

The Honorable John Easton, Mayor
and Member of the Board of Aldermen
March 13, 1997
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WATER DEPOSITS

The Village receives \$40 for a connection fee and \$40 for a water deposit. In reviewing the transactions dealing with the water deposits, we discovered that some customers did not pay their deposit nor did they pay the connection fee. It was our assumption that these fees had to be paid before a new customer received service. We suggest that the Village collect these fees before water services are started and try to collect the fees owed by the customers that have not paid these fees.

REPLY

The Village agreed to take appropriate action.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The Village needs to have some kind of policy concerning unpaid water and sewer bills. Some customers receive service even though they have not paid the month before. We suggest that the Village give each customer one billing cycle to pay their bill, if left unpaid, the service is disconnected and their deposit is applied to their bill.

The Village is putting in water meters. This presents another problem in billing for water leaks. The Village needs to develop a water leak policy on the responsibility for the additional charges.

REPLY

The Village will discuss these suggestions.

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

The Honorable John Eason, Jr., Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Village of Clarks, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997.

We have applied procedures to test the Village of Clarks, Louisiana's compliance with the following requirements applicable to its federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance, for the year ended June 30, 1996. The general requirements applicable to the entity's federal financial assistance programs (are: political activity, Davis-Bacon Act, civil rights, cash management, federal financial reports, allowable costs/cost principles and Drug-free Workplace Act.)

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

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

This report is intended solely for the information of the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen and Louisiana Legislative Auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of the report, which is a matter of public record.


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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1999

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VILLAGE OF CLARK
 CLARK, IOWA
 UTILITIES FUND
 COMBINING STATEMENTS BY CASH FLOW
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1998

STATEMENT 1-3
 CONTINUED

	WATER	SEWER	TOTAL
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING			
INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED			
BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Operating Income	\$ (33,987.43)	\$ (13,875.33)	\$ (47,862.76)
Adjustments			
Depreciation	36,048.00	21,936.00	57,984.00
(Increase) Decrease in Assets			
Retainables	(1,608.34)	(827.00)	(2,435.34)
Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	3,896.83	586.89	4,483.72
Sales Tax Payable	23.00	.80	23.80
Accrual Payable	(264.95)	(138.28)	(403.23)
	\$ 121.85	\$ 8,596.47	\$ 8,718.32
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES			
Noncash Transaction Affecting			
Financial Good Retirement in			
Excess of Refunding Insurance	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

RELEASE OF CLAIMS
CLAIMS, LOUISIANA
TRUSTFUND FUND
COMBINING STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1986

STATEMENT C-3

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 45,847.91	\$ 26,879.79	\$ 71,927.70
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(25,948.23)	(10,150.89)	(36,099.12)
Cash Paid to Employees	(20,978.64)	(8,147.28)	(29,125.92)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 1,121.04	\$ 8,581.62	\$ 9,702.66
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Payments to Other Funds	\$ 16,953.28	\$ (11,426.20)	\$ (5,527.08)
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	(17,128.25)	.80	(17,127.45)
NET CASH USED BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ 181,389.80	\$ (11,425.40)	\$ 179,964.40
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Acquisition of Capital Assets	\$ (200,158.60)	\$.00	\$ (200,158.60)
NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ (200,158.60)	\$.00	\$ (200,158.60)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Customer Deposits	\$ 1,529.80	\$.00	\$ 1,529.80
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	\$ 1,529.80	\$.00	\$ 1,529.80
NET INCREASE/DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ (197,907.86)	\$ (2,843.78)	\$ (200,751.64)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - JULY 1	11,469.80	12,148.58	23,618.38
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - JUNE 30	\$ 1,097.18	\$ 9,304.80	\$ 10,401.98

VILLAGE OF ELKINS
ELKINS, LOUISIANA
INDUSTRIAL ZONE

STATEMENT E-2

COMBINED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1996

	WATER	SEWER	TOTAL
OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges For Service			
Meter Sales	\$ 44,538.45	\$.00	\$ 44,538.45
Penalties and Reconnections/ Connections	1,840.00	.00	1,840.00
Sewer Sales	.00	24,470.48	24,470.48
Oxidation Pond - Grayson	.00	3,236.94	3,236.94
Miscellaneous	395.00	.00	395.00
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 46,773.45	\$ 27,707.38	\$ 74,480.83
OPERATING EXPENDITURES			
Cost of Sales and Service	\$ 27,287.77	\$ 9,378.19	\$ 36,665.96
Administration	23,382.96	9,406.56	32,789.51
Depreciation	38,048.81	21,908.00	59,956.81
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 98,719.54	\$ 40,692.75	\$ 139,412.29
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (51,946.09)	\$ (12,985.37)	\$ (64,931.46)
NONOPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSES)			
Sale of Scrap Metal	\$ 132.68	\$.00	\$ 132.68
NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OPERATING TRANSFERS	\$ (51,813.41)	\$ (12,985.37)	\$ (64,798.78)
TRANSFERS TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS			
Transfer to	\$ (4,500.00)	\$ (9,000.00)	\$ (13,500.00)
Transfer from	.00	.00	.00
Total Transfer To/From Other Funds	\$ (4,500.00)	\$ (9,000.00)	\$ (13,500.00)
NET GROSS BEFORE NONOPERATING ADJUSTMENTS (DEDUCTIONS)	\$ (56,313.41)	\$ (21,985.37)	\$ (78,298.78)
Add Back Depreciation on Assets Acquired with Capital Grants	44,700.00	21,750.00	66,450.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (11,613.41)	\$ (2,235.37)	\$ (13,848.78)
RETAINED EARNINGS - UNREVERSED - 2001	61,968.38	13,699.87	75,668.25
RETAINED EARNINGS - UNREVERSED - 2002	\$ 50,354.97	\$ 11,464.50	\$ 61,819.47

