%	1/02/96	10,000	
Time deposit	3.25%	1/02/96	<u>15,000</u>	
			<u>70,000</u>	
American Bank and Trust:				
Time deposit	4.15%	11/21/96	15,249	
Time deposit	3.25%	01/28/96	<u>10,000</u>	
			<u>\$ 25,249</u>	\$ 95,249

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DECEMBER 31, 1995

NOTE 10 CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Recreation tax fund</u>			
American Bank and Trust:			
Time deposit	4.10%	1/16/96	12,000
Time deposit	5.65%	12/09/96	10,000
Time deposit	6.45%		<u>15,000</u>
			\$ 37,000
<u>Sales tax fund</u>			
American Bank and Trust:			
Time deposit	3.25%	5/20/96	\$ 10,000
Time deposit	4.75%	4/05/96	10,000
Time deposit	4.75%	7/24/96	11,944
Time deposit	4.75%	2/21/96	10,000
Time deposit	4.75%	4/24/96	<u>10,000</u>
			51,944
Bank of Coushatta:			
Time deposit	4.00%	3/31/95	11,283
Time deposit	3.30%	3/29/95	<u>40,000</u>
			51,283
			103,227
<u>Fire tax fund</u>			
Bank of Coushatta:			
Time deposit	3.30%	1/29/95	11,206
Time deposit	5.75%	08/01/95	10,000
Time deposit	4.65%	12/09/97	<u>18,524</u>
			<u>39,730</u>
Total time deposits			335,374
<u>General Fund</u>			
Capital stock - Coushatta Industrial Development Corp., - at cost			
			<u>55,000</u>
<u>Total investments as of December 31, 1995</u>			<u>\$390,374</u>

The certificates of deposit are stated at cost which approximates market value. The capital stock is stated at cost. Market value of the capital stock is not available.

Of the total of \$594,134 deposited in demand and time deposits as of December 31, 1995, \$306,322 was secured through federal depository insurance and \$287,812 was secured by the pledge of securities owned by the depository bank. These securities are held in the name of the pledging bank in a custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. These secured deposits are considered uncollateralized under the provisions of GASB Statement 3; however, Louisiana Revised Statutes require the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within ten (10) days of being notified by the Town that the pledging bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. The Town's deposits were fully insured or collateralized at December 31, 1995.

NOTE 11 FUND EQUITY

Reservations of fund balances of governmental funds are created to either (1) satisfy legal covenants that require that a portion of the fund balance be segregated or (2) identify the portion of the fund balance that is not appropriate for future expenditures. Specific reservations of the fund balance accounts are summarized below.

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NOTE 11 FUND EQUITY

General Fund

Reserved for public improvements -

This reserve was created to represent funds transferred from a debt service fund through a residual equity transfer. This amount can be used only for purposes consistent with the original tax proposition approved by the Town's citizens.

Reserved for sewerage improvements - District #1 -

This reserve was created to represent funds transferred from a debt service fund through a residual equity transfer. This amount can be used only for purposes consistent with the original tax proposition approved by the Town's citizens.

NOTE 12 NO-COMMITMENT DEBT

Industrial revenue bonds were issued in prior years under the Industrial Development Board - Town of Coushatta. In prior years' minutes and other documentation, it is stated that the Town has no liability with regard to the payment of principal and interest of the bonds. This was confirmed verbally with the attorney representing the Town at the time of issuance. These bonds were issued to finance a sawmill owned and operated by Hood Industries, Inc. and an appliance assembly plant operated by Sunbeam Corp. The balance of bonds outstanding at December 31, 1995, for the sawmill was unavailable. The appliance assembly plant bonds were paid off in 1991. According to the bond agreement the land and the building now belong to the Town of Coushatta. This was done in December, 1991, and the assets are included in the general fixed asset group of accounts. Interested parties should contact Hood Industries, Inc., Sunbeam Corporation, or the Town Clerk.

NOTE 13 LITIGATION

The Town attorney advises that, as of December 31, 1995, the Town of Coushatta was involved in no pending litigation.

NOTE 14 RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Town.

NOTE 15 CLAIMS AND JUDGMENTS

The Town participates in federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the Town may be required to reimburse the grantor government. The Town believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on any of the individual governmental funds or the overall financial position of the Town.

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NOTE 16 FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION - EMERGENCY COMMUNITY WATER ASSISTANCE GRANT

On August 29, 1991, the Town entered into a contract with, and was awarded a grant by the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$275,000. The purpose of this grant is to provide improvements to the Town's water system.

Funds received from the Farmers Home Administration are reported in the Town's Utility Fund as contributed capital. A schedule of the cash receipts and disbursements made through the Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant is included in the "Other Supplementary Information" section of this report.

NOTE 17 FUND DEFICIT

The Enterprise fund (Utility fund) of the Town of Coushatta has a deficit in the unreserved fund balance of \$181,001 at December 31, 1995. Combining contributed capital with the deficit in the unreserved fund balance results in total fund equity of \$1,024,437.

Management plans to eliminate the deficit in the unreserved fund balance through a combination of actions:

- 1) Management has implemented strict cost control procedures to reduce expenses.
- 2) Management is currently considering several scenarios to increase revenues, such as a rate increase.

