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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, for the year ended July 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated September 6, 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 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. 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 of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, 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. The information in that schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA .

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SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE Year Ended July 31, 1996

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Federal Grantor Program Title

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Community Development Block Grant:	
Sewer Rehabilitation Grant:	
Federal CFDA number	
Program amount	14.219
Current year expenditures	\$ 757,832
Expenditures to date	505,421
	583,330
U.S. Department of Justice:	
Cops Grant:	
Federal CFDA number	
Program amount	16.579
Current year expenditures	\$ 48,764
Expenditures to date	18,075
	18,075

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE July 31, 1996

Note 1. General

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance presents the activity of all federal financial assistance programs of the Town. The Town reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the Town's financial statements for the year ended July 31, 1996. All federal financial assistance received is included on the schedule.

Note 2. Basis of Accounting

The accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Town's financial statements for the year ended July 31, 1996.

Note 3. Relationship to General Purpose Financial Statements

Federal financial assistance revenues are reported in the Town's financial statements as follows:

General	Fund		\$ 18,075
Capital	Projects 3	Fund	505,421

Note 4. Relationship to Federal Financial Reports

Reported in the accompanying schedule:	<u>Revenue</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>		
General Fund	\$	18,075	\$	18,075	
Capital Projects Fund		505,421	-	505,421	
Amounts reported in federal requests					
for reimbursement:					
Requests funded:					
General Fund	\$	18,075	\$	18,075	
Capital Projects Fund		505,421		505,421	

Note 5. Commitments and Contingencies

Note 15 to the financial statements of the Town for the years ended July 31, 1996 and 1995 discussed certain matters related to the Housing

Rehabilitation program, the possible outcome of which remains uncertain at this time.



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

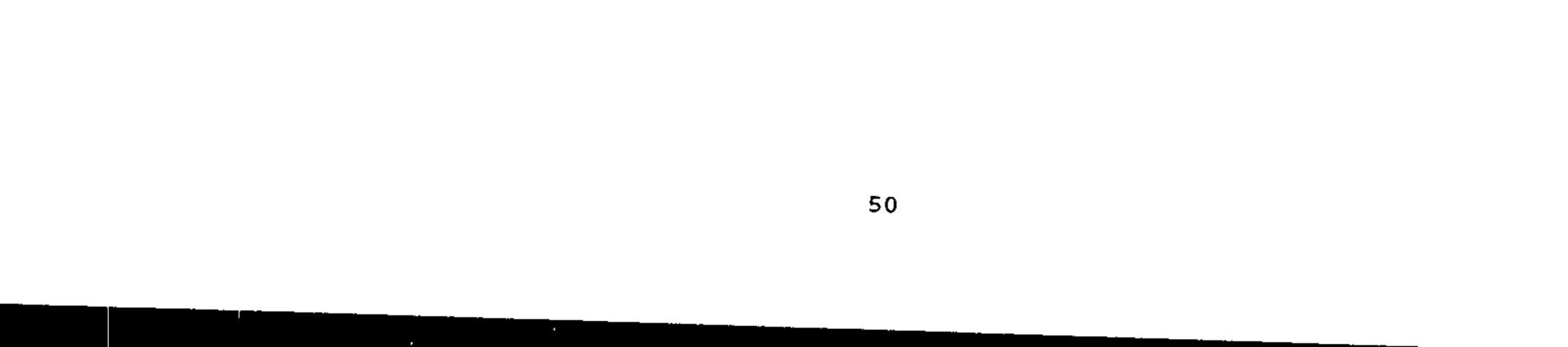
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STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE Years Ended July 31, 1996 and 1995

	_	1996		1995
Revenues:				
Grant income				
	\$	505,421	\$	77,909
Expenditures:				
Construction in progress				
		505,421		77.909
Excess of revenues over expenditures				
		-		-
Fund balance at beginning of year		_		
Fund balance at and c				
Fund balance at end of year	\$	_	¢	



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS ON

INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE

AND COMPLIANCE



ENTERPRISE FUND

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UTILITIES SYSTEM FUND - to account for the provision of water and sewer 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.

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The management of the Town of Lake Arthur, 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 The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide procedures. management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, 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, 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, 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.

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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:

Administrative controls used in administering the major federal financial assistance programs

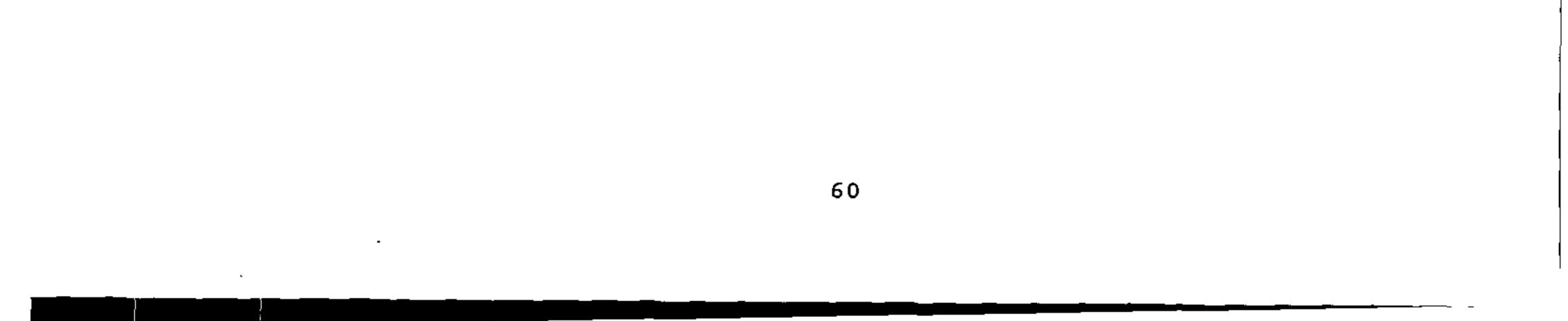
General requirements:

Political activity Davis-Bacon Act Civil rights Cash management Federal financial reports Drug free workplace Allowable costs/cost principles Administrative requirements Specific requirements:

Types of service Eligibility Reporting Specific requirements: specific grant provisions records retention

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 July 31, 1996, the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, expended one hundred (100) percent of its total federal financial assistance under major federal financial assistance programs.



GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

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To account for property, plant and equipment (general fixed assets) used in governmental fund type operations. Assets purchased are recorded as capital outlay expenditures in the governmental funds and capitalized at cost in the general fixed asset account group.



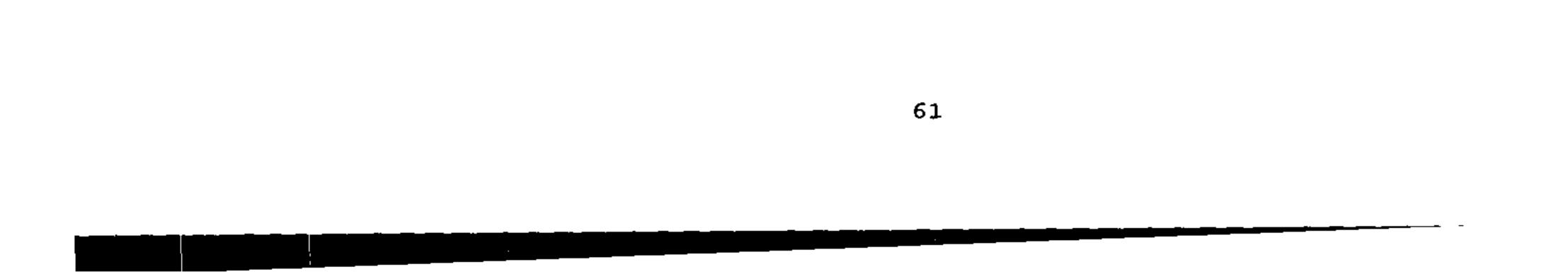
We performed tests of controls, as required by OMB Circular A-128, to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of internal control structure policies and procedures that we considered relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with specific requirements, general requirements, and requirements governing claims for advances and reimbursements and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to each of the Town's major federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance. 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.

We noted certain matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we considered to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to administer federal financial assistance programs in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Because of the entity's size and the limited number of accounting personnel, it is not feasible to segregate duties to achieve effective internal accounting control. Management of the Town has considered this weakness and determined that it would not be cost effective to employ sufficient personnel to obtain adequate segregation of duties. Management has attempted to mitigate this weakness by its supervision and review procedures.

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.

Our consideration of the internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal financial assistance programs would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, we noted the following matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. These conditions were considered in determining the nature, timing, and extent of the procedures to be performed in our audit of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana compliance with requirements applicable to its major federal financial assistance programs for the year ended July 31, 1996, and this report does not affect our report thereon dated September 6, 1996.



Reportable condition:

Because of the entity's size and the limited number of accounting personnel, it is not feasible to segregate duties to achieve effective internal accounting control. Management of the Town has considered this weakness and determined that it would not be cost effective to employ sufficient personnel to obtain adequate segregation of duties. Management has attempted to mitigate this weakness by its supervision and review procedures.

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This report is intended for the information of management and other state and federal audit agencies. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which, upon acceptance by the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, is a matter of public record.

Quik Housel mistry, Lake Charles, Louisiana

September 6, 1996

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September 6, 1996

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE USED IN ADMINISTERING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, for the year ended July 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated September 6, 1996. We have also audited the compliance of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, with requirements applicable to major federal financial assistance programs and have issued our report thereon dated September 6, 1996.

We conducted our audits 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 general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements are free of material misstatement and about whether the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, complied with laws and regulations, noncompliance with which would be material to a major federal financial assistance program.

In planning and performing our audits for the year ended July 31, 1996, we considered the internal control structure of the Town in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements of the Town and on the compliance of the town with requirements applicable to major programs 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 policies and procedures relevant to our audit of the financial

statements in a separate report dated September 6, 1996.



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA UTILITIES SYSTEM ENTERPRISE FUND

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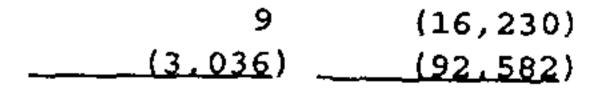
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended July 31, 1996 and 1995

		1996		<u>1995</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Cash received from customers	\$	376,465	\$	359,696
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services		(83,261)		(210,003)
Cash payments to employees for services		(71,204)		(70,376)
Net cash provided by operating activities		222,000		79.317
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Operating transfers in		29,162		58,098
Connection and reconnection fees		2,195		2,645
Miscellaneous		~		83,152
Operating transfers out		(64,000)		_
Increase in customer deposits		2,199		6,183
Advances from other funds		16,567		13,862
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital				
financing activities	<u>-</u> -	(13,877)	_ ^	163.940

CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Contributed capital		583,330		-
Bond and loan proceeds received		395,512		148,422
Principal payments on bonds		(95,000)		(95,000)
Interest paid on bonds		(69,244)	_	-
Net cash provided by capital and related				
financing activities		<u> 814,598</u>		53.422
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Interest on investments		5,330		4,676
Purchase of property and equipment		(983,842)		(144, 084)
Purchase of investments			_	(33,906)
Net cash (used in) investing activities	<u> </u>	(978,512)		(173,314)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		44,209		123,365
Cash and cash equivalents:				
Beginning of year		249.298		<u>125,933</u>
End of year	<u>\$</u>	<u>293,507</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>249,298</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Operating income	\$	133,920	\$	139,321
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	Ŧ	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Ŧ	200,021
Depreciation		91,107		48,808
Changes in assets and liabilities:		•		,

(Increase) decrease in receivables (Decrease) in payables

Net cash provided by operating activities



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<u>222.000 \$ 79,317</u>

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 - to accumulate monies for payment of \$298,000 general obligation bonds, ranging from 4.1 to 5 percent interest, payable through the year 2021. Property tax is levied to finance payment of principal and interest.