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

VILLAGE OF CLARK'S
 CLARKS UTILITIES
 ENTERPRISE FUND
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEETS
 JUNE 30, 1998

STATEMENT C-1
 (CONTINUED)

	WATER	SEWER	TOTAL
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>			
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 4,879.89	\$ 714.26	\$ 5,594.15
Sales Tax Payable	154.89	.00	154.89
Due To/From Other Funds	1,485.55	.00	1,485.55
Accrued Payables	44.26	42.42	87.18
Customer Deposits	3,258.08	.00	3,258.08
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 9,798.23	\$ 816.68	\$ 10,614.89
<u>EQUITY</u>			
<u>FUND EQUITY</u>			
Contributed Capital			
ICDBG	\$ 836,371.93	\$ 768,585.80	\$ 1,604,957.73
Other	14,825.00	5,328.89	19,953.89
Total Contributed Capital	\$ 851,196.93	\$ 773,914.69	\$ 1,625,111.62
<u>RETAINED EARNINGS</u>			
Unreserved	\$ 36,285.81	\$ 12,252.14	\$ 48,537.95
<u>TOTAL EQUITY</u>	\$ 887,482.74	\$ 786,166.83	\$ 1,673,649.57
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>	\$ 8,685,760.97	\$ 790,081.51	\$ 9,475,842.48

See accompanying notes and auditor's report.

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March 13, 1997

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable John Estes, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Village of Clark, Clark, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Village of Clark's, Clark, Louisiana, management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provided a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include financial data of the Clark's Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and the Clark's Community Center, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. We do not know what effect these transactions would have on these financial statements.

The Village of Clark violated state statute R. S. 34:513, which requires that the audit be completed and issued within six months of the close of the entity's fiscal year. (See note #39 in the notes to the financial statements.)

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial statements of the omissions described in the preceding paragraphs, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Village of Clark, Clark, Louisiana, as of June 30, 1996, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.


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BLUET RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPLIES

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
PROPERTY TAX STATEMENT
FOR 2013

ASSessor's Parcel Number
012-020-001

PROPERTY ADDRESS	APN	TYPE	EXEMPT	TAX
LA BUNCH BLVD PASADENA 91101	186-111	01/11/99 - 01/11/99 06/04/02 - 06/04/02		01.00
Property Exempt from Property Tax because of: Exemption for Long Term Care of Dependents Section 201 06/04/02				
			\$	5.000
			\$	150.000
			\$	155.000

LA BUNCH BLVD, PASADENA
 91101

The 01/11/99 does not carry overage for "lighting increases".

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA
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CENTERS OF DISOBEDIENCE
VILLAGE OF CLARK
AUDIT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1989

The Village of Clark violated state statute R. S. 28:533, which requires that the audit be completed and issued within six months of the close of the entity's fiscal year as stated in the auditors' report and the notes to the financial statements issued and dated on March 13, 1990. The Village failed to pay the total billed audit fees for the prior year.

Our office did not realize that we could not sign a contract with the Village of Clark until they had paid us for the prior year's audit. We resigned from the contract, after we talked to your office in December. At that time, we thought we would be allowed to do the audit the first two weeks in January. We however were not paid until the end of January and we miscalculated how many delays, interruptions, and time we would require to complete this audit in the month of February.

The Village's procedure for paying grant expenses is that payment is made after receiving monies from the grant program. Therefore, the Village did not pay our accounting fees relating to the grant, because they were not paid by the grant program. The portion of our fees that were paid by the grant program, were paid to us during 1989.

Mayer John Kason has assured us that the Village of Clark will make every effort to comply with this requirement with this state statute in the future.

Certified by

Stanley D. Garrett, CPA

ccp: Mayor John Kason,
Village of Clark

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CLARK, LOUISIANA
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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON LOUISIANA
SYSTEMS SURVEY AND COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE**

The Honorable John Essex, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

At your request, we have also examined Parts III through VIII of the accompanying "System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire" of the Village of Clark, covering the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996. Our examination was made in accordance with the procedures enumerated in the System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire - Recommended Procedures for Auditing.

In connection with our examination which included the procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph, nothing came to my attention that caused me to believe that the responses to the attached questionnaire are not fairly stated.