Management feels that these actions will relieve the existing deficit in the Enterprise fund.

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GENERAL FUND

The general fund is used to account for resources traditionally associated with government which are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in another fund.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

ASSETS	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 90,333	\$ 77,865
Investments, at cost	115,168	113,001
Receivables:		
Alcoholic beverage taxes	931	1,521
Tobacco taxes	2,400	2,405
Franchise taxes	14,157	13,001
Employees	0	(92)
Due from other funds:		
Utility fund	25,178	22,943
Property tax fund	46,759	37,310
Interest	161	0
Prepaid expenditures	<u>1,183</u>	<u>0</u>
Total assets	<u>\$296,270</u>	<u>\$267,954</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 18,032	\$ 9,828
Payroll taxes and retirement withheld	12,063	7,792
Accrued payroll taxes	389	2,295
Due to other governmental units	<u>1,215</u>	<u>2,964</u>
Total liabilities	31,699	22,879
Fund balance:		
Reserved for prepaid expenditures	1,183	0
Reserved for public improvements	1,398	1,398
Reserved for sewerage improvements - District #1	1,289	1,289
Reserved for rural economic development	0	25,000
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>260,701</u>	<u>217,388</u>
Total fund balance	<u>264,571</u>	<u>245,075</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$296,270</u>	<u>\$267,954</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

1994		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 43,000	\$ 44,772	\$ 1,772
54,000	59,748	5,748
<u>800</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>(190)</u>
97,800	105,130	7,330
10,000	9,619	(381)
2,500	2,748	248
<u>0</u>	<u>1,820</u>	<u>1,820</u>
12,500	14,187	1,687
70	0	(70)
72,000	85,367	13,367
<u>500</u>	<u>1,008</u>	<u>508</u>
72,570	86,375	13,805
52,000	55,567	3,567
<u>65,000</u>	<u>69,276</u>	<u>4,276</u>
117,000	124,843	7,843
10,000	17,562	7,562
13,000	12,400	(600)
3,000	3,022	22
3,000	326	(2,674)
<u>0</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
<u>19,000</u>	<u>40,748</u>	<u>21,748</u>
<u>\$328,870</u>	<u>\$388,845</u>	<u>\$ 59,975</u>

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL (CONTINUED)
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

EXPENDITURES:	1995		Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
Current:			
General government:			
Salaries and wages	\$ 81,000	\$ 81,203	\$ (203)
Employee retirement	8,500	8,742	(242)
Employee insurance	12,000	12,853	(853)
Supplies - office	1,000	1,428	(428)
Supplies - operating	1,500	2,154	(654)
Supplies - repairs and maintenance	250	265	(15)
Advertising	500	581	(81)
Building inspector	3,308	3,308	0
Contractual services	1,500	2,986	(1,486)
Dues and subscriptions	2,000	2,024	(24)
Insurance	5,652	7,042	(1,390)
Miscellaneous	1,500	1,956	(456)
Printing	500	560	(60)
Professional services	4,000	6,390	(2,390)
Rentals	1,500	1,950	(450)
Repairs and maintenance	2,000	2,825	(825)
Taxes	2,000	1,835	165
Telephone and communications	2,000	2,919	(919)
Travel	2,000	2,747	(747)
Utilities	29,000	29,007	(7)
Capital outlay	1,000	1,109	(109)
Grant expenditures	37,000	32,435	4,565
Total expenditures - general government	199,710	206,319	(6,609)
Public safety:			
Police department:			
Salaries and wages	110,000	112,075	(2,075)
Employee retirement	11,000	17,772	(6,772)
Employee insurance	9,500	10,257	(757)
Insurance	8,162	12,674	(4,512)
Professional services	500	344	156
Supplies - office	250	972	(722)
Supplies - operating	10,000	10,706	(706)
Supplies - repairs and maintenance	3,300	3,404	(104)
Contractual services	12,000	12,046	(46)
Juvenile detention, Prevention, NLCL	5,000	5,138	(138)
Criminal Justice Institute, CMIS	200	194	6
Dues and subscriptions	0	125	(125)
Miscellaneous	500	1,838	(1,338)
Repairs & maintenance	0	0	0
Capital outlay	5,000	19,561	(14,561)
Travel	0	19	(19)
Total expenditures - public safety	175,412	207,125	(31,713)

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1994		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 75,097	\$ 75,096	\$ 1
4,506	4,161	345
11,653	11,653	0
1,500	1,112	388
1,600	2,086	(486)
1,000	3,372	(2,372)
700	587	113
3,308	3,308	0
1,000	1,587	(587)
750	1,358	(608)
6,500	7,778	(1,278)
8,000	568	7,432
100	2,475	(2,375)
8,000	11,162	(3,162)
1,400	1,263	137
2,000	1,035	965
2,300	1,196	1,104
2,000	2,661	(661)
100	2,214	(2,114)
29,000	28,036	964
<u>5,000</u>	<u>10,215</u>	<u>(5,215)</u>
165,514	172,923	(7,409)
94,155	99,851	(5,696)
8,474	8,704	(230)
10,010	9,593	417
12,500	13,998	(1,498)
500	896	(396)
200	5	195
13,000	12,432	568
9,000	3,343	5,657
12,500	12,141	359
2,500	5,262	(2,762)
350	201	149
100	0	100
1,000	21	979
0	210	(210)
3,000	5,591	(2,591)
<u>100</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>10</u>
167,389	172,338	(4,949)

