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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Bill Robertson, Mayor, and the Members of the Board of Aldermen City of Minden, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the City of Minden, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Minden, Louisiana's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

Except as discussed in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, 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 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.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Technical Bulletin 98-1, Disclosures about Year 2000 Issues, requires disclosure of certain matters regarding the Year 2000 issue. The City of Minden, Louisiana, has included such disclosures in Note 22. Because of the unprecedented nature of the Year 2000 issue, its effects and the success of related remediation efforts will not be fully determinable until the year 2000 and thereafter. Accordingly, insufficient audit evidence exists to support the City of Minden, Louisiana's disclosures with respect to the Year 2000 issue made in Note 22. Further, we do not provide assurance that the City of Minden, Louisiana is or will be Year 2000 ready, that the City's Year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the City of Minden, Louisiana does business will be Year 2000 ready.

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to examine evidence regarding Year 2000 disclosures, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City of Minden, Louisiana, 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.

As discussed in Note 1 to the general purpose financial statements, the City of Minden included the Main Street Program as a blended component unit in its general purpose financial statements.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued a report dated January 25, 1999 on our consideration of the City of Minden, Louisiana'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 City of Minden, Louisiana, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is 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 is 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.

Jameson, Wire & Martin

Minden, Louisiana January 25, 1999

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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

The Honorable Bill Robertson, Mayor, and the Members of the Board of Aldermen City of Minden, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the City of Minden, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated January 25, 1999, which was qualified because insufficient audit evidence exists to support the City of Minden, Louisiana's disclosures with respect to the Year 2000 issue. Except as discussed in the preceding sentence, we have conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Minden, Louisiana'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 statement 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 City of Minden, Louisiana'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. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management of the City of Minden, Louisiana, in a separate letter dated January 25, 1999.

This report is intended for the information of management, the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Jameion Wire & Wartin

Minden, Louisiana

January 25, 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

The Honorable Bill Robertson, Mayor, and the Members of the Board of Aldermen City of Minden, Louisiana

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Minden, Louisiana, 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 City of Minden, Louisiana's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's 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 City of Minden, Louisiana's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City of Minden, Louisiana'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 City of Minden, Louisiana'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 City of Minden, Louisiana's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion the City of Minden, Louisiana 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 City of Minden, Louisiana, 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 City of Minden, Louisiana'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 with 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 a material weakness. 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.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Bill Robertson, Mayor, and the Members of the Board of Aldermen City of Minden, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the City of Minden, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated January 25, 1999.

In connection with our audit, we made certain observations relative to the records maintained, the accounting procedures in effect, and the overall administration of the financial affairs of the town. As a supplement to the reports, we submit for your consideration pertaining to the following observations which did not meet the criteria of being material to the general purpose financial statements.

Internal control items considered non-material to general purpose financial statements.

Utility billings calculations

During our audit, we performed tests of controls over the utility billing procedures exercised by the City of Minden, Louisiana. During our testwork, we noted that the utility billings for Rate 04 and Rate 05 customers were not being calculated correctly. Upon further testwork, it was noted that the rates input into the computer to calculate utility billings for Rate 04 and 05 customers did not agree with the rates approved by Ordinance No. 810, "An Ordinance to Amend the Ordinance 715 and Reenact Section 19-19 of Chapter 19 of the Code of Ordinance, City of Minden, Louisiana."

Also, per a discussion with City officials, Rate 04 customers should have a demand meter reading in addition to the regular utility reading. However, it was noted that not all Rate 04 customers had a demand meter reading, therefore a demand meter billing was not being calculated for those customers.

Per a discussion with City officials, the rates were changed to reflect the approved utility billing rates. Also, Rate 04 customers not being billed for demand will be checked to ensure that a demand meter, if required, is installed and the reading is input into the billing system.

Vacation accrual

Per the City of Minden, Louisiana's vacation accrual policy, no more than the maximum accruable amount for any vacation year can be carried forward. For example, an employee entitled to two (2) weeks of vacation per vacation year, cannot carryforward more than two weeks of vacation into the following vacation year. However, during our testwork for vacation hours allowed, we noted several employees with vacation carryover in excess of the amount allowed.

Billings for services

The City submits to the Main Street Program (a component unit) quarterly billings for reimbursements of salaries and benefits paid by the City on behalf of the Program. During our testwork, it was noted that billings for the 2nd and 3rd quarters of 1998 were not prepared timely by the City. The billings for reimbursements of both quarters were not submitted to the Main Street Program until the end of September of 1998 and payment was not received until December of 1998.

We recommend that the City take steps to prepare and submit quarterly billings in a <u>timely</u> manner to ensure proper recognition of revenue and expenditure for both the City and Main Street Program.

Prior audit findings have been addressed by the City management unless included in the above comments. Should you have any questions concerning the contents of this letter or if we can be of any additional service, please contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Jamieson, Wise & Martin

Jameson, Wire & Wartin

January 25, 1999



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January 25, 1999

Dr. Daniel G. Kyle, CPA Legislative Auditor State of Louisiana PO Box 94397 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9397

Dear Dr. Kyle,

This letter represents our Corrective Action Plan addressing matters covered in the management letter for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1998:

1. Utility Billings Calculations

As the management letter states, the rates have been changed in our utility billings computer to reflect the rates approved by Ordinance No. 810, "An Ordinance to Amend the Ordinance 715 and Reenact Section 19-19 of Chapter 19 of the Code of Ordinance, City of Minden, Louisiana." In addition, our Rate 04 customers who currently do not have a demand meter will be reviewed to determine whether a demand meter is required.

2. Vacation Accrual

As discussed with the auditing team, activity regarding the accrual of vacation hours will continue to be reviewed on a regular basis to prevent vacation carryover in excess of the amount allowed each fiscal year.

3. Billings for services

As discussed with the auditing team, steps will be taken to ensure that billings are submitted to the Main Street Program in a timely manner to ensure the proper recognition of revenue and expenditures for both the City of Minden and its component unit, the Main Street Program.

Please accept these responses to the Management letter as our Corrective Action Plan for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1998. Responses to future matters covered in a management letter will be included in the reports in "Management's Corrective Action Plan."

Respectfully,

Larry Riffle City Clerk

Larry J. Riffle City Clerk - Treasurer

Fayrine A. Kennon Councilwoman - District B Robert D. Hudnall Public Works Director

Magaline Quarles
Councilwoman - District C

Charles Minifield City Attorney

Michael Roy Councilman - District D Theron Winzer Councilman - District A

Doug Frye Councilman - District E



GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW)

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups September 30, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
•		Special	Debt	Capital
•	General	Revenue	Service	Projects
ASSETS				
Cash and interest bearing deposits	\$ 3,414,149	2,473,355	963,616	2,838,981
Investments	-	501,542	-	•
Receivables -				
Utilities customers	-	-	-	-
Loan receivable	-	631,038	-	-
Other	607	-	_	•
Accrued interest	-	74,163	-	-
Due from other funds	24,493	-	-	-
Due from other governmental units	21,398	-	-	-
Inventories, at cost	13,826	-	-	-
Restricted assets -				
Cash and interest-bearing bank deposit	•	-	-	-
Investments (net of market adjustment)	-	-	-	•
Land	-	-	-	-
Buildings	-	-	-	-
Improvements other than buildings	-	-	-	•
Equipment	-	-	-	-
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-
Proprietary funds -				
Property, plant and equipment	-	-	-	-
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-
Accumulated depreciation	-	-	-	-
Amounts available for debt service	-	-	-	-
Funds to be provided for retirement				
of general long-term debt	<u>. </u>	<u></u>	<u> </u>	
Total assets	\$ 3,474,473	3,680,098	963,616	2,838,981

Proprietary	Fiduciary	Account Groups			
Fund Type	Fund Type	General	General	Tota	als
	Trust	Fixed	Long-term	(Memorand	um Only)
Enterprise	Agency	Assets	Debt	1998	1997
5,250,214	20,120	-	•	14,960,435	11,881,211
-	-	-	-	501,542	502,028
1,875,840	_	-	-	1,875,840	1,746,218
-	-	-	-	631,038	631,038
6	-	-	-	613	24,969
-	-	-	-	74,163	74,163
36,718	-	-	-	61,211	27,150
-	-	-	-	21,398	91,213
386,140	-	-	-	399,966	369,986
1,734,745	-	-	-	1,734,745	1,328,157
1,257,978	-	-	-	1,257,978	1,357,678
-	-	495,568	-	495,568	495,568
-	-	4,004,184	-	4,004,184	3,164,370
-	-	2,917,328	-	2,917,328	2,691,507
-	_	2,622,410	-	2,622,410	2,477,672
-	-	275,648	-	275,648	110,417
		-			
35,441,493	-	-	-	35,441,493	34,839,862
343,772	-	-	-	343,772	369,298
(19,335,564)	-	-	-	(19,335,564)	(18,319,207)
-	-	-	963,616	963,616	928,887
	<u></u>		3,550,959	3,550,959	4,074,376
26,991,342	20,120	10,315,138	4,514,575	52,798,343	48,866,561

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CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups

September 30, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
	Special		Debt	Capital
	General	Revenue	Service	Projects
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Bank overdraft	\$ -	17,797	-	_
	143,780	1,620	_	846,139
Accounts payable Municipal ratiroment payable	66,163	699	_	0.0,155
Municipal retirement payable	92,541	2,993	_	_
Accrued compensated absences	36,718	15,137		_
Due to other funds	30,710	•	_	_
Due to other governmental units	•	285,782	•	-
Payable from restricted assets -				
Revenue bonds	-	-	-	-
Accrued interest	•	-	-	-
Customers' utilities deposits	-	-	-	₩
General obligation bonds payable	-	-	-	-
Revenue bonds payable	-	-	-	-
Obligations under capital lease				
Total liabilities	339,202	324,028		846,139
Fund equity:				
Contributed capital	-	-	-	•
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Retained earnings -				
Reserved for -				
Revenue bond retirement	-	-	-	-
Bond depreciation and contingency	-	-	-	-
Self-insurance liability	-	-	-	~
Electrical system maintenance	-	-	-	-
LCDBG contingency	-	•	-	-
Unrealized holding gain on securities	-	-	-	-
Unreserved	-	-	-	-
Fund balances -				
Unreserved for -				
Designated for debt service	-	-	963,616	-
Designated for capital projects	-	-	-	1,992,842
Undesignated	3,135,271	3,356,070		
Total fund equity	3,135,271	3,356,070	963,616	1,992,842
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$3,474,473	3,680,098	963,616	2,838,981

Proprietary	Fiduciary	Account	Groups		
Fund Type	Fund Type	General	General	То	tals
	Trust	Fixed	Long-term	(Memoran	dum Only)
Enterprise	Agency	Assets	Debt	1998	1997
113,080	-		-	130,877	37,733
653,041	_	_	_	1,644,580	872,502
11,856	-	_	_	78,718	73,173
48,528	_	_	31,386	175,448	162,829
-	9,356	_	- 1,000	61,211	27,150
•	10,764	•	_	296,546	304,264
				250,5.0	001,001
135,000	-	-	_	135,000	135,000
450	-	•	-	450	3,175
450,557	-	-	-	450,557	437,507
-	-	-	4,455,000	4,455,000	4,955,000
-	-	-	-	-	135,000
34,454			28,189	62,643	* -
1,446,966	20,120	-	4,514,575	7,491,030	7,143,333
16,970,654	-	10,315,138	-	16,970,654 10,315,138	16,555,106 8,939,534
167,383	-	_	_	167,383	160,509
1,815,330	-	-	•	1,815,330	1,522,417
324,018	•	-	-	324,018	358,586
· •	_	_	_	, ·	•
305,519	-	-	_	305,519	305,519
-	-	-	-	_	6,814
5,961,472	-	-	-	5,961,472	5,398,187
-	-	-	-	963,616	928,887
-	-	_	-	1,992,842	1,827,152
-	-	-	-	6,491,341	5,720,517
25,544,376	<u></u>	10,315,138	-	45,307,313	41,723,228
26,991,342	20,120	10,315,138	4,514,575	52,798,343	48,866,561

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance All Governmental Fund Types

For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

	General	Special Revenue
REVENUES:		
Taxes - ad valorem	\$ 294,632	-
Taxes - sales	-	3,331,727
Licenses - occupational	325,687	-
Fees and rentals	336,388	-
Charges for services	645,763	-
Fines and forfeits	88,647	•
Intergovernmental	753,166	13,396
Interest	108,889	116,888
Program income	-	-
Miscellaneous	63,243	6,015
Total revenues	2,616,415	3,468,026
EXPENDITURES:		
Current -		
General government	1,091,064	152,858
Public safety	1,643,380	13,924
Highways and streets	732,524	-
Sanitation and health	654,761	_
Parks and recreation	858,107	_
Public works	676,332	_
Capital outlay	_	_
Debt service -		
Principal	_	_
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-
Total expenditures	5,656,168	166,782
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over		
expenditures	_(3,039,753)	3,301,244
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		
Operating transfers in	3,758,545	34,948
Operating transfers out	(367,605)	(2,916,555)
Total other sources (uses)	3,390,940	(2,881,607)
Excess of revenues and other sources		
over expenditures and other uses	351,187	419,637
Fund balance at beginning of year	2,784,084	2,936,433
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 3,135,271	3,356,070

