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TOWN OF MARION

Marion, Louisiana

General Purpose Financial Statements
and Independent Auditor's Report
With Supplemental Information Schedules
As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2007

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TOWN OF MARION
Marion, Louisiana
General Purpose Financial Statements As of and For the Year Ended
December 31, 1997
Part: Supplemental Information Schedule

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Mayor and Council Members
Town of Marion
Marion, Louisiana
June 26, 1998

I have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Marion, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Marion's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statements presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of the Town of Marion, Louisiana, as of December 31, 1997, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated June 26, 1998, on my consideration of Town of Marion's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

My audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The financial information listed as supplementary schedules listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Marion, Louisiana. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material aspects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended for the information of the Town of Marion's management and the Louisiana Legislative Auditing Bureau; this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.


JIMMIE SELF
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

June 26, 1998

STATE OF ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND FINANCE SERVICES
REVENUE STATE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS UNDER U.S. GAAP

	INVESTMENTAL FUNDS		PROFESSORIAL FUNDS		ACCUMULATED LIABILITIES		TOTAL	
	General Fund	Subsequent Fund	General Fund	Subsequent Fund	General Fund	Subsequent Fund	General Fund	Subsequent Fund
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES								
Assets								
• Gift and Cash Equivalents	11,075	11,049					22,124	
• Investments, net, other application of authority for investment purposes (Schedule, A-17-18)	12,479	14,287	14,287	14,287			41,350	28,574
• Restricted Assets		14,249	14,249				28,498	
• Cash, investments, restricted equipment and other application of authority		112,499	112,499		489,187		691,686	81,708
• Amount to be provided for general long term obligations						11,249	11,249	
FINANCIAL STATEMENT TOTALS	23,554	138,085	126,736	128,536	489,187	11,249	743,416	110,282
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities								
• Accounts and Other Payables	1,407	11,547					12,954	
• Contingent Liabilities		1,407					1,407	
• Unexpended Advances/Payables						1,407	1,407	
• Debt Payable (if not included in debt schedule)						11,249	11,249	
Equity, restricted Funds:								
• Unrestricted Special			114,473				114,473	
• Not subject to the Investment Fund					489,187		489,187	
• Restricted Equipment								11,249
• Unexpended (in lieu of restricted assets)		112,499					112,499	
• Reserve of undesignated/deficit	1751						1751	
• Total Equity & Other Funds	1751	112,499	114,473				347,723	
FINANCIAL STATEMENT TOTALS	3,158	224,946	228,946	114,473	489,187	11,249	857,919	111,707

continued

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

TOWN OF WARREN
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES
AND FUND BALANCE - FUND 0100
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u>
	<u>GENERAL</u>
	<u>FUND</u>
REVENUES	
Taxes	
All other taxes	18,883
Sales and use	16,000
Licenses and permits	45,000
Fees, charges, and contributions	24,883
Fines and forfeitures	5,222
Other	12,000
Total Revenues	<u>122,000</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Local fire services	27,500
Public Safety	20,000
Public Works	37,800
Total Expenditures	<u>85,300</u>
Excess (Deficiency) Of Revenues over Expenditures	36,700
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	
Miscellaneous	100
Payments for acquisition of capital assets	<u>(6,700)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Use)	<u>(6,600)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) Of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	(700)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>16,500</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>15,800</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

WARREN

STATE OF TEXAS
COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM
FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUBJECT TO AUDIT BY THE COMPTROLLER
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

GENERAL FUND

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
REVENUES			
Local Sources			
Taxes:			
Ad valorem	14,400	14,423	4,023
Sales and use	50,270	50,448	17,775
Licenses and permits	49,000	49,000	4,440
Excise taxes and donations	17,700	18,840	16,875
Financial institutions	1,000	1,000	100
Other	10,170	10,000	484
Total	<u>142,540</u>	<u>146,711</u>	<u>43,637</u>
Interstate Funds			
General Excise Tax	7,500	17,700	16,000
Public Safety	46,170	52,440	47,000
Public Works	46,170	47,000	44,000
Total	<u>99,840</u>	<u>117,140</u>	<u>107,000</u>
Special-Use/Other Intergovernmental Expenditures	<u>(45)</u>	<u>704</u>	<u>4,000</u>
OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Investments	1,400	10	174
Payroll and services withheld	<u>(1,400)</u>	<u>(1,400)</u>	<u>(1,400)</u>
Total Other Financial Sources of Use	<u>(1,400)</u>	<u>(1,390)</u>	<u>(1,226)</u>
Special-Use/Other Intergovernmental Expenditures			
Other Expenditures and Other Use	140	150	140
Total Other Financial of Use	<u>140</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>140</u>
Total Other Financial of Use	<u>140</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>140</u>
Total Balance Available for Use	<u>141,280</u>	<u>145,421</u>	<u>42,451</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Signature:

**TOWN OF MARION
 PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
 AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>ENTERPRISE FUND</u>
OPERATING REVENUE	
Charges for services	171,668
Total Operating Revenues	<u>171,668</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Personal services	106,748
Supplies and repairs	26,973
Operational	39,848
Depreciation	<u>16,717</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>190,286</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>(18,618)</u>
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest Revenues	<u>5,157</u>
Total Nonoperating Revenues & Expenses	<u>5,157</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(13,461)
Retained Earnings-Beginning of year	<u>126,142</u>
Retained Earnings - End of Year	<u>112,681</u>

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF MARIEN, LOUISIANA

PROSPERITY FUND TYPE

Schedule of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	<u>ENTERPRISE</u> <u>FLUOR</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Net Income From Operations	(23,559)
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	38,718
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Decrease (Increase) in accounts receivable	(17,511)
Decrease (Increase) in inventory	(12,809)
Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable	12,809
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	0,000
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Payments for construction of capital assets	(22,500)
Net cash provided (used) from capital and related financing activities	(22,500)
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(22,500)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	125,000
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	<u>92,500</u>

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement

TOWN OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Town of Marion was incorporated under the provisions of the Lawton Act (Louisiana Revised Statutes [L.R.S. - R.S.] 33:321 - 483) and operates under a Mayor/Board of Aldermen/Women form of government. It provides the following services to its residents: public safety (police), highways and streets, gas, water, sewer, and sanitation facilities through the utility fund, cultural/recreation, and general administrative services. It is composed of the mayor and 5 members, elected by a population of approximately 733. There were 12 employees as December 31, 1997, serving approximately 450 customers.

The accounting and reporting policies of the municipality 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 industry audit guide, *Audits of State and Local Governments*, 11th ed.

A. REPORTING ENTITY

As the municipal governing authority, for reporting purposes, the Town of Marion, Louisiana is considered a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, (b) municipalities, (c) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (d) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that inclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Town of Marion, Louisiana for the financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. The criteria include:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - A. The ability of the municipality to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - B. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the municipality.
2. Organizations for which the municipality does not appoint a voting majority but are financially dependent on the municipality.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

No component units are included in this report, since there are none.

TOWN OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2017

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

B. FUND ACCOUNTING

The Town of Marion uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain governmental functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. On the other hand, an account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds of the Town of Marion are classified into two categories - governmental and proprietary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate fund types. The fund classifications and a description of each existing fund type follows:

Governmental Funds

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

General Fund - the general operating fund of the Town of Marion accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Proprietary Funds

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

Enterprise Fund - (composed of Water and Sewer Fund) accounts for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise where the intent of the governing body is that costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user fees; or (b) where the governing body has decided that 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 MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
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C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds and agency funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases and decreases in net current assets. The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by all governmental funds, and agency funds. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Property taxes attach to an identifiable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied by the Town in September or October and are actually billed on October 1, and are mailed to the taxpayers in November. Delinquent taxes become delinquent on January 1 of the following year. Revenues from all valorem taxes are included in the year billed.

The Town bills and collects its own property taxes using the assessed value determined by the tax assessors of Franklin Parish.

The year ended December 31, 1997, taxes of 5.82 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling 2,216,390 and were collected as follows:

General corporate purposes	5.82 mills
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Property tax revenues are recognized when they become available. Available includes those property tax receivables stated to be collected within sixty days after year end. Delinquent taxes are considered fully collectible and therefore an allowance for uncollectible taxes is not provided.

Fees, bond liabilities, and fees are recognized when collected by the Town. Interest income is recorded when it is credited to accounts by the Bank.

Expenditures

Salaries are recorded as expenditures when earned by employees.

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

Principal and interest on general long-term debt and installment purchase payments are recognized when due.