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
GENERAL FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL (CONTINUED)
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	1995		Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
Public works:			
Sewer department:			
Salaries and wages	\$ 39,500	\$ 34,624	\$ 4,876
Employee retirement	0	0	0
Supplies - operating	3,000	2,573	427
Insurance	4,467	4,224	243
Contractual services	0	1,046	(1,046)
Employee insurance	3,000	1,668	1,332
Professional services	10,000	8,550	1,450
Supplies - repairs and maintenance	8,000	6,114	1,886
Dues and subscriptions	250	0	250
Rentals	1,000	230	770
Travel	500	384	116
Capital outlay	15,000	11,075	3,925
Total expenditures - public works	84,717	70,488	14,229
Sanitation:			
Sanitation department:			
Salaries and wages	64,000	64,195	(195)
Employee retirement	0	0	0
Employee insurance	6,000	6,534	(534)
Insurance	4,467	4,224	243
Supplies - operating	7,000	7,443	(443)
Supplies - repairs and maintenance	6,500	9,774	(3,274)
Professional services	500	591	(91)
Rentals	100	208	(108)
Supplies - office	0	349	(349)
Miscellaneous	500	436	64
Contractual services	71,993	74,130	(2,137)
Capital outlay	0	0	0
Total expenditures - sanitation	161,060	167,884	(6,824)
Total expenditures	620,899	651,816	(30,917)
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(249,999)	(255,793)	(5,794)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Operating transfers from (to):			
Enterprise fund	(13,000)	(12,964)	36
Sales tax fund	289,500	287,000	(2,500)
Sale of fixed assets	0	1,253	1,253
Total other financing sources (uses)	276,500	275,289	(1,211)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 26,501	19,496	\$ (7,005)
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		245,075	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		\$264,571	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

1994		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 22,748	\$ 33,019	\$ (10,271)
1,365	1,306	59
2,500	2,694	(194)
3,200	4,665	(1,465)
1,500	0	1,500
1,668	1,668	0
3,000	2,933	67
1,500	2,748	(1,248)
600	150	450
1,050	1,564	(514)
300	0	300
<u>1,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,500</u>
40,931	50,747	(9,816)
66,116	66,176	(60)
3,967	3,392	575
8,342	7,647	695
3,200	4,665	(1,465)
7,000	7,467	(467)
6,500	7,036	(536)
500	2,605	(2,105)
100	133	(33)
800	0	800
500	1,371	(871)
65,500	68,367	(2,867)
<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000</u>
<u>163,525</u>	<u>168,859</u>	<u>(5,334)</u>
<u>537,359</u>	<u>564,867</u>	<u>(27,508)</u>
(208,489)	(176,022)	32,467
(36,600)	(36,600)	0
233,300	249,900	16,600
<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(500)</u>
<u>197,200</u>	<u>213,300</u>	<u>16,100</u>
<u>\$ (11,289)</u>	37,278	<u>\$ 48,567</u>
	<u>207,797</u>	
	<u>\$ 245,075</u>	

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Sales Tax Fund -

To account for the revenues and expenditures of the sales tax fund. Proceeds of the 1% sales tax are dedicated to the following purposes:

Constructing, acquiring, extending, improving and/or maintaining drainage facilities, streets, street lighting facilities, bridges, sidewalks, waterworks, sewers and sewer disposal works, recreational facilities, public parks, public buildings and fire department stations and equipment, payment of salaries of municipal employees, maintaining and operating the municipal police department and garbage collection and disposal facilities including the purchase of equipment therefor, or for any one or more said purposes, title to which improvements shall be in the public.

Street Tax Fund -

To account for the receipt and subsequent expenditure of proceeds of the Town's .94 mill street improvement tax, dedicated to the improvement and maintenance of Town streets.

Fire Tax Fund -

To account for the receipt and subsequent expenditure of proceeds of the Town's .94 mill fire department tax, dedicated to the payment of all maturing indebtedness and general operating expenses of the Fire Department District No. 1 of the Town.

Recreation Tax Fund -

To account for the receipt and subsequent expenditure of proceeds of the Town's 2.82 mill recreation tax, dedicated to payment of the maintenance and operating expenses of the public buildings and other works of permanent public improvements used for recreation purposes in the Town.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1995
WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR DECEMBER 31, 1994

