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TOWN OF HOMER, LOUISIANA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 30, 1998

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TOWN OF HOMER, LOUISIANA Annual Financial Report Year Ended June 30, 1998

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Huey Dean, Mayor and the Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Homer, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Homer, Louisiana as of and for the year ended June 30, 1998, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Homer, Louisiana management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Homer Hospital, a component unit, which statements reflect total assets of \$11,297,526 as of June 30, 1998, and total revenues of \$12,135,241 for the year then ended. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion on the general purpose financial statements, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Homer Hospital component unit is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

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 Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit and the report of other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Technical Bulletin 98-1, Disclosures about Year 2000 Issues, requires disclosures of certain matters regarding the year 2000 issue. The Town of Homer, Louisiana has included such disclosures in Note 16. 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 Town of Homer's disclosures with respect to the year 2000 issue made in Note 16. Further, we do not provide assurance that Town of Homer, Louisiana is or will be year 2000 ready, that Town of Homer's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which Town of Homer, 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, and based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Town of Homer, Louisiana, as of June 30, 1998, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated December 7, 1998 on our consideration of the Town of Homer's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the the Town of Homer, Louisiana taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund and account group financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Homer, Louisiana. 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, 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, is fairly presented in all material respect in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Minden, Louisiana

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December 7, 1998

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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 Huey Dean, Mayor, and the Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Homer, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated December 7, 1998. We have conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Homer, Louisiana's general purpose 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 instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 98-1, 98-2 and 98-3.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Homer, 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 that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be a material weaknesses.

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.

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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 Huey Dean, Mayor, and the Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Homer, Louisiana

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Town of Homer, 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 June 30, 1998. The Town of Homer, Louisiana's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Town of Homer, Louisiana's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Town of Homer, 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 Town of Homer, 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 Town of Homer, Louisiana's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion the Town of Homer, 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 June 30,

1998. However, the results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance with those requirements that are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 98-4.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Town of Homer, 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 Town of Homer, 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.

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December 7, 1998

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW)

Town of Homer, Louisiana Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups June 30, 1998

							Account Groups	Groups	Totals		Totals
		Governmental	Fund Types		Proprietary	Fiduciary	General	General	(Memorandum only)	Component	(Memorandum only)
		Special Debt	Debt	Capital	Fund Type	Fund Type	Fixed	Long-term	Primary	Unit	Reporting
	General	Revenue	Service	Projects	Enterprise	Trust Agency	Assets	Debt	Government	Hospital	Entity
ASSETS											
Cash and Interest bearing deposits	\$ 24,040	503,523	10,580	29,523	377,497	10,500	•	٠	955,663	362,597	1,318,260
Receivables:											•
Taxes	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Accounts	144	•	•	•	141,901	•	,	•	142,045	2,960,231	3,102,276
Grants	•	•	•	12,634	•	•	•	•	12,634	•	12,634
Due from other funds	10,500	11,725	•	•	13,966	•	•	•	36,191	•	36,191
Inventory	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	359,004	359,004
Prepaid expenses	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	93,632	93,632
Meter deposits	2,130	250	•	•	•	•	•	,	2,380	•	2,380
Restricted assets:											
Cash and interest bearing deposits	•	•	•	•	410,212	•	•	•	410,212	3,328,986	3,739,198
Land	•	•	•	•	•	•	87,743	•	87,743	•	87,743
Buildings	•	•	•	•	•	•	984,486	•	984,486	•	984,486
Improvements other than buildings	•	•	•	•	•	•	4,405,450	•	4,405,450	•	4,405,450
Airport	•	•	•	•	•	•	464,188	•	464,188	•	464,188
Equipment	•	•	•	•	•	•	974,207	•	974,207	•	974,207
Enterprise Fund property, plant											
and equipment	•	•	•	•	10,778,862	•	•	•	10,778,862	9,507,348	20,286,210
Accumulated depreciation	•	•	•	•	(3,690,014)	•	•	•	(3,690,014)	(5,903,369)	(9,593,383)
Amounts available for debt service	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Funds to be provied for retirement											
of general long-term debt	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	123,032	123,032	•	123,032
Other assets	,	'	•	'	•	•		•	1	289,097	589,097
Total Assets	\$ 36,814	\$15,498	10,580	42,157	8,032,424	10,500	6,916,074	123,032	15,687,079	11,297,526	26,984,605

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these finanical statements

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Town of Homer, Louisiana	Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund	June 30, 1998

Exhibit 1

							Account	Groups	Totals		Totals
		Governmental Fund Types	Fund Types		Proprietary	Fiduciary	General		(Memorandum only)	Component	(Memorandum only)
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Fund Type Enterprise	Fund Type Trust Agency	Fixed Assets	Long-term Debt	Primary Government	Unit Hospital	Reporting Entity
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY											
Liablities:											
Accrued payroll & benefits	\$ 14,769	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	14,769	414,052	428,821
Accounts payable	26,979	26,581	•	42,155	41,604	•	•	•	137,319	90,710	228,029
Accrued liabilities	•	•	•	,	•	•	•	•	•	218,296	218,296
Unearned Revenues	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Due to other funds	18,691	7,000	•	•	•	10,500	•	•	36,191	•	36,191
Due to health insurance programs	•	•	•	•	•	•	1	•	•	•	•
Payable from restricted assets:											
Revenue bonds	•	,	•	•	2,881,726	•	•	•	2,881,726	3,186,429	6,068,155
Accured interest	•	•	•	,	56,264	•	•	•	56,264	•	56,264
Customer's deposits	•	•	•	•	87,933	•	•	•	87,933	•	87,933
Obligations under capital lease	•	,	,	•	•	•	•	•	•	212,719	212,719
Unpaid vacation leave	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	14,032	14,032		14,032
Accrued interest	,	•	,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
General obligation bonds payable	•	• !	•	• [•	•	•	109,000	109,000	•	109,000
Total liabilities	60,439	33,581	•	42,155	3,067,527	10,500		123,032	3,337,234	4,122,206	7,459,440
Fund Equity:											
Contributed capital	•	•	•	•	3,832,401	•	6,916,074	•	10,748,475	•	10,748,475
Reserved for:											
Revenue bond retirement	•	•	•	•	207,602	•	•	•	207,602	•	207.602
Bond depreciation and contingency	•	•	•	•	96,933	•	•	•	96,933	•	96,933
Hospital	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	7,175,320	7,175,320
Unreserved	•	•	•	•	827,961	•	•	•	827,961	•	827.961
Fund Balances:											
Reserved for:											
Debt service	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Unreserved	(23,625)		10,580	2	•	•			468,874	•	468,874
Total fund equity	(23,625)	481,917	10,580	2	4,964,897		6,916,074	•	12,349,845	7,175,320	19,525,165
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 36,814	515,498	10,580	42,157	8,032,424	10,500	6,916,074	123,032	15,687,079	11,297,526	26,984,605

TOWN OF HOMER ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND

TYPES

Combining Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Year Ended June 30, 1998

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

TOWN OF HOMER
GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
Combining Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (Cash Basis) and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds
Year ended June 30, 1998

		General Fund		Š	Special Revenue Funds	spui		Debt Service Fu	Fund
		Actual on	Variance		Actual on	Variance		Actual on Budgetary	Variance
	Budget	Basis Basis	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Basis	(Unfavorable)	Budget	Basis	(Unfavorable)
REVENUES:	ı			045.500	A 10 2 40	1 326			•
Licenses and roomits	161 510	155 946	(5 573)	010,040	1/0,010	300-67	•	•	•
Intercovernmental	62,113	60.688	(1.425)	37.232	42,732	5.500	•	•	•
Fines and forfeits	22 874	22.548	(276)	•	,	,	•	•	•
Interest	•) E	3,998	12,162	8,164	•	840	840
Misocilaneous	44,949	24.699	(20,250)	44,470	76,724	32,254	•		•
Total Revenues	386,847	360,177	(26,670)	931,208	978,492	47,284		840	840
EXPENDITURES:									
General government	312,603	315,439	(2,836)	237	240	©	•	154	(154)
Public safety	277,380	303,35\$	(25,975)	99,710	100,565	(855)	•	•	
Highways, streets, water and sewer	111.821	119,451	(7,630)	201,547	189,808	11,739	1	•	1
Parks and recreation	20,555	21,845	(1,290)	42,096	43,999	(1,903)	•	•	•
Public works	10,419	8,682	1,737	•	•	•	•	•	•
Industrial development	•	•	•	5,734	5,153	581	•	•	•
Debt Service	•	,	•	81,970	106,458	(24,488)	•	•	•
Capital Outlay	17,500	24,420	(6,920)	34,871	33,759	1,112	•	٠	•
Total Expenditures	750,278	793,192	(42,914)	466,165	479,982	(13,817)	•	154	(154)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(363,431)	(433,015)	(69,584)	465,043	498,510	33,467	•	989	989
OTUED EINAMORIG COMPCES.									
Operating transfers in	350,000	375,000	25,000	153,382	136,176	(17,206)	•	•	•
Operating transfers out Total Other Sources	350,000	375,000	25,000	486,551	(375,000)	24,625 (41,831)		•	
Exess (deficiency) of revenues and									
other sources over expenditures	(13 431)	(58.015)	(44,584)	131.874	123.510	(8.364)	•	989	989
	(17, (71)	(22,622)		•					
Fund Balance at beginning of year	61,371	61,371	•	384,990	384,988	(2)	•	9,894	9,894
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 47,940	3,356	(44,584)	\$16,864	508,498	(8,366)	'	10,580	10,580