		Totals		
Debt	Capital	(Memorano		
Service	Projects	1998	1997	
				
66,001	-	360,633	346,773	
-	-	3,331,727	3,198,646	
-	-	325,687	347,396	
-	-	336,388	303,446	
-	-	645,763	656,419	
•	-	88,647	83,130	
-	-	766,562	247,155	
27,048	62,993	315,818	273,839	
-	-	-	463,437	
	6,127	75,385	64,265	
93,049	69,120	6,246,610	<u>5,984,506</u>	
			1 000 000	
-	-	1,243,922	1,093,896	
•	-	1,657,304	1,557,867	
-	•	732,524	620,020	
-	-	654,761	639,195	
-	•	858,107	316,758	
•	1 0 6 0 0 6	676,332	68,591	
•	1,252,806	1,252,806	1,880,622	
500 000		500,000	470,000	
500,000 285,225	<u>-</u>	285,225	311,840	
785,225	1,252,806	7,860,981	6,958,789	
			<u></u>	
<u>(692,176</u>)	(1,183,686)	(1,614,371)	(974,283)	
726,905	1,349,376	5,869,774 (3,284,160)	5,667,362 (3,327,830)	
726,905	1,349,376	2,585,614	2,339,532	
		-,500,011	_,,	
34,729	165,690	971,243	1,365,249	
928,887	1,827,152	8,476,556	7,111,307	
963,616	1,992,842	9,447,799	8,476,556	

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual - General and Special Revenue Fund Types
For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:			
Taxes - ad valorem	\$ 286,357	294,632	8,275
Taxes - sales	•	•	-
Licenses - occupational	315,000	325,687	10,687
Fees and rentals	261,000	336,388	75,388
Charges for services	666,000	645,763	(20,237)
Fines and forfeits	63,700	88,647	24,947
Intergovernmental	112,011	753,166	641,155
Interest	77,780	108,889	31,109
Miscellaneous	22,290	63,243	40,953
Total revenues	1,804,138	2,616,415	812,277
EXPENDITURES:			
Current -			
General government	1,225,945	1,091,064	134,881
Public safety	1,980,644	1,643,380	337,264
Highways and streets	774,316	732,524	41,792
Sanitation and health	653,417	654,761	(1,344)
Parks and recreation	891,194	858,107	33,087
Public works	229,368	676,332	(446,964)
Capital expenditures	<u>-</u>		
Total expenditures	5,754,884	5,656,168	98,716
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	(3,950,746)	(3,039,753)	910,993
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Operating transfers in	3,758,871	3,758,545	(326)
Operating transfers out	(383,500)	(367,605)	15,895
Total other sources (uses)	3,375,371	3,390,940	15,569
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other			
sources over expenditures and other uses	(575,375)	351,187	926,562
Fund balance at beginning of year	2,784,084	2,784,084	<u> </u>
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 2,208,709	3,135,271	926,562

Special	Revenue	Funds
		

<u></u>		Variance
		Favorable
Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
•	•	-
2,700,000	3,331,727	631,727
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	•	•
-	-	-
56.060	117 000	-
56,050 6,000	116,888 3,352	60,838 (2,648)
2,762,050	3,451,967	689,917
119,391	152,668	(33,277)
-	-	-
-	-	•
•	-	-
-	-	•
-	100	
4,600	190	4,410
123,991	152,858	(28,867)
2,638,059	3,299,109	661,050
2,030,037	3,277,107	001,030
33,700	34,948	1,248
(3,017,331)	(2,916,555)	100,776
(2,983,631)	(2,881,607)	102,024
		
(345,572)	417,502	763,074
-		
2,505,381	2,505,381	
0.160.000	2 222 222	7/3 074
2,159,809	2,922,883	763,074

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA ENTERPRISE FUND - UTILITIES FUND

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings Years Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

O	1998	1997
Operating revenues: Electric - regular rates	\$ 4,422,560	4,041,675
Electric - City	586,198	597,883
Electric - fuel adjustments	4,621,755	4,191,549
Water	912,140	834,317
Sewerage	621,998	619,504
Penalties	120,431	104,155
Miscellaneous	140,184	141,167
Total operating revenues	11,425,266	10,530,250
Operating expenses:		
Electric department	5,933,868	5,438,319
Water department	973,710	794,593
Sewer department	743,095	832,116
Meter reading department	103,026	102,768
Warehouse	107,375	94,256
General and administrative	418,830	331,020
Total operating expenses	8,279,904	7,593,072
Operating income (loss)	3,145,362	2,937,178
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):		
Grants proceeds	-	17,537
Gain on sale of assets	-	6,948
Interest income	294,755	213,751
Interest expense and fiscal charges	(6,423)	(14,668)
Inventory transfer to general fund	(19,577)	(19,108)
Total nonoperating revenues and expenses	268,755	204,460
Income (loss) before operating transfers	3,414,117	3,141,638
Operating transfers:		
Transfers in	907,146	727,144
Transfers out	(3,492,760)	(3,066,676)
Net operating transfers	(2,585,614)	(2,339,532)
Net income (loss)	828,503	802,106
Retained earnings at beginning of year	5,398,187	4,909,421
Decrease (increase) in reserves:		
Revenue bond retirement	(6,874)	(670)
Bond depreciation and contingency	(292,912)	(262,363)
Self-insurance liability	34,568	(50,544)
Electrical system maintenance Total increase in reserves	(265,218)	(313,340)
Retained earnings at end of year	\$ 5,961,472	5,398,187

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA ENTERPRISE FUND - UTILITIES FUND

Comparative Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

	<u> </u>	1998	1997
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received from customers	\$	11,187,835	10,351,373
Cash payments for supplies and services		(6,391,406)	(5,654,407)
Cash payments to employees for service		(930,603)	(852,492)
Other operating revenues		140,184	141,167
Net cash provided by operating activities		4,006,010	3,985,641
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Grant proceeds FEMA		-	17,537
Net increase in meter deposits		13,050	11,275
Net operating transfers to other funds		(2,206,362)	(1,792,021)
Net cash used for noncapital financing activities		(2,193,312)	(1,763,209)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(541,651)	(1,158,908)
Principal paid on revenue bonds and capital lease obligations		(135,000)	(135,490)
Interest/fees paid on revenue bonds and capital lease obligations		(9,148)	(16,488)
Proceeds from sales of assets	*		8,737
Net cash used for capital and related financing activities	 -	(685,799)	(1,302,149)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on interest-bearing deposits		277,704	213,751
Increase in investment in UMD - CMO		-	(999,499)
Return of principal in UMD - CMO		109,937	-
Increase (decrease) in bank overdraft		77,190	(432,809)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	-	464,831	(1,218,557)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1,591,730	(298,274)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		5,393,229	5,691,503
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$_	6,984,959	5,393,229

	_	1998	1997
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Operating income	\$	3,145,362	2,937,178
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash			
provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation		1,016,357	999,731
Changes in assets and liabilities -			
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable		(97,247)	(37,710)
Decrease (increase) in inventory		(23,777)	(16,831)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and withholdings		(40,470)	108,535
Increase in accrued vacation and sick pay		4,406	(3,282)
Increase (decrease) in municipal retirement payable		1,379	(1,980)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	4,006,010	3,985,641

Schedule of Noncash Investing, Capital, and Financing Activities

During the year ended September 30, 1998, the City of Minden, Louisiana entered into a capital lease agreement with Excel Software Professionals, Inc. to purchase a computer system update, including hardware and software. Both an asset and liability were recognized in the amount of \$34,454 in the proprietary fund.

INTRODUCTION

The City of Minden, Louisiana (the City) was incorporated in 1928, under the provisions of Act No. 226 of the 1928 Special Acts of Louisiana Legislature. The City is located in the Parish of Webster, being in the northwest corner of the State of Louisiana.

Elected officials of the City of Minden are a mayor, five (5) aldermen, and a chief of police who are elected every four years. The affairs of the City are conducted and managed by the mayor and board of aldermen, referred to as "The Council."

The City provides a full range of municipal services as authorized by its charter. These include public safety (police and fire), street, water, electric, sewerage, sanitation and health, zoning and general administrative services.

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

- A. <u>Basis of presentation</u> The accounting and reporting policies of the City conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:517 and to the guidelines set forth in the <u>Louisiana Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide</u>, and to the industry audit guide, <u>Audits of State and Local Governmental Units</u>.
- B. Reporting entity As the municipal governing authority, for reporting purposes, the City of Minden is considered a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (municipality), (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 (GASB) Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the City of Minden for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria include:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing governing body and
 - a. The ability of the municipality to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the municipality.

- Organization for which the municipality does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the municipality.
- 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.

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the City of Minden, Louisiana (the primary government) and its component units. The component units included in the accompanying financial statements are blended with the municipality funds.

Blended Component Units

Component units that are legally separate from the municipality, but are so intertwined with the municipality that they are, in substance, the same as the municipality are blended component units. For a component unit to be blended, the organization's board and the municipality must be substantively the same, or the organization must provide services entirely or almost entirely to the municipality. The following component unit is reported as part of the municipality and blended with the appropriate municipality funds:

Minden Historic Downtown Development District Commission - Act No. 379 of the 1990 Regular Session enacted R.S. 33:2740.20 to create the Minden Historic Downtown Development District Commission. This commission was established to promote the educational, cultural, and economic welfare of the public of the City of Minden, Louisiana, by preserving and protecting historic structures and neighborhoods. The Minden Historic Downtown Development District Commission uses the Minden Main Street Project to carry out its functions and purpose.

The City of Minden, Louisiana, appoints all members of the District Commission. In addition, the City provides a major source of the District's funding through levy of a 1.95 mill assessment on the special taxing district created within the City of Minden and additional yearly appropriations. The District Commission reports its recommendations and activities to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Minden, Louisiana The Minden Historic Downtown Development District Commission is determined to be fiscally dependent and financially accountable to the City of Minden and therefore is reported as a blended component unit of the City of Minden, Louisiana.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the following entities have been determined not to be a part of the City of Minden and are excluded from the accompanying financial statements:

Minden Housing Authority - The Authority provides housing to certain qualified residents and is funded by U. S. Government grants and rental charges. The City is not responsible for financing deficits nor entitled to surpluses. The City does not significantly influence operational or fiscal matters of the Authority.

Minden Ward Marshal - The Minden Ward Marshal is the executive officer of the Ward I Court of Webster Parish. The principal duty of the Marshal is executing the orders and mandates of the Court. The Minden Ward Marshal is a separate reportable entity from the City of Minden, Louisiana, because the Marshal, an elected official, has the ability to exercise oversight responsibility regarding operations and accountability for fiscal matters.

City Court - The City Court is the Ward I Court of Webster Parish. The court system handles misdemeanors and civil suits of up to \$15,000 for Ward I. The City Court is a separate reportable entity from the City of Minden, Louisiana, because the Judge, an elected official, has the ability to exercise oversight responsibility regarding operations and accountability for fiscal matters.

C. <u>Fund accounting</u>. The accounts of the City of Minden are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures, or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into three broad fund categories which, in turn, are divided into six "fund types," as follows:

Governmental Funds

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

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used 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 specific purposes. In addition, the General Fund of each blended component unit is reported as a special revenue fund.

Debt Service Funds - Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

Capital Projects Funds - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

Proprietary Funds

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

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the City 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 City has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the City. Fiduciary funds include:

Agency Funds - Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the City as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

D. <u>Basis of accounting</u> - 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. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Most revenues are recorded when cash is received. Taxpayer-assessed income, gross receipts, and sales taxes are considered "measurable" when in the hands of intermediary collecting governments and are recognized as revenue at that time. Federal and state grants are expenditure-driven and revenues are recognized when the grant expenditures are incurred.

With the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except that principal and interest on general long-term debt is recognized when due.

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

modified accrual books of accounting

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA Notes to Financial Statements September 30, 1998

- E. Budgets and budgetary accounting The City follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in these financial statements:
 - a) The City Clerk prepares a proposed budget and submits same to the Mayor and the Council no later than fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year.
 - b) The public is notified that the proposed budget is available for public inspection. At that time, a public hearing is called.
 - c) A public hearing is held on the proposed budget at least ten days after publication of the call for the hearing.
 - d) After the holding of the public hearing and completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is adopted through passage of an ordinance prior to the commencement of the fiscal year for which the budget is being adopted.
 - e) Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one department, program or function to another or involving increases or decreases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding or failing to meet amounts estimated require the approval of the Council.
 - f) All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.
 - g) Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgeted amounts, as originally adopted, are amended from time to time by the Council. Such amendments are not material in relation to the original appropriations. Budget comparisons are not presented for the following special revenue funds:
 - 1. 87 LCDBG Economic Development
 - 2. Drug Task Force
 - 3. Housing Rehab

The 87 LCDBG Economic Development Fund consists of a \$750,000 Community Development Block Grant by the State of Louisiana Division of Administration. Under the terms of the contract, the funds were budgeted as follows:

Loan to Sportco of Minden, Inc., for acquisition of capital equipment, inventory and rehabilitation of building and grounds

Administration

\$ 720,000

_30,000

\$ <u>750,000</u>

The repayment of the loan is for a 10-year period. Interest, at a rate not less than eight and one-half percent (8-1/2%) is to be repaid beginning the sixth month after the first drawdown of LCDBG funds and is to continue monthly for the next eighteen months. Repayment of principal and interest shall begin on the twenty-fifth month after the first drawdown and is to continue monthly for the next 120 months. The City is obligated to return half of the principal and interest payments to the State of Louisiana and the remaining half is restricted for economic development.