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VILLAGE OF CLARK
 CLARK, IOWA 1998
 INTERFUND FUND
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEETS
 JUNE 30, 1998

STATEMENT C-1

ASSETS	WATER	SEWER	TOTAL
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 2,697.19	\$ 9,302.76	\$ 11,999.95
Accounts Receivable (Net of Allowance for Uncollectible)	4,671.79	3,267.55	7,939.34
Due To/From Other Funds	185.80	3,908.05	4,093.85
Total Current Assets	\$ 7,554.78	\$ 16,478.36	\$ 24,033.14
FIXED ASSETS			
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 69,969.49	\$ 613.46	\$ 70,582.94
Sewer/Water Plant	1,873,588.37	875,218.00	2,748,806.37
Total	\$ 1,943,557.86	\$ 875,831.46	\$ 2,819,389.32
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	130,632.48	277,871.00	408,503.48
Net Property, Plant and Equipment	\$ 1,812,925.38	\$ 597,960.46	\$ 2,410,885.84
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 9,367,680.16	\$ 17,076,298.82	\$ 26,443,978.98

PROPRIETARY Fund - ENTERPRISE FUNDS

The Billing Fund is a Proprietary Fund Type - Enterprise Fund that accounts for water and sewer services provided to residents of the Village of Clark. 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.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
 CLERK, LOUISIANA
 CLERK, LAKE CHARLES
 POLICE OFFICE
 JUNE 30, 1996 AND 1995

STATEMENT A-1

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 4,571.00	\$ 2,850.91
Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable	158.64	10.20
Due From Enterprise Fund	<u>3.58</u>	<u>3,994.80</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,733.12	\$ 6,855.91
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,618.74	\$ 1,861.29
Due to LDCB Fund	2,008.08	.80
Accrued Liabilities	<u>193.87</u>	<u>229.80</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 3,812.61	\$ 2,092.89
EQUITY		
Fund Balance Unreserved	\$ <u>920.51</u>	\$ <u>4,834.08</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 4,733.12	\$ 6,927.97

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

OFFICE OF CLERKS
CLARK, LOUISIANA
GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT A-2

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1996 AND 1995

	1996	1995
REVENUES		
Taxes	\$ 9,865.07	\$ 9,187.00
Licenses and Permits	4,876.34	4,790.98
Intergovernmental Revenues	3,814.50	3,593.74
Fines and Forfeits	746.00	783.90
Other Revenues	2,790.29	2,753.37
Total Revenue	\$ 21,812.40	\$ 21,864.50
EXPENDITURES		
General and Administrative	\$ 17,867.17	\$ 21,864.83
Police Department	8,100.23	3,813.80
Fire Department	.00	548.21
Street and Parks	12,864.42	8,500.91
Total Expenditures	\$ 38,831.82	\$ 34,727.75
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (17,019.42)	\$ (12,863.25)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		
Operating Transfers In	\$ 13,508.08	\$ 21,831.25
Operating Transfers Out	.00	.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ 13,508.08	\$ 21,831.25
EXCESS OF REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	\$ 3,512.42	\$ 8,967.99
FUND BALANCES - UNRESERVED - JULY 1	4,834.98	1,634.00
FUND BALANCES - UNRESERVED - JUNE 30	\$ 8,347.40	\$ 10,601.99

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARKS, LOUISIANA
CIVILIAN FUND
SCHEDULES OF DETAIL OF REVENUES
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1998 AND 1999

SCHEDULE B-1

	1998	1999
REVENUES		
Taxes		
Advalorem - General	\$ 2,998.98	\$ 2,864.80
Franchise	6,858.48	6,377.80
Total Taxes	\$ 9,857.46	\$ 9,242.60
Licenses and Permits		
Alcoholic Beverage	\$ 354.00	\$.00
Occupational	3,857.34	4,290.34
Total Licenses and Permits	\$ 4,211.34	\$ 4,290.34
Intergovernmental Revenues		
Tobacco	\$ 3,514.60	\$ 3,529.24
Fines and Forfeits	\$ 785.00	\$ 785.00
Other		
Rental	\$ 2,080.80	\$ 2,445.00
Lot Clearing	71.80	148.00
Sale of Assets	.80	.00
Miscellaneous	649.33	158.33
Total Other	\$ 2,762.73	\$ 2,751.33
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 21,212.43	\$ 21,054.55

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

VILLAGE OF CLARKS
 CLARKS, LOUISIANA
 GENERAL FUND
 SCHEDULES OF DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES
 FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1986 AND 1985

SCHEDULE A-2

	1986	1985
EXPENDITURES		
<u>General and Administration</u>		
Salaries - Alderman	\$ 3,230.00	\$ 3,178.00
Salaries - Mayor	1,650.00	1,000.00
Salaries - Other	2,788.00	8,738.00
Fixed Asset Purchases	1,788.64	1,575.00
Insurance Expense	2,546.28	2,705.00
Legal and Accounting Fees	400.00	1,960.00
Miscellaneous	.08	47.21
Office Supplies and Expense	6,906.56	7,876.39
Repairs and Maintenance	491.47	2,441.12
Travel	367.64	1,859.22
Payroll Taxes	517.62	883.78
Election Expenses	.00	80.22
Total General and Administration	\$ 32,667.17	\$ 32,584.83
<u>Police Department</u>		
Police Trial Expense	\$ 7,325.80	\$ 2,000.00
Police Car Expense	379.11	61.44
Inmate Lunches	588.12	152.44
Total Police Department	\$ 8,193.03	\$ 3,013.88
<u>Fire Department</u>		
Supplies	\$.00	\$ 340.21
<u>Street and Parks</u>		
Utilities	\$ 0,300.00	\$ 0,560.81
Other Expenses	4,170.53	.00
Total Street and Parks	\$ 4,470.53	\$ 560.81
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 38,474.82	\$ 38,559.92

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

Capital projects funds should be established when capital acquisition or construction is financed, in whole or in part, through bonds, intergovernmental revenues, major private donations or special assessments. In addition, capital projects funds can be useful when capital acquisition or construction is financed by several funds or over several accounting periods.