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Exhibit 4

TOWN OF HOMER
ENTERPRISE FUND
All Proprietary Fund Types
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998

	Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise	Component Unit Hospital	Totals for 1998 (Memorandum only) Reporting Entity
Operating Revenues:			
Charges for Services	\$ 927,377	12,135,241	13,062,618
Operating Expenses:			
Depreciation	207,804	595,274	803,078
Cost of services	715,212	11,989,108	12,704,320
Total operating expenses	923,016	12,584,382	13,507,398
Operating income (loss)	4,361	(449,141)	(444,780)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):			
Investment income	34,659	207,619	242,278
Advalorem revenue	-	358,855	358,855
Interest and fiscal charges	(180,736)	(204,595)	(385,331)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(146,077)	361,879	215,802
Income (loss) before operating transfers	(141,716)	(87,262)	(228,978)
Operating Transfers:			
Transfers out			
Net income (loss)	(141,716)	(87,262)	(228,978)
Add depreciation on fixed assets acquired by grants, entitlements, and shared revenues externally restricted for capital acquisitions and construction that reduces			
contributed capital	63,868	-	63,868
Retained earning, beginning of year	1,210,344	7,242,896	8,453,240
Purchase of equipment with restricted funds		19,686	19,686
Retained earnings, end of year	\$ 1,132,496	7,175,320	8,307,816

Exhibit 5

ENTERPRISE FUND			
Proprietary Fund Type - Utilities and Sanitation and Discretely Presented Component Units			
Combined Statement of Cash Flows			1998
For the fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1998			_
For the fiscal feat Enged June 30, 1998	Proprietors	Commonant	Reporting
	Proprietary	Component	Entity
	Fund Type	Unit	(Memorandum
Cook Plana from Opensia a Astinitian	Enterprise	Hospital	Only)
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	6 4261	(440.141)	(444 700)
Operating income (loss)	\$ 4,361	(449,141)	(444,780)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash to cash provi	aca		
by operating activities:	202.005	505.054	002.000
Depreciation Depreciation	207,805	595,274	803,079
Provision for Bad Debts	-	708,158	708,158
Interest Received	-	139,979	139,979
(Increase) in Inventories	-	(82,135)	(82,135)
(Increase) in Prepaid expenses	-	(16,553)	(16,553)
(Increase) Due from health insurance programs	•	(20,053)	(20,053)
Decrease in Home health start-up costs	•	28,038	28,038
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(59,226)	136,207	76,981
(Increase) decrease in due to other funds	2,053	-	2,053
(Decrease) in accrued payroll and benefits	-	(13,953)	(13,953)
(Decrease) in accrued uncompensated absences	-	(10,178)	(10,178)
(Decrease) in interest payable	-	(1,644)	(1,644)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	(14,646)	(147,696)	(162,342)
Net cash provided by operating activities	140,347	866,303	1,006,650
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Transfers out to other funds			
Taxes Received	_	358,855	358,855
Net (decrease) increase in meter deposit liability	5,541		5,541
Net cash used for noncapital financing activities	5,541	358,855	364,396
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Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:	(145.015)		(145 015)
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets Dringing and on revenue bands and capital lasse obligations	(145,815) (20,144)	(106,406)	(145,815) (126,550)
Principal paid on revenue bonds and capital lease obligations	` ' '	(204,595)	(395,011)
Interest paid on revenue bonds and capital lease obligations	(190,416)	(204,393)	120,000
Capital Contributions from other grants Not Cook used for comital and related financing nativities	120,000	(211 001)	
Net Cash used for capital and related financing activities	(236,375)	(311,001)	(547,376)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Advances on education contracts	•	3,193	3,193
Decrease in assets whose use is limited	-	(759,093)	(759,093)
Purchases of property and equipment	-	(128,771)	(128,771)
Advance on physician contract	-	(141,468)	(141,468)
Interest on interest-bearing deposits	34,659	•	34,659
Net Cash provided (used) for investing activities	34,659	(1,026,139)	(991,480)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(55,828)	(111,982)	(167,810)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	843,537	474,579	1,318,116
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 787,709	362,597	1,150,306

TOWN OF HOMER

1. Summary of significant policies

1. 1

The Town of Homer (the Town) was incorporated March 13, 1850, and granted a special charter under the provisions of Act No. 36 of the Louisiana Legislature. The Town operates under a Mayor-Board of Selectmen form of government.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Town of Homer conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:514 and to the guidelines set forth in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and to the industry audit guide, Audits of State and Local Governmental Units.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies.

Reporting entity As the municipal governing authority, for reporting purposes, the Town of Homer 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 Town of Homer 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 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 <u>Town of Homer</u> (the primary government) and its component units. The component units included in the accompanying financial statements are either blended with the municipality funds or discretely presented.

Discretely Presented Component Units

Component units that are legally separate from the municipality but are financially accountable to the municipality, or whose relationship with the municipality are such that exclusion would cause the municipality's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete are discretely presented. The <u>Component Units</u> column of the combined financial statements include the financial data of these discretely presented component units. They are reported in a separate column to emphasize that they are legally separate from the municipality.

The following component units are discretely presented in the accompany financial statements:

Homer Memorial Hospital is owned by the Town and is administered by a Board of Directors appointed by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Homer. The fiscal operations of the Hospital are kept and administered apart and separate from the Town, however, they are subject to periodic review and examination by the Mayor and Board of Selectmen. Additionally, all by-laws, rules and regulations, and all amendments and supplements thereto, and expenditures for capital improvements must be submitted to and approved by the Mayor and Board of Selectmen. The Town governing body may transfer surplus funds to the General Fund of the Town if the annual audit report of the Hospital reflects surplus funds at the close of the fiscal year. Based on GASB Statement 14 the Town has included in the financial statements as a component unit the Homer Memorial Hospital. Audited financial statements of the component unit Homer Memorial Hospital are available upon request from the Homer Memorial Hospital business office.

Other Organizations

The Housing Authority of the Town of Homer, although governed by commissioners who are directly appointed by the Town's Board of Selectmen, is considered a separate government because it does not meet the criteria for inclusion in the financial reporting entity as determined by GASB 14. Audited financial statements for the Housing Authority of the Town of Homer are not included in this report, however, such statements are available upon request from the Housing Authority's business office.

<u>Fund accounting</u> The accounts of the Town of Homer 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 comprise 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 means by which spending

activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into three broad fund categories and these into seven generic fund types as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. 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 purpose.

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 Project Funds - Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

Proprietary Fund Type

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

Fiduciary Fund Type

Agency Fund - The Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by a governmental unit as an agent for individuals, private organizations or other governmental units. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

<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 fund, expendable trust funds, and agency 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. 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 in which, 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 on a flow of economic resources measurement focus and a determination of net income and capital maintenance. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. The proprietary funds use the accrual basis of accounting whereby revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized at the time the liabilities are incurred.

<u>Budgets and budgetary accounting</u> - The Town 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 Board of Selectmen 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 the same 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 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 Board of Selectmen.
- f) Budgets for the General, Special Revenue, and Debt Service Funds are adopted on a cash basis. Budgeted amounts, as originally adopted, are amended from time to time by the Board of Selectmen. Such amendments were not material in relation to the original appropriations. Budgets are not prepared for capital projects funds due to these funds being restricted to capital improvements.
- g) The revenues and expenditures, shown on Exhibit 2 are reconciled with the amounts reflected on the budget comparisons on Exhibit 3 as follows:

	General Fund	Special Revenue <u>Funds</u>	Debt Service <u>Fund</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other other sources over expenditures and other	D(CA 420)	140 145	CO.C
uses - Exhibit 2	\$(64,479)	140,145	686
Adjustments:			
Expenditure accruals	6,464	(16,635)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses -			
Exhibit 3	\$ <u>(58,015)</u>	<u>123,510</u>	_686_

h) All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

Encumbrances - The Town of Homer does not use encumbrance accounting.

Cash and cash equivalents - For purposes of the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash, demand deposits and, certificates of deposit of unrestricted and restricted means.

Inventory - All inventories are valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market.

<u>Fixed assets and long-term liabilities</u> - The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and long-term liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus.

All governmental fund type operations are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus and only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets.

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, and are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when purchased. The Town has elected to capitalize public domain ("infrastructure") fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, including roads, bridges, sidewalks, and drainage improvements. Interest costs incurred during construction are not capitalized. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets.

Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

The proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus, and all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are included in their balance sheets.

