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**SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998**

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SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

<u>Commissioners</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Area Represented</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Term</u>
Olie Forshee, Jr.	President	Forshee Drive	01/18/94	5 yrs
George Griffin	Vice-President	Peg Leg Lane	01/18/97	5 yrs.
Thomas M. Harless	Sec./Treasurer	Red's Point Road	01/17/96	5 yrs.
Don Kelly		Pisgah Church Loop	01/17/98	5 yrs.
Donald E. Voth		Voth Drive	02/09/95	5 yrs.

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MANY, LOUISIANA
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Commissioners
South Toledo Bend Waterworks District
3260 Little Flock Road
Many, LA 71449

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, Many, Louisiana, a component unit of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, Many, Louisiana, management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, Many, Louisiana, a component unit of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, as of September 30, 1998, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund type for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated February 5, 1999 on our consideration of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, Many, Louisiana, a component unit of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, taken as a whole. The accompanying supplementary information schedules listed in the table of contents, including the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-profit Organizations, and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial information for the year ended September 30, 1997, which is included for comparative purposes was taken from the financial report for that year in which we expressed an unqualified opinion dated February 2, 1998, on the general purpose financial statements of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District.

Hines, Jackson & Hines
Natchitoches, Louisiana
February 5, 1999

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND 1997

	<u>Governmental</u> <u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Proprietary</u> <u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Account</u> <u>Group</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>(Memorandum Only)</u>	
Assets	<u>Debt Service</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Enterprise</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>General</u> <u>Long-Term</u> <u>Debt</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Cash	\$ 15,645	\$ 301,750	\$ 0	\$ 317,395	\$ 327,229
Account receivable					
Trade	0	48,953	0	48,953	1,454
Other	0	735	0	735	245
Prepaid insurance	0	8,484	0	8,484	888
Utility deposits	0	255	0	255	255
Property, plant and equipment, net	0	6,572,001	0	6,572,001	138,949
Construction-in-progress	0	0	0	0	5,367,955
Unamortized bond costs, net	0	48,800	0	48,800	45,803
Amount available in Debt Service	0	0	15,645	15,645	12,281
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>454,355</u>	<u>454,355</u>	<u>377,719</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 15,645</u>	<u>\$ 6,980,978</u>	<u>\$ 470,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,466,623</u>	<u>\$ 6,272,778</u>
 Liabilities and Fund Equity					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 0	\$ 140,225	\$ 0	\$ 140,225	\$ 2,696
Accrued expenses	0	3,903	0	3,903	1,184
Interest payable	5,057	10,315	0	15,372	70,460
Customers' meter deposits	0	0	0	0	95,600
Revenue bonds payable	0	3,585,524	0	3,585,524	3,600,000
General obligation bonds payable	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>470,000</u>	<u>470,000</u>	<u>390,000</u>
Total Liabilities	5,057	3,739,967	470,000	4,215,024	4,159,940
 Fund Equity					
Contributed capital	0	3,388,100	0	3,388,100	2,065,600
Retained earnings					
Unreserved	0	(147,089)	0	(147,089)	34,957
Designated for debt service	<u>10,588</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,588</u>	<u>12,281</u>
Total Fund Equity	<u>10,588</u>	<u>3,241,011</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,251,599</u>	<u>2,112,838</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 15,645</u>	<u>\$ 6,980,978</u>	<u>\$ 470,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,466,623</u>	<u>\$ 6,272,778</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND 1997

	Debt Service Fund	Total (Memorandum Only)	
		1998	1997
Revenues			
Taxes - ad valorem	\$ 39,481	\$ 39,481	\$ 39,052
Interest income	215	215	67
Other	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>75</u>
Total Revenues	39,696	39,696	39,194
Expenditures			
Principal retirement	15,000	15,000	15,000
Interest expense	<u>26,389</u>	<u>26,389</u>	<u>26,497</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>41,389</u>	<u>41,389</u>	<u>41,497</u>
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues over/(under) expenditures	(1,693)	(1,693)	(2,303)
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year	<u>12,281</u>	<u>12,281</u>	<u>14,584</u>
FUND BALANCE, End of year	<u>\$ 10,588</u>	<u>\$ 10,588</u>	<u>\$ 12,281</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN
RETAINED EARNINGS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND 1997