ASSETS	<u>Sales Tax</u>	<u>Street Tax</u>	<u>Fire Tax</u>	<u>Recreation Tax</u>	<u>Totals</u>	
					<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,477	\$ 955	\$13,896	\$ 6,322	\$ 31,650	\$ 28,410
Investments, at cost	103,227	0	39,730	37,000	179,957	162,809
Accrued interest receivable	300	0	106	327	733	585
Due from property tax fund	0	5,008	5,008	14,759	24,775	16,034
Due from other governmental units	<u>49,785</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>49,785</u>	<u>59,483</u>
Total assets	<u>\$163,789</u>	<u>\$5,963</u>	<u>\$58,740</u>	<u>\$ 58,408</u>	<u>\$286,900</u>	<u>\$267,321</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 999	\$1,796	\$ 0	\$ 279	\$ 3,074	\$ 3,558
Fund balances:						
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>162,790</u>	<u>4,167</u>	<u>58,740</u>	<u>58,129</u>	<u>283,826</u>	<u>263,763</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$163,789</u>	<u>\$5,963</u>	<u>\$58,740</u>	<u>\$ 58,408</u>	<u>\$286,900</u>	<u>\$267,321</u>

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995
WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1994

	<u>Sales Tax</u>
REVENUES:	
Taxes:	
Sales taxes	\$295,103
Penalties and interest on taxes	344
Ad valorem taxes	0
Intergovernmental	0
Miscellaneous	<u>4,212</u>
Total revenues	299,659
EXPENDITURES:	
Current:	
General government	5,863
Public safety	0
Highways and street	0
Culture and recreation	<u>0</u>
Total expenditures	<u>5,863</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	293,796
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):	
Operating transfers in	0
Operating transfers out	<u>(293,000)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(293,000)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	796
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year	<u>161,994</u>
FUND BALANCES, end of year	<u>\$162,790</u>

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Street Tax	Fire Tax	Recreation Tax	Totals	
			1995	1994
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 295,103	\$307,310
0	0	0	344	0
6,697	6,697	20,091	33,485	33,326
0	6,000	0	6,000	7,200
<u>0</u>	<u>1,918</u>	<u>3,482</u>	<u>9,612</u>	<u>8,198</u>
6,697	14,615	23,573	344,544	356,034
0	0	0	5,863	6,282
0	8,350	0	8,350	7,900
6,592	0	0	6,592	25,412
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,676</u>	<u>16,676</u>	<u>18,665</u>
<u>6,592</u>	<u>8,350</u>	<u>16,676</u>	<u>37,481</u>	<u>58,259</u>
105	6,265	6,897	307,063	297,775
0	0	6,000	6,000	18,015
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(293,000)</u>	<u>(267,915)</u>
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>(287,000)</u>	<u>(249,900)</u>
105	6,265	12,897	20,063	47,875
<u>4,062</u>	<u>52,475</u>	<u>45,232</u>	<u>263,763</u>	<u>215,888</u>
<u>\$ 4,167</u>	<u>\$ 58,740</u>	<u>\$58,129</u>	<u>\$ 283,826</u>	<u>263,763</u>

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
SALES TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

ASSETS	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,477	\$ 507
Investments, at cost	103,227	102,415
Accrued interest receivable	300	281
Due from other governmental units	<u>49,785</u>	<u>59,483</u>
Total assets	<u>\$163,789</u>	<u>\$162,686</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 999	\$ 692
Fund balance:		
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>162,790</u>	<u>161,994</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$163,789</u>	<u>\$162,686</u>

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
SALES TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	<u>1995</u>		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
REVENUES:			
Taxes:			
Sales taxes	\$290,000	\$295,103	\$ 5,103
Penalties and interest on taxes	500	344	(156)
Miscellaneous:			
Interest income	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,212</u>	<u>212</u>
Total revenues	294,500	299,659	5,159
EXPENDITURES			
Collection and administration	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,863</u>	<u>(863)</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	289,500	293,796	4,296
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Operating transfers to:			
Recreation Fund	0	6,000	(6,000)
General fund	<u>289,500</u>	<u>287,000</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Total other financing sources/(uses)	<u>289,500</u>	<u>293,000</u>	<u>(3,500)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 0</u>	796	<u>\$ 796</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		<u>161,994</u>	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		<u>\$162,790</u>	

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1994		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 235,000 500	\$ 307,310 0	\$ 72,310 (500)
<u>2,800</u>	<u>3,366</u>	<u>566</u>
238,300	310,676	72,376
<u>5,000</u>	<u>6,282</u>	<u>(1,282)</u>
233,300	304,394	71,094
0	18,015	(18,015)
<u>233,300</u>	<u>249,900</u>	<u>(16,600)</u>
<u>233,300</u>	<u>267,915</u>	<u>(34,615)</u>
<u>\$ 0</u>	36,479	<u>\$ 36,479</u>
	<u>125,515</u>	
	<u>\$ 161,994</u>	

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
STREET TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

ASSETS	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 955	\$ 802
Due from property tax fund	<u>5,008</u>	<u>3,260</u>
Total assets	<u>\$5,963</u>	<u>\$4,062</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$1,796	\$ 0
Fund balance:		
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>4,167</u>	<u>4,062</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$5,963</u>	<u>\$4,062</u>

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
STREET TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	1995		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
REVENUES:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 6,400	\$ 6,697	\$ 297
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Highways and streets:			
Supplies - repair and maintenance	0	0	0
Supplies - operating	2,500	4,726	(2,226)
Utilities	3,500	0	3,500
Professional services	0	0	0
Repairs	400	1,866	(1,466)
Total expenditures	6,400	6,592	(192)
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	0	105	105
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Uses):			
OPERATING TRANSFERS FROM:			
Sales tax fund	0	0	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources	\$ 0	105	\$ 105
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		4,062	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		\$ 4,167	