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

Utilities and Sanitation Fund:	
Buildings	40 years
Electric system:	
Generating equipment	40 years
Transmission and distribution	25 years
Fence	10 years
Waterworks system:	
Water wells	40 years
Water tanks and reservoirs	40 years
Water line distribution system	40 years
Water meters	40 years
Water treatment plant filter system	40 years
Sewer system	40 years
Auto and trucks	5-10 years
Equipment	5-10 years
Office equipment	10 years

All fixed assets are stated at historical cost. Donated fixed assets are stated at their estimated fair value on the date donated.

Accumulated unpaid vacation pay and other employee benefits -

Accumulated unpaid vacation pay and other employee benefit amounts are accrued when incurred in proprietary funds (using the accrual basis of accounting). Such amounts are not accrued in governmental funds (using the modified accrual basis of accounting). Amounts not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for this amount.

Property taxes - Property tax revenues are recognized as income in the year in which they are levied.

<u>Bad debts</u> - The Town considers substantially all ad valorem taxes and customers' utility receivables to be fully collectible; accordingly, an allowance for doubtful accounts is not required. If amounts become uncollectible, they are charged to operations when that determination is made.

Total columns on combined statements - 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 is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

<u>Comparative data</u> - Comparative total data for the prior year has not been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Town's financial position and operations.

Cash and cash equivalents - For reporting purposes, cash and interest-bearing deposits include cash, demand deposits and certificates of deposits. Cash and interest-bearing deposits are stated at cost. At year-end the Town's total cash and interest-bearing deposits (book balance) excluding the Homer Hospital was \$955,663.

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 federal deposit insurance must at all times 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 June 30, 1998, the town has \$1,375,344 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$300,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$1,768,415 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 10 days of being notified by the town that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

2. Flow of funds, restrictions on use - utilities revenue

Utilities and Sanitation:

Operating agreement - Louisiana Power and Light

Effective March 15, 1978, the Town of Homer entered into an agreement with Entergy, formerly Louisiana Power and Light Company, for the operation of the electric system and possible ultimate transfer of ownership of the electric system to the Company. The authorization to enter into the agreement was granted by the voters of the Town in a special election called for that purpose.

Under the operating portion of the agreement, the Company agrees to operate and maintain the system, furnishing reliable and efficient service to both present and future customers. In so doing, the Company shall provide for the entirety of the electric power supply requirements, perform and do all necessary work, and provide all necessary services, materials, and equipment. The Company shall make additions, improvements, and replacements to, extensions of, and retirement of electrical system assets as it considers necessary or desirable. Any such additions, improvements and replacements made by the Company shall be and shall remain the property of the Company unless the Company fails to acquire ultimate ownership of the entire electric system. In such case, the Town is obligated to pay to the Company, within 120 days of any nullification or termination of the agreement, the depreciated book value of all additions, improvements, and replacements made by the Company to the electric system less any salvage realized from retired property. At such time, the property would be owned by the Town and the Company shall have no further ownership rights with respect thereto.

The Company is obligated to obtain and maintain in effect all such insurance policies and/or insurance coverage with respect to the electric system as may be required by the various bond resolutions.

The consideration for the agreement requires the Company to pay the Town, out of revenues collected by it for electric services rendered, the following:

- (a) Monthly payments sufficient to meet sinking fund requirements of various bond issues. The principal amount outstanding at the date of the agreement was \$1,593,000.
- (b) Monthly payments constituting two percent (2%) of the total revenue collected and received by the Company during the preceding calendar month from the sale of residential and commercial electric services to customers within the corporate limits of the Town. The two percent (2%) shall not apply to or include any revenues from the sale of electric energy to the Town or to government or municipal agencies or to any sale of industrial purposes or for resale within the corporate limits of the Town.

- (c) The Company shall pay to the Town, as they become due, the regular Town ad valorem taxes on all property owned by the Company within the corporate limits of the Town.
- (d) In the event that the payments by the Company to the Town for any calendar year as stipulated in items (b) and (c) above are less that \$41,000, the Company will pay to the Town the difference. Additionally, in the event that total revenues collected and received by the Company from the sale of electric service to residential and commercial customers within the corporate limits of the Town exceed \$585,000 during any calendar year or years, the figure of \$41,000 stated above shall be increased by an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the amount by which such annual revenues exceed \$585,000.

The Company is obligated to make all of the payments described above whether or not sufficient funds are generated from the operation of the electric system of the Town of Homer.

So long as any of the revenue bonds shall remain unpaid or outstanding, the Town shall maintain the Reserve Account and Depreciation and Contingency Account established by the various bond resolutions and make timely payments therein of any amounts which may be necessary in this connection. Expenditures from the Depreciation and Contingency Account shall not be made for capital improvements unless a board of arbitrators shall make a final and binding determination requiring the Company to make such capital improvements.

The agreement also carries provisions relating to increased service rates, limitation on capital improvements to be made by the Company, handling of current and future customer deposits, prohibition of additional bond issues or sale or conveyance of any parts of the electric system, issuance of refunding bonds, and other administrative matters.

At such time as there are no bonds or refunding bonds outstanding, the Company shall have the right and option to purchase and acquire from the Town the entirety of the electric system including all of the facilities, equipment, plant and property of the Town used or useful for the generation, distribution and/or sale of electricity, all rights-of-way, servitudes and other interests in land in connection therewith or necessary for the operation and maintenance of the electric system, and all books, record and accounts in connection with the electric system, for the following considerations:

- (1) the continued obligation of the Company to make the payments to the Town provided for in and by item(e) above and
- (2) the granting by the Company to the Town of the right and option to require the Company to pay the Town in a single lump sum, in lieu of the last mentioned payments, the aggregate amount of all such payments then remaining unpaid, discounted on a basis of 10% per annum applied against each such payment to the due date thereof; and upon the Company's exercise of its right and option so to purchase and acquire the Electric System.

Utilities & Sanitation Fund: Flow of funds; restrictions on use:

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Under the terms of the bond indenture for outstanding Sewer Revenue Bonds, all income and revenues earned or derived from the operation of the sewer system are pledged 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, operation and maintenance of the sewer system.
- (b) Each month, beginning December 1988 through November 1989 there will be set aside \$6,375 into a fund called the Sewer Revenue Bond Sinking Fund. Beginning December 1989 through November 2028 the amount set aside shall be \$7,004 per month. 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 "Sewer Bond Reserve Fund" monthly an amount equal to 5% of the monthly payment being made into the sinking fund until there shall have been accumulated in the Reserve Account \$84,048. Such amount may be used only for the payment of maturing bonds and interest coupons for which sufficient funds are not on deposit in the Sewer Revenue Bond Sinking Fund and as to which there would otherwise be default.
- (d) Funds will also be set aside into a Sewer Contingency Fund monthly \$357. Money in this fund may be used for the making of extraordinary repairs or replacements to the system which are necessary to keep the system in operating condition and for which money is not available as a maintenance and operations expense.
- (e) All of the revenues received in any fiscal year and not required to be paid in such fiscal year into any of the above noted funds shall be regarded as surplus and may be used for any lawful corporate purpose.

3. Net working capital - Enterprise Fund

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

Total current assets \$533,364

Total current liabilities (213,087)

Net working capital \$320,277

4. Ad valorem taxes

For the year ended June 30, 1998, taxes of 8.92 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$10,597,680 and were dedicated as follows:

General corporate purposes

8.92 mills

Total taxes levied were \$94,531.

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

5. Interfund receivables and payables

From time to time and for various purposes, the different funds utilized by the Town may borrow monies from other funds or one fund may collect revenue for or incur expenditures on behalf of another fund. Such transactions generate interfund receivables and payables which are detailed below:

	Interfund	Interfund
	Receivables	<u>Payables</u>
General Fund	\$ 10,500	18,691
Special Revenue:		
Industrial Development	7,000	-
Tourism	4,725	-
Sales Tax	-	7,000
Agency Funds:		
Police Bond	-	10,500
Enterprise Fund	13,966	
	\$ 36,191	36,191

6. Fixed Assets

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A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balance			Balance
	July 1, 1997	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	June 30, 1998
Land	\$ 87,743	-	•	87,743
Buildings	961,986	22,500		984,486
Improvement other				
than buildings	4,016,406	389,044	-	4,405,450
Airport	464,188	•	-	464,188
Equipment	899,838	74,369	•	974,207
Total general		····		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
fixed assets	\$6,430,161	485,913	<u>-</u>	6,916,074

The following is a summary of proprietary fund-type fixed assets at June 30, 1998:

	Beginning of Year	Additions	Deletions	Inventory Adjustment	End of Year
Construction in Progress	\$ 1,133,118	142,738	1,266,788	9,068	-
Land	13,330	-	-	•	13,330
Buildings & improvements other					
than buildings	9,274,569	1,266,788	-	-	10,541,357
Machinery and equipment	212,031	12,144	<u></u>		224,175
Net Fixed Assets	\$10,633,048	1,421,670	1,266,788	9,068	10,778,862

The capital projects fund consists of improvements to the water system of the Town. The total improvements are shown in the enterprise fund as construction in progress.