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COMBINED BOND FUND - to accumulate monies for payment of \$623,000 general obligation bonds ranging from 3.7 to 5.26 percent interest, payable through the year 2021. Financing is provided by a specific annual property tax levy.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS SERIES ST-1981 - to accumulate monies for payment of \$550,000 7.95 percent general obligation bonds payable through January 1, 1993. Financing is provided through a portion of the one percent sales tax.



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

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COMBINING BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 With Comparative Totals for July 31, 1995

ASSETS	Sewerage District <u>No, 1</u>	Combined Bond Fund	Public Improvement Bonds Series 	<u> </u>	<u>als</u> 1995
Cash Investments-at cost Due from other funds	\$ 31,616 74,464	\$ 116,070 99,390 <u>17,892</u>	\$ 2,088 75,700 	\$ 149,774 249,554 <u>17,892</u>	\$ 124,633 249,554 <u>33,944</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 106,080</u>	<u>\$ 233,352</u>	<u>\$ 77,788</u>	<u>\$ 417,220</u>	<u>\$ 408,131</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

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Liabilities:

Due to other funds	<u>\$ </u>	<u>\$ 25,403</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 26,159</u>	<u>\$ 9.627</u>
Fund balance: Reserved for debt					
service Unreserved Total fund balance	105,324 	207,949 		313,273 <u>77,788</u> 391,061	286,772 <u>111,732</u> <u>398,504</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 106,080</u>	<u>\$ 233,352</u>	<u>\$ 77,788</u>	<u>\$ 417,220</u>	<u>\$ 408,131</u>



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

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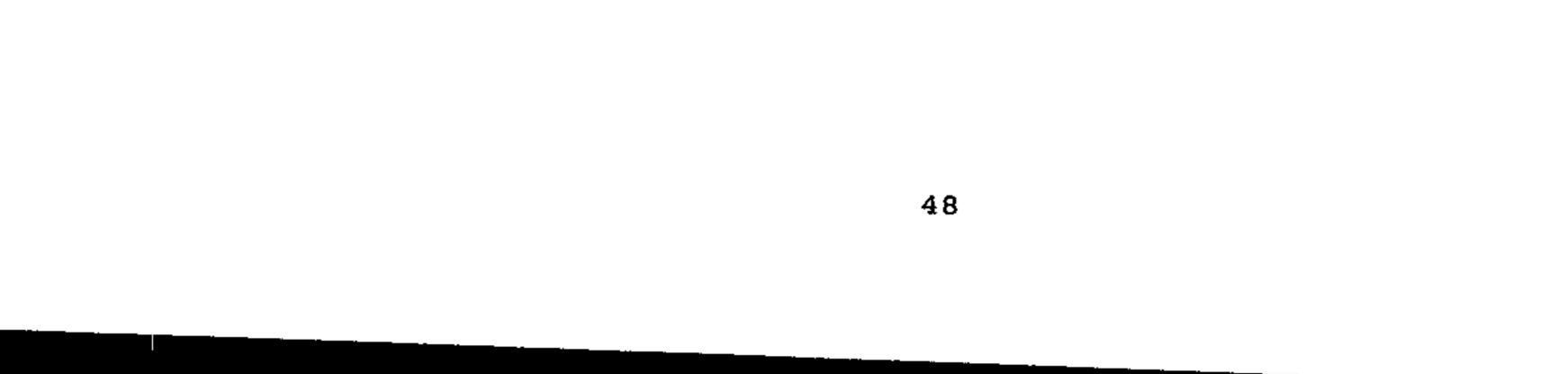
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COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Totals for Year Ended July 31, 1995

	Sewerage District <u>No. 1</u>	Combined Bond <u>Fund</u>	Public Improvement Bonds Series <u>ST-1981</u>		<u>tals</u>
Revenues:					
Taxes Interest earned Total revenues	\$ 9,937 <u>2,555</u> <u>12,492</u>	\$ 30,011 <u>5,748</u> <u>35,759</u>	\$- 	\$ 39,948 <u>10,939</u> <u>50,887</u>	<u> </u>
Expenditures:					
Principal retirement Interest and fiscal	3,000	3,000	_	6,000	6,000
charges Total	7.300	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	16 000
expenditures	<u> 10,300</u>	<u>11,450</u>		21.750	- 16.050 $- 22.050$
Excess of revenues over expenditures Other financing sources (uses):	2,192	24,309	2,636	29,137	26,157
Operating transfers out Excess of			<u>(36,580</u>)	<u>(36,580</u>)	<u>(20,745</u>)
revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	2,192	24,309	(33,944)	(7,443)	5,412
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u> 103.132 </u>	<u>183,640</u>	<u> 111,732 </u>	<u> 398,504 </u>	<u> </u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 105,324</u> <u>\$</u>	<u>207,949</u> <u>\$</u>	<u> </u>	<u>391.061</u>	<u>\$ 398,504</u>



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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

To account for funds received and expenditures made in connection with the sewer line rehabilitation project.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



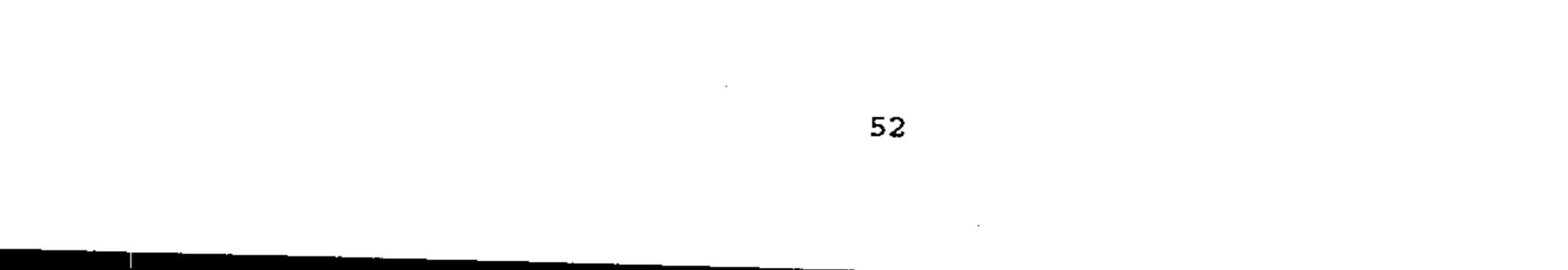
TOWN OF IOWA, LOUISIANA UTILITIES SYSTEM ENTERPRISE FUND

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS Years Ended July 31, 1996 and 1995

	<u> </u>	1995
Operating revenues:		
Charges for services-water	A 1122345555555555555	
Charges for services-sewerage	\$ 113,026	\$ 112,590
Total operating revenues	263,430	<u> 263.336</u>
operating revenues	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Operating expenses:		
Personal services		
Other services and charges	71,204	70,376
Materials and supplies	23,476	50,077
Heat, light and power	22,704	31,299
Depreciation	34,045	36,045
Total operating expenses	<u> </u>	48,808
operating expenses	<u>242.536</u>	<u>236,605</u>
Operating income	<u>133,920</u>	<u> 139,321</u>
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):		
Water and sewer connection fees		
Miscellaneous	2,195	2,645
Interest earned	-	15,645
Interest and fiscal charges	5,330	4,676
Total	<u> (64.254</u>)	<u>(29,561</u>)
	<u>(56,729</u>)	<u> (6,595</u>)
Income before operating transfers		
for the second operating transfers	<u>. 77,191</u>	<u>132,726</u>
Other financing sources (uses):		
Transfers from other funds	20 1 60	
Transfers to other funds	29,162	58,098
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u> (64.000</u>)	
	<u>(34,838</u>)	<u> </u>
Net income	42,353	190,824
Retained earnings at beginning of year	738.230	<u> </u>
Retained earnings at end of year	<u>\$ 780,583</u>	<u>\$ 738,230</u>



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

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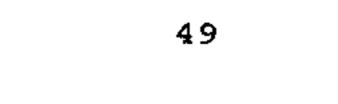
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BALANCE SHEETS July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	199	6	-	1995
Grant revenues receivable	<u>\$</u>	 <u></u> _	<u>\$</u>	<u>77,909</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	77,909
Fund balance			_	-
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$</u>		\$	77,909

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GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP

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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, are accounted for in the debt service funds.

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

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STATEMENT OF GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT July 31, 1996

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	Sewerage District <u>No. 1</u>	Combined Bond Fund	<u> </u>
AMOUNT AVAILABLE AND TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE RETIREMENT OF GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT			
Amount available in debt service fund for debt retirement	\$ 105,325	\$ 166,000	\$ 271,325
Amount to be provided for retirement of long-term debt	<u> </u>		. <u> </u>
Total	<u>\$ 143,000</u>	<u>\$ 166,000</u>	<u>\$309.000</u>

GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE

Bonds payable

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<u>\$ 143,000 \$ 166,000 \$ 309,000</u>



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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA UTILITIES SYSTEM ENTERPRISE FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	1996	1995
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 96,139	\$ 113,129
Investments, at cost	80,028	80,028
Accounts receivable	36,433	36,442
Due from other funds	47.315	<u> </u>
Total current assets	<u> </u>	229,599
Restricted assets:		
Customer deposits	28,378	26,180
Sewer construction	433	479
Sewer revenue bond sinking fund	81,177	71,618
Sewer revenue bond reserve fund	72,184	31,424
Sewer revenue bond contingencies fund	15,196	6,468
Total restricted assets	<u> 197,368</u>	<u> 136.169</u>

Property and equipment:		
Sewer system	3,677,346	3,677,346
Water system	377,061	377,061
Vehicles	7,927	7,927
Furniture and equipment	27,769	22,769
	4,090,103	4,085,103
Less accumulated depreciation	967.400	838.736
	3,122,703	3,246,367
Construction in progress	<u> </u>	
Net property and equipment	4,101,545	3.246.367
Total assets	<u>\$ 4,558,828</u>	<u>\$ 3,612,135</u>



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR

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STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS July 31, 1996

Property, plant and equipment acquired prior to July 1, 1995		\$ 2,018,378
Current year acquisitions by fund: Special revenue fund-street and alley maintenance General fund Capital projects fund Total current year acquisitions Property, plant and equipment, net at July 31, 1996	\$ 12,374 36,276 <u>505,421</u>	<u>554.071</u>
		<u>\$ 2,572,449</u>

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Investment in general fixed assets at July 31, 1996

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\$ 2,572,449

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With respect to the items tested, the results of these 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 Lake Arthur, Louisiana, had not complied in all material respects, with these requirements.