The Village of Clark was awarded in recent years four USDO Grants: Grant #100-3319 for \$225,000, Grant #181-3863 for \$500,042, Grant #100-5809 for \$215,000 for Water and Fire protection, and Grant #100-5826 for \$600,000 for sewer system improvements. The Village has received two Rural Development Grants in fiscal 1994 \$15,000 was received for Town Hall repairs and in fiscal 1995 \$15,000 was received for the Water Filter System.

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VILLAGE DE CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA

BIRTH REPORT

APR 26, 1956

Under provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of this report has been furnished to the local health department, and to the local health officer. This report is available for public inspection at the State Department of Health, 1000 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. For further information, contact the office of the State Health Officer.

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The Honorable John Eason, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen
March 15, 1997
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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 general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that federal financial assistance programs are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors, irregularities, or instances of noncompliance may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

For the purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal financial assistance programs in the following categories:

1. Control environment
2. Accounting System
3. Control procedures

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 June 30, 1996, the Village of Clark, Louisiana, expended 380% of the receipts of its total federal assistance under major federal financial assistance programs:

1. LCDBG CBMS 181-8426

We performed tests of controls, as required by OMB Circular A-128, to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of internal control structure policies and procedures that we have considered relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with specific requirements, general requirements, and requirements governing claims for advances and reimbursements and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to each of the Village'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.

Our consideration of the internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal financial assistance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the 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

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 1998

NOTE 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

Autonomy for Fiscal Matters Fiscal authority normally includes the authority for final approval over budgetary appropriations, responsibility for funding deficits and operating deficiencies, disposal of surplus funds, control over the collection and disbursement of funds, and maintenance of title to assets.

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

- A. Scope of Public Service - Aspects to be considered include whom the activity benefits and whether it is conducted within the entity's geographic boundaries and generally available to its citizens.
- B. Special Financing Relationship - Such a relationship may have been created to benefit the entity by providing for the issuance of debt on behalf of the entity.

COMPONENT UNITS

Generally accepted accounting principles require that the financial statements of component units be included in the financial reporting entity either as blended component units or as discretely presented component units. The Village of Clark has not included the component units.

Clarks Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. Part of the volunteer fire department expenditures for operating the fire department is paid by the Village of Clark General Fund. The transactions in the Volunteer Fire Department is for miscellaneous fund raisers and miscellaneous expense for the volunteer fireman, and the State of Louisiana 2% rebate to the volunteer fire department.

The Volunteer Fire Department personnel is appointed by the administration of the Village of Clark.

Clarks' Community Center The Clarks' Community Center was organized in 1996 for the purpose of operating community activities to be held in the Davis Building and the renovating of the Davis Building, which houses the Village's offices, library and other offices. The board is appointed by the Village's administration. The center collects donations for the repairs of this building. This statement does not reflect these activities, which were immaterial at the end of June 30, 1998.

Included within the reporting entity:

Village of Clark's Water Department Village of Clark rates for user charges are approved by the Town Council and the legal liability for the general obligations portion of the water authority's debt remains with Village of Clark.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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The financial statements of the Village of Clark, have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The following notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the Village's Annual Financial Report.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Report Entity: The Village of Clark operates under an elected Mayor/Council form of government. The Village's operations include water and sewer, public safety, fire protection, recreation and parks, and general administrative services.

The National Council on Governmental Accounting (NCGA), in order to clarify which organizations, functions, and activities of government should be included in general purpose financial statements, issued NCGA-3 (Defining the Governmental Reporting Entity) in October 1981. The NCGA has been replaced by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), but the latter organization has endorsed NCGA-3. In issuing NCGA-3, the NCGA's intention was to provide a basis for making comparisons among units of government or between time periods for a given government, to reduce the possibility of arbitrary exclusion or inclusion of organizations in financial reports, and to enable financial statement users to identify the operations for which governmental entities are responsible. The NCGA concluded that the basic criterion for including an agency, institution, authority, or other organization in a governmental unit's reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over such agencies by the governmental unit's elected officials. Oversight responsibility is defined to include, but is not limited to:

Financial Interdependency: When a separate agency produces a financial benefit for or imposes a financial burden on a unit of government, that agency is part of the reporting entity.

Manifestations of financial interdependency include responsibility for financing deficits, entitlement to surpluses, and guarantees of, or "moral responsibility" for, debt.

Selection of Governing Authority: An authoritative appointment is one in which the entity's chief elected official maintains a significant continuing relationship with the appointed officials with respect to carrying out important public functions.

Designation of Management: When management is appointed by and held accountable to a governing authority that is included in the entity, the activity being managed falls within the entity.

Ability to Significantly Influence Operations: This ability includes, but is not limited to, the authority to review and approve budgetary requests, adjustments, and amendments.

