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SECTION 1 - GENERAL PURPOSE PIRANEIAL ETATEMENTE

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Renorable David Colm, Kayer and Monters of the Doard of Aldermon Youn of Ridgecrest, Louisians

We have analities the accompanying queers) purpose financial extensions or the twee of Hiddesrowic Louisians as of Obscheder 11, 1997 and for the year then enable as listed in the table of constants. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the toes of Singerprot, Louisian's mesapesen, for responsibility to expresnation of these general purpose financial estatements based on sermination of these general purpose financial estatements based on ser-

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In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to those present fairly is all statements the presents, the financial predictor to a statement of the statement presents of the present of the results of the operations and and files of the preprietary from for the year them ended is conformity with generally accepted accounting relations.

In accordance with <u>dovernment Auditing Standards</u>, we have also inseed a repart dated Jane 24, 1998 on our complemention of the Town of Rideporter's information control over (financial reporting and our text of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and months.

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GENERAL PORPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (COMBINED STATEMENTS-OVERVIEN)

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CASH PLONE FOR THE YEAR EXCED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	1997	Cel.y) 1975
Cash flows from operating artivities: deak received from registery fask recovered to publish for goods	8 124,782	\$ 122,224
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Net cash cored) by repits) and related financing articities	_15.0951	(5,195)
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not same equivalents	3,466	(2,954)
Cash and nook equivalents at Jackary 5, 2003		17.329
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TOWN OF RIDGECREST, LOUISIANA

BOTES TO FIRANCIAL STATEMENTS Secondary 31, 1997

NOTE & - SUBBARI OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Town of Ridgecrent, Louisiana was incorporated under the provisions of the Lawressen Act. The Town specates under a Horner-focant of Aldermon forces of government.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Tors of Ridgerrark, tonisians construm to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The foliowing is a summary of cortain eleminificant accounting policies:

Financial Reporting Entity

This report includes all funds and soleant groups which are controlled by or dependent on the Town security and logicality leasters (the Says' and Doard of Alderman). Control by or dependence on the Town was determined on the basis of Majar abgeling, using activity, schlerity to issue debt, election or abgeling, determined basis of the determined are algebring theoreminibility.

2. Fund Accounting

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Daneyal Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is uned to account for all financial resources except those reguired to be accounted for in architer fund.

Capital Projects Fand

impital projects funds are used to soccart for the proceeds of specific reverse sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified represes.

TOOM OF REDERIGT. LOUISIANA

SOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Docember 31, 1997

HOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Debt Service Fund

Dets service funds are used to account for the accumulation of recources for, and payment of, general long-term debt principal interest and related costs.

Freerinsary Fild -

Interprise Fund

Exterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manue similar to private mariness exterprises-where the intext of the governing help is that the costs (express, including deprecision) of previding speeds er services to the gameral public on a cominging basis by financed or recovered primarily threads mer charges.

Fixed accets

The extracting and requesting treatment applied to the fixed assets and the second sec

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, and are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when purchased. No depreciation has been covarided on enserval fund assets.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a root of services or "coupled a sufficiency" measurement forces, and all anskets and all liabilities (whether current or secourrent) suscelated with their activity are included on their valuesce shoets.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charped as an expanse appired their operations. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

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SOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Docember 31, 1993

HOLE & - SUMMARY OF SUGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Lines & meters	
Furification plant	33 years

All fixed scouts are stated at historical cost or estimated historical cost is actual historical cost is not available. Descind fixed assute are all of their estimated fair market walks on the data descind.

Basis of Accounting

manis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are yecognized in the accounts and reported in the financial attributers. Music of accounting relates to the timing of the mecasiruments mode, regardless of the measurement focus emplied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified mortual basis of accounting. Their reveases have recognized when they become measurable and available as set exercise, assoluresourables when in the hands of collecting governments and is recognized as reverses at that time. Anticipated refunds of much target and the set of the time. Anticipated refunds of much target and the set of the set of the set of the set of the recognized as inclusions of the set of

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

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the secrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when earned and their excenses are recounted when incurred.

5. Balgots and badgotary accounting

The Town has total revenues of less than \$150,600 and does not have the same budgetary process that is required of menicipalities with total revenues of greater than \$250,000. The Town's budget is revenued by the rows flark and is adminded at a remniar meeting

TORM OF REDERCHART, LOUISIANA

DOORNOT 31, 1997

HOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

of the Board of Aldermen. It may be amended during the year by the Board of Aldermen. All bodystary appropriations lapse at the ond of each fineal year.

4. Bad Deb/La

Uncollectable amounts due for ad valorem taxes and customers' utility receivables are recommized by the direct write off method.