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September 6, 1996



LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY 1996 1995 Liabilities: Current liabilities (payable from current assets): Accounts payable \$ 17,248 \$ 20,284 Due to other funds <u>130,865</u> <u>66,983</u> Total current liabilities (payable from current assets) <u>148,113</u> 87.267 Current liabilities (payable from restricted assets): Customers' deposits 23,629 21,430 Bond payable 97,417 95,000 Accrued interest payable 24.571 29.561 Total current liabilities (payable from restricted assets) 145,617 145,991

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Long-term liabilities:

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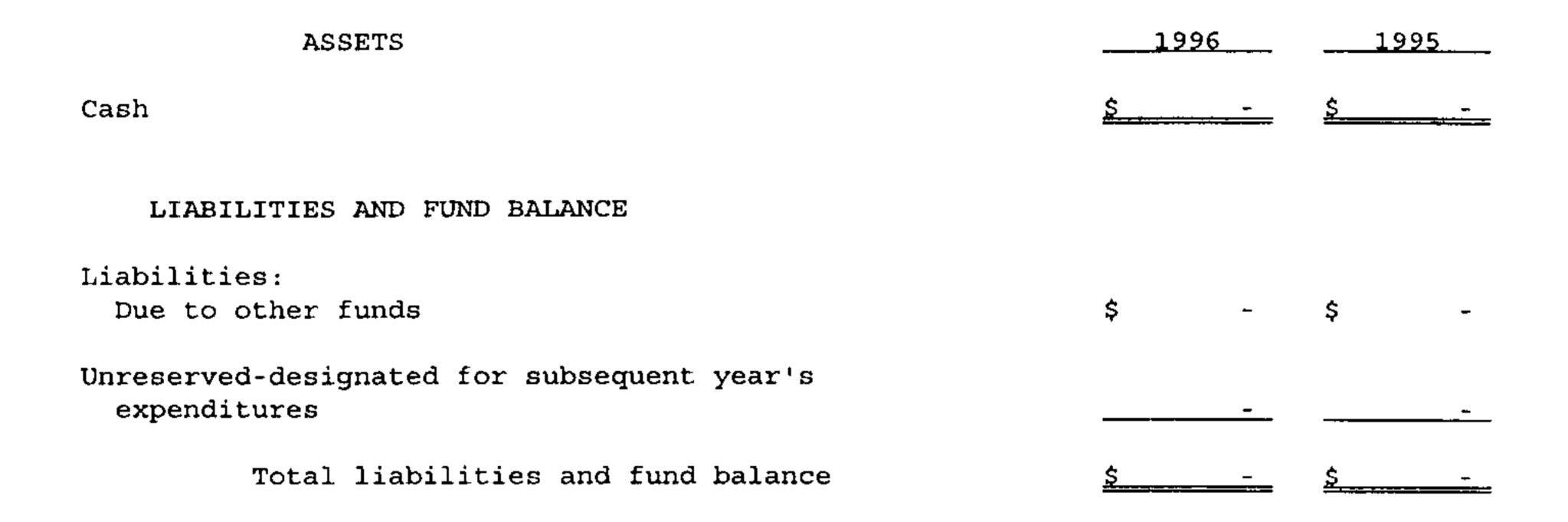
Bonds and note payable	<u>2,550,512</u>	<u>2.252.417</u>
Total liabilities	2,844,242	2.485.675
Fund equity:		
Contributed capital Retained earnings:	934,003	388,230
Unreserved	700 500	
Total retained earnings	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total fund equity	<u> 1,714,586</u>	<u> 1.126,460</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$ 4,558,828</u>	<u>\$ 3,612,135</u>

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA HOUSING GRANT FUND-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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BALANCE SHEETS July 31, 1996 and 1995



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		Totals			
Ca	pital		(Memorandum Only)		
	<u>jects</u>		1995		1994
\$	-	\$	568,262	\$	573,991
·	-		68,238		64,810
	-		83,385		47,578
	-		214,268		285,385
	-		78,508		44,302
	-		42,361		31,683
	-		4,939		4,897
	-		40,671		184,026
5	05,421		<u>572,628</u>		128.772
	505,421		1,673,260		<u>1,365,394</u>

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-	285,169	287,587
-	334,266	261,412
-	194,482	145,740
_	206,169	230,656
-	17,467	2,770
_	-	56,041
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-	6,000	6,000
	15,750	16,050
505,421	1,564,724	1.084.165
	108,536	281,229
-	272,120	309,847
_	(208,120)	(341,295)
-	(29,162)	(26,650)
<u> </u>	34,838	(58,098)

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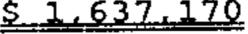
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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL-GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES Year Ended July 31, 1996

	General Fund					
		Budget		<u>Actual</u>	Fa	Variance avorable <u>(avorable</u>)
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$	303,500	\$	301,746	\$	(1,754)
Licenses and permits		64,300		68,238		3,938
Intergovernmental		59,385		83,385		24,000
Charges for services		232,100		214,268		(17,832)
Fines and forfeits		34,000		78,508		44,508
Interest earned		21,000		31,422		10,422
Oil and gas lease and royalties		4,500		4,939		439
Landfill revenues		50,000		40,671		(9,329)
Miscellaneous		1,600		50,064		48,464
Total revenues		770.385		873,241		102.856

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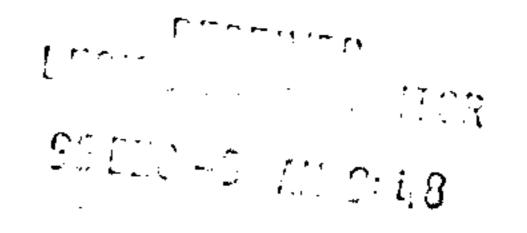
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Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	299,350	285,169	14,181
Public safety	356,874	334,266	22,608
Highways and streets	140,200	72,635	67,565
Health and recreation	214,200	206,169	8,031
Economic development	2,500	17,467	(14,967)
Total expenditures	1,013,124	915.706	97.418
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	(242,739)	(42,465)	200,274
Other financing sources (uses):			
Operating transfers in	66,000	100,580	34,580
Operating transfers out	-	-	-
Appropriations to utility system fund	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total other financing sources			
(uses)	66,000	100.580	34,580
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
and other sources over	(176,739)	58,115	234,854
expenditures and other uses	(170,739)	50,115	294,034
Fund balance at beginning of year	870,218	870,218	<u> </u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 693,479</u>	<u>\$ 928.333</u>	<u>\$ 234,854</u>
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See accompanying notes to financial statements

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

JULY 31, 1996

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT Year Ended July 31, 1996

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

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July 31, 1996

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The Honorable E. R. Giles

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, and the combining, individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town as of July 31, 1996, and for the year then ended, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana 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 and Government Audit Standards set forth by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the aforementioned general purpose financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana at July 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and changes in 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 Lake Arthur, Louisiana at July 31, 1996, 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.

As discussed in Note 15 to the financial statements, during the fiscal year ended July 31, 1995, the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, expended certain federal grant funds in a manner that may have violated certain of the restrictive provisions of the related grants. No action has been taken on this matter and the possible outcome is uncertain at this time. Accordingly, no provision for any liability has been made in the financial statements for possible federal claims for refund of these grant monies.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated September 6, 1996, on our consideration of the Town of Lake Arthur's internal control structure, and report dated September 6, 1996, on its compliance with laws and regulations.

The financial information for the preceding year, which is included for comparative purposes, was taken from the financial report for that year in which we expressed an unqualified opinion on the combined, combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements, except for the general fixed asset account group of which we expressed no opinion, of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana.

McCharg, Quick Huch Lake Charles, Louisiana

September 6, 1996



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COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW

("LIFTABLE" GENERAL PURPOSE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS)

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET-ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS July 31, 1996

Governmental Fund Types

ASSETS	(<u>Seneral</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>	Debt <u>Service</u>
Cash	\$	73,629	\$ 136,444	\$ 149,774
Investments, at cost		822,608	291,429	249,554
Receivables		14,256	-	-
Due from other funds		138,452	38,491	17,892
Restricted assets:				
Cash and investments, at cost		-	-	-
Property and equipment, less accumulated				
depreciation		-	-	-
Amount available in debt service funds		-	-	_
Amount to be provided for retirement of				
general long-term debt				<u> </u>

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Total assets	<u>\$ 1.048.945</u>	<u>\$ 466,364</u>	<u>\$ 417,220</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 32,757	\$ 1,216	\$ -
Payroll taxes payable	348	-	_
Other payables	6,379	-	-
Due to other funds	81,128	3,998	26,159
Payable from restricted assets:			
Customer deposits	-	-	-
Bonds and note payable	-	-	~
General obligation bonds payable	-	-	-
Accrued interest payable			<u> </u>
Total liabilities	120,612	5,214	26,159
Fund equity:			
Contributed capital	-	_	~
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	~
Retained earnings:			
Unreserved	-	-	⊷
Fund balance:			
Reserved for debt service	-	-	313,273
Unreserved:			
Designated for subsequent year's			
expenditures	928,333	461,150	77,788
Total retained earnings/fund balance	928.333	461,150	391.061
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Total fund equity <u>928.333 461.150 391.061</u> Total liabilities and fund equity <u>\$ 1,048,945</u> <u>\$ 466,364</u> <u>\$ 417,220</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

					Account	Grou	ps				
		Pro	prietary	Gei	neral	Ge	neral	Totals			
Ca	pital	<u>Fu</u>	nd Type	Long	g-Term	F	ixed		<u>(Memorandum Only</u>		Only)
	<u>jects</u>	En	terprise	D	ebt	<u>Assets</u>		<u></u>	1996		1995
\$	-	\$	96,139	\$	_	\$	-	\$	455,986	\$	341,474
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	-		36,433		-		-		50,689		130,349
	•		47,315		-		-		242,150		169,097
	-		197,368		-		-		197,368		136,169
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	-		-	2	71,325		-		271,325		272,133
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		- ·		23,629		-		-		23,629	21,430
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		-		-		-		-		313,273	286,772
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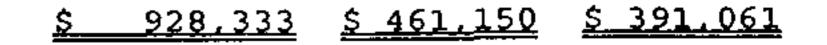
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES Year Ended July 31, 1996