The Drug Task Force Fund was established in August, 1991, to account for the receipt and disbursement of funds specifically designated for drug task force activities. By court order, the City's police department receives a portion of funds seized during drug arrests. Such funds are to be used only for drug law enforcement activities. Due to the difficulty in measuring revenues on an annual basis and the immaterial amounts involved, the City does not include this fund in its budgetary process.

The Housing Rehab Fund was established during the fiscal year ended September 30, 1995 to account for receipts and disbursements under the Health and Safety Rehabilitation Grant. No activity occurred in this fund during the year ended September 30, 1998, therefore this fund was not included in the budgetary process.

- F. <u>Encumbrances</u> The City does not employ encumbrance accounting in the governmental funds. Management does not believe that the use of encumbrance accounting would serve any significant benefit for budgetary purposes.
- G. Cash and cash equivalents and investments For purposes of the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits, those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the City may deposit funds in demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

Under state law, the City may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, certificates. In addition, the City may invest in bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S and also collateralized mortgage obligations, which have not been stripped into interest only and principal only obligations. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are reported at fair value which is determined using selected bases. Short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Long-term investments, those with original maturities greater than one (1) year, are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash, demand deposits, and certificates of deposit. Cash and cash equivalents are stated at cost.

H. Accounts receivable - The City considers substantially all customers' utility receivables and other receivables to be fully collectible; accordingly, an allowance for doubtful accounts is not required. If amounts become uncollectible, in the opinion of management, they are charged to operations at that time.

- I. Short-term interfund receivables and payables During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These interfund receivables and payables are classified as due from other funds or due to other funds on the balance sheet.
- J. <u>Inventories</u> Inventory items are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories in each fund are generally composed of the following items:

General Fund - Gasoline and garbage bags
Enterprise Fund - Electric, water and sewer repair and maintenance items

K. <u>Fixed assets</u> - Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are capitalized in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, and recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when purchased. The City has not capitalized all public domain (infrastructure) fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated cost if actual historical cost is not available. Approximately 40.0 per cent of general fixed assets are valued at estimated cost based on the actual historical cost of like items.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method.

- L. Accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay, and other employee benefits Vacation and sick leave are earned based on years of service by employees. The only provision for vested benefits is that municipal employees, with the exception of employees of the police and fire department who are covered by Civil Service requirements, may carry forward no more than sixty (60) days of annual leave. All employees do not have the option of foregoing vacation and being paid in lieu thereof. For financial reporting purposes, the City's liability for accumulated unpaid vacation benefits that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it. Amounts not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts.
- M. <u>Long-term obligations</u> Long-term obligations expected to be financed from governmental funds are reported in the general long-term debt account group. Expenditures for principal and interest payments for long-term obligations are recognized in the governmental funds when due. Long-term obligations expected to be financed from proprietary fund operations are accounted for in those funds.
- N. <u>Fund equity</u> 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.

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

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

- O. <u>Total columns on combined statements</u> Total columns on combined statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial 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.
- P. <u>Comparative data</u> 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 City's financial position and operations. However, comparative data (i.e., presentation of prior year totals by fund type) have not been presented in each of the statements since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

2. Reconciliation of Special Revenue Funds combined fund balances to Budget (GAAP Basis) balances

The fund balances at end of year for Special Revenue Funds - Actual, per the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types, does not agree to the fund balances at end of year for Special Revenue Funds - Actual per the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances, Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual - General and Special Revenue Fund Types. The difference reflects the exclusion of the 87 LCDBG Economic Development Fund, the Drug Task Force Fund, and the Housing Rehab Fund from the Special Revenue Funds presented with budget comparisons. Budget comparisons are not presented for these three funds. A reconciliation of fund balances as shown follows:

Special Revenue Funds	<u>Amount</u>
Fund balances at end of year - Combined Statement of Revenues,	
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental	
Fund Types	\$ 3,356,070
Less: Fund balances at end of year -	
87 LCDBG Economic Development	(419,419)
Drug Task Force Fund	(13,767)
Housing Rehab Fund	(1)
Fund balances at end of year - Combined Statement of Revenues	
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget (GAAP Basis)	
and Actual - General and Special Revenue Fund Types	\$ <u>2,922,883</u>

3. Fund deficits

The following individual funds have deficits in unreserved fund balance as of September 30, 1998:

	Deficit <u>Amount</u>
Main Street Program Fund	\$ 1,672
Capital Improvements - Street	203,089
Total	\$ <u>204,761</u>

Deficit in fund balance incurred in the Capital Improvements - Street fund was due to accrual of capital expenditures incurred but not paid before fiscal year ended September 30, 1998.

Deficit in fund balance incurred in Main Street Program Fund was due to accrual of salaries and related expenses incurred but not paid before the fiscal year ended September 30, 1998.

4. Cash and cash equivalents

At September 30, 1998, the City had cash and cash equivalents with book balances totaling \$16,695,180, as follows:

Petty cash funds	\$ 1,030
Demand deposits	54,036
Interest-bearing deposits	<u>16,640,114</u>
Total	\$ 16,695,180

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times at least equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At September 30, 1998, the City had \$16,871,373 in deposits of collected bank balances. These deposits were secured from risk by \$342,825 of federal deposit insurance and \$16,528,548 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank (GASB Category 3).

Even though the pledged securities are considered uncollateralized (Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Statement 3, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within ten days of being notified by the City that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

5. Investments

Louisiana Revised Statutes and the City's investment policy govern the procedures to be followed and the types of allowable securities to be purchased by the municipality. The City of Minden is authorized to invest in the following types of investments:

- Direct U.S. Treasury obligations, the principal and interest of which are fully guaranteed by the U.S. government,
- 2. Bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S., and
- 3. Collateralized mortgage obligations, which have not been stripped into interest only or principal only obligations.

All securities held at September 30, 1998 are classified as GASB Category 1.

The following is a summary of investments at September 30, 1998:

	Governmental Funds		Proprietary Funds	
	Fair Value/		Fair Value/	
	Carrying		Carrying	
	<u>Amount</u>	Cost	Amount	Cost
U.S. Agency & Treasury Bonds	\$ 325,063	325,063	716,087	715,246
Federal Agency Notes & Bonds	62,437	62,437	173,968	173,437
U.S. Agency Collateralized				
Mtge. Obligations.	<u>-</u>		253,158	241,427
Total securities	387,500	387,500	1,143,213	1,130,110
U.S. Treasury Money Fund	114,042	114,042	<u>114,765</u>	114,765
Total investments	\$ <u>501,542</u>	501,542	1,257,978	1,244,875

The City of Minden's investments are reported at fair value which is determined using selected bases in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31. Short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Long-term investments, those with original maturities greater than one (1) year, are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

6. Accounts receivable - utilities customers

Accounts receivable - utilities customers are analyzed periodically and accounts considered to be uncollectible are charged off. For the year ended September 30, 1998, \$41,376 of accounts receivable were charged off. Past due accounts totaled \$87,426 at September 30, 1998.

The individual customer consumption meters are not all <u>read</u> on the same day of the month. Meters are generally read between the first (1) and the twenty-first (21) day of each month. At the end of <u>any</u> particular month, individual customers will have from a week to a total month's consumption that they will not be billed for until the following month. It is estimated that at the end of <u>any</u> particular month there is, in the aggregate, approximately the equivalent of fifteen (15) days' consumption that is unbilled to utility customers.

Accounts receivable - utilities customers at September 30, 1998, consisted of \$1,330,337 in current billed receivables and \$545,503 of estimated unbilled receivables.

7. Ad valorem taxes

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Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on the valuation of property as of January 1 of each year. The City of Minden bills and collects its property taxes using the assessed values determined by the tax assessor of Webster Parish.

The tax levy for 1997 was 8.87 mills of the assessed property valuation on tax rolls as of January 1, 1998. This tax became due on January 1, 1998, and delinquent on February 1, 1998. The tax was dedicated as follows:

General corporate purposes 7.16 mills
Debt service 1.71 mills

For the year ended September 30, 1998, taxes of \$346,578 were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$39,073,110.

Additionally, a tax of 1.95 mills on properties located within the established Minden Downtown Development District was approved by voters. Such tax was dedicated for use by the Minden Main Street Program. For the year ended September 30, 1998, taxes of \$17,050 were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$8,743,770.

8. Sales and use tax operations

A. 1% sales and use tax - The City of Minden was authorized to levy and collect a one per cent (1%) sales and use tax by a special election held May 23, 1967. The revenues derived therefrom were authorized to be used for:

"the purpose of opening, constructing, paving, resurfacing, improving and/or maintaining streets, alleys, sidewalks and bridges; constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, renovating and/or maintaining street lighting facilities, water-works, sewers and sewerage disposal works, garbage collection and waste disposal facilities, police department stations and equipment, public buildings and/or fire department stations and equipment, including fire engines, public parks and recreational facilities, airport facilities, and parking facilities; and purchasing and acquiring the necessary land, equipment and furnishings for the aforesaid public works, building, improvements and facilities, and such tax to be subject to funding into bonds by the City in the manner authorized..."

The Sales Tax resolution provides that any monies remaining in the Sales Tax Fund on the 20th day of each month in excess of \$5,000 to be retained for operating capital and after making the required payments into the Bond Sinking Fund and the Bond Reserve Fund for the current month and for prior months during which the required payments have not been made shall be considered as surplus. Such surplus may be used by the City for any of the purposes for which the imposition of the tax is authorized.

For the year ended September 30, 1998, Sales Tax operating transfers (of "surplus") to other funds which were used for purposes for which the imposition of the tax was authorized were as follows:

Transfers to General Fund

\$1,295,059

B. 1% sales and use tax - sewerage improvements - The City of Minden was authorized to levy and collect a one per cent (1%) sales and use tax by a special election held September 29, 1984. The revenues derived therefrom were authorized to be used for:

"the purpose of constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, operating and maintaining sewers and sewerage disposal facilities...and fund the proceeds of the Tax into bonds to be issued in series from time to time for the purpose of constructing, acquiring and improving sewers and sewage disposal facilities...and the Council shall (i) annually budget the amount of said net proceeds of the Tax required to pay principal and interest and reserve requirements on all bonds payable from the Tax and the amount required for

extending, improving, operating and maintaining sewers and sewage disposal facilities and (ii) use the excess over said requirements to pay said bonds in full prior to their stated maturity and when provisions shall have been made for the payment of all of said bonds in full the authority to levy the Tax shall terminate.."

For the year ended September 30, 1998, Sales tax-sewerage improvements operating transfers to other funds which were used for purposes for which the imposition of the tax was authorized were as follows:

Transfers to Debt Service Fund \$726,905

Transfers to Utility Fund \$ 894,591

Beginning July, 1992, the City entered into an agreement with the Webster Parish Centralized Sales Tax Collection Agency to collect sales tax. The Agency collects the taxes from vendors, then remits to the City, after deducting an administrative fee. The administrative fee was assessed at the following amounts:

10/01/97 - 09/30/98

0.980 %

9. Flow of funds, restrictions on use - utilities revenues

Under the terms of the various bond indentures on outstanding Water and Electric Revenue Bonds, all income and revenues earned or derived from the operation of the utility system are pledged and dedicated to the retirement of said bonds, and are to be maintained and administered in the following order of priority and for the following express purposes:

- A. The payment of all reasonable expenses of administration, operations and maintenance of the utility system.
- B. Each month, there will be set aside into a fund called the "Bond and Interest Redemption Fund" an amount constituting 1/12 of the next maturing installment of principal and 1/6 of the next maturing installment of interest on the outstanding bonds. Such transfers shall be fully sufficient to assure the prompt payment of principal and interest installments as they become due, and may be used only for such payments.
- C. There shall also be set aside into a "Bond Reserve Fund" an amount equal to 20% of the principal and interest payments required during the current fiscal year until there shall have been accumulated in the Reserve Account an amount equal to the maximum principal and interest requirements in any one maturity year.

Such amounts may be used only for the payment of maturing bonds and interest coupons for which sufficient funds are not on deposit in the Bond and Interest Redemption Fund and as to which there would otherwise be default.

- D. Funds will also be set aside into a "Depreciation and Contingency Fund" monthly, a sum equal to five per cent (5%) of the gross revenues of the system for the preceding month provided that such sum is available after provision is made for the funds required under paragraphs (A), (B), and (C) above. Money in this fund may be used to care for extensions, additions, improvements, renewals and replacements which are necessary to keep the system in operating condition and for which money is not available as a maintenance and operations expense. Money in this fund may also be used to pay principal or interest on the bonds falling due at any time there is not sufficient money for payment in the other bond funds. The balance in this fund shall never be reduced below a minimum of \$15,000.
- E. All of the revenues received in any fiscal year, and not required to be paid into any of the above notedfunds in such fiscal year, shall be regarded as surplus and may be used for any lawful corporate purpose.