The Water and Sewerage Enterprise Funds are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred. The Enterprise Funds (Water and Sewer Fund) use the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objective is the determination of net income, financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities associated with a proprietary fund's activities are included on its balance sheet.

TOWN OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997

B. BUDGETS

The Town of Marion (Mayor and Council) uses the following budget practices:

- (1) Prior to December 31, the town Clerk submits to the Mayor and Council Members a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them for the upcoming year. The budget is submitted in summary form. In addition, more detailed line item budgets are included for administrative control. The level of control for the detailed budgets is at the department head/function level.
- (2) Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comment.
- (3) During the month of January the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.
- (4) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and Capital Projects Fund.
- (5) Budgets for the General Fund, are adopted on the GAAP basis.
- (6) Appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.
- (7) The Mayor and Council Members authorize supplemental appropriations during the year. Supplemental appropriations were made during the fiscal year.

E. ENCUMBRANCES

Encumbrance accounting is not used.

F. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest - bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and short investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the Town of Marion may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest - bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

Under state law, the Town of Marion may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are stated at cost.

G. RESTRICTED ASSETS

Certain proceeds of enterprise fund revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants.

**TOWNSHIP OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

II. FIXED ASSETS

Fixed Assets used in governmental fund operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the general fixed assets account group rather than the governmental funds. Public domain or infrastructures are not capitalized. Historic costs incurred during construction are not capitalized. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost.

Fixed assets of the Enterprise Funds are recorded at cost, if purchased, and at their market value at date of gift, if donated. They are included on the balance sheet net of accumulated depreciation. Major additions are capitalized while maintenance and repairs that do not improve or extend life of the respective assets are charged to expenses.

Depreciation of all depreciable fixed assets used by the proprietary fund operations is charged as an expense against operations. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful life using the straight-line method of 3-40 years.

The general fixed assets account group is not a fund. It is concerned only with the measurement of financial position, not with measurement of results of operations.

I. LONG - TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long - term obligations expected to be financed from governmental funds are reported in the general long - term obligations account group. Expenditures for principal and interest payments for long - term obligations are recognized in the governmental funds when due. Long-term obligations expected to be financed from proprietary fund operations are accounted for in those funds.

J. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Employees can accrue up to 480 hours of sick leave. The cost of leave privileges not requiring current resources is recorded in the general long-term obligations account group.

K. FUND EQUITY

Contributed Capital

Contributed capital is recorded in the Enterprise Fund, that has received capital grants or contributions from developers, customers, or other funds when such resources are restricted for the acquisition or construction of capital assets. Contributed capital is not amortized.

Reserves

Reserves represent those portions of fund equity not appropriate for expenditures or legally segregated for a specific future use.

Designated Fund Balances

Designated fund balances represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources.

TOWN OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997

I. TOTAL COLUMNS ON COMBINED STATEMENTS

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

II. INVENTORIES

Inventories in the proprietary funds equal 70,188 and are recorded as an expense when consumed. Inventories are valued at cost (first-in, first-out).

NOTE 2 - SALES TAXES

The Union Parish School Board collects sales tax (7%) and remits to the Town of Marion. The Town of Marion received a total of \$80,530 in 1997.

NOTE 3 - LEVIED TAXES

Authorized Millage 5.82; Levied Millage 5.82

NOTE 5 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The following is a summary of cash and cash equivalents (bank balances) at December 31, 1997, for the Town of Marion had cash totaling \$114,248, as follows:

Demand Deposits	33,780
Restricted Assets (Cash)	<u>80,548</u>
Total	<u>\$114,248</u>

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits, or the resulting bank balances, must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances) at December 31, 1997 are accounted as follows:

Bank Balances	<u>114,248</u>
Federal Deposit Insurance	180,000
Pledged Securities	<u>250,000</u>
Total	<u>\$344,248</u>

At December 31, 1997, the primary government has \$114,248 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are covered from risk by \$180,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$250,000 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank (GASB Category 2).