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1994		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 6,085	\$ 6,665	\$ 580
3,615	4,673	(1,058)
116	91	25
0	1,853	(1,853)
0	18,015	(18,015)
<u>0</u>	<u>780</u>	<u>(780)</u>
<u>3,731</u>	<u>25,412</u>	<u>(21,681)</u>
2,354	(18,747)	(21,101)
<u>0</u>	<u>18,015</u>	<u>18,015</u>
<u>\$ 2,354</u>	(732)	<u>\$ (3,086)</u>
	<u>4,794</u>	
	<u>\$ 4,062</u>	

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
FIRE TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

ASSETS	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$13,896	\$10,722
Investments, at cost	39,730	38,394
Accrued interest receivable	106	99
Due from property tax fund	<u>5,008</u>	<u>3,260</u>
Total assets	<u>\$58,740</u>	<u>\$52,475</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Fund balance:		
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>\$58,740</u>	<u>\$52,475</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$58,740</u>	<u>\$52,475</u>

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
FIRE TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	<u>1995</u>		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
REVENUES:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 6,400	\$ 6,697	\$ 297
Intergovernmental	7,200	6,000	(1,200)
Interest income	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,918</u>	<u>(82)</u>
Total revenues	15,600	14,615	(985)
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Public safety - fire department:			
Ambulance	7,200	7,200	0
Supplies - repairs and maintenance	<u>5,000</u>	<u>1,150</u>	<u>3,850</u>
Total expenditures	<u>12,200</u>	<u>8,350</u>	<u>3,850</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>\$ 3,400</u>	6,265	<u>\$ 2,865</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		<u>52,475</u>	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		<u>\$58,740</u>	

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1994		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$ 6,000	\$ 6,665	\$ 665
7,200	7,200	0
<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,905</u>	<u>405</u>
14,700	15,770	1,070
7,200	7,200	0
<u>5,000</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>4,300</u>
<u>12,200</u>	<u>7,900</u>	<u>4,300</u>
<u>\$ 2,500</u>	7,870	<u>\$ 5,370</u>
	<u>44,605</u>	
	<u>\$52,475</u>	

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
RECREATION TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

ASSETS	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,322	\$16,379
Investments, at cost	37,000	22,000
Accrued interest receivable	327	205
Due from property tax fund	<u>14,759</u>	<u>9,514</u>
Total assets	<u>\$58,408</u>	<u>\$48,098</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 279	\$ 2,866
Fund balance:		
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>58,129</u>	<u>45,232</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$58,408</u>	<u>\$48,098</u>

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
RECREATION TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	<u>1995</u>		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
REVENUES:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$19,000	\$ 20,091	\$ 1,091
Miscellaneous:			
Interest income	1,200	1,602	402
Other	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,880</u>	<u>(120)</u>
Total revenues	22,200	23,573	1,373
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Culture and recreation:			
Salaries	2,500	8,949	(6,449)
Contractual services	0	0	0
Supplies - operating	2,000	3,816	(1,816)
Supplies - repairs and maintenance	500	482	18
Dues, subscriptions, advertisement	0	50	(50)
Professional services	500	625	(125)
Utilities	500	352	148
Capital outlay	<u>0</u>	<u>2,402</u>	<u>(2,402)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>6,000</u>	<u>16,676</u>	<u>(10,676)</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	16,200	6,897	(9,303)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
OPERATING TRANSFERS FROM:			
Sales tax fund	<u>0</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources	<u>\$16,200</u>	12,897	<u>\$ (3,303)</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		<u>45,232</u>	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		<u>\$ 58,129</u>	

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<u>1994</u>		
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
\$19,000	\$19,996	\$ 996
1,000	709	(291)
<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,218</u>	<u>718</u>
21,500	22,923	1,423
6,000	7,036	(1,036)
2,000	540	1,460
1,000	8,511	(7,511)
1,000	459	541
0	100	(100)
2,000	260	1,740
1,000	334	666
<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,425</u>	<u>(425)</u>
<u>14,000</u>	<u>18,665</u>	<u>(4,665)</u>
<u>\$ 7,500</u>	4,258	<u>\$ (3,242)</u>
	<u>40,974</u>	
	<u>\$45,232</u>	

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Capital projects funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by Enterprise Funds).

The capital projects fund consists of the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant for the construction of sewer lines. Construction was completed during the year ended December 31, 1995. Total cost of the projects was \$419,400.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1995

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents

\$ 0

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Fund balance

\$ 0

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental Revenues -			
Louisiana Community Development Block Grant	\$203,609	\$203,609	\$ 0
EXPENDITURES:			
Capital outlay - sewer construction	<u>216,609</u>	<u>216,573</u>	<u>36</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	(13,000)	(12,964)	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfer from general fund	<u>13,000</u>	<u>12,964</u>	<u>(36)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 0</u>	0	<u>\$ 0</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		<u>0</u>	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		<u>\$ 0</u>	

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ENTERPRISE FUND

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the government's council is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or where the government's council has decided that periodic determination of net income is appropriate for accountability purposes.