Restricted assets were applicable to the following at September 30, 1998:

Bond and Interest Redemption Fund Bond Reserve Fund	\$ 127,206 175,628
Bond Depreciation and Contingency Fund	811,882
Subtotal for Revenue Bonds	<u>1,114,716</u>
Customers' Deposits	
Bank deposit accounts	366,607
Investments (net of market adjustment)	1,257,978
Self - insurance Reserve	<u>253,422</u>
Total restricted assets	\$ <u>2,992,723</u>

10. Net working capital - Enterprise fund

The following shows the net working capital for the Enterprise Fund - Utilities Fund at September 30, 1998:

Total current assets	\$ 7,548,918
Total current liabilities	<u>(860,959</u>)
Net working capital	\$ <u>6.687,959</u>

11. Fixed assets

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balance			Balance
	October 1, 1997	Additions	Deletions	September 30, 1998
Land	\$ 495,568	-	-	495,568
Buildings	3,164,370	839,814	-	4,004,184
Improvements other than				
buildings	2,691,507	225,821	-	2,917,328
Equipment	2,477,672	176,951	(32,213)	2,622,410
Construction				
in progress	110,417	<u>162,231</u>	 	275,648
Total general				
fixed assets	\$ <u>8,939,534</u>	<u>1,407,817</u>	(32,213)	<u>10,315,138</u>

Depreciation expense has been allocated as follows in the financial statements of the Enterprise Fund - Utilities Fund:

Electric Department	\$ 4	50,656
Water Department	1	55,910
Sewer Department	3	87,890
General and Administrative		17,072
Warehouse		4,830
Total	\$_1.0	16,358

The following is a summary of the Enterprise (Utilities) Fund fixed assets at September 30, 1998.

	Life,		Accumulated		Current Year
Description	In Years	Cost	<u>Depreciation</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>Depreciation</u>
Electric Department:	22.172	f 2 4/2 5/0	2.412.074	50.504	207
Diesel generating plant	33-1/3	\$ 2,463,568	2,412,974	50,594 488,270	297 158,112
Steam turbine generating plant	33-1/3	5,261,510	4,773,240 1,888,726	124,909	80,545
Commercial power tie-in Electric distribution lines	25 25	2,013,635 5,288,463	2,124,029	3,164,434	148,908
Electric distribution times	23	3,200,403	2,124,029	3,104,434	140,200
Water Department:					
Water wells	40	532,857	273,596	259,261	11,705
Water tanks	40	241,065	101,029	140,036	3,885
Water treatment plant and lines	40	4,798,987	2,026,908	2,772,079	113,509
Equipment	5	225,353	189,019	36,334	12,482
Sewer Department:					
Sewer system	40	7,776,702	2,599,502	5,177,200	219,669
Wastewater treatment plant	40	4,788,060	1,438,145	3,349,915	122,978
Other:					
Street lights	15	122,117	122,117	•	-
Warehouse	40	317,260	155,977	161,283	11,119
Office equipment	10	206,376	162,052	44,324	8,451
Real estate	•	128,275	-	128,275	•
Autos, trucks and equipment	5	1,175,504	996,296	179,208	118,804
Shop and misc, equipment	5-15	101,761	71,954	29,807	5,894
Construction in progress	-	343,772		343,772	
Totals		\$ <u>35,785,265</u>	<u>19.335,564</u>	<u>16,449,701</u>	<u>1,016,358</u>
Changes during year:					
Balances, beginning of year		\$35,209,160	18,319,206	16,889,954	
Additions:					
Construction in progress		440,626	•	440,626	
Autos, trucks and equipment		14,304	•	14,304	
Water tanks		11,989	-	11,989	
Water treatments plant & lines		122,414	-	122,414	
Wastewater treatment		6,000	•	6,000	
Sewer system		380,817	•	380,817	
Office equipment		34,454	-	34,454	
Warehouse		16,100		16,100	
Shop equipment		15,553		15,553	
Depreciation		-	1,016,358	(1,016,358)	
Deletions:					
Construction in progress		_(466,152)		<u>(466,152</u>)	
Balances, end of year		\$ <u>35,785,265</u>	<u>19.335,564</u>	<u>16.449,701</u>	

12. Retirement commitments

Substantially all employees of the City of Minden, Louisiana, are members of the following statewide retirement systems: Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana, Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana, or Firefighters' Retirement System of Louisiana. These systems are cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by separate boards of trustees. Pertinent information relative to each plan follows:

A. Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana

Plan Description. The System is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. All regular employees, other than firemen and policemen, of the City of Minden, Louisiana, are members of Plan A. The total payroll for employees of the City covered by the System for the year ended September 30, 1998 was \$1,725,926; total payroll for the City of Minden, Louisiana, was \$3,021,751.

All permanent employees working at least 35 hours per week who are not covered by another pension plan and are paid wholly or in part from municipal funds and all elected municipal officials are eligible to participate in the System. Under Plan A, employees who retire at or after age 60 with at least 10 years of creditable service, at or after age 55 with at least 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with at least 30 years of creditable service are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final-average salary for each year of creditable service. Final-average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. 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 or amended by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana, 7937 Office Park Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, or by calling (504) 925-4810.

Funding Policy. Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.25 percent of the annual covered salary and the City of Minden, Louisiana, is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. For 1998, this rate was 5.75 percent of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the System also include one-fourth of one percent (except Orleans and East Baton Rouge parishes) of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. These tax dollars are divided between Plan A and Plan B based proportionately on the salaries of the active members of each plan. The contribution requirements of plan members and the City of

Minden, Louisiana, 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 changes each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The City of Minden, Louisiana's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending September 30, 1998, 1997 and 1996, were \$99,243, \$99,797 and \$109,386, respectively, equal to the required contributions for the years then ended.

B. Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana

Plan Description. All full-time police department employees engaged in law enforcement are required to participate in the System. Employees who retire at or after age 50 with at least 20 years of creditable service or at or after age 55 with at least 12 years of creditable service are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 1/3 percent of their final-average salary for each year of creditable service. Final-average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. 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 or amended by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana, 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809-2250, or by calling (504) 929-7411.

Funding Policy. Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 7.5 percent of their annual covered salary and the City of Minden, Louisiana, is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 9.0 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the City of Minden, Louisiana, 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 changes each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The City of Minden, Louisiana's contribution for the years ended September 30, 1998, 1997 and 1996, were \$58,123, \$54,853 and \$51,658, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

C. Firefighters' Retirement System of Louisiana

Plan Description. Membership in the Louisiana Firefighters' Retirement System is mandatory for all full-time firefighters employed by a municipality, parish, or fire protection district that did not enact an ordinance before January 1, 1980, exempting itself from participation in the System Employees are eligible to retire at or after age 55 with at least 12 years of creditable service or at or after age 50 with at least 20 years of creditable service. Upon retirement, members are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 1/3 percent

of their final-average salary for each year of creditable service, not to exceed 100 percent of their final-average salary. Final-average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. Employees who terminate with at least 12 years of service and do not withdraw their employee contributions may retire at or after age 55 (or at or after age 50 with at least 20 years of creditable service at termination) and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that include financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Firefighters' Retirement System, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804, or by calling (504) 925-4060.

Funding Policy. Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 8.0 percent of their annual covered salary and the City of Minden, Louisiana is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 9.0 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the City of Minden, Louisiana, are established and may be amended by state statute. As proved 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 City of Minden, Louisiana's contributions for the years ended September 30, 1998, 1997 and 1996, were \$26,431, \$21,863 and \$25,910, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

13. Compensated absences

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At September 30, 1998, employees of the City have accumulated and vested \$175,448 of employee leave benefits, which was computed in accordance with GASB Codification Section C60. Of this amount, \$92,541 is recorded as an obligation of the General Fund, \$2,993 is recorded as an obligation of the Sales Tax Fund, and \$31,386 is recorded within the general long-term debt account group. The leave liability for the employees of the Enterprise Fund, in the amount of \$48,528, is accounted for within the fund.

14. Long-term debt

The following is a summary of bond transactions of the City of Minden for the year ended September 30, 1998:

General

Bonds payable, September 30, 1997 Bonds retired	Obligation \$4,955,000 (500,000)	<u>Revenue</u> 270,000 (<u>135,000</u>)	<u>Total</u> 5,225,000 (635,000)
Bonds payable, September 30, 1998	\$ <u>4,455,000</u>	<u>135,000</u>	<u>4,590,000</u>
Bonds payable at September 30, 1998, are comprise	d of the following		Interest
		Principal Outstanding	to Maturity
\$6,420,000 Public Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series ST-1992, dated 1/1/92; due in annual installments of \$195,000 - \$705,000 through January 1, 2005; interest at 4.4% - 6.3%; secured by a pledge of the City's 1% sales and use tax designated for sewerage system improvements		\$ 4,120,000	950,835
\$475,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Ser 1991, dated September 26, 1991; due in annual installments of \$5,000 - \$55,000 through March 1, 2005; interest at 4.7% - 6.65%; secured by levy and collection of ad valorem taxes		<u>335,000</u> \$ <u>4,455,000</u>	81,591 1,032,426
Revenue bonds:			
\$2,250,000 Water and Electric Revenue Bonds; Se of 1974 dated 1/1/74; due in annual installments of \$85,000 - \$135,000 through January 1, 1999; inte at 4% - 5.4%	of rest	\$ <u>135,000</u>	2,700

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding as of September 30, 1998, including interest payments of \$1,035,126, are as follows:

	General			
Year ending	Obligation	Revenue		
September 30	<u>Principal</u>	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Total
1999	\$ 525,000	135,000	258,560	918,560
2000	555,000	-	224,643	779,643
2001	600,000	-	190,400	790,400
2002	630,000	••	153,333	783,333
2003	670,000	-	113,643	783,643
2004-2005	1,475,000	<u> </u>	94,547	1,569,547
	\$ <u>4,455,000</u>	135,000	1,035,126	<u>5,625,126</u>

At September 30, 1998 \$963,616 was available in the Debt Service Funds to service the general obligation bonds.

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes, the City is legally restricted in the amount of long-term bonded debt that may be issued. At September 30, 1998, the statutory limit was \$3,907,311, and outstanding bonded debt totaled \$135,000.

There are a number of limitations and restrictions contained in the various bond indentures. The City is in compliance with all significant limitations and restrictions.

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15. Interfund receivables, payables and transfers

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at September 30, 1998, and operating transfers in and out for the year then ended were as follows:

	Interfund	Interfund	<u>Operating</u>	Transfers
	Receivables	<u>Payables</u>	<u>In</u>	Out
General Fund	\$ 24,493	36,718	3,758,545	367,605
Special Revenue Funds:				
Sales Tax Fund	-	-	•	1,295,059
Sales Tax Fund -				
Sewerage System	•	-	-	1,621,496
Main Street Project	-	15,137	34,948	•
Debt Service Funds -				
P.I.B., Series ST				
ST-1992, 1/1/92	•	-	726,905	-
Capital Projects Funds:				
Capital Improvements -				
Sewer	-	-	297,500	•
Capital Improvements -				
Street	-	•	320,102	-
Capital Improvements -				
Water	•	-	731,774	-
Enterprise Fund	36,718	•	907,146	3,492,760
Agency Fund		<u>9,356</u>		<u> </u>
	\$ <u>61,211</u>	<u>61,211</u>	<u>6,776,920</u>	<u>6,776,920</u>

16. Intergovernmental revenues

The City periodically receives various grants and entitlements from Federal and State governmental units. These funds are used to finance various activities beneficial to the community. Grants normally specify what the funds may be used for and are audited annually under the Single Audit Approach as provided by Circular A-133 of the Office of Management and Budget.

During the year ended September 30, 1998, the following amount of grants and entitlements are recorded in the accompanying financial statements:

General	fund:	
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State grants and entitlements	\$ <u>216,877</u>
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement	\$ 13,682
Department of Justice - COPS grant	\$ <u>52,500</u>
US Department of Transportation and Development - FAA	\$ <u>351,264</u>

17. Local Government Assistance Fund

During the 1981 Special Session, the Louisiana Legislature passed Act 38 providing for the establishment of the Local Government Assistance Fund. Monies appropriated pursuant to the Act were distributed to parishes and municipalities based on population. Minden's share was \$251,052. The Act stipulates that monies are to be spent only on capital programs and purposes including "any expenditures for acquiring lands, building, equipment or other permanent properties, or for their preservation or development or permanent improvement", and cannot be used as part of the operating budget. All programs must be approved by respective state legislative delegates.

A fund balance of \$63,080 was available at September 30, 1998, for future approved capital projects.

18. Contractual service agreement - sanitation services

On September 1, 1995, the City entered into a five-year agreement with Waste Management of Northwest Louisiana, a private company, to provide sanitation services to the City. These services include residential garbage and recyclable item pick-up and the disposal of such waste, with fees based on the number of pick-ups per week and the type of collection (curbside or backyard). The City then charges a monthly fee for sanitation services to individual customers on their utilities bills.

19. Pending litigation

George S. Humphries et al versus City of Minden, et al, arises out of an alleged sexual molestation of a minor by a City fireman. At the time of the alleged incident, the fireman was on duty. The City Attorney indicates the City's exposure is estimated to be \$ 75,000 or greater, if found liable.

The City of Minden has filed suit against Thomas G. Ray, President/Owner of Sportco of Minden, Inc., for repayment of a loan made to Sportco. The loan was made through a grant agreement with the State of Louisiana. If successful, the \$720,000 balance paid will be remitted to the State of Louisiana to satisfy the outstanding loan balance. The City of Minden will not realize a profit from this action.

There are several other pending lawsuits in which the City is involved. The City Attorney estimates that the potential claims against the City, not covered by insurance resulting from litigation not mentioned above, would not materially affect the financial statements of the City.