TOWN OF MARION
 MARION, LOUISIANA
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 DECEMBER 31, 1997

Even though the pledged accounts are considered uncollateralized (Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Statement 3, Louisiana Revised Statute 79:1279 imposes a statutory requirement on the extended bank to advance and sell the pledged accounts within 30 days of being notified that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES

The receivables of 43,877 at December 31, 1997, are as follows:

General Fund	Accounts Rec.	Allowance for Bad Debt		
Accounts Rec. - Regular	5,977	0		5,977
Other Receivables	34,000	3,500		6,500
	20,007	3,500		12,477
Enterprise Fund:				
Accounts Rec. - Regular	21,939	4,079		17,860
Other Receivables	20,080	12,585		13,500
	31,024	29,664		31,360
	31,021	27,096		43,627

The Allowance for Bad Debt (\$2,115) for Other Receivable resulted from misappropriated funds from the Town of Marion. The total loss of funds charged to Other Receivables \$ 43,115

Total due and collectible from Marion State Bank	5,000
Total due and collectible from Survey Bond	20,000
Total assumed collectible	25,115

This balance is charged to Bad Debt expense since collectibility is very unlikely as advised by the attorney, Mr. Ansell, and the Mayor, Mr. Kenneth Franklin.

Additionally, \$2,562, was charged to earnings of Gail Durbin and already reported to the Internal Revenue Service and was not corrected when the W-2's were issued. It was agreed to leave as is.

NOTE 7 - CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balance 12-31-96	Additions	Retirements	Balance 12-31-97
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS				
Land	729	0	0	729
Building	38,000	0	0	38,000
Equipment	45,618	0	0	45,618
Auto	384,649	11,779	0	316,824
TOTAL	380,700	11,779	0	402,157

TOWN OF MARION
 MARION, LOUISIANA
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 DECEMBER 31, 1997

A summary of the fund type property, plant & equipment at December 31, 1997, follows:

Land	7,800
Wastewater treatment system	<u>1,185,986</u>
Vehicles and equipment	80,292
Total	1,274,078
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(651,611)</u>
Net	<u>622,467</u>

NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN

There were no participants in the Pension Program as of the year ended December 31, 1997.

NOTE 9 - ACCOUNTS, SALARIES, AND OTHER PAYABLES OF \$21,174 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

The following is a summary of payables at December 31, 1997

Accounts Payable - General Fund	16,803
Accounts Payable - Enterprise Fund	<u>4,371</u>
Total	<u>21,174</u>

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt is a result of compensated absence liability and a note payable of \$87,854 for the purchase of a fire truck. Changes in general long-term obligations are as follows:

Transactions for the year ended December 31, 1997:

	Notes Payable	Compensated Absences	Total
Long-term obligations payable at 12-31-97	180,808	\$ 5,854	186,662
Deductions	<u>12,854</u>	0	12,854
Long-term obligations payable at 12-31-97	<u>167,954</u>	5,854	<u>173,808</u>

The Notes Payable is comprised of 180,808, to purchase a fire truck.

Balance at 12-31-97	\$1,966
Interest Rate	.0512
Term	84 months @ 1,468.08 per month

TOWN OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997

Schedule of Amortization including interest is as follows:

1998	13,581
1999	13,581
2000	13,581
2001	13,581
2002	13,581
Thereafter	18,492

NOTE 11 - POST-RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The Town of Marion has no retired employees as of December 31, 1997.

NOTE 12 - SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

Litigation

According to the Town's attorney there were no pending litigations or claims against the Town as of December 31, 1997.

The Accounts Receivable of \$23,117 is a material amount for the Town of Marion. As stated in note 6, the collectability of this \$23,117 is very unlikely and has been charged to Bad Debt Expense for the year ended 12-31-97.

NOTE 13 - LEASES

There are no leases.

TOWN OF MARION
MARION, LOUISIANA
DECEMBER 31, 1997

*Supplemental Information Schedule:
Proprietary Fund Types*

TOWNSHIP OF MARION

Schedule of Compensation Paid to the Mayor and Aldermen/Mayors
For the Year Ended December 31, 1997

Mayor Kenneth W. Franklin Post Office Box 484 Marion, Louisiana 71360	\$ 4,500.00
Alderman Ralph Hilly Post Office Box 487 Marion, Louisiana 71360	320.00
Alderman George Fatch Post Office Box 152 Marion, Louisiana 71360	320.00
Alderman Patrick Peterson Post Office Box 32 Marion, Louisiana 71360	320.00
Alderman Johnny H. Gillian Post Office Box 488 Marion, Louisiana 71360	320.00
Alderman Johnny Zaigler Post Office Box 346 Marion, Louisiana 71360	320.00
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Report On Compliance and On Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based On An Audit Of
Financial Statements Performed In
Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