Utility Fund -

To account for the provision of water services to residents of the Town. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund; including, but not limited to, administration, operations, maintenance, financing and related debt service, and billing and collection.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
ENTERPRISE FUND
UTILITY FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

ASSETS	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 96,874	\$ 96,164
Investments, at cost	95,249	94,632
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectible account of \$390 in 1995 and \$385 in 1994)	26,801	25,747
Accrued interest	390	310
Due from FMHA, net	<u>1,904</u>	<u>1,904</u>
Total current assets	221,218	218,757
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT:		
Cost	1,399,996	1,381,150
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(505,552)</u>	<u>(451,655)</u>
Net plant and equipment	<u>894,444</u>	<u>929,495</u>
Total assets	<u>\$1,115,662</u>	<u>\$1,148,252</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 9,236	\$ 4,773
Due to general fund	25,178	22,943
Payroll taxes and retirement payable	3,550	3,168
Insurance withheld	93	244
Sales taxes payable	626	524
Customers' deposits	<u>49,335</u>	<u>48,055</u>
Total current liabilities	88,018	79,707
Long-term liabilities:		
Accumulated unpaid vacation	<u>3,207</u>	<u>2,579</u>
Total liabilities	91,225	82,286
FUND EQUITY:		
Contributed capital:		
Municipality	284,548	284,548
State of Louisiana - D.O.T.D.	9,110	9,110
State of Louisiana - D.O.H.H. - Fluoridation Grant	29,317	29,317
State of Louisiana - D.U.C.A. - CDB Grant	591,963	591,963
Farmers Home Administration	<u>290,500</u>	<u>284,136</u>
Total contributed capital	1,205,438	1,199,074
Retained earnings:		
Unreserved (deficit)	<u>(181,001)</u>	<u>(133,108)</u>
Total fund equity	<u>1,024,437</u>	<u>1,065,966</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$1,115,662</u>	<u>\$1,148,252</u>

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AGENCY FUND

Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the government as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds.

Property Tax Fund -

This fund is used to account for the collection and distribution of property taxes to other funds.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
AGENCY FUND
PROPERTY TAX FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$40,203	\$17,694
Taxes receivable - ad valorem (net of estimated uncollectible taxes of \$218 in 1995 and \$231 in 1994)	<u>31,331</u>	<u>35,650</u>
Total assets	<u>\$71,534</u>	<u>\$53,344</u>

LIABILITIES

Due to other funds:		
General fund	\$46,759	\$37,310
Street tax fund	5,008	3,260
Fire tax fund	5,008	3,260
Recreation tax fund	<u>14,759</u>	<u>9,514</u>
Total liabilities	<u>\$71,534</u>	<u>\$53,344</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>Balance</u> <u>January 1,</u> <u>1995</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>December 31,</u> <u>1995</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$17,694	\$ 76,245	\$ 53,736	\$ 40,203
Taxes receivable - ad valorem (net)	<u>35,650</u>	<u>71,637</u>	<u>75,956</u>	<u>31,331</u>
Total assets	<u>\$53,344</u>	<u>\$ 147,882</u>	<u>\$129,692</u>	<u>\$ 71,534</u>
LIABILITIES				
Due to other funds:				
General fund	\$37,310	\$ 37,881	\$ 28,432	\$ 46,759
Street tax fund	3,260	6,697	4,949	5,008
Fire tax fund	3,260	6,697	4,949	5,008
Recreation tax fund	<u>9,514</u>	<u>20,092</u>	<u>14,847</u>	<u>14,759</u>
Total liabilities	<u>\$53,344</u>	<u>\$ 71,367</u>	<u>\$53,177</u>	<u>\$ 71,534</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

The general fixed assets account group is used to account for fixed assets not used in proprietary fund operations or accounted for in trust funds.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS - BY SOURCE
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS, at cost:		
Land	\$ 113,000	\$ 113,000
Buildings	109,367	106,965
Improvements other than buildings	468,964	252,391
Equipment, furniture & fixtures	<u>161,242</u>	<u>132,497</u>
Total general fixed assets	<u>\$ 852,573</u>	<u>\$ 604,853</u>
INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS:		
General fund revenues	\$ 147,256	\$ 116,622
Sales tax fund revenues	78,599	78,599
Recreation tax fund revenues	97,816	95,414
Sewer tax fund revenues	16,908	5,833
Street tax fund revenues	27,987	27,987
Fire tax fund revenues	14,607	14,607
Contributed Capital	<u>469,400</u>	<u>265,791</u>
Total investment in general fixed assets	<u>\$ 852,573</u>	<u>\$ 604,853</u>

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TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>Land</u>	<u>Buildings</u>
General fixed assets, beginning of year	\$113,000	\$ 106,965
Additions:		
General fund revenues	0	0
Recreation Fund	0	0
Grants	<u>0</u>	<u>2,402</u>
Deductions:	0	2,402
Assets sold and replaced	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
General fixed assets, end of year	<u>\$113,000</u>	<u>\$ 109,367</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