	Enterprise Fund	
	1998	1997
Operating Revenues		
Charges for services		
Water sales	\$ 138,057	\$ 5,121
Grant	1,122,800	1,610,600
Other	9,540	38
Total Operating Revenues	1,270,397	1,615,759
Cost of Water Sold		
Chemicals	8,287	1,400
System supervisory services	3,967	2,100
Water purchased	10,715	245
Total Cost of Water Sold	22,969	3,745
Gross Profit From Sales	1,247,428	1,612,014
Operating Expenses		
Advertising	844	617
Amortization	1,763	1,109
Automobile	5,223	342
Bank charges	54	0
Collection services	2,089	0
Commissioners' fees	9,000	7,500
Computer services	5,226	0
Depreciation	79,907	888
Dues and subscriptions	150	0
Employee benefits	126	0
Insurance	6,003	907
Legal and accounting	15,289	4,871
Licenses and fees	527	0
Loss on sale of asset	29,710	0
Materials and supplies	7,319	762
Miscellaneous	167	542
Office supplies	1,485	1,276
Outside services	6,363	0
Payroll taxes	765	199
Rent	6,325	2,910
Repair and maintenance	5,481	437
Retirement	2,925	531
Salaries	37,742	6,850
Secretary services	2,400	2,400
Telephone	1,606	0
Travel and lodging	275	0
Utilities	23,818	420
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 252,582	\$ 32,561

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN
RETAINED EARNINGS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND 1997

Operating Income/(Loss)	\$ 994,846	\$ 1,579,453
Nonoperating Revenues/(Expenses)		
Interest income	9,520	10,372
Interest expense	<u>(63,612)</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Nonoperating Revenue/(Expense)	<u>(54,092)</u>	<u>10,372</u>
Net Income	940,754	1,589,825
(Increase)/Decrease in Contributed Capital	<u>(1,122,800)</u>	<u>(1,610,600)</u>
Net Change in Unreserved Retained Earnings for the Year	(182,046)	(20,775)
RETAINED EARNINGS - Unreserved, Beginning of year	<u>34,957</u>	<u>55,732</u>
RETAINED EARNINGS - Unreserved, End of year	<u>\$ (147,089)</u>	<u>\$ 34,957</u>

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SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 AND 1997

	<u>Enterprise Fund</u>	
	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Operating loss	\$ (127,954)	\$ (31,147)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation	79,907	888
Amortization	1,763	1,109
Loss on sale of asset	29,710	0
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets		
Accounts receivable		
Trade	(47,499)	(1,454)
Other	(490)	(245)
Interest receivable	0	156
Prepaid insurance	(7,596)	(352)
Other	9,600	(255)
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities		
Accounts payable	137,529	2,076
Accrued expenses	2,719	84
Interest payable	(55,767)	66,082
Customers' meter deposits	0	10,610
Net Cash Provided By/(Used in) Operating Activities	<u>21,922</u>	<u>47,552</u>
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Unamortized bond costs	(4,760)	(33,548)
Purchases of land	0	(18,498)
Purchases of distribution system	(1,166,755)	(65,390)
Purchase of machinery and equipment	(2,001)	0
Purchase of furniture and fixtures	(6,458)	0
Purchases of construction in progress	0	(5,366,579)
Proceeds from capital grant	1,122,800	1,610,600
Proceeds from issuing bonds	95,000	3,600,000
Principal payments on bonds	(14,476)	(50,000)
Net Cash Provided By/(Used in) Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>23,350</u>	<u>(323,415)</u>
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Receipts of interest income	9,520	10,372
Payment of interest on bonds	(63,612)	0
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	<u>(54,092)</u>	<u>10,372</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(8,820)	(265,491)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, Beginning of year	<u>310,570</u>	<u>576,061</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, End of year	<u>\$ 301,750</u>	<u>\$ 310,570</u>

Supplemental Disclosures

Cash payments for interest expense for the years ended September 30, 1998 and 1997, were \$119,379 and \$0, respectively.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, a political subdivision of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, was formed December 21, 1988. The District's purpose is to provide water service to any user within the geographical bounds of the district. It is operated by a board which consists of five commissioners appointed by the Police Jury to serve terms varying from one to five years.