7. Changes in long-term debt

The following is a summary of bond and certificates of indebtedness transactions of the Town for the year ended June 30, 1998:

	General	D	Todas
	Obligation	Revenue	<u>Total</u>
Bonds and certificates payable at			
July 1, 1997	\$134,000	2,901,961	3,035,961
Bonds and notes issued	-	-	
Bonds and certificates retired	(25,000)	(20,235)	(45,235)
Bonds, certificates and deferred payment		+	
contract at June 30, 1998	\$ 109,000	2,881,726	2,990,726

Bonds, certificates of indebtedness and notes payable at June 30, 1998, are comprised of the following individual issues:

Certificates of Indebtedness:

\$134,000 Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 1996, dated October 22, 1996, due in annual installments through September 1, 2001; interest at 5.50%. This issue is not secured by a levy of ad valorem taxes.

\$ 109,000

Revenue Bonds:

\$590,000 Sewer Revenue Bonds dated June 28, 1996, payable over a forty (40) year period, with the first annual installment of \$32,367.40 commencing on November 28, 1996 through November 28, 2035, interest at 4.50%

585,201

\$1,200,000 Sewer Revenue Bonds dated November 28, 1988; due in annual installments of \$76,500 in November 1989 and \$84,078 from 1990 through 2028; interest at 6.375%

1,125,262

Water Revenue Bonds dated July 15, 1994; payable over a forty (40) year period, with the first payment of 43,067.96 of interest due on July 15, 1995. Commencing August 15 through July 15, 2034, equal monthly installments of \$6,041.03 consisting of principal and interest; interest at 5.25%.

1,171,263

Total revenue bonds, notes payable and certificates of indebtedness

\$<u>2,990,726</u>

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding as of June 30, 1998, including interest payments of \$3,580,657 are as follows:

Year ending	General		
June	Obligation	Revenue	Total
1999	\$30,308	188,908	219,216
2000	30,878	188,908	219,786
2001	30,365	188,908	219,273
2002	29,797	188,908	218,705
2003	•	188,907	188,907
Thereafter	•	5,505,496	5,505,496
	\$121,348	6,450,035	6,571,383

\$10,580 is available in the Debt Service Funds to service the general obligation debt.

8. Capital leases

The Town of Homer has no outstanding capital lease obligations as of June 30, 1998.

9. Sales and use taxes collected

Under the provisions of the sales and use tax ordinance effective October 1, 1971, one per cent sales and use tax collected may be used 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 recreation facilities, and industrial development 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) Provided that a minimum of twenty percent (20%) of the net revenues received from this tax shall be dedicated and used for industrial development facilities.

Under the provisions of the sales and use tax ordinance effective January 1, 1986, one per cent sales and use tax collected may be used for the following purposes (after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax):

- (a) Sixty per cent (60%) for constructing, paving, resurfacing, improving, and/or maintaining streets in and for the Town;
- (b) Ten per cent (10%) for constructing, acquiring, improving, and/or maintaining fire department stations and facilities for said Town, including fire trucks and appurtenances;
- (c) Ten per cent (10%) for constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, operating and/or maintaining recreational facilities for said Town;
- (d) Ten percent (10%) for constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, and/or maintaining police department facilities for said Town, including the acquisition of all necessary equipment; and
- (e) Ten per cent (10%) to be used for any one or more of the above purposes as may be determined by the governing authority of the Town.

10. Pension Plan

Substantially all full time employees of the Town of Homer are members of the following statewide retirement systems: Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana and Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana. These systems are multiple-employer (cost-sharing), public retirement systems (PERS), controlled and administered by separate boards of trustees. Pertinent information relative to each plan follows:

A. Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (System)—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% 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.

Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.25% of their annual covered earnings and the Town is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 5.75% of monthly annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Town are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Town's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending June 30, 1998, 1997, and 1996 were \$18,581, \$23,610, and \$21,668, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

B. <u>Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (System)</u>—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 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.

Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 7.5% of their annual covered salary and the Town is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 9.0% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Town are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Town contributions to the System for the years ending June 30, 1998, 1997, and 1996, were \$16,381, \$11,046, and \$11,926, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

11. <u>Deferred Compensation Plans</u> - Employees of the Town of Homer who are not eligible to participate in the retirement system have an option to participate in the social security system or the Louisiana Deferred Compensation Plan. Under this plan, the a percentage is withheld from the employee which the town will match. At each payroll, a check is written to pay into the Louisiana Deferred Compensation Plan both the amounts withheld and the employer's matching portion. The plan can also be used as a savings plan, where amounts are withheld from the employees' checks and paid into the plan at each payroll. The town does not match withheld funds under this option. The Louisiana Deferred Compensation Plan is used by the Town strictly as a retirement or savings plan, no other benefits are paid under this plan. Also, in the case of an emergency, money may be drawn out by participants.

12. Expenditures - Actual and Budget -

The following individual funds had actual expenditures over budgeted expenditures for the year ended June 30, 1998:

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
General Fund	\$750,278	\$793,192	\$(42,914)
Street Dept. Sales Tax	256,907	260,728	(3,821)
Recreation Dept. Sales Tax	45,150	47,027	(1,877)
Police Dept. Sales Tax	92,693	99,618	(6,925)
Fire Dept. Sales Tax	65,444	67,216	(1,772)

13. Reserved and designated Retained Earnings/Fund Balance-

The enterprise fund has certain restrictions due to bond indentures on funds. At June 30, 1998, the enterprise fund had the following amounts of retained earnings designated as reserved:

Reserve for revenue bond retirement	\$207,602
Reserve for bond depreciation and contingency	96,933

The debt service funds are designated for payment of general obligation bonds. At June 30, 1998, reserve debt service fund balance was \$10,580.

14. <u>Litigations and claims</u>

At June 30, 1998, there are several lawsuits or claims in which the Town is involved. The City Attorney estimates that the potential claims against the Town not covered by insurance would not materially affect the financial statements of the Town.

15. Deficit fund balance and/or retained earnings

No funds had a deficit fund balance or retained earnings balance at June 30, 1998, based on general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles:

16. <u>Year 2000 issue</u>

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 Town provides public services, public safety and various other public works to its citizens. The execution of these services generally does not rely upon microchip technology since these services are not automated in nature. However, the effect of the year 2000 issue upon the Town'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 Town has also not been determined. The Town's daily financial information is prepared through the use of a vendor accounting software package.

For the year ended June 30, 1998, The Town of Homer, Louisiana, incurred no material remediation costs concerning the year 2000 issue. No significant loss due to impairment of equipment that is not year 2000 compliant was recognized for the year ended June 30, 1998. However, during October 1998, the Town incurred remediation costs of approximately \$43,000 concerning the year 2000 issue. These costs included hardware, software and training costs for a year 2000 compliant system to be used in the daily financial operations of the Town.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF INDIVIDUAL FUNDS
AND ACCOUNT GROUPS

GENERAL FUND

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

Town of Homer, Louisiana
General Fund
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1998

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	1998
Assets	
Cash	\$ 24,040
Interest bearing deposits	-
Receivables:	
Due from other funds	10,500
Returned Checks	144
Meter Deposits	2,130
Total assets	\$ 36,814
Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Accounts payable	\$ 26,979
Payroll withholdings	14,769
Due to other funds	18,691
Total Liabilities	60,439
Fund Balance:	
Unreserved	(23,625)
Total fund balance	(23,625)
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 36,814

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget (Cash Basis) and Actual Year ended June 30, 1998

	Budget	Actual	Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	Actual on Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues:					i d	
Taxes	\$ 95,442	96,293	•	96,293	851	
Licenses and permits	161,519	155,946	•	155,946	(5,573)	
Intergovernmental	62,113	889*09	•	60,688	(1,425)	
Interest	•	e	•	m	m	
Fines and forfeitures	22,824	22,548	•	22,548	(276)	
Miscellaneous	44,949	24,699	1	24,699	(20,250)	
Total Revenues	386,847	360,177	, {	360,177	(26,670)	
Expenditures:						
General Government	312,603	326,154	10,715	315,439	(2,836)	
Public Safety	277,380	300,385	(2,970)	303,355	(25,975)	
Parks and Recreation	20,555	21,845	•	21,845	(1,290)	
Public Works	10,419	7,401	(1,281)	8,682	1,737	
Highways, Streets, Water and Sewer	111,821	119,451	•	119,451	(7,630)	
Capital outlay	17,500	24,420		24,420	(6,920)	
Total expenditures	750,278	799,656	6,464	793,192	(47,914)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues		(CT)		(310 (17)	(102.02)	
over expenditures	(363,431)	(439,479)	0,404	(433,015)	(09,384)	
Other financing sources (uses)						
Operating transfers in	350,000	375,000	•	375,000	25,000	
Total other financing sources	350,000	375,000	•	375,000	75,000	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
and other sources over						
expenditures and other uses	(13,431)	(64,479)	6,464	(58,015)	(44,584)	
Fund Balance at beginning of year		40,854	20,517	61,371		
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 47,940	(23,625)	26,981	3,356	(44,584)	