Accomplated Uspaid Vacation Pay

The Town does not accrue unpaid varation pay and has no policy concerning compensation for unpaid varation pay.

9. Yotal columns on combined statements - overview

Total columns as the Combined Ottakansson - Overview are compliants hemographic dupits to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate firmerial analysis. Data in these columns do not financial particular in conformity with a second particular financial particular in conformity with a second particular accessing principles. Builter is such data comparing and consolidation. Interfued allianticular heme rate to a most in the

9. CASE FICME

For purposes of reporting cash flows, cash and cash equivalents are defined as there ascents included in the balance sheet ception Toucht.

NOTE B - PROPRETY TAXES

Property taxes attach as an anforceeble lien on property as of Jonnary 1. Taxes are lowed in December and payable by Jone 15, of the following year. A list of property taxes due the Town is prepared by the Crearial Fariah Assessor, but the Tows is responsible for billings and collections. The Town's total millows is 6.01 mills are is dedicated to the general fund.

MOTE C - DUE FROM OTHER EXTERNMENTS

Amounts days from other governmental units at December 31, 1997 consisted of the following:

Garbage fees due from Concordia Parish Police Jury 8 2,803

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BOTES TO FIRABCIAL STRUMPPING December 31, 1397

HOTE & - REPTRICTED ASSETS-PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

Restricted assets were applicable to the following at December 31, 1997:

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\$ 10,835

NOTE E - CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balanca 13-31-98	P.B.I.LOIR	Deletions	312-31-91		
Land Bullding Equipment Total	63,002 63,002 82,821 8,152,523	過過:	<u>.</u>	5 1, 200 52, 400 356, 464 5, 401		

A summary of proprietary fund type property, plant and equipment at December 31, 1997 follows:

Total	1,149,889
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Net	

NOTE P - LOND-THOM DERT

Following is a summary of long-term debt at December 31, 1997.

Progrietary Pand

F1 unnecessaried note date bank, payable in equal monthly installments of principal and interest of approximately 5415 thru 1001

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The annual requirements to amortize the noter payable as of December 31, 1997 are as follows:

TOWN OF RIDGECESSIT, LOUISIANA

BOTES TO FIRMETAL STATEMENTS Eschaster 31, 1997

HOTE F = LONG-TERM DERT CONTINUED

Year Ended

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Genural Lory Term Dobt

4% note due bank, payable in equal monthly installments of principal and interest of approximately 5773 three 2605

\$ 55,891

The minual requirements to amortize all dabt as of December 31, 1997 are as follows:

Excender 31	Principal	Interest	Total
1999	1 1,101	1 7,00	1 9,324
2000	97838	5,963	9,324
Thoreafter			18.116

HOTE & - BETIMERBY COMMITMETER

The Town of Eddpectent exployees are all semilare of the social security synthesis are madered of the other retirement plan. The security of the social security is redicted in payrols taxes in the variest scatteres of increas.

NOTE N - OTHER REQUIRED INDIVIDUAL FUND DISCLOSURES

1. All kards kalances are insured 100% by the FDIC.

SECTION 11 - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DEREMILES

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

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CONTRACTIVE BALANCE STREET SUCCESSING 31, 1997

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TOWN OF RIDGERSST. LOUISIAM SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID REACTED OFFICIALS FOR THE YAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

CONTRESERTOR	TITLE	
Ricky Cullun	Alderman	\$ \$10
Bonald Barnhill	Alderman	440
Michael Roberts	Alderman	660
Dzy Lain	Alderman	460
Housley Varnado	Alderman	1,210
Tital		\$ 2,680

SECTION 111 - COMPLEMNCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL

SWITZER, HOPKINS & MANGE

Certified Pable Accountants

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NEVERAL OFFICIANCE AND OF INTERNAL CONTROL OTH FIGHTIC, REPORTING MARD OF AN ADDIT OF THENCIAL STATEMENTS FIGURATION AN ACCOUNTS FITTE OVERSIGNATION FOR THE STATEMENT

The Bonorable Devid Cobb, Mayor and Members of the Board of Alderson Town of Hidgecrost, Louisians

No have availed the general purpose financial statements of Yorn of Ridgeview i and for the year emided December 31, 1977, and have inseed our report therein dated lung 34, 1993. We conducted our emits in according with generally accorded usiling attached and standard applicable to financial modific contained in government decired applicable to financial modific contained in government decired.

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Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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The Honorable David Cohb, Mayor and Members of the Board of Alderman Fuce Two

to significent deficiencies in the design of operation of the internal control over financial reporting that in our judgment could adversely affact your of Kidyscratta shifty to record, process, examples the report formed financial statements.

Finding

turing our testwork, it was noted that deposits were being made weakly rather than daily.

Hampysmark Response

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Ferriday, Louisians

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