The accounting and reporting policies of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:513 and to guides set forth in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, and to the industry audit guide, Audits of State and Local Governmental Units.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Sabine Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Sabine Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of a) the primary government (police jury), b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Sabine Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basis 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. This criteria includes:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a) The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b) The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits or burdens on the police jury.
2. Organizations for which the police jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the police jury.
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.

Because the police jury appoints the board of commissioners, the Waterworks District, was determined to be a component unit of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the Waterworks District and do not present information on the police jury, the general government service provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, or expenses, as appropriate. 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 various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into two generic fund types and two broad fund categories as follows:

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

Debt Service Fund - Accumulates resources for the payment of interest and principal on long-term general obligation debt other than those payable from enterprise funds or special assessment funds.

Proprietary Fund Types - Account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary for sound financial administration. Proprietary funds differ from governmental funds in that their focus is no income measurement, which, together with the maintenance of equity, is an important financial indicator. The District applies all GASB pronouncements as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board Pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

Enterprise Fund - Account for operations a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or b) where the governing body has decided the periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

C. Fixed Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to fixed assets and long-term liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Account Groups - An account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

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 Fund. The South Toledo Bend Waterworks District has no general fixed assets at September 30, 1998.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Fixed Assets and Long-Term Liabilities (Continued)

General long-term debt account group - This is not a fund but rather an account group that is used to account for the outstanding principal balances of general obligation bonds and other long-term debt not reported in the proprietary funds.

The two account groups are not "funds". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Property, plant, and equipment acquired for proprietary funds are capitalized in their respective funds.

The proprietary fund is accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus, and all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with its activities are included on its balance sheet. Their reported fund equity (net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets. Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by the District is charged as an expense against its operations. Depreciation will be provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Water system	
Distribution system	40 years
Machinery and equipment	7 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 7 years

All fixed assets will be stated at historical cost.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period. Ad valorem taxes are recorded as revenue when levied because they are considered to be both measurable and available even though a portion of the taxes are collected in subsequent years.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred except that principal and interest on general long-term debt is recognized when due. Purchase of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased.

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when earned, and their expenses are recognized when incurred.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid (or any other types, such as capital lease transactions, sales of fixed assets, debt extinguishments, long-term debt proceeds, et cetera) are accounted for as other financing sources or uses. These other financing sources or uses are recognized at the time the underlying events occur.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Consistent with GASB Statement 9, "Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting", the district attorney defines cash and cash equivalents as follows:

Cash - includes not only currency on hand but also demand deposits with banks or other financial institutions and other kinds of accounts that have the general characteristics of demand deposits in that the customer may deposit additional funds at any time and also effectively may withdraw funds at any time without prior notice or penalty.

Cash equivalents - all short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of interest rates. Generally, only investments which, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months qualify under this definition.

F. Accounts Receivable

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where applicable are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

G. Interest Receivable

Interest on investments and demand deposit accounts are recorded as revenue in the year the interest is earned and is available to pay liabilities of the current period.

H. Bad Debts

Uncollectible amounts due for customers' utility receivables are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available which would indicate the uncollectibility of the particular receivable. At September 30, 1998 and 1997, \$0 and \$0 respectively, were considered to be uncollectible.

I. Prepaid Expenses

Payments to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond September 30, 1998, are recorded as prepaid expenses.

J. Fund Equity

The unreserved fund balances for governmental funds represent the amount available for budgeting future operations. Unreserved retained earnings for proprietary funds represent the net assets available for future operations or distribution.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

J. Fund Equity (Continued)

Contributed capital is recorded in the Enterprise Fund for capital grants restricted for the acquisition or construction of capital assets. Contributed capital is not amortized based on the depreciation recognized on that portion of the assets acquired or constructed from such resources.

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

K. Total Columns on Combined Statements

Total columns on the general purpose financial statements are captioned "(Memorandum Only)" because the total columns do not represent consolidated financial information and are present only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or cash flows in accordance 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.

L. Comparative Data

Comparative total data for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's financial position and operations. However, comparative (i.e., presentation of prior year totals by fund type) data have not been presented in each of the statements since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read. Certain amounts from prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform with current classifications.

M. Accumulated unpaid vacation

The South Toledo Bend Waterworks District had no liability for accumulated unpaid vacation at September 30, 1998.

N. Estimates

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

O. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District.