		Governm	ental Fund	Тур	es
			Special		Debt
	(General	Revenue	<u>_</u> S	<u>ervice</u>
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$	301,746	\$ 226,568	Ş	39,948
Licenses and permits		68,238	-		-
Intergovernmental		83,385	-		-
Charges for services		214,268	-		-
Fines and forfeits		78,508	-		-
Interest earned		31,422	-		10,939
Oil and gas lease and royalties		4,939	-		-
Landfill revenues		40,671	-		-
Miscellaneous		50,964	17,143		
Total revenues		873.241	243.711		<u>50,887</u>

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Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	285,169	-	_
Public safety	334,266	-	-
Highways and streets	72,635	121,847	-
Health and recreation	206,169	-	-
Economic development	17,467	-	-
Housing	-	-	-
Sewer rehabilitation	-	-	-
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	-	-	6,000
Interest and fiscal charges	<u></u>		15,750
Total expenditures	<u>915,706</u>	121.847	21,750
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	(42,465)	121,864	29,137
Other financing sources (uses):			
Operating transfers in	100,580	171,540	-
Operating transfers out	-	(171,540)	(36,580)
Appropriations to utility system fund		(29,162)	<u> </u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	100,580	<u>(29,162</u>)	<u>(36,580</u>)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and			
other sources over expenditures			
and other uses	58,115	92,702	(7,443)
Fund balance at beginning of year	870,218	368,448	398,504
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Fund balance at end of year



See accompanying notes to financial statements

	Spec	ial	Revenue				
				•	ariance		
Favorable							
	<u>Budget</u>		<u>Actual</u>	(<u>Unfavorable</u>)			
\$	213,000	\$	226,568	\$	13,568		
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	220,000		243.711		23,711		

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138,800	121,847	16,953
-	_	-
138,800	121,847	<u> </u>
81,200	121,864	40,664
163,600	171,540	7,940
(164,000)	(171,540)	(7,540)
(29,000)	(29,162)	(162)
(29,400)	(29,162)	238
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51,800	92,702	40,902
368,448	368,448	
<u>\$ 420,248</u>	<u>\$ 461,150</u>	<u>\$ 40,902</u>

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

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended July 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated

September 6, 1996.

In connection with our audit of the 1996 financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, internal control structure 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 July 31, 1996.

As required by OMB Circular A-128, we have performed auditing procedures to test compliance with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility; matching, reporting and claims for advances and reimbursement 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 of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

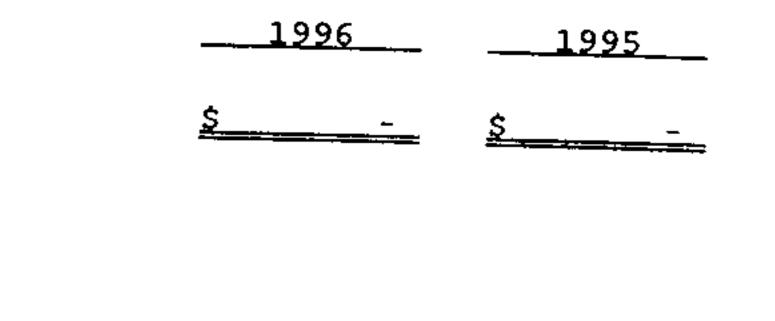
With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, 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.

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA SALES TAX-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 and 1995



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ASSETS

Total assets

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FUND BALANCE

Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's expenditures

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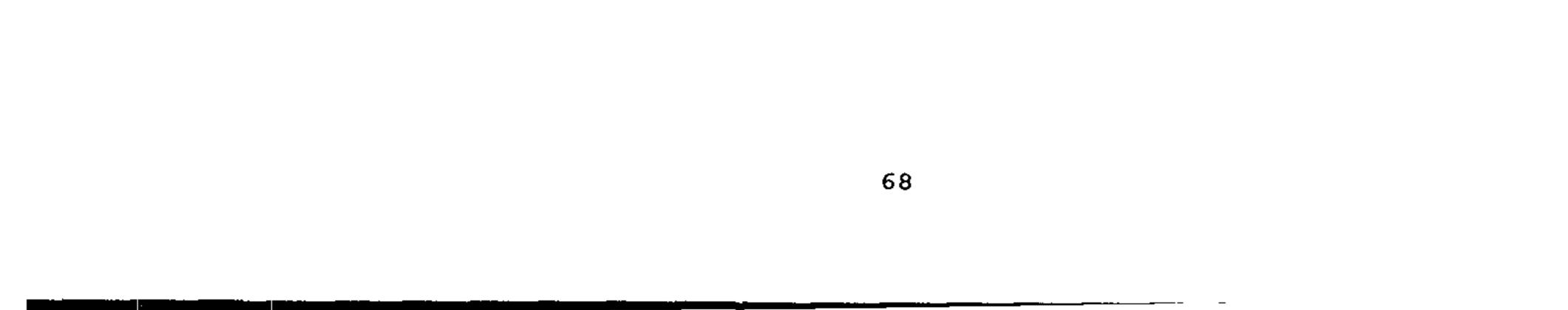
In our opinion, the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, complied, in all material respects, with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility; matching, level of effort, or earmarking; reporting; needs assessment; record retention; claims for advances and reimbursements; and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to each of its major federal financial assistance program for the year ended July 31, 1996.

This report is intended for the information of management and other state and federal audit agencies. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report which, upon acceptance by the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, is a matter of public record.

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September 6, 1996



	Sales	Wa	ter	Side	ewalk	Hou	sing	TC		tals	
·	<u>Tax</u>	Acc	ount	<u> </u>	<u>count</u>	<u> </u>	ant	<u></u>	1996		1995
\$	171,540	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	226,568	\$	212,323
				<u></u>					17.143		43,169
	<u>171.540</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>				<u>243,711</u>		255,492
	-		_		-		-		121,847		25,898
<u></u>			<u> </u>						.		56,041
									121,847	<u></u>	<u> 81,939</u>

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171,540			<u> </u>	121,864	173,553
-	29,162	3,431	-	171,540	156,765
(171,540)	-	-	-	(171,540)	(311,460)
<u></u>	<u>(29,162</u>)		<u> </u>	<u>(29,162</u>)	(26,650)
<u>(171.540</u>)	<u> </u>	3.431	_	<u>(29,162</u>)	<u>(181,345</u>)
- ·	-	3,431	-	92,702	(7,792)
	<u> 49,075</u>	17,005		<u> </u>	376.240
<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 49.075</u>	<u>\$ 20,436</u>	<u>\$ </u>	<u>\$ 461,150</u>	<u>\$ 368,448</u>

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This report is intended for the information of management and other state and federal audit agencies and should not be used for any other purpose. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report which, upon acceptance by the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, is a matter of public record.

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September 6, 1996

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

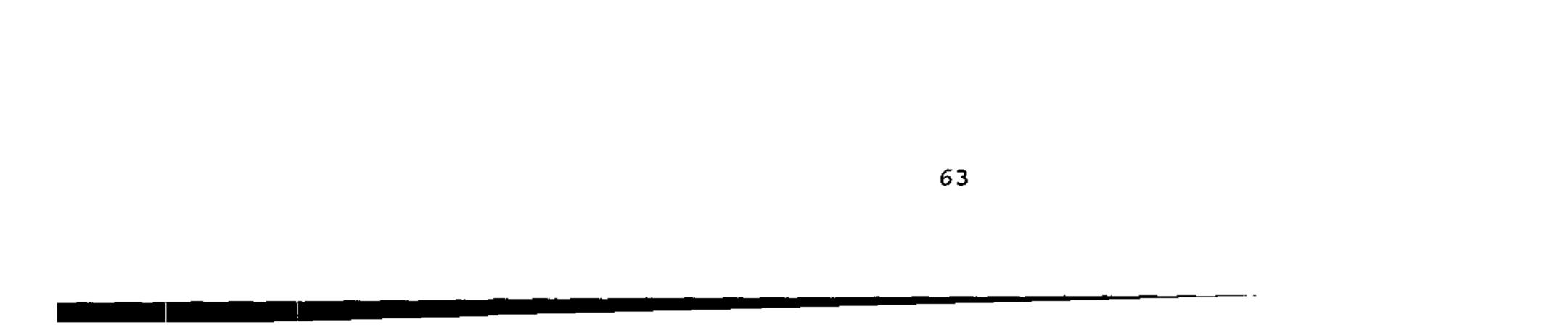
Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana as of and for the year ended July 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated September 6, 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 general purpose financial statements and combining and individual fund and account group financial statements are free of material misstatement.

Compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana is the responsibility of the Town of Lake Arthur's management. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of the Town's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. However, the objective of our audit of the financial statements 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 *Government Auditing Standards*.



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA STREET AND ALLEY MAINTENANCE-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

	<u></u>	1996		1995
			Variance Favorable	
	Budget	<u>Actual</u>	(<u>Unfavorable</u>)	Actual
Revenues:				
Taxes - ad valorem	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,514	\$ 514	\$ 27,779
Miscellaneous	7.000	17,143	10,143	11,624
Total revenues	34,000	44,657	10.657	<u> </u>
Expenditures				
Highways and streets:				
Personal services	52,800	63,715	(10,915)	-
Materials and supplies	13,000	10,777	2,223	9,314
Other services and charges	55,000	29,957	25,043	3,143
Capital outlay		12,374	(12.374)	6,500
Total expenditures	120,800	116.823	<u> </u>	<u>18,957</u>
Excess (deficiency)				
of revenues over				
expenditures	(86,800)	<u>(72,166</u>)	14.634	20.446
Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	130,000	137,232	7,232	125,412
Operating transfers out	<u>-</u>			(88,887)
Total other financing				
sources (uses)	130,000	<u> 137.232</u>	7,232	36,525
Excess (deficiency)				
of revenues and				
other sources over				
expenditures and				
other uses	43,200	65,066	21,866	56,971
Fund balance at beginning				
of year	302,564	302.564		245,593
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 345,764</u>	\$ 267 620	¢ 31.944	6 300 FC4
	<u>×7777707</u>	<u>\$ 367,630</u>	<u>\$ 21,866</u>	<u>\$.302,564</u>

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

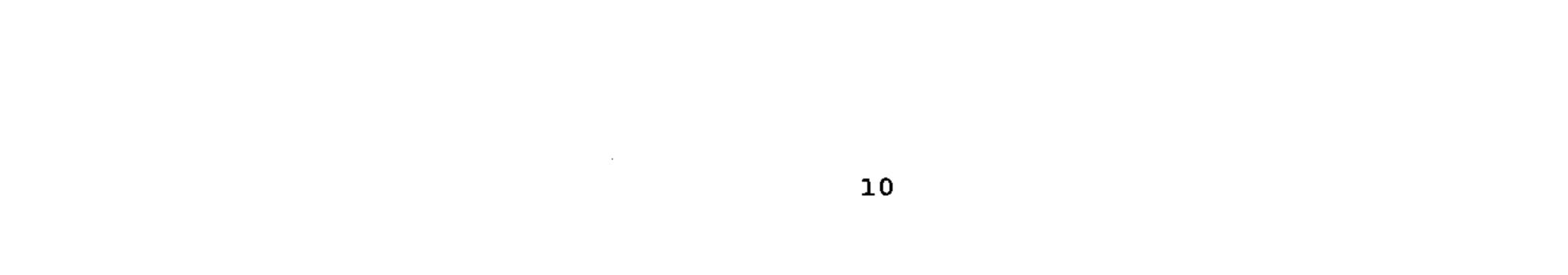
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE Years Ended July 31, 1996 and 1995