<u>Improvements Other than Buildings</u>	<u>Equipment, Furniture & Fixtures</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 252,391	\$ 132,497	\$ 604,853
12,964	31,745	44,709
0	0	2,402
<u>203,609</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>203,609</u>
216,573	31,745	250,720
<u>0</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
<u>\$ 468,964</u>	<u>\$ 161,242</u>	<u>\$ 852,573</u>

GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT
ACCOUNT GROUP

The general long-term debt account group is used to account for unmatured principal amounts on general long-term debt expected to be financed from governmental type funds (except special assessment funds). Payment of maturing obligations, including interest, is accounted for in the general fund.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT
DECEMBER 31, 1995
WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR DECEMBER 31, 1994

	Accumulated Unpaid Vacation	<u>Totals</u>	
		<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE RETIREMENT OF GENERAL LONG- TERM DEBT			
Amount to be provided from general revenues	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$2,996</u>
Total available and to be provided	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$2,996</u>
GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE			
Accumulated unpaid vacation	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$2,996</u>
Total general long-term debt payable	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$2,996</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
EMERGENCY COMMUNITY WATER ASSISTANCE GRANT
SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>PROGRAM TOTAL</u>
CASH IN BANK - January 1,	\$(1,868)	\$(1,868)	\$(7,766)	\$ 0	\$ 0
CASH RECEIPTS:					
Farmers Home Administration: Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant	<u>8,232</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>214,968</u>	<u>275,000</u>
Total cash available	<u>6,364</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>214,968</u>	<u>275,000</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
Administration:					
Legal	0	0	0	4,178	4,178
Property lease	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Total administrative expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,178</u>	<u>6,178</u>
Project Construction - Water Improvements:					
Engineering/surveying and inspection services	0	0	498	33,827	34,325
Construction	<u>6,364</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>43,604</u>	<u>182,729</u>	<u>234,497</u>
Total project construction expenses	<u>6,364</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>44,102</u>	<u>216,556</u>	<u>268,822</u>
Total cash disbursements	<u>6,364</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>44,102</u>	<u>222,734</u>	<u>275,000</u>
CASH IN BANK - (DUE FROM FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION) - December 31,	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$(1,868)</u>	<u>\$(1,868)</u>	<u>\$(7,766)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

Other supplementary information. Presented for purposes of additional analysis.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
EMERGENCY COMMUNITY WATER ASSISTANCE GRANT
SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM COSTS
INCEPTION TO DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>AUTHORIZED COST</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENDED</u>	<u>AVAILABLE TO BE EXPENDED</u>
WATER IMPROVEMENTS:			
Engineering	\$ 33,409	\$ 34,325	\$ (916)
Well abandonment	12,125	12,125	0
Project Construction	<u>223,288</u>	<u>222,372</u>	<u>916</u>
	268,822	268,822	0
ADMINISTRATION:			
Legal	4,004	4,004	0
Lease	2,000	2,000	0
Other	<u>174</u>	<u>174</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>6,178</u>	<u>6,178</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	<u>\$275,000</u>	<u>\$275,000</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

Supplementary schedule. Presented for purposes of additional analysis.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

SCHEDULE 3

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>PROGRAM TOTAL</u>
CASH IN BANK, January 1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
CASH RECEIPTS:			
Louisiana Community Development Block Grant	203,609	215,791	419,400
Town of Coushatta - General Fund Transfer	<u>12,964</u>	<u>36,600</u>	<u>49,564</u>
Total cash available	<u>216,573</u>	<u>252,391</u>	<u>468,964</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:			
Acquisition of real property	0	0	0
Construction costs	202,723	186,521	389,244
Basic engineering	0	37,245	37,245
Resident project representative	0	8,025	8,025
Additional engineering		4,100	4,100
Contract administration	<u>13,850</u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u>30,350</u>
Total cash disbursements	<u>216,573</u>	<u>252,391</u>	<u>468,964</u>
CASH IN BANK, December 31	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

Supplementary information. Presented for purpose of additional analysis.

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM COSTS
INCEPTION TO DECEMBER 31, 1995

	<u>AUTHORIZED COST</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENSED</u>	<u>AVAILABLE TO BE EXPENSED</u>
Acquisition of Real Property	\$ 2,207	\$ 0	\$ 2,207
Public works - sewer	386,843	389,050	(2,207)
Administration - Rehabilitation	<u>30,350</u>	<u>30,350</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 419,400</u>	<u>\$ 419,400</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SCHEDULE
OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 1996. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the provisions of OMB Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments". Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 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.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole and on the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana. The information in that schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose, combining, individual fund and account group financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements of each of the respective individual funds and account groups, taken as a whole.

Hines, Jackson & Hines
Natchitoches, Louisiana
May 24, 1996

TOWN OF COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

<u>FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE</u>	<u>FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER</u>	<u>PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER</u>
 <u>UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE</u>		
Administered through the Farmers Home Administration: Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant	10.440	22-41-726014475
 <u>UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT</u>		
Administered through the State of Louisiana - Division of Administration Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program	14.228	22-41-726014475

*Credit balances represent deferred revenue. Debit balances represent intergovernmental receivables.

Supplementary schedule. Presented as additional analytical data.