NOTE 2 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At September 30, 1998 and 1997, the District had cash totaling \$317,395 and \$327,229 respectively, as follows:

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 2 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Interest bearing demand deposit	\$ 288,622	\$ 275,435
Non-interest bearing demand deposit	28,773	51,794
Total	<u>\$ 317,395</u>	<u>\$ 327,229</u>

Under state law, these deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent 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 bank. 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. As of September 30, 1998 and 1997, the District had \$345,177 and \$363,372, respectively, in bank deposits. These deposits were secured from risk at December 31, 1998 and 1997 by \$238,971 and \$189,009, respectively, of federal deposit insurance and \$688,602 and \$683,745, respectively, (market value) of pledged securities held by the custodial banks in the name of the fiscal agent (GASB category 3).

Even though the pledged securities are considered collateralized under the provisions of GASB Statement 3, Louisiana Revised Statutes require the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within ten (10) days of being notified by the District that the pledging bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

NOTE 3 CHANGES IN PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

A summary of changes in property, plant and equipment for the year ended September 30, 1998, follows.

	<u>Balance October 1, 1997</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance September 30, 1998</u>
Land	\$ 74,447	\$ 0	\$ 500	\$ 73,947
Distribution system	65,390	6,534,710	31,274	6,568,826
Machinery and equipment	0	2,001	0	2,001
Furniture & fixtures	0	6,458	0	6,458
Construction-in-progress	5,367,955	0	5,367,955	0
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(888)</u>	<u>(79,907)</u>	<u>(1,564)</u>	<u>(79,231)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,506,904</u>	<u>\$ 6,463,262</u>	<u>\$ 5,398,165</u>	<u>\$ 6,572,001</u>

NOTE 4 OBLIGATIONS UNDER CAPITAL LEASES

The South Toledo Bend Waterworks District was not obligated under any capital or operating lease commitments at September 30, 1998.

NOTE 5 AD VALOREM TAXES

The ad valorem taxes are dedicated solely for the payment of general obligation bonds and the interest thereon.

Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, become due on October 31 of each year, and become delinquent on January 1. All ad valorem tax revenues are recognized in compliance with NCGA Interpretation 3 and GASB

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 5 AD VALOREM TAXES (CONTINUED)

Codification P70 (Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes) which states that such revenue is recorded when it becomes measurable and available. Available means due, or past due, and receivable within the current period and collected no longer than 60 days after the close of the current period.

For the 1997 tax year, taxes of 9.25 mills were levied on property within its boundaries with assessed valuation of \$5,976,460 and a taxable value of \$4,410,170 and were dedicated solely for the payment of general obligation bonds and interest thereon. Total taxes levied were \$40,798. Taxes receivable at September 30, 1998 totaled zero.

NOTE 6 LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the long-term debt for the year ended September 30, 1998:

	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
General obligation bonds, series 1992	6.27%	2012	\$ 455,000	\$ 375,000
General obligation bonds, series 1998	5.25%	2018	95,000	95,000
Revenue bonds #1	5.00%	2037	2,999,000	2,986,941
Revenue bonds #2	5.00%	2037	601,000	598,583
Total			<u>\$ 4,150,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,055,524</u>

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding as of September 30, 1998, including interest payments are as follows:

Year Ended September 30,	Series 1998 Bonds	Series 1992 Bonds	Revenue Bonds #1	Revenue Bonds #2	Total
1999	\$ 6,830	\$ 39,878	\$ 175,262	\$ 35,122	\$ 257,092
2000	5,762	43,858	175,262	35,122	260,004
2001	5,717	42,633	175,262	35,122	258,734
2002	7,626	41,343	175,262	35,122	259,353
2003	10,419	39,993	175,262	35,122	260,796
Thereafter	<u>118,099</u>	<u>375,111</u>	<u>5,958,908</u>	<u>1,194,148</u>	<u>7,646,266</u>
Total	<u>\$ 154,453</u>	<u>\$ 582,816</u>	<u>\$ 6,835,218</u>	<u>\$ 1,369,758</u>	<u>\$ 8,942,245</u>

NOTE 7 PENDING LITIGATION

There was no outstanding litigation against the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District at September 30, 1998.

NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS

Substantially all employees of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District are members of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (System), a multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public employee retirement system (PEERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. The System is composed of two distinct plans, Plan

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MANY, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

NOTE 8 RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions.