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CLARK, LOUISIANA
UTILITY FUND
COMBINING SCHEDULES OF DETAIL OF EXPENSES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1996

STATEMENT C-4

	WATER	SEWER	TOTAL
<u>COST OF SALES AND SERVICES</u>			
<u>SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS</u>			
Sales Taxes	\$ 1,789.00	\$.00	\$ 1,789.00
Chlorine	2,469.50	783.50	3,253.00
Coagulation Pond Expense	.00	1,786.00	1,786.00
Repairs and Maintenance	12,078.32	3,086.07	15,164.39
Water/Sewer Travel Expense	1,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
Utilities - Fuel	9,438.45	2,292.55	11,731.00
<u>TOTAL COST OF SALES AND SERVICES</u>	\$ 27,265.27	\$ 9,252.12	\$ 36,517.39
<u>ADMINISTRATIVE</u>			
Salaries	\$ 16,812.48	\$ 7,573.00	\$ 24,385.48
Supplies	47.32	.00	47.32
Travel - Per Diem	50.00	.00	50.00
Payroll Taxes	2,855.15	575.70	3,430.85
Office Supplies	2,385.11	251.27	2,636.38
Books	60.00	100.00	160.00
Lease Expense	.00	900.00	900.00
<u>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE</u>	\$ 21,382.96	\$ 8,400.97	\$ 29,783.93

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA

EXHIBIT C

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS
SUPPORTARY FUND 1993
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1998 AND 1995

	1998	1995
OPERATING REVENUES		
Charges for Services	\$ 24,805.79	\$ 22,084.41
Miscellaneous	285.89	232.58
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 25,091.68	\$ 22,316.99
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Cost of Sales and Services	\$ 38,845.89	\$ 45,488.46
Administrative	38,789.51	21,792.83
Depreciation/Equipment Loss	52,045.82	36,598.85
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 129,681.22	\$ 103,879.14
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (104,589.54)	\$ (81,562.15)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Sale of Scrap Metal	\$ 172.00	\$.00
NET INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OPERATING TRANSFERS	\$ (104,417.54)	\$ (81,562.15)
TRANSFER TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS		
Transfer To	\$ (13,500.00)	\$ (21,500.00)
Transfer From	.00	13,824.36
Total Transfer To/From Other Funds	\$ (13,500.00)	\$ (7,675.64)
NET (LOSS) BEFORE NON-OPERATING ADDITIONAL REVENUES (EXPENSES)	\$ (117,917.54)	\$ (89,237.79)
Add Back Depreciation on Assets Acquired With Capital Grants	49,435.82	33,582.89
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (68,481.72)	\$ (55,654.90)
RETAINED EARNINGS - UNRESERVED - JUL 1	81,887.77	92,084.88
RETAINED EARNINGS - UNRESERVED - JUNE 30	\$ 13,396.05	\$ 36,429.98

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

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March 18, 1987

The Honorable John Eason, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

We would like to make the following recommendations, to the Village of Clark:

1. GENERAL FUND

REIMBURSEMENTS OF EXPENSES

In 1985, we discovered that the Village reimburses some of it's employees and staff for mileage and other out-of-pocket expenses without documentation to support these payments. These payments are viewed by the Internal Revenue Service as additional wages. These amounts need to be included on the employee's M-2 and are subject to all employment taxes. The Village does have documentation but not enough to support these payments.

SOLUTION

The Village will discuss the problem with the employees involved and take appropriate action.

2. WATER AND SEWER FUNDS

CASH RECEIPTS

The Village does not use receipts for payments. The only way to find out who paid their bills on a certain day is to go through the water and sewer bills and make a list. Since they do not make daily deposits, this process is almost impossible to do.

We suggest that the Village fill out receipts for payments they receive. We also suggest the Village have some kind of policy of when deposits should be made. The nearest bank is probably ten miles away, which may not make it feasible to do a daily deposit. The Village needs to get a lock box to put their money on hand in. It would also help if individual deposits for each day are done even if the funds are not deposited to the bank until later.

COMMENTS ON COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
STRUCTURE BASED ON AN AUDIT OF GENERAL PURPOSE OR
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE
WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

The Honorable John Lucas, Mayor
and the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements of the Village of Clarks, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1992, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1993.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

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

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of Village of Clarks, Louisiana, for the year ended June 30, 1992, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly we do not express such an opinion.

The Honorable John Eason, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen
March 11, 1993
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Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within the timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we have reported to the management of the Village of Clark, in a separate letter dated March 11, 1993.

This report is intended solely for the information of the Mayor and member of the Board of Aldermen and Louisiana Legislative Auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of the report, which is a matter of public record.

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**VILLAGE OF CLARKS
CLARKS, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 1998**

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

Village of Clarks Sewer Department. The sewer charges are approved by the Village Administration.

Village of Clarks Capital Projects. The administration of the Village of Clarks is responsible for the management of all capital projects.

Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting. The accounts of Village of Clarks are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. Village of Clarks has created several types of funds and a number of discrete funds within each fund type. Each fund is accounted for by a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. The individual funds account for the governmental resources allocated to them for the purpose of carrying on specific activities in accordance with laws, regulations, or other restrictions. The funds are grouped into two fund types and five generic funds as described below:

Governmental Fund Types. These are the funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The funds included in this category are as follows:

General Fund. This fund is established to account for resources devoted to financing the general services that the Village performs for its citizens. General tax revenues and other sources of revenue used to finance the fundamental operations of the Village are included in this fund. The fund is charged with all cost of operating the government for which a separate fund has not been established.

Special Revenue Funds. These funds are established to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The special revenue funds are federal revenue funds from prior years.