PROGRAM OR AWARD AMOUNT	CASH/ACCRUED OR (DEFERRED) REVENUE AT JANUARY 1, 1995	RECEIPTS OR REVENUE RECOGNIZED	DISBURSEMENTS/ EXPENDITURES	*CASH/ACCRUED (DEFERRED) REVENUE AT DECEMBER 31, 1995
<u>\$275,000</u>	\$ <u>(1,868)</u>	\$ <u>8,232</u>	\$ <u>6,364</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
<u>\$419,400</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>203,609</u>	\$ <u>203,609</u>	\$ <u>0</u>

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

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995 and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 1996.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, 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.

Compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, is the responsibility of the Town's management. As a part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the Town of Coushatta'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. 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 Governmental Auditing Standards.

This report is intended for the information of the management of the Town of Coushatta, the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana and the federal grantor agency. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE
WITH THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO
FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 1996.

We have applied procedures to test the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, compliance with the following requirements applicable to its federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the schedule of federal financial assistance, for the year ended December 31, 1995:

Political Activity, Civil Rights
Davis Bacon Act
Drug-Free Workplace Act

Our procedures were limited to the applicable procedures described in the Office of Management and Budget's "Compliance Supplement for Single Audits of State and Local Governments". Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, compliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the second paragraph of this report. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements.

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON
COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO NONMAJOR FEDERAL
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TRANSACTIONS

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
and Members of the Town Council
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 1996.

In connection with our audit of the 1994 general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, the combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements and our consideration of the internal control systems used to administer federal financial assistance programs, as required by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments", we selected certain transactions applicable to certain nonmajor federal financial assistance programs for the year ended December 31, 1995.

As required by Circular A-128, we have performed auditing procedures to test compliance with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility and other provisions that are applicable to those transactions. Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the Town's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Town of Coushatta had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements. Also, the results of our procedures did not disclose any immaterial instances of noncompliance with those requirements.

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
STRUCTURE BASED ON AN AUDIT OF GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
and Members of the Town Council
Town of Coushatta
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 1996.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, 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.

The management of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments 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 changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, for the year ended December 31, 1995, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

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 condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the specific 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 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.

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE INTERNAL
CONTROL STRUCTURE USED IN ADMINISTERING
FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

The Honorable Archie Worsham, Mayor
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 1996.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments". Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 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 for the year ended December 31, 1995, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Town's general purpose financial statements and to report on the internal control structure in accordance with OMB Circular A-128. This report addresses our consideration of internal control structure policies and procedures relevant to compliance with requirements applicable to federal financial assistance programs. We have addressed internal control structure policies and procedures relevant to our audit of the general purpose, combining, individual fund and account group financial statements in a separate report dated May 24, 1996.

The management of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments 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, that transactions are executed in accordance management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that federal financial assistance programs are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities, or instances of noncompliance 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 changes 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 used in administering federal financial assistance programs in the following categories: cash receipts/revenue, purchases/disbursements/expenses, payroll, general requirements, and specific requirements.

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

During the year ended December 31, 1995, the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana, had no major federal financial assistance programs and expended 100% of its total federal financial assistance under the following nonmajor federal financial assistance programs:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

Farmers Home Administration:

Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant - CFDA 10.440

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT:

Office of Community Planning and Development:

Louisiana Division of Administration; Office of
Community Development; Community Development
Block Grant - CFDA 14.228

We performed tests of controls, as required by OMB Circular A-128, to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of internal control structure policies and procedures that we have considered relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with specific requirements, general requirements, and requirements governing claims for advances and reimbursements and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to the aforementioned nonmajor programs. Our procedures were less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on these internal control structure policies and procedures. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

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 noncompliance with laws and regulations that would be material to a federal financial assistance program 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 a material weakness as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the use of management, the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana and the federal grantor agency and should not be used for any other purpose. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report which is a matter of public record.

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We are writing this letter as a follow-up to our recent audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Coushatta, Louisiana as of December 31, 1995 and for the year then ended.

We offer the following observations and recommendations, which are intended to help improve record keeping procedures and general operations of the Town and are intended to be constructive in nature:

Existing Conditions:

We noted that actual revenues received by the Town of Coushatta's general fund were \$25,123 (6.8 percent) more than budgeted in 1995. Likewise, actual expenditures for the special revenue funds were \$7,881 (26.6 percent) more than budgeted in 1995.

LSA-R.S. 39:1310 requires the Town of Coushatta to amend its budget whenever actual revenues and expenditures are projected to be less than or exceed budgeted amounts by more than five percent.

Recommended Action:

We suggest the Town of Coushatta's adopted budget be closely monitored and amended whenever there has been a change in operations upon which the original adopted budget was developed. Care should be exercised to maintain actual revenues and expenditures within the five percent limit established by statute.

Management's Response:

The Town of Coushatta will closely monitor its budget and make amendments to it as necessary to accurately reflect expected revenues and expenditures and to satisfy legal requirements.

These comments and recommendations are not all inclusive and are not intended to be critical of anyone. We would like to thank the Town of Coushatta's management and staff for their courtesy and cooperation during our engagement.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Hines, Jackson & Hines
Natchitoches, Louisiana
May 24, 1996