Effective April 1, 1998, the City reinstated its general liability coverage. The City will maintain the reserve fund established in prior years for self-insurance. The reserve will be used to pay claims for amounts less than the deductible allowed under the City's general liability coverage. At September 30, 1998, \$324,018 has been reserved in the Enterprise Fund-Utilities Fund for this purpose.

20. Contingent liabilities

The City participates in a number of federally-assisted grant programs, such as the Community Development Block Grant. These programs are subject to program compliance audits which could lead to request for reimbursements by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the grants. City management believes that the amount of disallowances, if any, which may arise from such audits will not be material.

In connection with the 87 LCDBG Economic Development Grant, the recipient of the loan proceeds, Sportco of Minden Inc., is delinquent on repayment of such proceeds. Under the terms of the grant, the state may require reimbursement of the outstanding balance by the City. At September 30, 1998 the total outstanding loan balance was \$631,038, of which \$379,783 is owed to the City and \$251,255 is owed to the State of Louisiana. According to an amendment to the grant agreement, upon default by Sportco of Minden, Inc., the City could be held liable for the entire balance of the note, at the option of the Division of Administration of the State of Louisiana. At September 30, 1998, that balance was \$705,201, including \$74,163 in accrued interest.

On March 7, 1994, representatives of the City; the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration; and Sportco, Inc. met to come to an agreement regarding Sportco's outstanding note balance, as detailed above. The agreement, approved by the Division of Administration, was to grant a one-year extension for the resumption of payments on the loan until March 1, 1994. Subsequent to this agreement, Sportco, Inc., on August 30, 1996, filed a petition for bankruptcy under Chapter Eleven. The bankruptcy petition shows an estimated liability to the State of Louisiana in the amount of \$323,789, and to the City of Minden in the amount of \$303,895.

As previously stated in Note 19, the City has filed suit against Thomas G. Ray in an attempt to obtain payment for the outstanding balance of the loan. As a result, the State contends that the City has acted "in good faith," with respect to the administration of the loan, however, this matter remains unresolved pending the outcome of the litigation. The management of the City also contends that they have acted "in good faith" in compliance with the grant agreement and will, therefore, not be held liable for the entire balance of the note, of which \$305,519 has been reserved in the retained earnings section of the Utility Fund.

21. Change in accounting principle

For the year ended September 30, 1998, the City of Minden reported investments in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools, which is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 1997. As previously stated in Notes 1(g) and 5, GASB Statement No. 31 established fair value standards for all investments held by other governmental external investment pools and certain investments held by other governments (both governmental and proprietary.) Reporting investments in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, represented a change from the prior years method used to account for the investments of the City of Minden.

In prior years, investments held by governmental funds were reported at cost. Investments held by proprietary, funds were reported in accordance with FASB Statement No. 115. This statement required that all debt and equity securities with readily determinable fair values be classified into one of three categories based on the type of security and management's intent to hold the investment. Investments held in the proprietary fund were classified as available-for-sale securities and reported fair value, with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported in a separate component of retained earnings.

No material cumulative change in beginning retained earnings was incurred due to this change in accounting principle.

22. Year 2000 issue

Year 2000 is an issue arising from computers being programmed in prior years to use only two digits (under the assumption that the first two digits would always be 19) to identify the year when processing date-sensitive information. This method of identifying dates could cause problems when processing information with dates in the year 2000 or later. As a result, the systems that use only two digits to identify dates could process data incorrectly or stop functioning altogether. The effects of the Year 2000 is expected to extend beyond systems and any equipment that is dependent on microchip technology.

As stated in Note 1, the City provides a full range of municipal services to its citizens. These include safety, street, water, electric, sewerage, sanitation and health, zoning and general administrative services. The effect of the Year 2000 issue upon the execution of these services which are automated in nature has not been determined. In addition, the effect of the Year 2000 issue upon the City's vendors, entities, and utility providers from which it obtains services has not been determined. As a result, the effect of any of these entities' non-compliance with the Year 2000 issue upon the City has also not been determined.

For the year ended September 30, 1998, the City of Minden entered into a lease-purchase agreement with Excel Software Professionals, Inc., to purchase a computer upgrade. The total project cost for \$82,741, will be paid over a term of 60 months. The computer upgrade includes hardware, software, and training costs for a Year 2000 compliant system to be used in the daily financial operations of the City. No significant loss due to impairment of equipment that is not Year 2000 compliant was recognized during the year ended September 30, 1998.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF INDIVIDUAL FUNDS AND ACCOUNT GROUPS

GENERAL FUND

To account for resources traditionally associa	ed with governments which a	re not required to	he accounted for in
another fund.	8	io noi required to	oo accounted for m

Comparative Balance Sheets September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 1,555	1,811
Interest bearing deposits	3,412,594	2,957,742
Accounts receivable - other	607	1,197
Due from other funds -	-	
Agency fund	9,356	7,152
Main Street	15,137	•
Due from other governmental units	21,398	58,838
Gasoline inventory	8,742	6,158
Garbage bag inventory	5,084	1,465
Total assets	\$ 3,474,473	3,034,363
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 142,823	100,364
Payroll insurance withholdings	957	331
Municipal employee retirement payable	52,835	49,116
Municipal police retirement payable	9,090	9,023
Municipal fire fighter retirement payable	4,238	3,882
Accrued compensated absences	92,541	67,565
Due to other funds -		
Utilities fund	36,718	19,998
Total liabilities	339,202	250,279
Fund Balance:		
Unreserved -		
Undesignated	3,135,271	2,784,084
Total fund balance	3,135,271	2,784,084
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 3,474,473	3,034,363

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998					
		Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual	
Revenues:						
Taxes - ad valorem	\$	286,357	294,632	8,275	283,191	
Licenses - occupational		315,000	325,687	10,687	347,396	
Fees and rentals -					•	
Cablevision franchise fee		34,500	45,812	11,312	43,036	
Arkla Gas franchise fee		60,000	62,805	2,805	64,214	
Bell South franchise fee		55,000	84,671	29,671	68,825	
Permits and fees		44,400	61,925	17,525	45,852	
Recreational department fees		10,600	15,222	4,622	12,953	
Airport hangar rental and fees		35,200	35,601	401	42,730	
Civic Center rental		9,500	12,159	2,659	11,553	
Community House rental		7,800	8,590	790	6,720	
Forestry Building rental		4,000	9,603	5,603	7,563	
Charges for services - sanitation charges		666,000	645,763	(20,237)	656,419	
Fines and forfeitures		63,700	88,647	24,947	83,130	
Intergovernmental -						
Department of Justice - COPS grant		•	52,500	52,500	82,500	
Louisiana tobacco allocations		65,000	66,594	1,594	66,594	
State fire insurance tax		27,000	23,670	(3,330)	22,844	
FAA - Aviation grant		-	351,264	351,264	-	
Other state and parish grants		-	230,559	230,559	38,387	
Louisiana maintenance agreement		9,611	9,611	•	9,611	
Minden Housing Authority (payment						
in lieu of taxes)		7,700	7,742	42	7,742	
Other		2,700	11,226	8,526	5,242	
Main Street revenue		•	-	-	5,000	
Interest		77,780	108,889	31,109	89,812	
Miscellaneous		22,290	63,243	40,953	56,482	
Total revenues		1,804,138	2,616,415	812,277	2,057,796	
Expenditures:						
Current-						
General Government-						
Administrative		870,772	748,015	122,757	736,032	
Inspection and Engineering		80,591	67,245	13,346	50,081	
Civic Center		213,731	211,785	1,946	158,124	
City Court		29,905	35,074	(5,169)	29,988	

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998				
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual	
Expenditures (continued):					
Ward Marshal	\$ 30,946	28,945	2,001	29,139	
Public Safety-	•	•			
Police	1,208,740	1,101,054	107,686	1,121,828	
Fire	771,904	542,326	229,578	512,798	
Current-					
Highway and streets	774,316	732,524	41,792	798,757	
Sanitation and health-					
Sanitation	604,033	605,264	(1,231)	594,838	
Animal shelter	49,384	49,497	(113)	45,979	
Parks and recreation	891,194	858,107	33,087	459,278	
Public works	229,368	676,332	(446,964)	68,996	
Total expenditures	5,754,884	5,656,168	98,716	4,605,838	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over expenditures	(3,950,746)	(3,039,753)	910,993	(2,548,042)	
Other financing sources (uses)					
Operating transfers in					
Sales Tax Fund	1,295,059	1,295,059	-	1,241,626	
Utilities Fund	2,463,812	2,463,486	(326)	2,326,376	
PIB -12/1/75	-	- .	-	13,040	
Operating transfers out					
Capital Improvement - Street	(350,000)	(320,102)	29,898	(380,000)	
Main Street Program	(33,500)	(34,948)	(1,448)	(33,783)	
Gasoline inventory transfer - UF		(12,555)	(12,555)	(16,363)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	3,375,371	3,390,940	15,569	3,150,896	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures					
and other uses	(575,375)	351,187	926,562	602,854	
Fund Balance at beginning of year	2,784,084	2,784,084	_ _	2,181,230	
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 2,208,709	3,135,271	926,562	2,784,084	

Statement of Expenditures by Departments Compared to Budget (GAAP Basis) For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998				
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual	
General Government:					
Administrative -					
Salaries	\$ 275,884	275,141	743	265,665	
Insurance	66,934	64,746	2,188	57,201	
Payroll taxes	2,941	2,664	277	2,658	
Retirement expense	17,633	16,403	1,230	16,649	
Building maintenance and supplies	11,500	9,453	2,047	18,013	
Advertising and legal printing	3,000	7,636	(4,636)	4,025	
Office supplies	10,850	6,209	4,641	11,248	
Telephone expense	8,554	9,945	(1,391)	8,771	
Computer services	6,050	6,764	(714)	2,987	
Travel and conventions	8,500	3,429	5,071	5,559	
Auditing and legal fees	47,950	20,193	27,757	49,515	
Professional fees	•		_	2,384	
Postage	6,000	2,760	3,240	4,724	
Car allowances	11,400	10,200	1,200	10,200	
City utilities	337,300	256,591	80,709	225,690	
Maintenance agreements	3,000	2,010	990	2,537	
Civic appropriations	28,000	32,297	(4,297)	32,253	
Recording fees	200	898	(698)	598	
Other expenditures	9,076	14,522	(5,446)	11,833	
Capital expenditures	16,000	6,154	9,846	2,581	
Capital leases:	•	•	· •	•	
Principal	. -	-	-	908	
Interest	<u>-</u>			33	
Total administrative	870,772	748,015	122,757	736,032	
Inspection and Engineering -					
Salaries	38,700	37,984	716	36,288	
Insurance	4,737	3,697	1,040	3,942	
Payroll taxes	1,206	1,062	144	1,067	
Retirement expense	1,625	1,648	(23)	1,693	
Professional fees	10,000	2,400	7,600	-	
Computer services	-	280	(280)	-	
Supplies	1,125	1,502	(377)	701	
Vehicle expense	1,250	930	320	509	
Other expenditures	21,598	12,233	9,365	5,881	
Capital expenditures	350	5,509	(5,159)	<u> </u>	
Total inspection and engineering	80,591	67,245	13,346	50,081	

Statement of Expenditures by Departments Compared to Budget (GAAP Basis)

For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998				
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual	
General Government (continued)					
Civic Center -					
Salaries	71,230	69,930	1,300	68,684	
Insurance	21,214	12,564	8,650	20,049	
Payroll taxes	621	578	43	568	
Retirement expense	4,076	4,010	66	4,153	
Supplies	17,300	8,686	8,614	10,099	
Maintenance and repairs	500	1,476	(976)	460	
Car allowance	600	600	-	600	
Other expenditures	7,040	4,325	2,715	4,263	
Capital expenditures	91,150	109,616	(18,466)	49,248	
Total civic center	213,731	211,785	1,946	158,124	
City Court -					
Salaries	26,320	32,641	(6,321)	26,320	
Insurance	235	182	53	193	
Retirement expense	2,155	1,560	595	2,878	
Other expenditures	282	400	(118)	282	
Capital expenditures	913	291	622	315	
Total city court	29,905	35,074	(5,169)	29,988	
Ward Marshal -					
Salaries	20,850	20,850	•	20,850	
Insurance	4,368	3,341	1,027	2,680	
Retirement expense	1,109	960	149	784	
Telephone expense	928	933	(5)	1,005	
Car allowance	480	480	-	480	
Uniforms	400	250	150	468	
Other expenditures	2,445	2,004	441	2,746	
Capital expenditures	366	127	239	126	
Total ward marshal	30,946	28,945	2,001	29,139	
Total general government	\$ 1,225,945	1,091,064	134,881	1,003,364	

Statement of Expenditures by Departments Compared to Budget (GAAP Basis)