Capital Projects Funds. These funds are established to account for major capital expenditures not financed by Enterprise Funds, or trust funds.

Enterprise Fund Types. These funds account for operations that are organized to be self-supporting through user charges. The funds included in this category are the Enterprise funds.

Enterprise Funds. These funds are established to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent is that costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

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

The Honorable John Estes, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the financial statements of the Village of Clark, Louisiana, for the year ended June 30, 1996 and 1995, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997. We have also audited the Village of Clark, Louisiana, compliance with requirements applicable to major federal financial assistance programs and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128, Audits of State and Local Governments. Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether, the Village of Clark, 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 June 30, 1996, we considered the internal control structure of Village of Clark, Louisiana, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the general purpose financial statements of Village of Clark, Louisiana, and on the compliance of Village of Clark, Louisiana, 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 structure policies and procedures relevant to our audit of the general purpose financial statements in a separate report dated March 13, 1997.

The management of the Village of Clark, Louisiana, is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are

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CLARK, LOUISIANA
COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
PERIODS ENDING JUNE 30
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1996 AND 1995

EXHIBIT D

	1996	1995
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Received From Customers	\$ 71,927.70	\$ 33,586.39
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(36,890.32)	(44,631.80)
Cash Paid to Employees	(27,325.81)	(19,188.89)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 8,711.57	\$ 9,765.70
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payments to Other Funds	\$ (17,478.48)	\$ (21,898.64)
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	102,198.26	881,227.62
NET CASH USED BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ 84,719.78	\$ 779,328.92
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of Capital Assets	\$ (202,158.63)	\$ (208,252.62)
NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ (202,158.63)	\$ (208,252.62)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Customer Deposits	\$ 1,520.80	\$ 12,860.80
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	\$ 1,520.80	\$ 12,860.80
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ (11,926.26)	\$ (18,637.12)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - JULY 1	23,616.62	25,254.58
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - JUNE 30	\$ 11,690.36	\$ 6,617.46
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating Income	\$ (45,837.82)	\$ (39,500.00)
Adjustments		
Depreciation	52,846.81	38,588.85
(Increase) Decrease in Assets Receivable	(7,435.89)	1,124.45
(Increase) Decrease in Liabilities Accounts and Other Payables	4,139.12	2,983.23
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 8,711.57	\$ 9,765.70
Noncash Transaction Affecting Financial Bond Retirement in Excess of Refunding Issuance	\$.00	\$.00

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

The Honorable John Lazen, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen
March 13, 1997
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occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operations that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control structure and its operations that we have reported to the management of Village of Clark, Louisiana, in a separate letter dated March 10, 1997.

This report is intended for the information of the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen and Louisiana Legislative Auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of the report, which is a matter of public record.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Honorable John Cases, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements of the Village of Clark, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Village of Clark management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments". These 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 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 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 Village of Clark, Louisiana, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of Federal Financial Assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. The information in that schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.


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

The Honorable John Lucas, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Village of Clark, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997.

In connection with our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Village of Clark, Louisiana, and with our consideration of the Village of Clark, Louisiana's control structure used to administer federal financial assistance programs, as required by Office of Management and Budget (OMB) 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 June 30, 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 disallowed; eligibility; 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 Village of Clark, Louisiana's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with the requirements listed in the preceding paragraph. With this respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Village of Clark, Louisiana, had not complied, in all material respects, with those requirements. However, the results of our procedures disclosed immaterial instances of noncompliance with those requirements, which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questionnaire Costs.

This report is intended for the information of the Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen and Louisiana Legislative Auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of the report, which is a matter of public record.


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March 13, 1997

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO MAJOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

The Honorable John Eason, Jr., Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of Village of Clark, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997.

We have also audited Village of Clark, Louisiana's compliance with the requirements governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility; matching; level of effort, or earmarking; reporting; claims for advances and reimbursements; and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to each of its major federal financial assistance programs, which are identified in the accompanying Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance, for the year ended June 30, 1996. The management of Village of Clark, Louisiana, is responsible for the Village of Clark, Louisiana's compliance with these requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance with these 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 (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 material noncompliance with the requirements referred to above occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Village of Clark, Louisiana's compliance with those requirements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, Village of Clark, Louisiana, complied, in all material respects, with the requirements, governing types of services allowed or unallowed; eligibility; matching; level of effort, or earmarking; reporting; claims for advances and reimbursements; and amounts claimed or used for matching that are applicable to each of its major federal financial assistance programs for the year ended June 30, 1996.

The Honorable John Dizon, Mayor
and Members of the Board of Aldermen
March 22, 1997
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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH
LAW AND REGULATIONS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

The Honorable John Eason, Mayor
and the Board of Aldermen

We have audited the general purpose financial statements and the combining, individual fund, and account group financial statements of the Village of Clark, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 1997.

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 Circular A-108, "Audit of State and Local Government". These standards and OMB Circular A-108 required that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free to material misstatement.

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

The results of our tests indicated that, with respect to the items tested, the Village of Clark, Louisiana complied, in all material respects, with the provision referred to in the preceding paragraph. With respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Village had not complied, in all material respects, with those provisions.

This report is intended solely for the information of the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen and Louisiana legislative auditor. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of the report, which is a matter of public record.


