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SIXTH WARD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1
OF MOREHOUSE PARISH, LOUISIANA

FINANCIAL REPORT
(Compiled)

AND

REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

December 31, 1997

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ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

Board of Commissioners
Sixth Ward Fire Protection District No. 1
of Morehouse Parish, Louisiana
Mou Rouge, Louisiana

We have compiled the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of Sixth Ward Fire Protection District No. 1 of Morehouse Parish, Louisiana, (a component unit of Morehouse Parish), as of and for the year ended December 31, 1997, in accordance with *Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services* issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures ordinarily included in the financial statements. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the District's assets, equity and other credits, revenues, and expenditures. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

January 29, 1998

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GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(COMBINED STATEMENTS)

SIXTH WARD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1
OF MOREHOUSE PARISH, LOUISIANA

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - FUND TYPE AND ACCOUNT GROUP
December 31, 1997

ASSETS	Governmental		Totals - (Memo- randa Only)
	Fund Type	Account Group	
	General Fund	General Fund Assets	
Cash	\$ 12,769	\$ -	\$ 12,769
Investments	185,661	-	185,661
Taxes receivable	55,518	-	55,518
General fund assets	<u>-</u>	<u>362,614</u>	<u>362,614</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 173,948</u>	<u>\$ 362,614</u>	<u>\$ 536,562</u>
EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS			
Equity and other credits:			
Investment in general fund assets	\$ -	\$ 362,614	\$ 362,614
Fund balance:			
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures	55,518	-	55,518
Unreserved and undesignated	<u>118,426</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>118,426</u>
Total equity and other credits	<u>\$ 173,948</u>	<u>\$ 362,614</u>	<u>\$ 536,562</u>

See accountant's compilation report.

SIXTH WARD FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - GENERAL FUND
 For the Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Budget	Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$ 64,108	\$ 63,726	\$ (382)
Intergovernmental	8,229	8,011	782
Interest and miscellaneous	2,250	8,693	6,443
	<u>\$ 74,587</u>	<u>\$ 80,430</u>	<u>\$ 5,843</u>
Expenditures:			
Public safety:			
Equipment maintenance and operations	\$ 16,000	\$ 3,969	\$ 12,031
Building maintenance	2,500	7,246	(4,746)
Office supplies	400	651	(251)
Utilities	3,500	2,408	1,092
Insurance and surety bond premiums	11,100	8,795	2,304
Books and publications	300	311	(11)
Legal and accounting	1,900	1,635	265
Telephones	2,500	2,652	(152)
Police equipment	-	227	(227)
Payroll and related taxes	-	646	(646)
Pension deduction	2,500	2,666	434
Training	3,000	301	2,699
Travel	1,000	-	1,000
Capital outlay	<u>20,887</u>	<u>2,292</u>	<u>18,595</u>
	<u>\$ 74,587</u>	<u>\$ 34,840</u>	<u>\$ 39,747</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ -	\$ 45,590	\$ 45,590
Fund balance - beginning	<u>127,394</u>	<u>127,394</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance - ending	<u>\$ 127,394</u>	<u>\$ 172,984</u>	<u>\$ 45,590</u>

See accountant's compilation report.

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Board of Commissioners
Sixth Ward Fire Protection District No. 1
of Morehouse Parish, Louisiana
Marr Rouge, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of Sixth Ward Fire Protection District No. 1 of Morehouse Parish, Louisiana, solely to assist you in evaluating the accompanying Louisiana Auditor's Questionnaire, dated January 14, 1998, and prepared for the year ended December 31, 1997. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our applied procedures, together with any findings, follow:

Public Bid Law

1. We selected all expenditures, if any, made during the year for materials and supplies exceeding \$5,000, or public works exceeding \$50,000, and determined whether such purchases were made in accordance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law).
 - Our review of expenditure totals and the detail general ledger revealed one individual expenditure for materials and supplies exceeding \$5,000 and no individual expenditures for public works exceeding \$50,000. The expenditure was made in accordance with the public bid law.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. We obtained from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1301- 1324 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all board members and employees, as well as their immediate families.

3. We obtained from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.
4. We determined whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (2) as immediate family members.
 - o We noted no instances of noncompliance.

Budgeting

5. We obtained a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.
6. We traced the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.
7. We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues or expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by more than 5%.
 - o We noted no instances of noncompliance.

Accounting and Reporting

8. We randomly selected six disbursements made during the period under examination and:
 - (1) traced payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee, (2) determined if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account, and (3) determined whether payments received approval from proper authorities.
 - o We noted no occurrences of lack of support, mis-coding or unauthorized payments.

Meetings

9. We examined evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1 through 42:12 (the open meetings law).
 - o We noted no instances of noncompliance.

Debt

10. We examined bank deposits for the period under examination to determine whether any such deposits appeared to be proceeds of banks loans, bonds or like indebtedness.
- o We scanned bank deposits and the detail general ledger and noted no such deposits.

Advances and Bonuses

11. We examined payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments had been made to employees which may constitute bonuses, advances or gifts.
- o We noted no instances of noncompliance.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the assertions included in the accompanying *Comptroller-Administration Questionnaire*. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of Sixth Ward Fire Protection District No. 1 of Morehouse Parish, Louisiana, and the Legislative Auditor and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, under state law, this report is a public record and subject to unlimited distribution.

January 29, 1998

Price, Smyth & Co.