For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998			
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual
Dublic cofatus				
Public safety:				
Police Department - Salaries	\$ 751,003	690,868	60,135	687,167
Vehicle expense	50,500	59,323	(8,823)	61,437
_	159,000	141,671	17,329	136,964
Insurance Patirement expense	62,300	58,852	3,448	55,650
Retirement expense	13,500	7,590	5,910	9,601
Jail expense	3,399	2,210	1,189	7,240
Telephone	23,115	24,709	(1,594)	24,785
Supplies and uniforms Travel and conventions	3,250	2,371	879	3,801
_, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _, _	1,800	1,800	•	1,800
Car allowance	2,500	5,277	(2,777)	1,206
Maintenance agreements	2,300	5,277	250	-,
Advertising and printing	32,000	22,709	9,291	14,896
Coroner	35,000	22,107	35,000	25,000
Legal	·	13,051	172	12,192
Payroll taxes	13,223	12,037	(2,137)	9,216
Other expenditures	9,900 48,000	58,586	(10,586)	70,873
Capital expenditures	1,208,740	1,101,054	107,686	1,121,828
Total police department	1,200,740	1,101,00		
Fire department -				
Salaries	385,255	389,709	(4,454)	373,477
Insurance	73,863	74,603	(740)	70,077
Retirement expense	29,547	26,613	2,934	24,583
Telephone	5,486	7,855	(2,369)	7,597
Truck expense	14,850	9,026	5,824	3,680
Rescue squad	1,200	1,300	(100)	1,200
Supplies and repairs	8,605	5,153	3,452	6,384
Uniforms	2,000	228	1,772	529
Maintenance agreements	750	1,771	(1,021)	527
City utilities	8,000	6,285	1,715	5,791
Other expenditures	6,848	4,593	2,255	3,596
Capital expenditures	235,500	15,190	220,310	15,357
Total fire department	771,904	542,326	229,578	512,798
Total public safety	\$ 1,980,644	1,643,380	337,264	1,634,626

Statement of Expenditures by Departments Compared to Budget (GAAP Basis)
For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

		1998		
	<u> </u>		Variance	
			Favorable	1997
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual
Highway and streets:				
Salaries	\$ 343,549	329,403	14,146	297,524
Insurance	103,143	87,523	15,620	83,935
Retirement expense	17,205	16,659	546	16,153
Vehicle expense	33,000	20,929	12,071	28,258
Maintenance expense	53,000	33,685	19,315	47,570
Equipment rental	15,000	5,285	9,715	10,571
•	54,150	65,981	(11,831)	62,822
Supplies	70,800	46,972	23,828	61,407
Repairs	909	1,243	(334)	931
Telephone	14,235	19,993	(5,758)	10,849
Other expenditures Capital expenditures	69,325	104,851	(35,526)	178,737
Capital expenditures				
Total highways and streets	\$ 774,316	732,524	41,792	798,757
Sanitation and Health:				
Sanitation Department-			(1.001)	201 020
Contractual service agreement	\$ 604,033	605,264	(1,231)	594,838
Total sanitation	604,033	605,264	(1,231)	594,838
Animal Shelter Department -				
Salaries	32,952	34,416	(1,464)	31,843
Insurance	2,573	1,949	624	1,792
Retirement expense	1,895	1,778	117	1,933
•	1,350	1,389	(39)	1,650
Vehicle expense Supplies and animal food	2,200	4,130	(1,930)	2,780
Veterinary fees and medicine	2,800	2,166	634	2,304
	4,614	2,573	2,041	2,055
Other expenditures Capital expenditures	1,000	1,096	(96)	1,622
Total animal shelter	49,384	49,497	(113)	45,979
Total sanitation and health	\$ 653,417	654,761	(1,344)	640,817

Statement of Expenditures by Departments Compared to Budget (GAAP Basis) For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998				
	-	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual
				 -	
Parks and recreation:					
Salaries	\$	241,693	205,830	35,863	189,115
Insurance		32,935	30,366	2,569	27,752
Retirement expense		9,775	6,385	3,390	6,693
Recreation center supplies		57,000	48,124	8,876	43,671
Tractor and truck expense		13,000	9,445	3,555	6,599
Telephone expense		3,262	3,902	(640)	3,105
City utilities		-	821	(821)	1,073
Other expenditures		30,629	22,064	8,565	38,750
Capital expenditures		502,900	531,170	(28,270)	142,520
Total parks and recreation	\$	891,194	858,107	33,087	459,278
Public works - Airport:					
Salaries	\$	27,100	26,639	461	23,656
Insurance		4,200	5,803	(1,603)	3,897
Retirement expense		1,443	937	506	901
Airport supplies		5,000	4,814	186	4,333
Vehicle expense		18,800	26,329	(7,529)	28,091
Telephone expense		657	709	(52)	680
Other expenditures		7,668	8,180	(512)	7,033
Capital expenditures	_	164,500	602,921	(438,421)	405
Total public works	\$	229,368	676,332	(446,964)	68,996
Total expenditures	\$	5,754,884	5,656,168	98,716	4,605,838

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

SALES TAX FUND

Fund used to account for the receipt and use of proceeds of the City's one percent (1%) sales and use tax under the provisions of the sales and use tax ordinance effective August 1, 1967. These revenues collected are dedicated for the following purposes:

- (a) Opening, constructing, paving, resurfacing, improving and/or maintaining streets, alleys, sidewalks and bridges and
- (b) Constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, renovating and/or maintaining street lighting facilities, waterworks, sewers and sewerage disposal works, garbage collection and waste disposal facilities, police department stations and equipment, public buildings and/or fire department stations and equipment, including fire engines, public parks and recreational facilities, airport facilities, and parking facilities and
- (c) Purchasing and acquiring the necessary land, equipment and furnishings for the aforesaid public works, buildings, improvements and facilities, title to which improvements shall be in the public, or for any one or more said purposes, and
- (d) Funding the retirement of Public Improvement Bonds, Series ST-1, dated November 1, 1967 and Public Improvement Bonds, Series ST-2, dated May 1, 1969.

SALES TAX FUND - SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Fund used to account for the receipt and use of proceeds of the City's one percent (1%) sales and use tax under the provisions of the sales and use tax ordinance effective December 1, 1984. These revenues collected are dedicated for the following purposes:

- (a) Constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, operating, and maintaining sewers and sewerage disposal facilities, and
- (b) Funding the retirement of Public Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series ST-1992, dated 1/1/92.

87 LCDBG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

Fund used to account for resources and expenditures under a Louisiana Community Development Block Grant awarded by the State of Louisiana Department of Urban and Community Affairs. Qualified expenditures under the terms of the original grant included funds for the administration of the grant and provision of a loan to Sportco of Minden, Inc. for the location and operation of a boat manufacturing facility in the City of Minden. Half of the principal and interest repayments of the loan are restricted to the City of Minden for economic development and the remaining half is due to be returned to the State of Louisiana.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (continued)

DRUG TASK FORCE FUND

Fund used to account for receipts and disbursements of monies specifically designated for drug task force activities. Receipts are from the police department's portion of seized funds from drug arrests. Under the provisions of a court order, the police department receives these funds from the Webster Parish Police Jury. Disbursements are to be made solely for drug law enforcement activities.

HOUSING REHAB FUND

Fund used to account for receipts and disbursements under the Health and Safety Rehabilitation Grant awarded by the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency. Grant funds are for the rehabilitation of properties owned and occupied by elderly, disabled, and single parent heads of household meeting grant requirements.

MAIN STREET PROGRAM FUND

Fund used to account for receipts and disbursements of monies collected for the purposes of the Minden Downtown Development District Commission as carried out through the Minden Main Street Project

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet September 30, 1998

With Comparative Totals for September 30, 1997

	Sales Tax Fund	Sales Tax Fund - Sewerage System	87 LCDBG Economic Development Fund
ASSETS			
Cash	\$1,636,570	809,552	-
Investments	501,542	-	
Loans receivable	-	-	631,038
Accrued interest		<u> </u>	74,163
Total assets	\$2,138,112	809,552	705,201
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Bank overdraft	\$ 17,797	-	_
Accounts payable	1,592	-	-
Payroll withholdings and payables	28	-	_
Retirement payable	699	-	-
Accrued compensated absences	2,993	-	-
Due to State of Louisiana	-	-	285,782
Due to general fund			
Total liabilities	23,109	<u></u>	285,782
Fund balances:			
Unreserved -			
Undesignated	2,115,003	809,552	419,419
Total fund balances	2,115,003	809,552	419,419
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$2,138,112	809,552	705,201

Drug		Main Street		
Task Force	Housing	Program	To	tals
Fund	Rehab	Fund	1998	1997
<u></u>				
13,767	1	13,465	2,473,355	2,021,066
-	_	-	501,542	502,028
-	_	-	631,038	631,038
			74,163	74,163
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13,767	<u></u>	13,465	3,680,098	3,228,295
-	-	-	17,797	1,843
_	_	-	1,592	655
-	_	-	28	28
-	-	-	699	675
-		-	2,993	2,879
-	-	-	285,782	285,782
		15,137	15,137	
		15,137	324,028	291,862
13,767	1	(1,672)	3,356,070	2,936,433
13,767]	(1,672)	3,356,070	2,936,433
				
13,767	1	13,465	3,680,098	3,228,295

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Year ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Totals for Year Ended September 30, 1997

			Sales Tax Fund -
		Sales	Sewerage
		Tax Fund	System
Revenues:			
Taxes - sales	\$	1,665,864	1,665,863
Intergovernmental revenues		-	-
Interest		78,741	38,147
Miscellaneous		<u></u>	<u></u>
Total revenues		1,744,605	1,704,010
Expenditures:			
General government		95,345	16,347
Drug law enforcement		<u>-</u>	
Total expenditures		95,345	16,347
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures		1,649,260	1,687,663
Other financing sources (uses):			
Operating transfers in		-	-
Operating transfers out		(1,295,059)	(1,621,496)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u> </u>	(1,295,059)	(1,621,496)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources			
over expenditures and other uses		354,201	66,167
Fund balances at beginning of year		1,760,802	743,385
Fund balances at end of year	\$	2,115,003	809,552

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Economic	Drug Task		Main Street		
Development	Force	Housing	Program	Tota	ls
Fund	Fund	Rehab	Fund	1998	1997
•					
_	-	-	-	3,331,727	3,198,646
_	13,396	_	-	13,396	9,235
-	-	-	-	116,888	93,153
	2,663	-	3,352	6,015	7,783
	16,059	-	3,352	3,468,026	3,308,817
-	-	-	41,166	152,858	147,320
	13,924			13,924	9,471
	13,924		41,166	166,782	156,791
-	2,135	-	(37,814)	3,301,244	3,152,026
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-	-	•	34,948	34,948	234,805
				(2,916,555)	(2,676,794)
	-		34,948	(2,881,607)	(2,441,989)
	2 125		(2.066)	A10 627	210.027
-	2,135	-	(2,866)	419,637	710,037
419,419	11,632	1	1,194	2,936,433	2,226,396
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419,419	13,767	1	(1,672)	3,356,070	2,936,433

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SALES TAX FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	1998				
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual	
Revenues:					
Taxes - sales Interest	\$ 1,350,000 29,000	1,665,864 78,741	315,864 49,741	1,599,323 61,146	
Total revenues	1,379,000	1,744,605	365,605	1,660,469	
Expenditures:					
General government -					
Salaries	49,029	48,835	194	46,582	
Insurance expense	3,439	4,128	(689)	2,704	
Retirement expense	2,819	2,782	37	2,834	
Office and computer supplies	6,500	5,187	1,313	8,312	
Collection expense	-	16,328	(16,328)	14,306	
Professional fees	6,300	7,148	(848)	5,999	
Miscellaneous	12,254	10,747	1,507	8,323	
Capital leases -					
Principal	-	-	-	124	
Interest	-	-	_	4	
Capital expenditures	3,600	190	3,410	4,291	
Total expenditures	83,941	95,345	(11,404)	93,479	
Excess of revenues over expenditures	1,295,059	1,649,260	354,201	1,566,990	
Other financing sources (uses):					
Operating transfers in -					
PIB '67 & '69 Sinking	-	-	-	201,022	
Operating transfers out -					
General fund	(1,295,059)	(1,295,059)	-	(1,241,626)	
Total other financing (uses)	(1,295,059)	(1,295,059)		(1,040,604)	
Excess of revenues and other sources					
over expenditures and other uses	-	354,201	354,201	526,386	
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,760,802	1,760,802	<u> </u>	1,234,416	
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 1,760,802	2,115,003	354,201	1,760,802	

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

SALES TAX FUND - SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance -

Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual

For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

			Variance	
			Favorable	1997
	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual
Revenues:				
Taxes - sales	\$1,350,000	1,665,863	315,863	1,599,323
Interest	26,700	38,147	11,447	31,655
Total revenues	1,376,700	1,704,010	327,310	1,630,978
Expenditures:				
General government -				
Collection expense		16,329	(16,329)	14,306
Miscellaneous		18	(18)	
Total expenditures	-	16,347	(16,347)	14,306
Excess of revenues over expenditures	1,376,700	1,687,663	310,963	1,616,672
Other financing sources (uses):				
Operating transfers out				
Sinking Fund '85	(735,862)	(726,905)	8,957	(729,731)
Utility Fund	(986,410)	(894,591)	91,819	(705,437)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(1,722,272)	(1,621,496)	100,776	(1,435,168)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other				
sources over expenditures and other uses	(345,572)	66,167	411,739	181,504
Fund balance at beginning of year	743,385	743,385		561,881
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 397,813	809,552	411,739	743,385

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS MAIN STREET PROGRAM FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual

For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1997 Actual
Revenues:				
Interest	\$ 350	2 2 5 2	(350)	352
Miscellaneous	6,000	3,352	(2,648)	5,613
Total revenues	6,350	3,352	(2,998)	5,965
Expenditures:				
General government -				
Salaries	23,200	23,200	-	22,000
Insurance expense	4,259	4,827	(568)	4,221
Retirement expense	2,320	1,334	986	1,347
Office and computer supplies	1,825	1,836	(11)	3,625
Miscellaneous	7,446	9,969	(2,523)	8,115
Capital expenditures	1,000		1,000	227
Total expenditures	40,050	41,166	(1,116)	39,535
(Deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	(33,700)	(37,814)	(4,114)	(33,570)
Other financing sources:				
Operating transfers in - General Fund	33,700	34,948	1,248	33,783
Total other financing sources	33,700	34,948	1,248	33,783
(Deficiency) of revenues and other				
sources over expenditures	-	(2,866)	(2,866)	213
Fund balance at beginning of year	1,194	1,194		981
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 1,194	(1,672)	(2,866)	1,194

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 1991, 9/26/91

To accumulate monies for payment of the 1991 \$475,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the City of Minden, which are serial bonds due in annual installments, plus interest, through maturity in 2005. Debt service is financed by the levy of a specific ad valorem tax.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT REFUND BONDS SERIES ST-1992, 1/1/92

To accumulate monies for payment of the 1992 \$6,420,000 Public Improvement Refunding Bonds of the City of Minden, which are serial bonds due in annual installments, plus interest, through maturity in 2005. Debt service is financed from proceeds of the City's 1% sales and use tax designated for improvements to the sewerage system.