	Enterprise Fund			
	1996	1995		
Operating revenues:				
Charges for services-water	\$ 113,026	\$ 112,590		
Charges for services-sewerage	<u> </u>	263.336		
Total operating revenues	376.456	<u>375,926</u>		
Operating expenses:		70.270		
Personal services	71,204	70,376		
Other services and charges	23,476	50,077		
Supplies	22,704	31,299		
Heat, light and power	34,045	36,045		
Depreciation	91,107	48.808		
Total operating expenses	242.536	236,605		
Operating income	133,920	<u>139,321</u>		
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):				
Water and sewer connection fees	2,195	2,645		
Miscellaneous	-	15,645		
Interest earned	5,330	4,676		
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>(64,254</u>)	(29,561)		
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>(56,729</u>)	<u>(6,595</u>)		
Income before operating transfers	<u> </u>	132,726		
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers from other funds	29,162	58,098		
Transfers to other funds	(64,000)			
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u> (34,838</u>)	<u>58,098</u>		
Net income	42,353	190,824		
Retained earnings at beginning of year	738,230	547.406		
Retained earnings at end of year	<u>\$ 780,583</u>	<u>\$ 738.230</u>		
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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

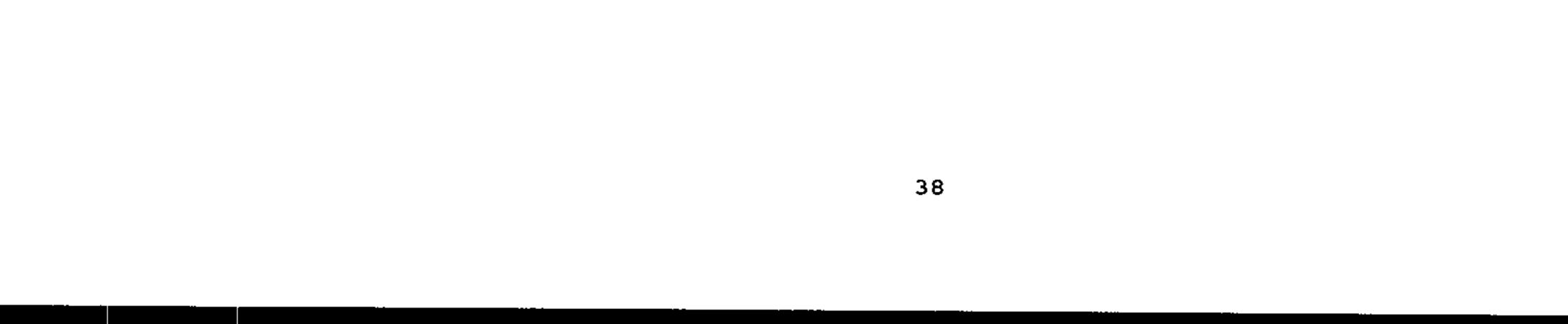
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

	1996			 1995			
		<u>Budget</u>		Actual	Fa	ariance vorable <u>avorable</u>)	 Actual
Revenues: Taxes - ad valorem	\$	28,000	\$	27,514	\$	(486)	\$ 27,779
Expenditures: Current: Highways and streets		<u>18,000</u>		5,024		<u>12.976</u>	 <u>6,941</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures		<u>10,000</u>		<u>22,490</u>		12.490	 20,838

Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	1,600	1,715	115	1,568
Operating transfers out	(6,000)	<u> </u>	6,000	(23,672)
Total other financing				
sources (uses)	(4,400)	<u> </u>	6,115	(22,104)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and				
other uses	5,600	24,205	18,605	(1,266)
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u> (196</u>)	<u>(196</u>)		1,070
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 5,404</u>	<u>\$ 24,009</u>	<u>\$ 18,605</u>	<u>\$ (196</u>)



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA HOUSING GRANT FUND-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

		1996		1995
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	
Revenues	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 29,807</u>
Expenditures: Materials and supplies Other services and charges Total expenditures				10,929 <u>45,112</u> <u>56,041</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over				

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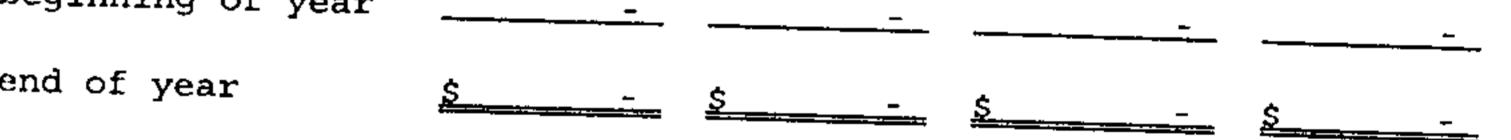
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA SALES TAX-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

		1996		1995
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 158,000	\$ 171,540	\$ -	\$ 156,765
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers out	<u>(158,000</u>)	(<u>171,540</u>)		(<u>156,765</u>)
Excess of revenues over other uses	_	_	-	
Fund balance at beginning of year				-



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Fund balance at end of year

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA WATER ACCOUNT-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	<u> </u>	1995
Certificates of deposit	<u>\$ 51.075</u>	<u>\$ 49.075</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Due to general fund	\$ 2,000	\$
Fund balance:		
Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's expenditures		
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 51,075</u>	<u>\$ 49.075</u>



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA WATER ACCOUNT-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

	1996			1995
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	
Revenues:				
Miscellaneous	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ </u>
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Appropriations to utilities system fund Total other financing sources (uses)	29,000 - (<u>29,000</u>)	29,162 - (29,162)	162 - (162)	26,650 (42,136) (26,650) (42,136)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over other uses	_	-	-	(40,398)
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u> 49.075</u>	<u> </u>	<u>. </u>	<u> </u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 49,075</u>	<u>\$ 49,075</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 49,075</u>



TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA SIDEWALK ACCOUNT-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	1	996		1995
Cash	<u>\$</u>	<u>20,709</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>17.278</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities: Due to other funds	\$	273	\$	273
Fund balance: Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's expenditures		<u>20.436</u>		17.005
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$</u>	2 <u>0.709</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>17,278</u>

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA SIDEWALK ACCOUNT-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

	-	1995		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	
Revenue	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	\$-
Other financing sources: Operating transfers in Excess of revenues and other sources over	<u> 3,000</u>	<u> 3,431</u>	<u> 431</u> .	<u>3,135</u>
expenditures	3,000	3,431	431	3,135
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> 13,870</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 20,005</u>	<u>\$ 20,436</u>	<u>\$ 431</u>	<u>\$ 17.005</u>



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> INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO MAJOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur,

Louisiana, as of and for the year ended July 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated September 6, 1996.

We have also audited the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana's, compliance with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility; matching, level of effort, or earmarking; reporting; and claims for advances and reimbursements that are applicable to each of its major federal financial assistance program, which are identified in the accompanying schedule of federal financial assistance, for the year ended July 31, 1996. The management of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, is responsible for the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, is responsible for the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana's, compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance with those requirements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance with these requirements 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 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 material noncompliance with the requirements referred to above occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana's, compliance with those requirements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The results of our audit procedures did not disclose any immaterial instances of noncompliance with the requirements referred to above. 67

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	<u> 1996 </u>	1995
Cash Due from other funds	\$ 5,757 <u> 20.443</u>	\$ 1,529
Total assets	<u>\$ 26.200</u>	<u>\$ 1.529</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 466	\$ -
Due to other funds	1,725	1,725
Total liabilities	2,191	1,725
Fund balances:		

Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's

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expenditures	24,009	(196)
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 26,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,529</u>

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Bonds and notes payable at July 31, 1996 are comprised of the following individual issues: - -

General obligation bonds:

\$200,000 General Obligation Bonds, Town of Lake Arthur, 5-8-81; interest at 5 percent; principal and interest \$ 143,000 payable through the year 2021

\$175,000 General Obligation Bonds, Sewerage District No. 1, 5-8-81; interest at 5 percent; principal and interest payable through the year 2021

704,512

166,000

Revenue bonds payable:

\$2,500,000 Sewer Revenue bonds payable, interest at 2.450%, administrative fee .5%, principal and interest payable through the year 2014

\$ 2,252,417

\$550,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 1995, interest at 2.45%, administrative fee .5%, principal and interest payable through the year 2015

395.512

<u>\$ 2.647.929</u>

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding as of July 31, 1996, including interest payments of \$1,030,836, are as follows:

> Annual Requirements to Amortize Long-Term Debt July 31, 1996

Year Ending	General		
<u>July 31.</u>	Obligation	Revenue	<u> </u>
1997-1999	\$ 67,712	\$ 297,417	\$ 365,129
2000-2004	130,800	560,000	690,800
2005-2009	151,168	645,000	796,168
2010-2014	181,068	750,000	931,068
2015-2021	<u> 173.764</u>	<u> </u>	173.764
Total	<u>\$ 704,512</u>	<u>\$ 2,252,417</u>	<u>\$ 2,956,929</u>

The amount of \$313,273 is available in the Debt Service Funds to service the general obligation bonds.

14) Capital Projects Fund

The Capital Projects Fund was set up to account for the Community Development Block Grant income received and the expenditures made in connection with the rehabilitation of old sewer lines. The Town has received a commitment for a grant in the amount of \$757,832, of which \$505,421 was received for the current fiscal year.

15) Commitments and Contingencies

The Town of Lake Arthur has entered into an agreement with the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency regarding use of HOME funds (Home Investment Partnership Act Program under Title II of the Housing Act).

During the years ended July 31, 1994 and 1995, several substandard homes were approved for rehabilitation. Cost incurred totaled \$72,789 and grants received totaled \$72,789. Significant deficiencies in certain areas of the grant program management were identified. A final determination has not been made as to the amount, if any, of possible ineligible project costs the Town may have to repay the grantor.

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During the year ended December 31, 1995, the Commission voted to distribute \$331,510 to the four local government bodies that participate in the Landfill Commission and funded its construction and early operations. The distributions were made in the same proportions as the original investments by the governments. For the Town of Lake Arthur, the distribution amounted to \$40,671 which is recorded as "landfill revenues" in the General Fund.

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12) Per Diem Paid Members of Governing Board

Mr. E. R. Giles	\$ 5,000
Mr. David Hanks	1,250
Mr. Robert Bertrand	1,250
Mr. Mark LaPoint	1,200
Ms. Betty Moore	1,250
Mr. Ellsworth Duhon	 1,250

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13) Sewer Construction Project

The Town passed a resolution on March 3, 1993 authorizing the Town to borrow \$2,500,000 to pay a portion of the cost of constructing and acquiring improvements, extensions and replacements to the sanitary sewage collection and disposal system of the Town. The resolution also authorizes the issuance of the Town's sewer revenue bonds-series 1993, in an amount of \$2,500,000 to evidence said debt.