GARRETT & GARRETT
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

The General Fixed Assets Account Group accounts for all fixed assets of the Village of Clark, except those used in the proprietary fund type operations.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARKS, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 1986

NOTE 10. VIOLATION OF STATE STATUTES

The Village of Clarks violated R. S. 24:513 which requires the audit of the financial statements to be completed and issued within six months of the close of the entity's fiscal year. The Village of Clarks entered into an agreement with my office to do the audit in the summer of 1986. In the fall, my office realized the contract was invalid due to the Village's outstanding liability for the audit for the prior year. The Village would not pay the liability until the Office of Community Development paid their portion of the liability to the Village. The liability was paid by the Village in January 1987 and a new contract was issued.

NOTE 11. WATER METER PROJECTS

The Village of Clarks has started as a project to install 258 water meters for the customers of the water system. If this amount 98 are installed, to install the other 160 meters, the Mayor estimates the cost to be under \$30,000. To finance the project the Village intends to apply for a Rural Development Grant of \$15,000.

NOTE 12. GRANTS

LCDBG #101-3019 WATER WELL IMPROVEMENTS

The payable recorded on this grant is the 1985 audit fee and a reimbursement owed to the Office of Community Development. Both amounts were paid in July, 1986.

LCDBG #101-3067 FIRE PROTECTION

The payable is for the 1985 audit fee, which was paid in September, 1986.

LCDBG #101-3008 CROSSCOUNTRY REPAIRMENT OF WATER WELLS

All contracts have been fulfilled except for \$2,800 owed to the consultant and \$1,800 owed for the 1985 audit. These liabilities have not been paid by the Office of Community Development at the date of this report.

The LCDBG Monitoring Program found these two areas to correct on this grant.

1. The number of days given for public notice of a hearing was only two instead of five days as stated in the FF 1984 LCDBG Final statement.
2. Any funds remaining after payments have been made should be recorded as unearned income. In one case this was not done.

All findings were cleared.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

In addition to the two bond types of governmental funds, the Village also maintains one account group as described below:

General Fixed Assets Account Group This is not a fund but rather an account group that is used to account for general fixed assets acquired principally for general purposes and excludes fixed assets in the Enterprise Funds.

Basis of Accounting Governmental funds utilized the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both available and measurable. Licenses and permits, charges for services, fines and forfeits, and miscellaneous revenues are reported as revenues when received in cash. General property taxes, self-assessed taxes, and investment earnings are recorded when earned (when they are measurable and available). Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for debt service, prepaid expenses, and other long-term obligations which are recognized when paid.

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred. Interest on revenue bonds, proceeds of which are used in financing the construction of certain assets, is capitalized during the construction period net of interest on the investment of unexpended bond proceeds.

Subsidiary Data The Village did not adopt or use an official budget for the year ending June 30, 1998. The Village did not record encumbrances into its accounting system.

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments, with maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the government.

State statutes authorized the government to invest in obligations of the U. S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds, and repurchase agreement.

Receivables All receivables are reported at their gross sales. Uncollectible amounts from customers' utility receivables are recognized as bad debts at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable. Although the specific charge-off method is not in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), no allowance for uncollectible receivables are recorded due to immateriality at June 30, 1998.

Investments The Village has no investments.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 1995

NOTE 12. GRANTS CONTINUED

LCBOG #101-8006 SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

This project was completed in the fall of 1995. The payables at year end were:

	CONTRACT PAYABLE	RETAINAGE PAYABLE
Beachite Bridge	\$ 70,969.40	\$ 20,572.40
Peck	18,465.30	20,048.18
Benson Eng.	10,240.00	.00
LAT	2,580.00	.00
	\$ 102,254.70	\$ 40,620.58

The LCBOG Monitoring Program had these corrective findings for this grant.

1. The award of the contract to Beachite Bridge Corporation was delayed. All LCBOG contracts are to be awarded during a 30 day period.
2. Disclosure reporting was delayed.

All findings were cleared by the Office of Community Development.

LCBOG DEVELOPMENT GRANT - WATER FILTER SYSTEM

The Village received \$15,000 for a water line project upgrade. The Village used the money to upgrade the filter system for the water system. The project used the Village's labor as well as inmates. The largest expenditure was for two ten foot high open top water tanks.

LCBOG DEVELOPMENT GRANT - TERMINAL REPAIRS

In fiscal year 1995, the Village received \$15,000 used to repair the Gasis building which houses Town Hall. The project has been completed.

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 CLARK, LOUISIANA
 STATEMENTS OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS - BY SOURCE
 YEAR END, 1994 AND 1995

STATEMENT D-1

	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>
<u>GENERAL FIXED ASSETS</u>		
Land	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Building	30,000.00	30,000.00
Improvements	31,700.00	13,000.00
Equipment	12,700.00	13,170.00
Street, Parks and Bridges	26,819.00	26,819.00
Fire Department	32,444.00	32,444.00
Construction in Progress	<u>522,896.00</u>	<u>152,152.00</u>
<u>TOTAL GENERAL FIXED ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 660,395.00</u>	<u>\$ 266,748.24</u>
<u>INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS</u>		
General Fund Revenues	\$ 39,821.24	\$ 15,028.58
Water Fund Revenues	3,500.00	3,500.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds	4,000.00	4,000.00
Donated Property	34,000.00	34,000.00
Source Unaccounted	27,900.00	27,900.00
State Grants	<u>328,134.56</u>	<u>180,800.00</u>
<u>TOTAL INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 568,355.80</u>	<u>\$ 289,240.24</u>

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

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CLARK, LOUISIANA
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JUNE 30, 1986

NOTE 6. LITIGATION

The Village Mayor, Council, Bookkeeper and Legal Counsel have advised that there were no pending or contemplated litigation in which the Village of Clark was involved.