All permanent employees working at least 28 hours per week who are paid wholly or in part from parish funds and all elected parish officials are eligible to participate in the System. Under Plan A and Plan B, employees who retire after 30 years of creditable service regardless of age, 25 years of creditable service and at least 55 years of age, or 10 years of creditable service and at least 60 years of age are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3% of their average compensation for any 36 months of consecutive service in which their compensation was highest, multiplied by their years of creditable service. Employees who terminate with at least the amount of creditable service stated above and do not withdraw their employee contributions may retire at the ages specified above and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

Contributions to the System include one-fourth of one percent of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish, except Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes. These tax dollars are divided between Plan A and Plan B based proportionately on the salaries of the active members of each plan. State statute requires covered employees to contribute a percentage of their salaries to the System.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, Post Office Box 14619, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-4619, or by calling (504) 928-1361.

Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 9.50 percent of their annual covered salary and the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 7.75 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements for plan members and the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The South Toledo Bend Waterworks District contributions to the System for the year ended September 30, 1998 and 1997, was \$2,925 and \$531, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE 1

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID TO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

<u>Members</u>	<u>Meetings Attended</u>	<u>Compensation Amount</u>
Olie Forshee, Jr.	30	\$ 1,800
George Griffin	30	1,800
Thomas M. Harless	30	1,800
Don Kelly	30	1,800
Donald E. Voth	30	<u>1,800</u>
		<u>\$ 9,000</u>

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

SECTION #1

SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Type of auditors' report issued. | Unqualified |
| 2. | Internal control over financial reporting: | |
| | a) Material weaknesses identified? | None |
| | b) Reportable conditions identified not considered to be material weaknesses? | None |
| | c) Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted? | None |

FEDERAL AWARDS

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|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Internal control over major program: | |
| | a) Material weaknesses identified? | None |
| | b) Reportable conditions identified not considered to be material weaknesses? | None |
| 2. | Type of auditors report issued on compliance for major programs. | Unqualified |
| 3. | Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Circular OMB A-133, Section 510 (a)? | None |
| 4. | Identification of major programs: | |

CFDA Number
10.760

Name of Federal Program
Water and Waste Disposal Systems
for Rural Communities-Grant

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|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 5. | Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs. | \$300,000 |
| 6. | Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee under OMB Circular A-133, Section 530? | No |

SECTION #2

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None reported.

SECTION #3

FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None reported.

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SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

<u>FEDERAL GRANTOR/PASS-THROUGH</u> <u>GRANTOR/PROGRAM NAME</u>	<u>CFDA</u> <u>NUMBER</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
United States Department of Agriculture Passed through Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities-Grant *	10.760	\$ <u>1,122,800</u>
Total United States Department of Agriculture		<u>1,122,800</u>
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS		\$ <u>1,122,800</u>

Note: The dollar threshold to distinguish between type A and type B programs was \$300,000.

* Denotes a major federal award program.

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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

Board of Commissioners
South Toledo Bend Waterworks District
3260 Little Flock Road
Many, LA 71449

We have audited the component unit financial statements of South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, Many, Louisiana, a component unit of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated February 5, 1999. We conducted our 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 the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we 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 statements amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. 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 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. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of the management of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District and the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Hines, Jackson & Hines

Natchitoches, Louisiana
February 5, 1999

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Board of Commissioners
South Toledo Bend Waterworks District
3260 Little Flock Road
Many, LA 71449

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, Many, Louisiana, a component unit of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 1998. The South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 1998.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance OMB Circular A-133.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. 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 noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may 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 over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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This report is intended for the information of the management of the South Toledo Bend Waterworks District, federal awarding agencies, and pass-through entities. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Hines, Jackson & Hines

Natchitoches, Louisiana

February 5, 1999

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

<u>Ref. No.</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Finding Initially Occurred</u>	<u>Description of Finding</u>	<u>Corrective Action Taken (Yes, No, Partially)</u>	<u>Planned Corrective Action/Partial Corrective Action Taken</u>
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Nothing came to our attention that would require disclosure under Government Auditing Standards.

SOUTH TOLEDO BEND WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR CURRENT YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

<u>Ref. No.</u>	<u>Description of Finding</u>	<u>Correct Action Planned</u>	<u>Name(s) of Contact Person(s)</u>	<u>Anticipated Completion Date</u>
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Nothing came to our attention that would require disclosure under Government Auditing Standards.