Through a program sponsored by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), construction grants for wastewater treatment works, the Town is obtaining the necessary funds to upgrade its sewage collection and disposal system to current EPA standards. This program is administered for the EPA on the state level. For Louisiana the program is administered by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) through the DEQ's Municipal Facilities Revolving Loan Fund Program.

The Town had a total loan commitment with DEQ for \$2,500,000 (loan number CS-221095-01) to construct the sewer system improvements. At the end of the construction period the Town issued \$2,500,000 of sewer revenue bonds-series 1993 which will be purchased by the DEQ (the purchase price being the \$2,500,000 loan proceeds). Thus, the Town in essence exchanged \$2,500,000 in bond debt for \$2,500,000 in loan debt.

The system was put into operation during the fiscal year ended July 31, 1995.

Condensed financial information for the Jefferson Davis Parish Sanitary Landfill as of December 31, 1995 (the latest available audited financial statements) were as follows:

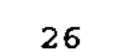
		Lake Arthur		
	<u> </u>	(12.2684%)		
Total assets	\$ 3,347,546	\$ 410,690		
Total liabilities	67,643	8,299		
Total equity	3,279,903	402,392		
Total liabilities and equity	3,347,546	410,690		
Total revenues	2,648,446	324,922		
Total expenditures	2,036,723	249,873		
Net decrease in fund balance	611,723	75,049		

As of December 31, 1995, the Commission had no long-term debt outstanding.

The Landfill Commission as owner of a sanitary landfill is subject to recent

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations that require monitoring the landfill site for 30 years following closure of the site in addition to other closure requirements. These regulations also mandate that landfill owners provide financial assurances that they will have the resources available to satisfy the post closure standards. These guarantees can be third-party trusts, surety bonds, letters of credit, insurance, or state sponsored plans. According to the Commission's contract with the site operator, "...the contractor shall be responsible for closure in accordance with the permit..". Additionally, "...the contractor's post closure care, maintenance and monitoring responsibility shall be three (3) years, or as required by law...". In the event the operator is for whatever reason unwilling or unable to fulfill this requirement, the responsibility for closure and post closure monitoring will revert back to the Commission.

Additionally, because of the industry the Commission participates in, certain potential liabilities are always present. These include, but are not limited to, environmental cleanup costs and EPA penalties for violation of its regulations. The EPA is empowered by law (through the Superfund legislation) to seek recovery from anyone who ever owned or operated a particular contaminated site, or anyone who ever generated or transported hazardous materials to a site (these parties are commonly referred to as potentially responsible parties, or PRPs). Potentially, the liability can extend to subsequent owners or to the parent company of a PRP. While there are no asserted or unasserted potential costs or penalties at the date of this report that the Commission is aware of, the potential is present.



10) Contributed Capital - Enterprise Fund

The following is a summary of changes to contributed capital for the years ended July 31, 1996 and 1995:

	<u> 1996 1995 </u>	•
Total contributed capital at beginning of year	\$ 876,467 \$ 876,467	I
Capital contributed during year	583,329 -	
Accumulated depreciation related to		
contributed capital	<u>(525,793)</u> (488,237)
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Net contributed capital at end of year	<u>\$ 934,003 \$ 388,230</u>	

11) Landfill Joint Venture

The Town is a participant in a joint venture referred to as the Jefferson Davis Parish Sanitary Landfill Commission. This entity was chartered on February 17, 1984. The Commission's purpose is the establishment of a long-term plan for the disposal of solid wastes in Jefferson Davis Parish. According to the charter, each participant in the Commission is responsible for a pro rata share of any operating deficits. Likewise, any distributions of surpluses are also shared on a pro rata basis. Each participant's pro rata share is based on the number of households within each participant's unit to the total number of households within all participating units. These proportions were determined using the 1980 U.S. Census as follows:

	Number of	
Locality	<u>Households</u>	<u>Percentages</u>
Jennings	4,161	.421196
Welsh	1,167	.118129
Lake Arthur	1,212	.122684
Parish (excluding Jennings, Welsh, Lake Arthur and Elton)	<u> </u>	.337991
Totals	<u> </u>	<u>1.000000</u>

The Commission consists of six commissioners as follows: two residents of Jennings, one resident of Welsh, one resident of Lake Arthur, and two residents of Jefferson Davis Parish living outside the city limits of Jennings, Welsh, Lake Arthur and Elton. The Commission members are to be appointed by the governing body of their place of residence.

The Commission has the power and authority to employ personnel, adopt its own budget and enter into agreements necessary for the operation of the Landfill. In certain instances, some agreements must be consented to by all six members

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The actuarial method used to compute the pension benefit obligation for reporting purposes is not necessarily the same used to determine adequate funding for the System. Although the Projected Unit Credit Method was used for reporting purposes, the Frozen Attained Age Normal Cost Method was used to arrive at a total contribution rate of 10.14% for Plan "B" necessary to bring the plan to a fully funded status.

The total pension obligation of Plan "B" of the Municipal Employee's Retirement System of June 30, 1995 was \$65,581,563. The total net assets of Plan "B" available for benefits at June 30, 1995 was \$59,345,360.

The System's contribution requirements are not actuarially determined. Instead, the contribution requirements are currently established by statute. The System is fully aware of the actuarial implications of such a policy.

Although the actuarial contribution requirement for the Town of Lake Arthur members was \$19,445 for Plan B, the total actual contributions amounted to \$16,780, which represents approximately 8.75% of current year covered payroll. The contributions consist of 5% member contributions and 3.75% employer contributions of the total covered payroll of \$191,770 for Plan "B".

Historical trend information for this plan is included in the separately issued report for the Municipal Employee's Retirement System for the period ended June 30, 1995.

8) Litigation

The Town is involved in several lawsuits. The Town Attorney estimates that the potential claims against the Town that are not covered by insurance resulting from such litigation would not materially affect the financial statements of the Town.

9) Accumulated Unpaid Compensated Absences

The Town's policy on annual leave is that if the time is not taken during the year earned it will be forfeited; that is no carry over of time or compensation in lieu of time off will be allowed.

The Town's policy on sick leave is 10 days per year. Unused sick leave can be accumulated up to 30 days to be used for prolonged illness, but the Town will not pay for unused sick leave.

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND

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STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES COMPARED TO BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

		1996		1995
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	
General government:				
Personal services	\$ 117,350	\$ 120,939	•	•
Supplies	16,700	8,673	8,027	•
Other services and charges	165,300	147,218	18,082	165,968
Capital outlay		8,339	<u>(8,339</u>)	<u> </u>
Total general government	299.350	285,169	14,181	287,587
Public safety:				
Police department:				
Personal services	250,510	248,565	1,945	217,359
Supplies	12,300	22,630	(10,330)	14,798
Other services and charges	47,564	32,358	15,206	16,876
Capital outlay	1.000	1,995	(995)	
Total police department	311.374	305,548	5,826	249.033
Fire department:				
Personal services	12,200	3,226	8,974	5,657
Supplies	4,300	6,108	(1,808)	4,907
Other services and charges	22,500	11,749	10,751	1,815
Capital outlay	6.500	<u> </u>	<u>(1,135</u>)	
Total fire department	45,500	28,718	16,782	<u>12.379</u>
Total public safety	356.874	334,266	22,608	261.412
Highways and streets:				
Personal services	80,800	32,196	48,604	80,696
Supplies	5,000	-	5,000	4,431
Other services and charges	54,400	40,439	<u>13.961</u>	34,715
Total highways and				
streets	140,200	72.635	<u> </u>	119.842
Health and recreation:				
Sanitation:				
Personal services	5,500	4,367	1,133	5,366
Supplies	5,000	5,954	(954)	-
Other services and charges	22,000	16,740	5,260	15,392
Dump site expense	75,000	72,953	2,047	80,380
Capital outlay		3,681	<u>(3,681</u>)	<u> </u>
Total sanitation	107.500	103.695	3,805	104.028

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7) Retirement Commitments

Substantially all employees are covered by the Louisiana Municipal Employees Retirement System, which is administered by the State of Louisiana. Generally all classified employees are required to participate.

Municipal Employee's Retirement System

The Municipal Employee's Retirement System, State of Louisiana is the administrator of a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan.

The System provides retirement benefits to employees of all incorporated villages, towns and cities within the state which do not have their own retirement system and which elect to become members of the System.

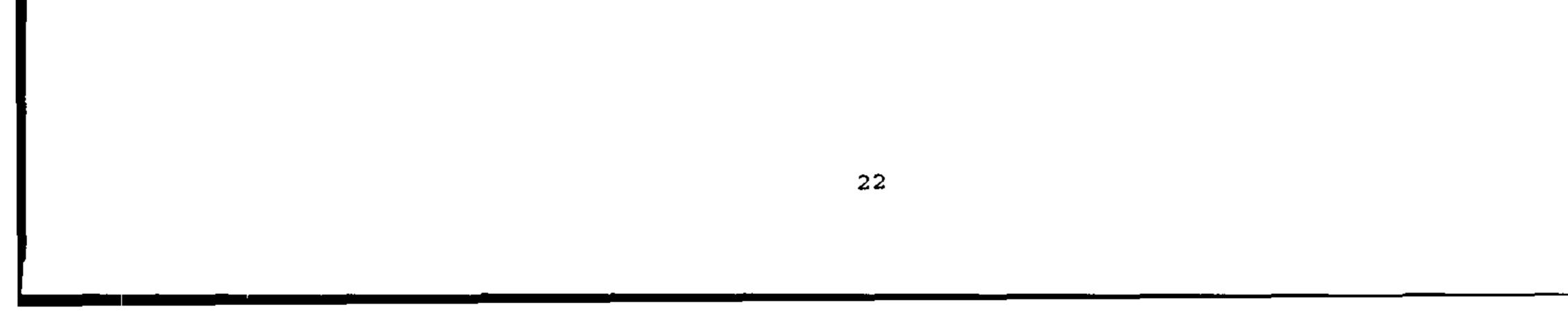
The Municipal Employee's Retirement System of Louisiana was established by Act 356 of the 1954 regular session of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, to provide retirement benefits to employees of all incorporated villages, towns and cities within the State, which did not have their own retirement systems and

which elected to become members of the System.

The System is administered by a Board of Trustees composed of nine members, six of whom shall be active and contributing members of the System with at least ten years creditable service, elected by the members of the System; one of whom shall be the president of the Louisiana Municipal Association who shall serve as an ex-officio member during his tenure; one of whom shall be the Chairman of the Senate Retirement Committee; and one of whom shall be the Chairman of the House Retirement Committee of the Legislature of Louisiana.