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TOWN OF HOMER

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Other Financing Sources by Source Compared to Budget (Cash Basis) Year ended June 30, 1998

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	851	(3,029) 1,977 (99) (85) (4,337)	(2,287) 71 791 (1,425)	(928)
Actual on Budgetary Basis	96,293	46,971 46,020 1,137 1,155 60,663	21,090 6,307 33,291 60,688	12,547 8,421 1,580 22,548
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)				
Actual	96,293	46,971 46,020 1,137 1,155 60,663	21,090 6,307 33,291	12,547 8,421 1,580 22,548
Budget	95,442	50,000 44,043 1,236 1,240 65,000	2,287 21,090 6,236 32,500 62,113	13,475 7,769 1,580
	Taxes: Ad valorem	Licenses and permits: Occupational Licenses Utility franchise fee Building permits Burial permits Insurance Premium taxes Total licenses and permits	Intergovernmental: Homer Housing Authority Louisiana tobacco tax Louisiana beer tax Town Hall Grant Total intergovernmental	Interest earned on investments Fines and Forfeitures: Mayor's Court Fines Mayor's Court Costs Sheriffs Civil Fund Total fines and forfeitures

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TOWN OF HOMER

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Other Financing Sources by Source Compared to Budget (Cash Basis) Year ended June 30, 1998

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)		800	(21,050)	(20,250)		(1,555)	(633)	(120)	19	535	6,592	2,143	(1)	(265)	152	2,241	46	46	37	29	13	51	(3,981)	(310)	(8,758)	1,138	1,487
Actual on Budgetary Basis		6,000	18,699	24,699		19,555	45,852	26,646	3,881	3,665	3,408	857	4,893	4,765	948	4,159	1,554	954	1,163	11,295	3,537	35,949	26,428	5,310	35,158	34,762	15,893
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)		•	•	1		•	•	•	(177)	(1,909)	14	•	•	765	(285)	422	•	•	•	(111)	(10)	(45)	•	•	4,629	5,917	•
Actual		000'9	18,699	24,699		19,555	45,852	26,646	3,704	1,756	3,422	857	4,893	5,530	663	4,581	1,554	954	1,163	11,184	3,527	35,904	26,428	5,310	39,787	40,679	15.893
Budget		5,200	39,749	44,949		18,000	45,219	26,526	3,900	4,200	10,000	3,000	4,892	4,500	1,100	6,400	1,600	1,000	1,200	11,324	3,550	36,000	22,447	2,000	26,400	35,900	17,380
	Miscellaneous:	Cernctary lot sales	All other	Total miscellaneous	Expenditures:	Salaries - Mayor and Selectment	Salaries - Office	Salaries - Maintenance	Postage	Town Hall Supplies	Town Hall repairs	Machine maintenance	Accounting and Auditing	Legal Fees	Legal Advertising	Office Supplies	Dues and Subscriptions	Convention and travel	Tax Assessor's fees	Telephone	Gas and Heating	Electricity - Town Hall	Liability Insurance	Property Insurance	Workmen's Compensation	Employee Insurance	Employee's Retirement

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General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Other Financing Sources by Source Compared to Budget (Cash Basis)
Year ended June 30, 1998

TOWN OF HOMER

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	(1,117)	(1,613)	(2,836)	(26,485)	10,	S &	(34) 14	(25,975)	3,450	(9,374)	(7,630)
Actual on Budgetary Basis	10,544	12,613	315,439	260,885	(10)	5,377	4,134 100 2,986	303,355	108,371	9,374	1,706
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	- &	207 1,200	10,715	•	(4.415)	240	(100) 1,355 (50)	(2,970)	•	•	· ·
Actual	10,544	12,820 2,400	326,154	260,885	(10)	5,617	4,034 1,455 2,936	300,385	108,371	9,374	119,451
Budget	9,427	11,000 1,200 900	312,603	234,400	30,310	5,470	4,100 100 3,000	277,380	111,821	•	111,821
	Payroll taxes Unemployment	Miscellaneous Claiborne council on aging VA Subsidy	Mainstreet Program Total General Government	Public Safety: Police Department Salaries	Fire Department Salaries Prisoner expense	Indigent defender	Miscellancous police Animal control	Total Public Safety	Highways, Streets, Water and Sewer: Street Department Salaries	Water Department Salaries	Sewer Leparament Salanes Total Highways, Streets, Water and Sewer

TOWN OF HOMER

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Other Financing Sources by Source Compared to Budget (Cash Basis) Year ended June 30, 1998

			Adjustment to Budgetary Basis	Actual on Budgetary	Variance Favorable
	Budget	Actual	(Note 1)	Basis	(Unfavorable)
Parks and Recreation: Salaries - recreation	4.555	4.305	•	4 305	250
Salaries - Homer natatorium	8,000	099'6	•	099'6	(1,660)
Salaries - Mayfield natatorium	8,000	7,100	•	7,100	006
Recreation expenses		780	•	780	(780)
Total Parks and Recreation	20,555	21,845	1	21,845	(1,290)
Public Works:					
Cemetary supplies and expense	336	(1,138)	(802)	(336)	672
Airport supplies	3,400	2,911	(672)	3,583	(183)
Museum expense	6,233	5,194	193	5,001	1,232
Tourist commission	450	434	•	434	16
Total Public Works	10,419	7,401	(1,281)	8,682	1,737
Capital outlay:					
Capital outlay - computer	•	1,920	•	1,920	(1,920)
Capital outlay - town hall	17,500	22,500	•	22,500	(5,000)
1 otal Capital outlay	005,1	74,470	•	24,420	(6,920)
Other financing sources:					
Operating transfers:					
Sales tax fund #1	350,000	375,000	•	375,000	25,000
Utility fund	•		•	•	• !
Total other sources	350,000	375,000	•	375,000	25,000

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SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

SALES TAX FUND

Funds used to account for the receipt and use of proceeds of the Town's sales and use taxes.

Under the provisions of the sales and use tax ordinance effective October 1, 1971, the one per cent sales and use tax collected may be used 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 recreation facilities, and industrial development facilities, and
- c) Purchasing and acquiring the necessary land, equipment and furnishings for the aforesaid public works, buildings, improvements shall be in the public or for any one or more said purposes, and
- d) Provided that a minimum of twenty percent (20%) of the new revenues received from this tax shall be dedicated and used for industrial development facilities.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Fund used to account for the twenty percent (20%) of the net revenues of the sales and use tax which is dedicated and used for industrial development facilities.

STREET DEPARTMENT FUND

Fund used to account for the operations of the street maintenance department. Financing is provided by a one cent sales and use tax ordinance effective January 1, 1986 which states that after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax: Sixty percent (60%) would be used for constructing, paving, resurfacing, improving, and/or maintaining street in and for the Town. Additional financing is provided from maintenance of the landfill and other miscellaneous sources related to street department activities.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND

Fund used to account for the operations of the fire department. Financing is provided by a one cent sales and use tax ordinance effective January 1, 1986 which states that after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax: Ten percent (10%) would be for constructing, paying, resurfacing, improving

and/or maintaining fire department stations and facilities for said Town, including fire trucks and appurtenances.

Additional funding is provided by the Town's share of State Fire Insurance funds and other miscellaneous sources related to the fire department.

POLICE DEPARTMENT FUND

Fund used to account for the operations of the police department. Financing is provided by a one cent sales and use tax ordinance effective January 1, 1986 which states that after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax: Ten percent (10%) would be for constructing, acquiring, extending, improving, operating and/or maintaining police department facilities for said Town, including the acquisition of all necessary equipment. Additional funding is provided by the Mayor's court, Sheriff's Civil Fund and other miscellaneous sources related to the police department.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT FUND

Fund used to account for the operations of the recreation department. Financing is provided by a one cent sales and use tax ordinance effective January 1, 1986 which states that after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax: Ten percent (10%) would be used for constructing, acquiring, expending, improving, operating and/or maintaining recreational facilities for said Town. Additional funding is provided by miscellaneous sources related to the recreation department.

CONTINGENCY SALES TAX FUND

Fund used to account for the receipt and use of proceeds of the Town's sales and use tax. Under the provisions of the sales and use ordinance effective January 1, 1986 ten percent is to be used for any one or more of the purposes that the remaining 90% of the tax is allowed for. The apportionment of this 10% will be determined by the governing authority of the Town.

TOURISM SALES TAX FUND

Fund used to account for a portion of state sales tax collected on hotel/motel occupancy received by the Town of Homer. These monies are to be used solely for economic development within the Town of Homer.

TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 1998

1998	445,073 58,450 11,725 250	515,498	26,581	33,581	481,917	515,498
Tourism Fund	4,725	4,725		•	4,725	4,725
Contingency Fund	13,453	13,453		•	13,453	13,453
Police Fund	26,305	26,305	4,930	4,930	21,375	26.305
Recreation	2,875	2,875	2,169	2,169	206	2,875
Fire	84,748	84,748	1,583	1,583	83,165	84,748
Strect Fund	77,264	77,264	17,899	17,899	59,365	77,264
Industrial	173,630	180,880		•	180,880	180,880
Sales Tax Fund	\$ 66,798 58,450	\$ 125,248	2,000	7,000	118,248	\$ 125,248
	ASSETS Cash Interest bearing deposits Due from other funds Other assets	Total Assets	LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE Liabilities: Accounts payable Due to other funds	Total liabilities	Fund Balances Unreserved & undesignated	Total Liabilities and Fund Balance

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TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
Combining Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the year ended June 30, 1998

	Sales Tax Fund	Industrial Development	Street	Fire	Recreation Fund	Police Fund	Contingency Fund	Tourism Fund	1998
REVENUES: Taxes Intergovernmental Interest Miscellaneous Total Revenues	\$ 434,247 5,353	3,907	260,663 1,742 47,970 310,375	43,444 39,232 290 803 83,769	43,444 290 1,526 45,260	43,444 3,500 290 30,459 77,693	43,444 290 43,734	4,725	873,411 42,732 12,162 80,758 1,009,063
Expenditures: General government Public safety Highways and strects Parks and recreation Industrial development Capital outlay Debt Service Total expenditures	13,601	5,153	199,334 65,207 2,088 2,088	69,058	42,204	68,354	1,321		14,922 137,412 199,334 42,204 5,153 92,805 2,088 493,918
Excess of revenue over expenditures (expenditures over revenues):	425,999	(1,246)	43,746	14,711	3,056	(18,259)	42,413	4,725	515,145
Other Sources and Uses: Operating Transfers from (to): Special revenue funds General fund Total other souccs(uses)	(104,176) (375,000) (479,176)	29,176	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	55,000	12,000	40,000	(32,000)		(375,000)
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses Fund balance beginning of year	(53,177)	27,930	43,746	69,711	15,056	21,741	10,413	4,725	140,145
Fund balance end of year	\$ 118,248	180,880	59,365	83,165	706	21,375	13,453	4,725	481,917

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TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
SALES TAX FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - Year ended June 30, 1998

	Budget	Actual	Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	Actual on Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable Unfavorable)
Revenues: Taxes: Sales Tax Interest Total Revenues	\$ 422,755 1,219 423,974	434,247 5,353 439,600	(13,364)	420,883 5,353 426,236	(1,872) 4,134 2,262
Expenditures: General government Overhead collection expense Administrative expense Total General government	237	13,364 237 13,601	(13,364)	237	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	423,737	425,999	•	425,999	2,262
Other uses: Operating transfers from (to): General Fund Special revenue funds Total other uses	(350,000) (104,551)	(375,000) (104,176) (479,176)		(375,000) (104,176) (479,176)	(25,000) 375 (24,625)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	(30,814)	(53,177)	•	(53,177)	(22,363)
Fund balance beginning of year Fund balance end of year	\$ 140,612	171,425		171,425	(22,363)

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TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - year ended June 30, 1998

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	1,128	581	1,709	(375)	(15,497)	(15,497)
Actual on Budgetary Basis	3,907	5,153	(1,246)	29,176	27,930	152,950
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)					•	
Actual	3,907	5,153	(1,246)	29,176	27,930	152,950
Budget	\$ 2,779	5,734	(2,955)	29,551 16,831 46,382	43,427	\$ 196,377
	Revenues: Interest earned Total Revenues	Expenditures: Industrial development: Industrial development expenses	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	Other sources and uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special Revenue Fund Utility Fund Total other sources (uses)	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	Fund balance beginning of year Fund balance end of year

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TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
STREET DEPARTMENT FUND
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - year ended June 30, 1998

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	(894) 1,742 34,575 35,423	9,868 1,871 (16,672) (3,821)	31,602		31,602
Actual on Budgetary Basis	252,759 1,742 47,970 302,471	12,823 156,108 20,877 68,832 2,088 260,728	41,743		41,743 35,521 77,264
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	(7,904)	(7,904) 2,597 (975) (3,625)	(17,811)		(2,003) 19,902 17,899
Actual	260,663 1,742 47,970 310,375	7,904 12,823 158,705 19,902 65,207 2,088 266,629	43,746		43,746 15,619 59,365
Budget	\$ 253,653	12,823 165,976 22,748 52,160 3,200 256,907	10,141		10,141 35,521 \$ 45,662
	Revenues: Taxes: Sales Tax Interest Earned Miscellaneous Revenue Total Revenues	Expenditures: Highway and Street: Collection Fee Salaries Supplies and expense Prisoner expense Capital Outlay Debt Service Total Expenditures	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	Other sources and uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special Revenue Fund General Fund Total other sources (uses)	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses Fund balance beginning of year Fund balance end of year

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TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - year ended June 30, 1998

	Revenues: Taxes: Sales Tax Intergovernmental:	La. Fire Ins. Rebate Claiborne Parish Fire Dist.4 Claiborne Parish Police Jury Interest Miscellaneous Revenue Total Revenues	Expenditures: Public Safety; Collection Fee Salaries Supplies expense Capital Outlay Debt Service Total Expenditures	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	Other sources and uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special Revenue Funds Total other sources (uses)	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	Fund balance beginning of year Fund balance end of year
Budget	\$ 42,275	12,232 25,000	20,714 13,059 31,671 65,444	14,063	55,000	69,063	18,546
Actual	43,444	12,232 25,000 2,000 290 803 83,769	1,317 20,714 15,356 15,356	14,711	55,000	69,711	13,454
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	(1,317)	(4,034)	(1,317)	(3,509)		(3,509)	5,092
Actual on Budgetary Basis	42,127	12,232 25,000 2,000 290 (3,231) 78,418	20,714 14,831 - 31,671 - 67,216	11,202	55,000	66,202	18,546
Variance Favorable Unfavorable)	(148)	2,000	(1,772)	(2,861)		(2,861)	(2,861)

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TOWN OF HOMER

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

RECREATION DEPARTMENT FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - year ended June 30, 1998

Actual on Variance Budgetary Favorable Basis (Unfavorable)	42,127 (148) 290 1,526 251 43,943 103	3,028 43,999 47,027 (1,877)	(3,084)	12,000	8,916 (1,484)	(6,041)
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	(1,317)	(1,317) 3,028 3,112 4,823	(6,140)		(6,140)	8,309
Actuai	43,444 290 1,526	1,317	3,056	12,000	15,056	(14,350)
Budget	\$ 42,275	3,054 42,096 45,150	(009,1)	12,000	10,400	\$ 4,359
	Revenues: Taxes: Salcs tax Interest Earned Miscellaneous revenue Total Revenues	Expenditures: Parks and recreation: Collection fee Capital outlay Supplies and expense Total Expenditures	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	Other sources and uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special revenue funds Total other sources (uses)	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	Fund balance beginning of year Fund balance end of year

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TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
POLICE DEPARTIMENT FUND
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - year ended June 30, 1998

Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	(148)	3,500	4,301		, 848	269 (7,842) (6,925)	(2,624)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	(2,624)	(2,624)
Actual on Budgetary Basis	42,127	3,500	30,459		. 62,289	2,731 34,598 99,618	(23,242)	40,000	16,758	9,547
Adjustment to Budgetary Basis (Note 1)	(1,317)	•	(1,317)		(1,317) (2,017)	7,000	(4,983)	, , ,	(4,983)	9,913
Actual	43,444	3,500	30,459		1,317 64,306	2,731 27,598 95,952	(18,259)	40,000	21,741	(366)
Budget	\$ 42,275	•	29,800		- 62,937	3,000	(20,618)	40,000	19,382	\$ 28,929
	Revenues: Taxes: Sales Tax	Intergovernmental: Grant Revenue	Interest Earned Miscellancous Revenue Total Revenues	Expenditures: Public Safety:	Collection Fee Supplies and expense	Narcotic expense Capital Outlay Total Expenditures	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	Other sources and uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special Revenue Funds General Fund Total other sources (uses)	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	Fund balance beginning of year Fund balance end of year

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

CONTINGENCY SALES TAX FUND

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

TOWN OF HOMER

Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - Year ended June 30, 1998

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Revenues: Taxes: Sales tax Interest revenue Total revenues Expenditures: Overhead collection expense Miscellaneous expense Total expenditures Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures Other uses: Other uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special revenue funds Total other uses	\$ 42,275 42,275 (32,000)	Actual 43,444 43,734 43,734 42,413 (32,000)	Basis (Note 1) (1,318) (1,318) (1,318)	Actual on Budgetary Basis 42,126 42,416 42,416 3 3 (32,000)	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) 290 141 3 3
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	10,275	10,413		10,413	138
Fund balance beginning of year	3,041	3,040		3,040	Θ

TOWN OF HOMER
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
TOURISM SALES TAX FUND
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

Budget (Cash basis) and Actual - Year ended June 30, 1998

Revenues: Taxes: Sales tax Interest revenue Total revenues General government Miscellaneous expense Total expenditures Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures Other uses: Operating transfers from (to): Special revenue funds Total other uses	Budget	Actual 4,725 4,725	basis (Note 1)	Actual on Budgetary A,725 A,725 A,725	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) 4,725 4,725
Total other uses Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses		4,725		4,725	4,725
Fund balance beginning of year	•			•	1

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DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Water System 7-1-67:

To accumulate monies for payment of the 1967 \$343,000 Public Improvement Bonds, which are serial bonds due in annual installments, plus interest, through maturity in 1997. Debt service is authorized to financed by the levy of a specific ad valorem tax.