NOTE 7. MAYOR AND ALDERMAN COMPENSATION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
John Eason	Mayor	\$ 1,800.00
Benny Thomas	Alderman	360.00
James King	Alderman	360.00
Murphy Ballard	Alderman	360.00
Total		\$ 2,880.00

NOTE 8. INTERFUND ASSETS/LIABILITIES

Due From/To Other Funds:

<u>RECEIVABLE FUND</u>	<u>PAYABLE FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Enterprise Fund	Capital Projects	\$ 140.00
General Fund	Enterprise Fund	5.50
Capital Projects	General Fund	2,000.00

NOTE 9. AD VALOREM TAXES

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1 each year. Tax notices are mailed by December 1, and are due in total after December 31.

The Village bills and collects its own property taxes using the assessed values determined by the tax assessor of Caldwell Parish.

The Village's Board of Aldermen approved Village rates for 1986 as follows:

	<u>Mills</u>	<u>Taxes Levied</u>
1986 General Corporate Purposes	6.31	\$ 2,900.29

Assessed valuations of property was \$468,458.00 as of December 31, 1986.

VILLAGE OF CLARK
 CLARK, ILLINOIS
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 JUNE 30, 1996

NOTE 4. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

Asset	Balance	Additions/ (Retirements)	Balance
Land	\$ 2,000.00	\$.00	\$ 2,000.00
Buildings	38,000.00	.00	38,000.00
Improvements	12,853.00	20,207.66	33,060.66
Equipment	10,170.00	1,095.00	11,265.00
Streets, Parks and Bridges	26,819.00	.00	26,819.00
Fire Department	32,444.00	.00	32,444.00
Construction in Progress	152,153.66	206,732.90	358,886.56
Total	<u>\$ 358,239.66</u>	<u>\$ 206,732.90</u>	<u>\$ 564,972.56</u>

A summary of proprietary fund type property, plant and equipment at June 30, 1996 is as follows:

	COST
Property, Plant and Equipment	\$2,021,282.93
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>146,253.48</u>
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>\$1,875,029.45</u>

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by the proprietary fund is charged as an expense against its operations. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Water Plant	
Property, Plant and Equipment acquired prior to 07/01/81	40 years
Plant and Equipment Improvement acquired after 07/01/81	5 years
Equipment - 1981	20 years
Water Lines and Tanks	40 years
 sewer Plant	
Plant	40 years

Depreciation for 1996 was \$52,048.00.

NOTE 5. PENSION PLANS

The Village of Clark does not provide a pension plan for its employees.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
PROPERTY TAX STATEMENT

PROPERTY	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	INSTRUCTIONS
GENERAL INFORMATION											
APR	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
MAY	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
JUN	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
JUL	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
AUG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SEPT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
OCT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
NOV	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
DEC	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION											
APR	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
MAY	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
JUN	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
JUL	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
AUG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SEPT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
OCT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
NOV	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
DEC	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12

**VILLAGE OF CLARK
CLARK, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 1996**

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

Interfund Transactions Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures of expense. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reduction of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonrouting permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

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

Encumbrances Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditures of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Village as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the funds.

NOTE 2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits At year end, the carrying amount of the government's deposits were \$39,124.56. Of this balance, \$30,124.56 was covered by Federal depository insurance.

NOTE 3. RECEIVABLES Receivables at June 30, 1996 consist of the following:

	CAPITAL		
	GENERAL	PROJECTS	ENTERPRISE
Receivable	\$ 358.64	\$149,538.36	\$.00
Gross Receivables	.00	.00	7,539.74
Less: Allowance for			
Collectibles	.00	.00	.00
NET TOTAL RECEIVABLES	<u>\$ 358.64</u>	<u>\$149,538.36</u>	<u>\$ 7,539.74</u>

Property taxes are levied as of January 1 on property values assessed as of the same date. The billings are mailed in October or November and is due on January 1. The delinquent taxes are collected when the Caldwell Parish Assessor sells the property, therefore an allowance was not recorded.

BILLING OF CLERKS
CLERKS, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 1988

NOTE 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

Short-term Interfund Receivables/Payables During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables".

Inventory Inventories are expensed in the year in which the supplies are purchased.

Fixed Assets General Fixed Assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisition and constructions are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the general fixed assets account group. All purchased fixed assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical record exist. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received.

The costs of maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets, as applicable.

Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems are not capitalized, as these assets are immovable and of value only to the government.

Assets in the general fixed assets account group are not depreciated. Depreciation of building, equipment and vehicles in the proprietary fund types is computed using the straight-line method.

Interest is capitalized as proprietary fund assets acquired with tax-exempt debt. The amount of interest to be capitalized is calculated by offsetting interest expense incurred from the date of the borrowing until completion of the project with interest earned on invested proceeds over the same period.

Compensated Absences Compensated absences are not provided for employees. The employees work part time only. There is no accumulation of vacation or sick leave.

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

GENERAL FUND

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