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CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet September 30,1998

With Comparative Totals for September 30, 1997

	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, 9/26/91		Public Improvement Refunding Bonds Series ST - 1992, 1/1/92 Sinking Reserve		Totals	
	Se	ries 1991	Fund	<u>Fund</u>	1998	1997
ASSETS Cash and interest-bearing deposits	<u>\$</u>	33,629	445,548	484,439	963,616	928,887
Total assets	\$	33,629	445,548	484,439	963,616	928,887
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Fund balances - Available for debt retirement	<u>\$_</u> _	33,629	445,548	484,439	963,616	928,887
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	33,629	445,548	484,439	963,616	928,887

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

For the Year Ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended September 30, 1997

	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, 9/26/91		Public Improvement Refunding Bonds Series ST - 1992, 1/1/92			
			Sinking	Reserve	Totals	
	Ser	ies 1991	Fund	Fund	1998	1997
Revenues: Taxes - ad valorem	\$	66,001	-	•	66,001	63,582
Interest	•	1,106	10,026	15,916	27,048	30,517
Total revenues		67,107	10,026	15,916	93,049	94,099
Expenditures:						
Principal retirement		35,000	465,000	-	500,000	470,000
Interest and fiscal charges		22,542	262,683	-	285,225	311,840
Total expenditures		57,542	727,683		785,225	781,840
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		9,565	(717,657)	15,916	(692,176)	(687,741)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Operating transfers in:						
Sales Tax Fund - Sewerage System		-	726,905	-	726,905	729,731
PIB Sinking Fund (11/1/67 & 5/1/69)		-	-	-	-	1,484
Operating transfers out:						
General fund		-	-	-	-	(13,040)
Sales Tax Fund					•	(201,022)
PIB Reserve Fund (11/1/67 & 5/1/69)		-				(1,484)
Total other financing sources (uses)			726,905	 	726,905	515,669
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other						
sources over expenditures and other uses		9,565	9,248	15,916	34,729	(172,072)
Fund balances at beginning of year	_	24,064	436,300	468,523	928,887	1,100,959
Fund balances at end of year	\$	33,629	445,548	484,439	963,616	928,887

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FUND

Fund used to account for resources and expenditures under a 1981 State grant of \$251,052 to the City of Minden in accordance with Legislative Act 38. Qualified expenditures, under the terms of the grant, include specified amounts for acquiring lands, buildings, equipment or other permanent properties, or for their preservation or development or permanent improvement. All programs must be approved by respective state legislative delegates.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - ELECTRIC FUND

Fund used to account for monies to be used for capital improvements to the City of Minden's electrical system. Resources are contributed wholly by the City of Minden.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - SEWER FUND

Fund used to account for monies to be used for capital improvements to the City of Minden's sewer system. Resources are contributed wholly by the City of Minden.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - STREET FUND

Fund used to account for monies to be used for Street improvements of the City of Minden. Resources are contributed wholly by the City of Minden.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - WATER FUND

Fund used to account for monies to be used for water improvements of the City of Minden. Resources are contributed wholly by the City of Minden.

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CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet September 30, 1998

With Comparative Totals for September 30, 1997

	Local Government Assistance Fund	Capital Improvements - Electric - Fund	Capital Improvements - Sewer Fund
ASSETS			
Cash and interest-bearing bank deposits Grant receivable	\$ 63,080	695,926	321,273
Total assets	\$ 63,080	695,926	321,273
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ -	_	81,349
Retainage payable			6,361
Total liabilities			<u>87,710</u>
Fund Balances:			
Unreserved - designated for			
capital projects	63,080	695,926	233,563
Total fund balance	63,080	695,926	233,563
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 63,080	695,926	321,273

Capital Improvements - Street	Capital Improvements - Water		tals
Fund	Fund	1998	1997
540,405	1,218,297	2,838,981	1,880,999 23,766
540,405	1,218,297	2,838,981	1,904,765
743,494	14,935	839,778 6,361	37,552 40,061
743,494	14,935	846,139	77,613
(203,089)	1,203,362	1,992,842	1,827,152
(203,089)	1,203,362	1,992,842	1,827,152
540,405	1,218,297	2,838,981	1,904,765

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Year ended September 30, 1998

With Comparative Amounts for Year Ended September 30, 1997

	Local Government Assistance Fund	Capital Improvements - Electric Fund	Capital Improvements - Sewer Fund
Revenues:			
Program income - state agencies	\$ -	-	-
Interest	2,071	22,923	8,111
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	6,127	<u>-</u>
Total revenues	2,071	<u>29,050</u>	8,111
Expenditures:			
Administrative	_	_	_
Capital expenditures		-	333,877
Total expenditures			333,877
Excess (deficiency) of revenues			
over expenditures	2,071	29,050	(325,766)
Other financing sources (uses):			
Operating transfers in -			
General fund	_	-	-
Utility fund	-	· •	297,500
Operating transfers out -			
Utility fund	-		
Total other financing sources	<u>-</u>		297,500
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other			
sources over expenditures	2,071	29,050	(28,266)
Fund balances at beginning of year	61,009	666,876	261,829
Fund balances at end of year	\$ 63,080	695,926	233,563

Capital Improvements	Capital Improvements		
- Street	- Water	Tota	als
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	1998	1997
			162 127
10,084	19,804	62,993	463,437 60,357
-	17,004	6,127	-
10,084	19,804	69,120	523,794
-	-	-	30,794
834,512	84,417	1,252,806	1,383,526
834,512	84,417	1,252,806	1,414,320
(824,428)	(64,613)	(1,183,686)	(890,526)
320,102	-	320,102	380,000
-	731,774	1,029,274	740,300
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(5,344)
320,102	731,774	1,349,376	1,114,956
(504,326)	667,161	165,690	224,430
301,237	536,201	1,827,152	1,602,722
(203,089)	1,203,362	1,992,842	1,827,152

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ENTERPRISE FUND

Utilities Fund - To account for the provision of electric, water and sewer services to residents of the City. 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 collections.

Comparative Balance Sheets September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997
ASSETS:		
Current Assets:		
Cash and interest-bearing bank deposits	\$ 5,250,214	4,065,072
Accounts receivable - utilities customers	1,875,840	1,746,218
Accounts receivable - other	6	6
Due from the State of Louisiana	-	32,375
Due from other funds -	24.510	10.000
General fund	36,718	19,998
Inventory materials and supplies, at cost (FIFO)	386,140	362,363
Total current assets	<u>7,548,918</u>	6,226,032
Restricted assets:		
Bond reserve account -		
Interest-bearing bank deposits	175,628	169,857
Bond and interest redemption account -		
Cash and interest-bearing bank deposits	127,206	128,825
Depreciation and contingency account -		
Interest-bearing bank deposits	811,882	522,918
Investment (net of market adjustment)	1,004,820	1,014,115
Customers' deposits:	* * * * * * * *	
Cash and interest-bearing bank deposits	366,607	227,352
Investment (net of market adjustment)	253,158	343,563
Self-insurance reserve account -	0.50 400	220.005
Cash and interest-bearing bank deposits	253,422	279,205
Total restricted assets	2,992,723	<u>2,685,835</u>
Property, plant and equipment (at cost)	35,441,493	34,839,862
Construction in progress	343,772	369,298
	35,785,265	35,209,160
Less: accumulated depreciation	(19,335,564)	(18,319,207)
	16,449,701	16,889,953
Total assets	\$ 26,991,342	25,801,820

ENTERPRISE FUND - UTILITIES FUND

Comparative Balance Sheets September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Current liabilities (payable from current assets):		
Bank overdraft	\$ 113,080	35,890
Accounts payable	652,644	692,733
Payroll insurance withholdings	397	778
Municipal retirement payable	11,856	10,477
Accrued vacation pay and sick leave payable	48,528	44,122
Obligations under capital leases	34,454	<u> </u>
	860,959	784,000
Current liabilities (payable from restricted assets):		
Revenue bonds and notes	135,000	135,000
Accrued interest	450	3,175
Customers' deposits	450,557	437,507
	586,007	575,682
Total current liabilities	1,446,966	1,359,682
Long-term liabilities:		
Revenue bonds payable		135,000
Total long-term liabilities	<u> </u>	135,000
Total liabilities	1,446,966	1,494,682
Fund equity:		
Contributed capital -		
Municipality	9,767,721	9,767,721
Sales tax fund	1,439,780	1,439,780
Federal and state grants	1,213,549	1,213,549
General fixed assets	337,790	337,790
Capital projects fund	4,211,814	3,796,266
Total contributed capital	16,970,654	16,555,106
Retained earnings -		
Reserved for revenue bond retirement	167,383	160,509
Reserved for bond depreciation and contingency	1,815,330	1,522,417
Reserved for self-insurance liability	324,018	358,586
Reserved for LCDBG contingency	305,519	305,519
Unrealized holding gain on securities	6.061.472	6,814
Unreserved Total retained comines	5,961,472	5,398,187
Total fund cavity	8,573,722	7,752,032
Total fund equity	25,544,376	24,307,138
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 26,991,342	25,801,820

ENTERPRISE FUND - UTILITIES FUND

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings Years Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997
Operating revenues:	\$ 4,422,560	4,041,675
Electric - regular rates	586,198	597,883
Electric - City	4,621,755	4,191,549
Electric - fuel adjustments	912,140	834,317
Water	621,998	619,504
Sewerage Penaltics	120,431	104,155
Miscellancous	140,184	141,167
Total operating revenues	11,425,266	10,530,250
Operating expenses:		
Electric department	5,933,868	5,438,319
Water department	973,710	794,593
Sewer department	743,095	832,116
Meter reading department	103,026	102,768
Warehouse	107,375	94,256
General and administrative	418,830	331,020
Total operating expenses	8,279,904	7,593,072
Operating income (loss)	3,145,362	2,937,178
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):		17 627
Grants proceeds	-	17,537
Gain on sale of assets	204.756	6,948
Interest income	294,755	213,751
Interest expense and fiscal charges	(6,423)	(14,668) (19,108)
Inventory transfer to general fund	(19,577)	
Total nonoperating revenues and expenses	<u>268,755</u>	204,460
Income (loss) before operating transfers	3,414,117	3,141,638
Operating transfers:		507.144
Transfers in	907,146	727,144
Transfers out	(3,492,760)	(3,066,676)
Net operating transfers	(2,585,614)	(2,339,532)
Net income (loss)	828,503	802,106
Retained earnings at beginning of year	5,398,187	4,909,421
Decrease (increase) in reserves:		((70)
Revenue bond retirement	(6,874)	(670)
Bond depreciation and contingency	(292,912)	(262,363)
Self-insurance liability	34,568	(50,544) 237
Electrical system maintenance		
Total increase in reserves	(265,218)	(313,340)
Retained earnings at end of year	\$ 5,961,472	5,398,187

ENTERPRISE FUND - UTILITIES FUND

Comparative Schedules of Operating Expenses by Department Year Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997	
Electric Department:	<u> </u>	-	
Purchase of power	\$ 4,094,881	3,515,227	
Plant operations	532,404	439,788	
Fuel - gas, oil and lubricants	202,467	441,161	
Salaries	262,625	264,435	
Retirement expense	13,048	14,874	
Insurance	100,803	66,818	
Depreciation	450,656	459,218	
Distribution repairs	202,904	160,108	
Plant maintenance and repairs	14,606	12,693	
Truck and equipment expense	41,947	34,965	
Chemicals	•	541	
Professional services	2,280	13,669	
Telephone	921	1,020	
Utilities	8,632	8,987	
Travel and conventions	2,412	2,206	
Miscellaneous	3,282	2,609	
Total electric department	\$ 5,933,868	\$ 5,438,319	
Water Department:			
Salaries	\$ 271,176	173,675	
Retirement expense	14,806	10,747	
Insurance	66,884	34,503	
Electricity consumed	240,975	266,673	
Depreciation	155,910	141,499	
Water plant, wells and tank repairs	102,905	19,100	
Line and meter repairs	5,455	45,044	
Truck and equipment expense	33,014	20,335	
Chemicals	19,070	17,746	
Supplies and materials	29,892	23,789	
Professional services	18,946	26,461	
Miscellaneous	14,677	15,021	
Total water department	\$ 973,710	\$ 794,593	