Public Improvement 3-1-73 "A":

To accumulate monies for payment of the 1973 \$260,000 public improvement Bond Series A, which are serial bonds due in annual installments, plus interest, through maturity in 1993. Debt service is financed by the levy of a specific ad valorem tax and revenues generated by the rental of an industrial building, which was acquired from the proceeds of the bond issue.

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TOWN OF HOMER
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 1998

Totals 1998	6,568	10,580			10,580	10,580
Public Improvement 3-1-73"A"	1,022	1,022			1,022	1,022
Water System 7-1-67	\$ 5,546	\$ 9,558			9,558	\$ 9,558
	ASSETS Cash Interest bearing deposits	Total Assets	LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE Liabilities: Interest Payable	Total liabilities	Fund Balances Unreserved & undesignated	Total Liabilities and Fund Balance

TOWN OF HOMER DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Combining Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
June 30, 1998

1998	840	154	989	9,894	10,580
Public Improvement 3-1-73"A"	422		422	009	1,022
Water System 7-1-67	\$ 418 418	154	764	9,294	\$ 9,558
	REVENUES: Interest earned on investment Total Revenues	EXPENDITURES: Miscellaneous Expense Total Expenditures	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	Fund Balance at beginning of year	Fund Balance at end of year

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ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Utilities and Sanitation:

To account for the provision of water, sewer and sanitation services to residents of the Town. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund, including, but not limited to, administration, operations, maintenance, financing and related debt service, and billing and collection. Additionally, this fund accounts for revenue earned and expenses incurred under the terms of an electric plant operating agreement with Louisiana Power and Light Company.

TOWN OF HOMER ENTERPRISE FUND Proprietary Fund Type - Utilities and Sanitation

Balance Sheet June 30, 1998

	1998
ASSETS:	
Current Assets:	
Cash	\$ 142,130
Interest-bearing deposits	235,367
Due from Other Funds	13,966
Accounts receivable:	
Utilities and sanitation	141,901
Total current assets	533,364
Restricted Assets: Bond reserve account Customer's mater denosits	23,842
Customer's meter deposits Pand interest and redemption apparent	95,899
Bond interest and redemption account	207,602
Depreciation and contingency account Total restricted assets	82,869
Total respicted assets	410,212
Property, plant and equipment	10,778,862
Less: accumulated depreciation	(3,690,014)
	7,088,848
Total Assets	\$ 8,032,424

	1998
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
Current liabilities (payable from current assets):	
Accounts payable	\$ 41,604
Current liabilities (payable from restricted assets):	
Revenue bonds and notes	27,286
Accrued interest	56,264
Customer's deposits	87,933
Total	171,483
Total current liabilities	213,087
Long-term liabilities:	
Revenue bonds	2,881,726
Less current portion	(27,286)
Total long-term liabilities	2,854,440
Total liabilities	3,067,527
Fund equity:	
Contributions	3,832,401
Retained Earnings	
Reserved for revenue bond retirement	207,602
Reserved for bond depreciaton and contingency	96,933
Unreserved	827,961
Total retained earnings	1,132,496
Total fund equity	4,964,897
Total liablilites and fund equity	\$ 8,032,424

TOWN OF HOMER

ENTERPRISE FUND

Proprietary Fund Type - Utilities and Sanitation Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998

	1998
Operating Revenues:	
Water sales and service	\$ 284,887
Operating agreement - LP&L	68,741
Sewer System	399,468
Sanitation	149,549
Delinquent charges	21,984
Miscellaneous	2,748_
Total operating revenues	927,377
Operating expenses:	
Water department	162,820
Sewer department	158,859
Sanitation department	134,490
General and administrative	466,847
Total operating expenses	923,016
Operating income (loss)	4,361
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):	
Interest income	34,659
Interest expense	(180,736)
Total nonoperating revenues and expenses	(146,077)
Income (loss) before operating transfers	(141,716)
Operating transfers:	
Transfers out	
Net income (loss)	(141,716)
Add depreciation on fixed assets acquired by grants, entitlements,	
and shared revenues externally restricted for capital acquisitions and construction that reduces contributed capital	63,868
construction that readers continuing capital	05,000
Retained earnings at beginning of year	1,210,344
Retained earnings at end of year	\$ 1,132,496

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TOWN OF HOMER

ENTERPRISE FUND

Proprietary Fund Type - Utilities and Sanitation

Schedule of Expenses by Departments

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998

	1998
Water Department Expenses:	
Salaries	98,964
Electricity	18,271
Supplies expense	38,918
Miscellaneous	6,667
Total water department	162,820
Sewer Department Expenses:	
Salaries	34,196
Electricity	68,251
Supplies expense	56,412
Total sewer department	158,859
Sanitation Department Expenses:	
Contract services	134,490
General and Administrative Expenses:	
Salaries Mayor, Council and Office	54,818
Postage	3,381
Townhall supplies, repairs and maintenance	12,097
Legal and accounting	9,920
Office supplies	5,377
Convention and travel	954
Telephone	10,758
Utilities	39,486
Insurance	58,799
Employees benefits	42,927
Payroll taxes	9,310
Miscellaneous	11,938
Utility fund depreciation	207,805
Bad debt expense	-
Accrued vacation expense	(723)
Total general and administrative expense	466,847
Total expenses	923,016

TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS

Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the government as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds.

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 civil offenses. Bonds posted by the violators are held until their cases are heard in Mayor's 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.

TOWN OF HOMER
AGENCY FUNDS
POLICE BOND FUND
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1998

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ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 10,500
Total Assets	\$ 10,500
LIABILITIES	
Due to General Fund	\$ 10,500
Total Liabilites	\$ 10,500

Statement of changes in Assets and Liabilities

	Balance			Balance
	6/30/97	Additions	Deletions	6/30/98
ASSETS		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Cash	\$ 10,653	20,803	20,956	10,500
Total Assets	\$ 10,653	20,803	20,956	10,500
LIABILITIES				
Due to General Fund	\$ 10,653	20,803	20,956	10,500
Total Liabilites	\$ 10,653	20,803	20,956	10,500

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

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

Town of Homer	F-1
Statement of General Fixed Assets	
Balance Sheet	
June 30, 1998	
	1998
General Fixed Assets at cost:	
Land	\$ 87,743
Buildings	984,486
Improvements other than buildings	4,405,450
Airport	464,188
Equipment	974,207
Total General Fixed Assets	\$ 6,916,074
Investment in general fixed assets:	
Property acquired prior to July 1, 1953	\$ 20,797
Property acquired after July 1, 1953, from:	
General obligation bonds	747,517
Federal and state grants	3,284,425
Donations	53,000
General fund revenues	671,257
Sales tax and special revenue funds	1,976,145
Federal reveue sharing funds	162,933
Total investment in general fixed assets	\$ 6,916,074

TOWN OF HOMER Statement of Changes in Fixed Assets Year ended June 30, 1998

	Total	6,430,161	1 020	391,187	92,806	485,913	6,916,074		•	6,916,074		
•	Equipment	883,668	1 020	74/64	72,449	74,369	974,207		4	974,207		
	Airport	464,188		•	•	1	464,188			464,188		
Improvements Other than	Buildings	4,016,406		368,687	20,357	389,044	4,405,450	1		4,405,450		
	Saniging	986,1986	•	22,500	•	22,500	984,486	•	•	984,486		
	Land	\$ 87,743	•	•	•		87,743		'	\$ 87,743		
		General fixed assets at beginning of year	Additions: General fund revenues	Federal and state grants	Sales tax and special revenue fund revenues	Total additions	Total balances and additions	Deductions: Assets sold, traded, junked	1 otal deductions	General fixed assets at end of year		

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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 matured obligations, including interest, are accounted for in the debt service funds.

TOWN OF HOMER
Statement of General Long-Term Debt
June 30, 1998

	1996 Certificate		
	οξ	Unpaid	Totals
	Indebtedness	Leave	1998
AMOUNTS AVAILABLE AND TO BE PROVIDED FOR PAYMENT OF GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT			
Amount available in debt service fund for debt retirement	.	•	
Funds to be provided from:			
General fund revenues	•	14,032	14,032
Ad valorem taxes	•	•	•
Sales taxes	\$ 109,000	14,032	109,000
GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE			
Bonds, certificates of indebtedness, deferred payment contracts, and unpaid vacation	\$ 109,000	14.032	123 032

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS Year Ended June 30, 1998

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditors' report expresses a qualified opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Homer, Louisiana.
- No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Homer, Louisiana are reported.
- No instances of noncompliance material to the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Homer,
 Louisiana were disclosed during the audit.
- No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the major federal award programs of the Town of Homer, Louisiana are reported.
- The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Town of Homer, Louisiana expresses an unqualified opinion.
- Audit findings relative to the major federal award programs for the Town of Homer, Louisiana are reported in Part C. of this Schedule.
- 7. The Town of Homer, Louisiana had the following major federal award programs:

Community Development Block Grant from the Department of Housing & Urban Development passed through the State of Louisiana-Division of Louisiana - CFDA No. 14.228

Sewer and Water Revenue Bonds purchased by U.S. Department of Agriculture through Rural Development - CFDA No. 10.418

- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$ 300,000.
- 9. The Town of Homer, Louisiana was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

<u>98-1:</u>

<u>Criteria:</u> Louisiana R. S. 33:4712 requires a public bid process for the sale of property no longer needed for public purposes.