Act #569 of the year 1968 established by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana provides an optional method for municipalities to cancel Social Security and come under supplementary benefits in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System, effective on and after June 30, 1970.

Effective October 1, 1978, under Act #788, the "regular plan" and the "supplemental plan" were replaced, and are now known as Plan "A" and Plan "B". Plan "A: combines the original plan and the supplemental plan for those municipalities participating in both plans, while Plan "B" participates in only the original plan. The Town of Lake Arthur is a member of Plan "B" of the retirement system.



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

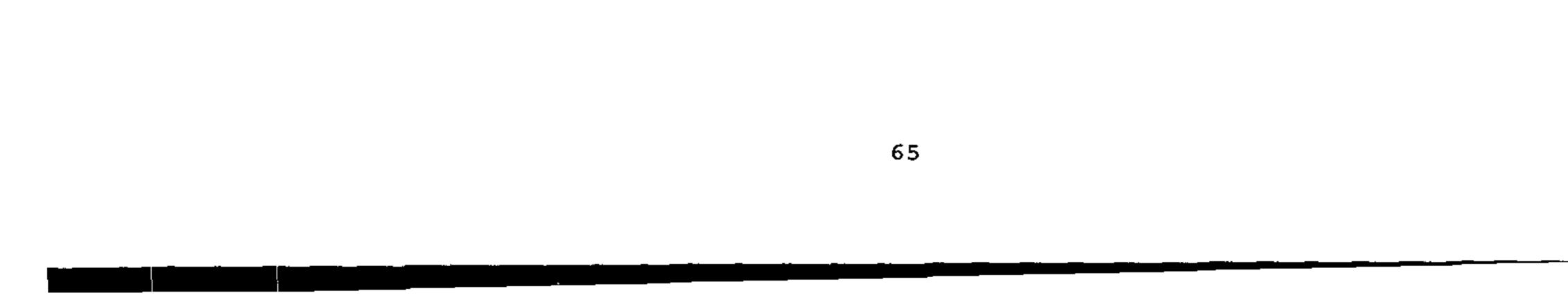
Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen Town of Lake Arthur Lake Arthur, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended July 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated September 6, 1996.

We have applied procedures to test the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana, compliance with the following requirements applicable to each of its federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the schedule of federal financial assistance, for the year ended July 31, 1996:

> Political activity Davis-Bacon Act Civil rights Cash management Federal financial reports Drug-Free work place Allowable costs/cost principles Administrative requirements

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 Lake Arthur, Louisiana's, compliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.



Membership is mandatory as a condition of employment beginning on the date employed 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 date of employment. Those individuals paid jointly by a participating employer and the parish are not eligible for membership in the System.

The amount of current year covered payroll for the Town of Lake Arthur for members of the State Plan was \$191,770. The Town's total payroll for the current year was \$440,140.

As noted above, the Town of Lake Arthur is a member of Plan "B" retirement Any member of Plan "B" can retire providing he meets one of the system. following criteria:

- Age 55 with thirty (30) years of creditable service. 1.
- Age 60 with a minimum of ten (10) or more years of creditable service. 2.
- 3. Under age 60 with ten (10) years of creditable service eligible for
 - disability benefits.
- 4. Survivor's benefits require twenty (20) years creditable service at death of member.

Generally, the monthly amount of the retirement allowance for any member of Plan "B" shall consist of an amount equal to two 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.

Because the purpose of the Municipal Employees Retirement System is to provide specific benefits to a group of employees at various times in the future, actuarial valuations and assumptions are made regularly. The latest actuarial valuation available is as of June 30, 1995. For financial reporting purposes, the primary focus of this information is the pension benefit obligation which is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits. This can be defined as a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for effects of projected salary increases and any step-rate benefits estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employee service to date. The intent of this measure is threefold:

- To help users assess the system's funding status on a going concern basis,
- To assess progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits, and

- To make comparisons among other systems.

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

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COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Totals for Year Ended July 31, 1995

	Street and Alley <u>Maintenance</u>	Drainage <u>Maintenance</u>
Revenues: Taxes Miscellaneous Total revenues	\$ 27,514 <u>17,143</u> <u>44,657</u>	\$ 27,514
Expenditures: Current: Highway and streets Housing Total expenditures	116,823 	5,024 5,024 5,024

Excess (deficiency) of revenues

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(72,166</u>)	22.490
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers in Operating transfers out Appropriations to utilities system fund Total other financing sources (uses)	137,232 - - - 137,232	1,715 - - 1,715
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	65,066	24,205
Fund balance at beginning of year	302,564	(196)
Fund balance at end of year	<u>\$ 367,630</u>	<u>\$ 24.009</u>

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GENERAL FUND

To account for resources traditionally associated with governments which are not required to be accounted for in another fund.

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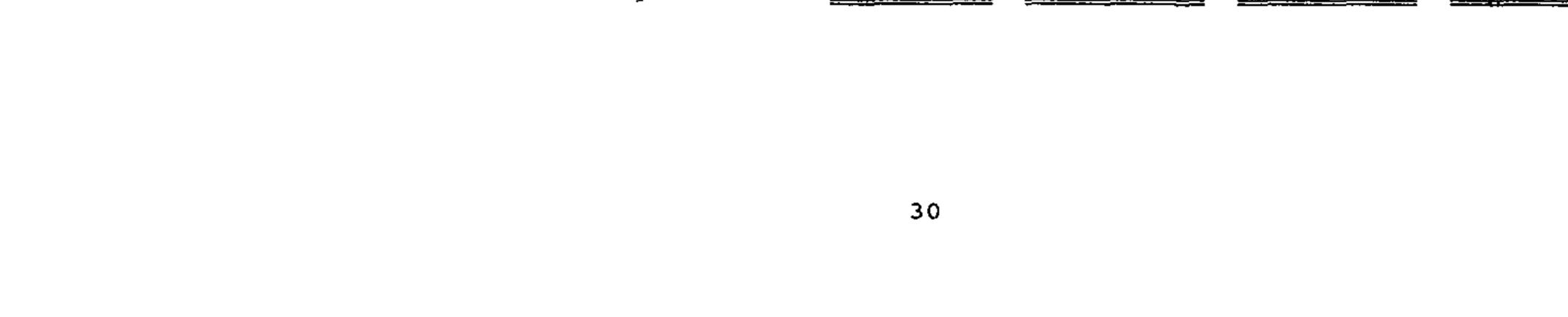
TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL Year Ended July 31, 1996

With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995

				1996				1995
	T	Budget	-	Actual	Fa	Variance worable <u>avorable</u>)		Actual
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Revenues:								
Taxes	\$	303,500	\$	301,746	\$	(1,754)	\$	321,336
Licenses and permits		64,300		68,238		3,938		64,810
Intergovernmental		59,385		83,385		24,000		47,578
Charges for services		232,100		214,268		(17,832)		285,385
Fines and forfeits		34,000		78,508		44,508		44,302
Interest earned		21,000		31,422		10,422		23,808
Oil and gas lease and royalties		4,500		4,939		439		4,897
Landfill revenues		50,000		40,671		(9,329)		184,026
Miscellaneous		1,600		50,064	<u></u>	48.464		7.644
Total revenues		770,385	<u>,</u>	873,241	<u></u>	102,856		<u>983,786</u>
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government		299,350		285,169		14,181		287,587
Public safety		356,874		334,266		22,608		261,412
Highways and streets		140,200		72,635		67,565		119,842
Health and recreation		214,200		206,169		8,031		230,656
Economic development		2,500		17.467	<u> </u>	(14,967)		2,770
Total expenditures	_1	<u>,013,124</u>		<u>915.706</u>		97,418		<u>902,267</u>
Excess (deficiency) of								
revenues over								
expenditures		<u>(242,739</u>)		(42,465)		200.274		81,519
Other financing sources (uses):								
Operating transfers in		66,000		100,580		34,580		153,082
Operating transfers out					<u> </u>			<u> (9,09</u> (
Total other financing sources (uses)		66,000		100.580		21 EON		142 001
SUULCES (USES)	·			100.380		34,580		<u>143,992</u>
Excess of revenue and								
and other sources								
over expenditures		(176,739)		58,115		234,854		225,51
Fund balance at beginning of year	_	870,218	<u> </u>	<u>870,218</u>		<u> </u>		644,70
Fund balance at end of year	\$	<u>693,479</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>928,333</u>	<u>\$</u>	234,854	<u>\$</u>	870,21



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

AND ACCOUNT GROUPS

There are a number of limitations and restrictions contained in the various bond indentures. The Town is in compliance with all significant limitations and restrictions.

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4) Other Required Individual Fund Disclosures

Individual fund interfund receivables and payables

Such balances at July 31, 1996 were:

	<u>Due From</u>	<u>Due To</u>
General Fund	\$ 138,452	\$ 81,128
Special Revenue Funds:		
Street and Alley Maintenance	18,048	-
Drainage Maintenance	20,443	1,725
Sidewalk account	_	273
Water account	-	2,000
Debt Service Fund:		
Sewerage District No. 1	-	756
Combined Bond Fund	17,892	25,403
Utilities System Fund	47,315	130,865
	<u>\$ 242.150</u>	<u>\$ 242.150</u>

5) Restricted Assets - Proprietary Fund Type

Restricted assets were applicable to the following at July 31:

-	1996	1995
Customers deposits Sewer	\$28,378 <u>168,990</u>	\$26,180 <u>109,989</u>
	<u>\$ 197.368</u>	<u>\$ 136.169</u>

6) Dedication of Proceeds and Flow of Funds - 1% Sales and Use Tax

Proceeds of a 1% sales and use tax levied by the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana (1996 collections \$343,080, 1995 collections \$313,530) are dedicated to the following purposes:

General Fund	50%
Streets	40%
Water	8.5%
Sidewalks	18
Drainage	. 5%

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B. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Town 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 selfbalancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures, or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into four generic fund types and two broad fund categories as follows:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Debt Service Funds - Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation or resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

Capital Project Funds - Capital Project Funds are used to account for funds received and expenditures made in connection with large capital projects.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds are 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 periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control,

accountability, or other purposes.