Comparative Schedules of Operating Expenses by Department Year Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998		1997	
Sewer Department:				
Salaries	\$	106,146	171,323	
Retirement expense		5,676	9,775	
Insurance		27,632	31,732	
Electricity consumed		96,007	98,693	
Plant maintenance		49,648	54,143	
Depreciation		387,890	374,758	
Chemicals		13,373	21,135	
Truck and equipment expense		7,913	17,190	
Lift station and maintenance		5,018	4,423	
Supplies and materials		7,005	14,570	
Professional services		9,726	5,990	
Telephone		1,723	1,900	
Line repairs		-	214	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	25,338	26,270	
Total sewer department	\$	743,095	\$ 832,116	
General and Administrative Expenses:				
Salaries	\$	139,533	99,751	
Retirement expense		7,315	4,323	
Insurance		53,037	34,798	
Professional services		57,967	9,677	
Computer services		3,188	7,290	
Postage		19,018	20,374	
Telephone		9,026	8,725	
Bad Debts		41,376	87,211	
Auditing and legal		13,407	12,250	
Supplies		5,962	8,413	
Truck and equipment		521	473	
Depreciation		17,072	20,586	
Maintenance agreement		3,756	2,582	
Utilities		16,976	5,822	
Miscellaneous		30,676	8,745	
Total general and administrative expense	\$	418,830	\$ 331,020	

Comparative Schedules of Operating Expenses by Department

Year Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997	
Meter Reading Department:			
Salaries	\$ 75,690	73,063	
Retirement expense	3,770	4,194	
Insurance	11,411	13,864	
Supplies	1,438	1,757	
Meter testing	5,193	4,717	
Vehicle expense	3,620	3,755	
Machinery and equipment	170	110	
Miscellaneous	1,734	1,308	
Total meter reading department	\$ 103,026	\$ 102,768	
Warehouse:			
Salaries	\$ 75,433	70,245	
Retirement expense	3,561	3,991	
Insurance	13,812	7,226	
Supplies	887	789	
Utilities	5,269	5,133	
Vehicle expense	662	1,008	
Machinery and equipment	265	554	
Computer expense	590	590	
Real property	364	338	
Depreciation	4,830	3,670	
Miscellaneous	1,702	<u>712</u>	
Total warehouse	\$ 107,375	\$ 94,256	
Total operating expenses	\$ 8,279,904	7,593,072	

Comparative Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended September 30, 1998 and 1997

		1998	1997
Cash flows from operating activities:	 -		
Cash received from customers	\$	11,187,835	10,351,373
Cash payments for supplies and services		(6,391,406)	(5,654,407)
Cash payments to employees for service		(930,603)	(852,492)
Other operating revenues		140,184	141,167
Net cash provided by operating activities		4,006,010	3,985,641
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Grant proceeds FEMA		-	17,537
Net increase in meter deposits		13,050	11,275
Net operating transfers to other funds		(2,206,362)	(1,792,021)
Net cash used for noncapital financing activities		(2,193,312)	(1,763,209)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(541,651)	(1,158,908)
Principal paid on revenue bonds and capital lease obligations		(135,000)	(135,490)
Interest/fees paid on revenue bonds and capital lease obligations		(9,148)	(16,488)
Proceeds from sales of assets			8,737
Net cash used for capital and related financing activities		(685,799)	(1,302,149)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on interest-bearing deposits		277,704	213,751
Increase in investment in UMD - CMO		-	(999,499)
Return of principal in UMD - CMO		109,937	•
Increase (decrease) in bank overdraft		77,190	(432,809)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities		464,831	(1,218,557)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1,591,730	(298,274)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	 -	5,393,229	5,691,503
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$</u> _	6,984,959	5,393,229

		1998	1997
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash			
provided by operating activities:			
Operating income	\$	3,145,362	2,937,178
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash			
provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation		1,016,357	999,731
Changes in assets and liabilities -			
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable		(97,247)	(37,710)
Decrease (increase) in inventory		(23,777)	(16,831)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and withholdings		(40,470)	108,535
Increase in accrued vacation and sick pay		4,406	(3,282)
Increase (decrease) in municipal retirement payable		1,379	(1,980)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$</u>	4,006,010	3,985,641

Schedule of Noncash Investing, Capital, and Financing Activities

During the year ended September 30, 1998, the City of Minden, Louisiana entered into a capital lease agreement with Excel Software Professionals, Inc. to purchase a computer system update, including hardware and software. Both an asset and liability were recognized in the amount of \$34,454 in the proprietary fund.

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA ENTERPRISE FUND - UTILITIES FUND Schedule of Changes in Assets Restricted for Revenue Bond Debt Service Year Ended September 30, 1998

	Bond and Interest		Depreciation and	
	Redemption	Reserve	Contingency	
	Account	Account	Account	Total
Cash and interest-bearing bank				
deposits, October 1, 1997	\$ 128,825	169,857	522,918	821,600
Cash receipts:				
Transfer from operating account	139,520	-	265,930	405,450
Interest earnings	3,021	5,771	23,034	31,826
Total cash available	142,541	5,771	288,964	437,276
Cash disbursements:				
Principal payments	135,000	-	-	135,000
Interest payments	9,045	-	•	9,045
Paying agent fees	115	-	-	115
Transfer to operating account		-	*	
Total disbursements	144,160			144,160
Cash and interest-bearing bank				
deposits, September 30, 1998	\$ 127,206	175,628	811,882	1,114,716

AGENCY FUND

Police Bond Fund - To account for the collection and ultimate disposition of bonds posted by citizens who have been issued citations for traffic violations or arrested for criminal offenses. Bonds posted by the violators are held until their cases are heard in City Court. At that time, the bonds for persons convicted of violations are distributed to the General Fund. If a person posting the bond is found to be not guilty, the bonds are refunded.

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA AGENCY FUND

POLICE BOND FUND

Comparative Balance Sheets September 30, 1998 and 1997

ASSETS		1998	1997
Cash	\$	20,120	25,634
	<u> </u>		
Total assets	\$	20,120	25,634
LIABILITIES			
Due to other governmental units	\$	10,764	18,482
Due to general fund		9,356	7,152
Total liabilities	\$	20,120	25,634

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA AGENCY FUND POLICE BOND FUND

Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities Year Ended September 30, 1998

	Balance 10/1/97	Additions	Deletions	Balance 9/30/98
ASSETS	- ,.,			<u> </u>
Cash	\$ 25,634	<u>175,156</u>	180,670	20,120
Total assets	\$ 25,634	175,156	180,670	20,120
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 18,482	7,534	15,252	10,764
Due to general fund	7,152	<u>9,356</u>	7,152	9,356
Total liabilities	\$ 25,634	16,890	22,404	20,120

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

To account for fixed assets not used in proprietary fund operations.

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA Comparative Statements of General Fixed Assets September 30, 1998 and 1997

	1998	1997
General Fixed Assets, at cost:		
Land	\$ 495,568	495,568
Buildings	4,004,184	3,164,370
Improvements other than buildings	2,917,328	2,691,507
Equipment	2,622,410	2,477,672
Construction in progress	275,648	110,417
Total general fixed assets	\$ 10,315,138	8,939,534
Investment in General Fixed Assets:		
Property acquired prior to October 1, 1978*	\$ 2,971,570	2,971,570
Property acquired after October 1, 1978, from:		
Capital projects funds -		
State grants	53,001	53,001
Local Government Assistance Fund	327,158	327,158
Louisiana Community Development Block Grant	1,388,683	1,388,683
Sales Tax Fund	93,112	93,112
Federal and state grants	645,117	38,680
State revenue sharing funds	43,100	43,100
General fund revenues	3,412,781	2,649,878
Sales tax fund revenues	547,210	540,946
Federal revenue sharing fund	133,406	133,406
Donations	700,000	700,000
Total investment in general fixed assets	\$ 10,315,138	8,939,534

^{*}Records reflecting source from which assets were acquired were not maintained prior to October 1, 1978.

CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA Statement of Changes in Fixed Assets

Year Ended September 30, 1998

			Improvements
			Other than
	Land	Buildings	Buildings
		-	-
General fixed assets at beginning of year	\$ 495,568	3,164,370	2,691,507
Additions:			
General fund revenues	-	243,377	215,821
Special revenue fund revenues	-	-	-
Federal & state grants		596,437	10,000
Total additions		839,814	225,821
Total balances and additions	495,568	4,004,184	2,917,328
Deletions:			
General fund	<u></u>		
Total deletions	-		<u>-</u>
General fixed assets at end of year	\$ 495,568	4,004,184	2,917,328
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Equipment	Progress	Total
2,477,672	110,417	8,939,534
170,687	165,231	795,116
6,264	-	6,264
<u></u>		606,437
176,951	165,231	1,407,817
2,654,623	275,648	10,347,351
32,213		32,213
32,213	<u> </u>	32,213
2,622,410	275,648	10,315,138

GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP

To account for unmatured principal amounts on general long-term debt expected to be financed from governmental type funds. Payments of maturing obligations, including interest, are accounted for in the debt service funds.

Statement of General Long-Term Debt

September 30, 1998

With Comparative Totals for September 30, 1997

			Public
	(General	Improvement
	O	bligation	Refunding Bonds
	R	efunding	Series ST-1992,
	Se	ries 1991	01/01/92
AMOUNTS AVAILABLE AND TO BE PROVIDED			
FOR PAYMENT OF GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT			
Amount available in debt service fund			
for debt retirement	\$	33,629	929,987
Amount to be provided from:			
Ad valorem taxes		301,371	-
1% sales and use tax - 1985		-	3,190,013
Other funds	B	<u></u>	
Total available and to be provided	\$	335,000	4,120,000
GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE			
Bonds payable	\$	335,000	4,120,000
Obligations under capital leases		-	-
Accrued compensated absences			-
Total general long-term debt payable	\$	335,000	4,120,000

Obligations under Accrued Capital Compensated Totals Absences 1998 Lease 1997 963,616 928,887 301,371 345,936 3,190,013 3,680,177 28,189 31,386 59,575 48,263 28,189 31,386 4,514,575 5,003,263 4,955,000 4,455,000 28,189 28,189 31,386 31,386 48,263

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA Combined Schedule of Bonds Payable September 30, 1998

	Intere	est		Final	
	Remaining	Payment	Issue	maturity	
	rates	dates	dates	dates	
General obligation bonds:					
1991 Series Refunding (Sewerage					
Facilities)	6.10-6.65%	3/1	09/26/91	03/01/05	
1992 Series ST-1992 Refunding	5.70-6.30%	1/1; 7/1	01/01/92	01/01/05	
Total general obligation bonds					
Revenue bonds:					
1974 (Water and Electric)	5.30%	1/1; 7/1	01/01/74	01/01/99	

Bond denominations	Remaining range of principal installments	Authorized	Issued	Retired	Outstanding
5,000	40,000 to 55,000	\$ 475,000	475,000	140,000	335,000
5,000	465,000 to 705,000	6,420,000	6,420,000	2,300,000	4,120,000
		\$ 6,895,000	6,895,000	2,440,000	4,455,000
5,000	135,000	\$ 2,250,000	2,250,000	2,115,000	135,000

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS September 30, 1998

Summary of Auditors' Results

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the City of Minden, Louisiana as of and for the year ended September 30,1998. As a result of our audit, we have issued a qualified opinion on the general purpose financial statements because insufficient audit evidence existed to support the City of Minden, Louisiana's disclosures with respect to the Year 2000 issue. We have issued an unqualified opinion on the compliance requirements as described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to the City's major program. The dollar threshold of \$300,000 was used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs.

For the year ended September 30, 1998, the City of Minden, Louisiana had one major program: Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants from the U.S. Department of Transportation - Federal Aviation Administration.

Findings related to financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS

The results of our auditing procedures of the general purpose financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, of the City of Minden, Louisiana, disclosed no items that are required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS.

Findings and questioned costs related to federal awards

The results of our auditing procedures of the general purpose financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, of the City of Minden, Louisiana, disclosed no items that are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN September 30, 1998

Findings related to financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS

As stated in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, in connection with the audit of the general purpose of financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, of the City of Minden, Louisiana, there were no items required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS.

Findings and questioned costs related to federal awards

As stated in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, in connection with the audit of the general purpose financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, of the City of Minden, Louisiana, there were no items required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS September 30, 1998

Per the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs for the year ended September 30, 1997, the prior year audit finding was as follows:

97-1: Failure to meet requirement per Louisiana R.S. 38:2212 to advertise and request bids for the purchase of water meters, the cost of which exceeded the contract limit prescribed by the previously mentioned statute.

Current Status: In performing the audit of the general purpose financial statements as of and for the year ended September 30, 1998, we noted no instances of noncompliance concerning bid law requirements.

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS Year Ended September 30, 1998

ized Expenditures	177,107	351,264		500 52,500	3,534 3,534 0,148 10,148
Revenue	\$177,107	351,264		52,500	3,534
Program or Award Amount	\$177,107	351,264		225,000	30,250
Grant ID#	3-22-0032-01-97			96-UM-WX-0602	97-B1-B.07-0011 98-B1-B.07-0046
Federal CFDA#	20.106			16.710	16.579
Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantors/Program Title	U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration: Airport Improvement Program Airport Improvement Program	Subtotal	U.S. Department of Justice Passed through the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services:	Universal Hiring Grant	Passed through Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice:

Total Federal Assistance, all programs