To the Mayor and Council Members
Town of Marion
Marion, Louisiana
June 26, 1998

I have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Marion, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, and have issued my report thereon dated June 26, 1998.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance:

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Town of Marion, La.'s, general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

The results of my tests disclosed instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards which are described in the accompanying schedule of communication of reportable conditions that I have reported to management of Town of Marion, La., in a separate letter dated June 26, 1998.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting:

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Town of Marion's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, I noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to my attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting, that in my judgment, could adversely affect Town of Marion's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying schedule of reportable conditions.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the

internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, I believe some of the reportable conditions described in the communication to management are material.

This report is intended for the information of the Town of Bluffton's management, and the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana. However, this restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.



JIMMIE SELF
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

June 28, 1998

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs: _____

Is the auditee a "new risk" auditee, as defined by OMB Circular A-133? Yes No

Section II Financial Statement Findings

1987-1.

Accounts Receivable (Cash funds) of the accounts receivable have an error of \$1,000.00 which has been demanded as an asset of the Bad Debt.	It has been shown off
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To be taken by management.

Section III Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

N/A

1987-2. (DESCRIPTIVE CAPTION) (This section identifies the audit findings required to be reported by Circular A-133, Section 5100) (e.g., reportable conditions, material weaknesses, and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs). Where practical, findings should be organized by federal agency or pass-through entity.

Identify each finding with a reference number and descriptive caption. If there are no findings, state that no matters were reported. Audit findings which relate to both the financial statements and federal awards should be reported in both Section II and Section III. However, the reporting

In one section may be in summary with reference by number and caption to the other section. Each finding should fully describe the: criteria or specific requirement, condition found, effect, cause, questioned costs, and recommendations.

It is suggested that management be required to complete a Management Corrective Action Plan. As an alternative, the auditor may include management's response in the finding. However, the response must detail the specific actions taken by management or those specific actions intended to be taken by management.

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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
For the Year Ended December 31, 1997

SECTION I INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
1996-1 (Descriptive Caption): A brief summary of the recommendation. <i>No issues have been identified.</i>	Resolved, Partially Resolved, Management Disagreement, Unresolved and referenced to current year finding.
1996-2 (Descriptive Caption): A brief summary of the recommendation. <i>Continued to be during 1997. Resolution: None Applicable 1997</i>	Resolved, Partially Resolved, Management Disagreement, Unresolved and referenced to current year finding.
SECTION II INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO FEDERAL AWARDS <i>p.10</i>	
1996-3 (Descriptive Caption): A brief summary of the recommendation.	Resolved, Partially Resolved, Management Disagreement, Unresolved and referenced to current year finding. (This narrative should include whether or not a Management Decision has been issued by a federal or pass-through agency.)
SECTION III MANAGEMENT LETTER	
(Descriptive Caption): A brief summary of the recommendation. <i>Continued to be during 1997. Resolution: None Applicable</i>	Resolved, Partially Resolved, Management Disagreement, Unresolved and referenced to current year finding. <i>Continued to be during 1997.</i>

If no findings have been reported under a specific section, the schedule should so state.

MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
For the Year Ended 12 - 31 - 77

SECTION I INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1907-1 (Descriptive Caption) A brief summary of the recommendation.

- 1) Answer all sub-issues on separate sheets and all sheets open without covers.
- 2) The State Comptroller should sign these sheets.
- 3) The State Comptroller should be notified by letter when the sheets are ready to be reviewed.
- 4) Transmittal should be timely covered, numbered, and compiled. Appropriate action will be taken when differences arise.

Management should clearly state the actions taken to date, or their intended actions. The actions should be listed in detail. Those responsible should be identified and completion dates for each step should be listed. Should management suggest an alternative remedy, that resolution should be listed in detail and it should be stated whether or not the auditor agrees with the alternative solution. Management should state whether the federal grantor or pass-through entity has been contacted concerning resolution of the matter.

SECTION II INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO FEDERAL AWARDS *11/81*

1907-2 (Descriptive Caption) A brief summary of the recommendation.

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SECTION III MANAGEMENT LETTER

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Note: If all findings are reflected on a Schedule of Questioned Cost and Findings, this schedule can be organized and referenced to that schedule.