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA STREET AND ALLEY MAINTENANCE-SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	<u></u>	1996	<u></u>	1995
Cash Certificates of deposit Due from other funds	\$	109,978 240,354 <u>18,048</u>	\$	14,869 230,938 <u>58,270</u>
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	<u>368,380</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>304.077</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities: Accounts payable	\$	750	\$	1,513
Fund balances: Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's expenditures		<u>367,630</u>		<u>302,564</u>

Total	liabilities	and	fund	balances	
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<u>\$ 368,380</u> <u>\$ 30</u>	<u>4.077</u>
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9	Sales		Water	S	idewalk	HOI	using	Total			als	
	Tax	A	ccount_	7	Account	G;	rant		1996	· · · · ·	1995	
\$	-	\$	-	\$	20,709	\$	-	\$	136,444	\$	33,676	
	-		51,075		-		-		291,429		280,013	
			_	<u></u>					38.491		58,270	
<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	<u>51.075</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>20,709</u>	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	<u>466,364</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>371,959</u>	

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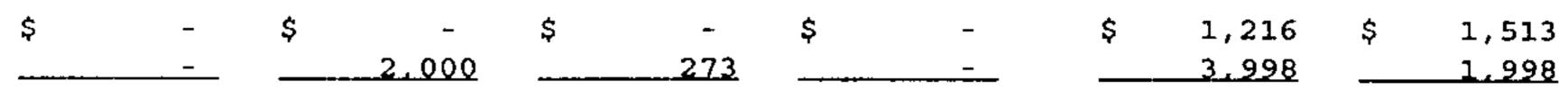
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-	2,000	273	_	5,214	3,511
_	49,075	20,436	<u> </u>	461,150	368,448
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<u>\$</u>	<u>\$51,075</u>	<u>\$20,709</u>	<u>s -</u>	<u>\$ 466.364</u>	<u>\$ 371,959</u>

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

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COMBINING BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 With Comparative Totals for July 31, 1995

ASSETS	Street and Alley <u>Maintenance</u>	Drainage <u>Maintenance</u>
Cash Certificates of deposit Due from other funds	\$ 109,978 240,354 <u>18.048</u>	\$
Total assets	<u>\$ 368,380</u>	<u>\$ 26.200</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Liabilities: Accounts payable Due to other funds Total liabilities	\$	\$ 466 <u>1,725</u> 2,191
Fund balances: Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's expenditures	<u> </u>	<u>24.009</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 368.380</u>	<u>\$ 26,200</u>

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE Years Ended July 31, 1996 and 1995

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		<u>1996</u>		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Cash received from customers	\$	376,465	\$	359,696
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	-	(83,261)		(210,003)
Cash payments to employees		(71.204)		<u>(70.376</u>)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u> </u>	222,000	<u> </u>	79.317
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Operating transfers in		29,162		58,098
Connection and reconnection fees		2,195		2,645
Miscellaneous		-		83,152
Operating transfers out		(64,000)		-
Increase in customer deposits		2,199		6,183
Advances from (to) other funds	<u></u>	16.567	_ _	13,862
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital				
financing activities		<u>(13,877</u>)		163,940

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CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Contributed capital	583,330	-
Bonds and loan proceeds received	395,512	148,422
Interest paid on bonds	(69,244)	-
Payments on loan	(95,000)	<u>(95,000</u>)
Net cash provided by capital and related		
activities	814,598	53.422
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest on investments	5,330	4,676
Purchase of property and equipment	(983,842)	(144,084)
Purchase of investment	<u> </u>	<u>(33,906</u>)
Net cash (used in) investing activities	<u>(978,512</u>)	(173,314)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	44,209	123,365
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Beginning of year	249,298	125,933
End of year	<u>\$ 293,507</u>	<u>\$249,298</u>

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE Years Ended July 31, 1996 and 1995 (Continued)

	Enterprise			
		1996		1995
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income	\$	133,920	\$	139,321
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities:		91,107		48,808
(Increase) in accounts receivable		9		(16,230)
Increase in accounts payable		<u>(3,036</u>)		<u>(92,582</u>)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$</u>	222,000	<u>\$</u>	<u>79,317</u>

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See accompanying notes to financial statements

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET July 31, 1996 and 1995

ASSETS	1996	1995
Cash Investments, at cost Receivables-other Due from other funds	\$73,629 822,608 14,256 <u>138,452</u>	\$70,036 868,049 15,998 <u>76,883</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 1.048,945</u>	<u>\$ 1,030,966</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities: Accounts payable Payroll taxes payable Other payables Due to other funds Total liabilities	\$ 32,757 348 6,379 <u>81,128</u> 120,612	\$63,815 648 5,796 <u>90,489</u> 160,748
Fund balance: Unreserved-designated for subsequent year's expenditures	<u>928,333</u>	<u>870.218</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 1,048,945</u>	<u>\$ 1,030,966</u>

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TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS July 31, 1996

1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana was incorporated in 1904, under the provisions of the Lawrason Act. The Town operates under a Mayor-Board of Aldermen form of government.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:517 and to the guidance set forth in the Louisiana Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide, and to the industry audit guide, Audits of State and Local Governmental Units.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements include the various departments, activities, and organizational units that are within the control and authority of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Lake Arthur, Louisiana. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in Statement No. 14 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This statement defines the reporting entity as the primary government and those component units for which the primary government is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and either a) the ability to impose will by the primary government, or b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the Town of Lake Arthur has no other fiscal or significant managerial responsibility over any other governmental unit that is not included in the financial statements of the Town of Lake Arthur.

TOWN OF LAKE ARTHUR, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND

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STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES, COMPARED TO BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) Year Ended July 31, 1996 With Comparative Actual Amounts for Year Ended July 31, 1995 (Continued)

	1996		1995	
	<u>Budget</u>	Actual	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)	Actual
Health and recreation (cont.):				
Recreation:		· ·		
Personal services	33,200	35,527	(2,327)	36,993
Supplies	11,400	28,126	(16,726)	23,798
Other services and charges	40,100	24,195	15,905	42,270
Capital outlay	22,000	14,626	7.374	23,567
Total recreation	<u> 106,700</u>	102,474	4,226	126,628
Total health and				
recreation	214.200	206,169	8,031	230,656

Economic development:				
Supplies	500	805	(305)	191
Other services and charges Total economic	2,000	<u> 16,662</u>	(14,662)	2.579
development	2,500	<u> 17,467</u>	<u>(14,967</u>)	2.770
Total expenditures	<u>\$1,013,124</u>	<u>\$ 915,706</u>	<u>\$ 97,418</u>	<u>\$ 902,267</u>

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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 are 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 proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Water and sewer lines	30 years
Autos and trucks	3-5 years
Machinery and equipment	5-10 years

All fixed assets of the proprietary funds are stated at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. One

million four hundred two thousand dollars (\$1,402,000) of fixed assets in the proprietary fund are stated at estimated historical cost. These costs were estimated based on price levels at the estimated date of acquisition and bonds issued and capital contributed to finance the purchases.

ACCOUNT GROUPS

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and longterm liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus.

All governmental fund type operations 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.

General Fixed Asset Account Group - Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in governmental funds. Assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds and

capitalized at cost in the General Fixed Asset Account Group.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group, not in the governmental funds.

The General Long-Term Debt and General Fixed Asset Account Groups are not considered to be a "fund". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position, and are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Utilities System Fund considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

C. Basis of Accounting

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred except that accumulated unpaid vacation and sick pay are not accrued and 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.

The proprietary fund is accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

For the fiscal year ended July 31, 1996, fixed assets were recorded and depreciation has been accounted for.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

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

- 1. Prior to July 31, the Town Clerk submits to the Mayor and Aldermen a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following August 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- 2. A public hearing is conducted to obtain taxpayer comment.

Prior to July 31, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

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STREET AND ALLEY MAINTENANCE FUND - to account for a 5 mill ad valorem tax and a portion of the one percent sales tax dedicated for the maintenance of the Town's streets and alleys.

DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FUND - to account for a 5 mill ad valorem tax and a portion of the one percent sales tax dedicated for the maintenance of the Town's drainage system.

SALES TAX FUND - to account for the receipt and transfer of the one percent sales tax dedicated for the year ended July 31, 1992 as follows:

Streets	80%
Water	17%
Sidewalks	28
Drainage	18

WATER ACCOUNT FUND - to account for the portion of the one percent sales tax dedicated for maintenance and improvements to the Town's water system.

SIDEWALK ACCOUNT FUND - to account for the portion of the one percent sales tax dedicated for the Town's sidewalks.

HOUSING GRANT FUND - to account for receipt and expenditure of monies received to repair housing for low income citizens.

- 4. Any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Aldermen. Expenditures cannot legally exceed appropriations on a fund level.
- 5. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds.
- 6. The budget and actual comparison presented on page 9 in the accompanying financial report includes the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds. The capital budget ordinances which encompass the Capital Projects Funds present cumulative as opposed to annual budget amounts and thus budget and actual comparisons are not reported in the accompanying financial report for these funds. There were no capital project funds at July 31, 1996.
- 7. Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Aldermen.
- 8. All budgetary appropriations except for Capital Projects lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

Encumbrance accounting is not used.

E. Cash and Investments

Deposits:

As of July 31, 1996, the carrying amount and bank balance of the Town's deposits were as listed below. Of this amount, \$457,511 was insured by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department (Category 1).

	Carrying <u>Amount</u>	Bank <u>Balance</u>
Deposits	<u>\$ 547,367</u>	<u>\$ 550,383</u>

Investments:

Investments are stated at cost. All deposits in excess of \$100,000 are supported by pledged collateral and all deposits under \$100,000 are insured by FDIC.

Investments of the Town consist of certificates of deposit totaling \$1,306,261, insured money market accounts totaling \$201,213 and a passbook account totaling \$6,673. Cost and market value of these accounts are approximately equal. (Category 1)

Credit Risk Categories:

The Town's deposits and investments are categorized above in accordance with GASB Statement No. 3 to give an indication of the level of risk assumed at year end. Category 1, which represents the lowest level of risk, includes investments and deposits that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments with the securities held by the financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name. Category 3, which represents the greatest level or risk, includes uninsured and unregistered investments or deposits which are not protected by collateral, or for which securities are not held in the Town's name. Categories 2 and 3 were not applicable to any deposits or investments at any time during the fiscal year ended July 31, 1996.

F. Inventory

Purchase of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased, and inventories of such supplies (if any) are not recorded as assets at the close of the fiscal year.

G. Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year has 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.

H. Total Columns on Combined Statements - Overview

Total columns on the Combined Statements - Overview 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 cash flows 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.

I. 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 receivable.

2) Ad Valorem Taxes

The Town levies taxes on real and business personal property located within its boundaries. Property taxes are levied by the Town on property values assessed by the Jeff Davis Parish Tax Assessor and approved by the State of Louisiana Tax Commission.

For the year ended July 31, 1996, taxes of 26.20 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$5,002,380 and were dedicated as follows:

General corporate purposes

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7.18 mills

Drainage maintenance	5.51 mills
Street and alley maintenance	5.51 mills
Debt service	8.00 mills

The Town property taxes are levied on November 1 and are due December 31, and are delinquent by January 1st. Delinquent property taxes attach as enforceable liens on property as of April 30.

3) Changes in Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of changes to bonds and notes payable of the Town for the year ended July 31, 1996:

	General <u>Obligation</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u> </u>
Bonds and notes payable at August 1, 1995	\$ 315,000	\$ 2,347,417	\$ 2,662,417
Bonds made Bonds and notes retired	395,512 <u>(6,000</u>)	- <u>(95,000</u>)	395,512 <u>(101,000</u>)
Bonds payable at July 31, 1996	<u>\$ 704,512</u>	<u>\$ 2.252.417</u>	<u>\$ 2,956,929</u>