Condition: The Town of Homer, Louisiana sold a vehicle to an employee without following the formal public bid process.

<u>Auditors' Recommendation:</u> The public bid process as required by Louisiana R.S. 33:4712 should be followed whenever property is to be sold.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED) Year Ended June 30, 1998

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued) 98-2:

Criteria: Louisiana Constitution Article 7, Section 14 prohibits the funds, credit, property, or things of value of any political subdivision to be loaned to any person, association, or corporation, public or private.

Condition: The accounts receivable of the Town of Homer, Louisiana's Enterprise Fund lists customers with past due accounts greater than ninety(90) days old for whom utility services are ongoing.

Effect: In essence, continuing to provide utility services to past due accounts results in a loan to the customers.

<u>Cause</u>: The Town of Homer, Louisiana has no written policy regarding customers with past due balances. <u>Auditors' Recommendation</u>: The Town of Homer, Louisiana should adopt a written policy providing procedures for the discontinuance of utility services for customers with past due accounts and which conforms to the legal requirements of Louisiana Constitution Article 7, Section 14. The written policy should be communicated to the Town's personnel.

<u>98-3:</u>

<u>Criteria:</u> The debt covenants of the Certificate of Indebtedness, Series 1996 require monthly deposits to be placed into a Sinking Fund bank account for the payment of interest and principal requirements.

<u>Condition:</u> The Town of Homer, Louisiana has not placed the required monthly deposits into a Sinking Fund bank account.

<u>Auditors' Recommendation</u>: The required monthly deposits should be placed into a Sinking Fund in accordance with the debt covenants of the Certificate of Indebtedness, Series 1996.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT 98-4:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - RURAL DEVELOPMENT

\$ 590,000 Sewer Revenue Bonds, Dated June 28, 1996, Purchased by Rural Development (formerly Farmers Home Administration) CFDA No. 10.418

<u>Criteria:</u> The debt covenants of the Sewer Revenue Bonds require monthly deposits into a Sinking Fund, Reserve Fund, and Depreciation and Contingency Fund.

Condition: The Town of Homer, Louisiana has not made the required monthly deposits into the funds set forth by the debt covenants.

Effect: The debt covenant funds lack the proper balances.

<u>Auditors' Recommendation:</u> Deposits into the debt covenant funds required by the Sewer Revenue Bonds, dated June 28, 1996, funds should be made for the amounts which should have accumulated since the inception of the debt covenant requirements and the required monthly deposits should commence.

<u>Town's Response:</u> The Town agrees with the finding.

Jown of Homer

400 East Main Street

Momer, Louisiana 71040

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Mayor
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

December 9, 1998

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

Dear Dr. Kyle:

The Town of Homer, Louisiana respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for the year ended June 30, 1998 for the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The findings are numbered consistently with the numbers assigned in the schedule. Section A of the schedule, Summary of Audit Results, does not include findings and is not addressed.

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

<u>98-1:</u>

<u>Recommendation</u>: The public bid process as required by Louisiana R.S. 33:4712 should be followed whenever property is to be sold.

Action Taken: The Town of Homer, Louisiana will adhere to the public bid process as required by Louisiana R.S. 33: 4712 in the future in the event property is to be sold.

<u>98-2:</u>

<u>Recommendation:</u> The Town of Homer, Louisiana should adopt a written policy providing procedures for the discontinuance of utility services for customers with past due accounts and which conforms to the legal requirements of Louisiana Constitution Article 7, Section 14. The written policy should be communicated to Town's personnel.

Action Taken: The Town of Homer, Louisiana will establish a written policy providing procedures for customers with past due accounts which conforms to the legal requirements of Louisiana Constitution Article 7, Section 14. The written policy will be communicated to the Town's personnel.

<u>98-3:</u>

<u>Recommendation</u>: The required monthly deposits should be placed into a Sinking Fund in accordance with the debt covenants of the Certificate of Indebtedness, Series 1996.

Action Taken: The debt covenants have been reviewed and the required monthly deposits will commence within thirty(30) days.

C. FINDINGS - FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

<u>98:4:</u>

<u>Recommendation:</u> Deposits into the debt covenant funds required by the Sewer Revenue Bonds, dated June 28, 1996, should be made for the amounts which should have accumulated since the inception of the requirements and the monthly deposits should commence.

Action Taken: The debt covenant requirements of the Sewer Revenue Bonds have been reviewed and the appropriate debt covenant funds, balances and monthly deposits will be established or begun within thirty(30) days.

Sincerely,

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS June 30, 1998

PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS RELATED TO FEDERAL AWARDS

Prior Audit Findings related to Internal Control

Finding 1

Condition: The Town did not oversee it's internal control function. The Town did not know they were responsible for the administration of the Rural Development Grant and Loan. The Town staff was not familiar with the responsibilities of the administrator.

Recommendation: The Town should ensure that an administrator is assigned or hired on all grant or loan programs. Further the Town should ascertain that these administrators are fully qualified and trained for that position.

Current Status: The Town's management followed the recommendation. No similar findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Prior Audit Findings Related to Compliance

Finding 1

Condition: The Town did not pay one of the contractors in a timely manner. The contractor was not paid until the Rural Development Administrator wrote the Town a letter demanding that the contractor be paid. Recommendation: The Town should pay all debts on Grant projects in a timely manner as required by Federal law.

Current status: Debts on grant projects have been paid in a timely manner. No similar findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Finding 2

Condition: The Town's grant file was incomplete on the Rural Development Grant. This happened partially because they were not aware that they were the grant administrator and consequently did not think they were required to maintain these records.

Recommendation: The Town should maintain adequate records to meet federal and state requirements for grant recipients.

Current status: The grant files were found to be appropriate. No similar findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Prior Audit Findings Related to Internal Control

Finding 1

Condition: Lack of understanding and cooperation from Town staff in providing records.

Recommendation: The Town should decide what kind of service it wants from the outside accountant and then provide the support necessary for the outside accountant to do their engagement.

Current status: The Town staff were cooperative in providing the necessary supporting records. No similar findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS (CONTINUED) June 30, 1998

Finding 2

Condition: The Town ran out of checks for one bank account and used temporary checks in the interim period. The interim checks were not numbered in sequence, making documentation of checks written difficult.

Recommendation: The Town should ensure that checks are numbered in sequence, even when using temporary checks.

Current status: Proper check numbering has been maintained. No similar audit findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Finding 3

Condition: The Town has too many funds set up, for example the Enterprise Fund consists of eleven different funds in their computer system. This complexity makes determining the Town's condition very difficult.

Recommendation: The Town should combine as many of the separate fund accounts as possible. Current status: The Town has established the necessary funds to appropriately account for the financial activities. No similar audit findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Finding 4

Condition: The Town does not always retain consistent documentation of activity. For example, only part of the insurance expense documentation could be located in the insurance files maintained by the staff. The same situation occurred with sales tax receipt transmittals.

Recommendation: The Town should select a documentation procedure for supporting accounting transactions and apply that procedure consistently.

Current status: Appropriate documentation for accounting transactions has been maintained. No similar audit findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Prior Audit Findings Related to Compliance

Finding 1

Condition: The Town does not maintain adequate fixed asset records. Last year there was an inventory taken. However, those records have not been updated for subsequent activity. During the early stages of my engagement, documentation of current fixed asset purchases was requested. That documentation was never provided.

Recommendation: The Town should maintain Fixed Asset Accounting records that are in place. Current status: The Fixed Asset records have been updated by the Town staff. No similar audit findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Finding 2

Condition: The Town purchased a tractor for the local golf club. While the Town was reimbursed for the cost of the tractor, no sales tax was paid.

Recommendation: The Town should refrain from making purchase on behalf of other entities. Further, the Town should collect the sales tax on the tractor and pay those funds to the appropriate taxing authorities. Current status: The recommendation has been followed. No similar audit findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS (CONTINUED) June 30, 1998

Finding 3

Condition: The Town sold a vehicle to an employee without meeting the legal requirements for selling of Town assets.

Recommendation: The Town should ensure that it meets all legal requirements before selling any Town assets.

Current status: A similar audit finding for the year ended June 30, 1998 is noted on the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs under Finding 98-1.

Finding 4

Condition: In a council meeting in April, 1997, the Mayor was authorized to see about switching insurance companies. The company was shown in the minutes. The insurance was switched to another company, one owned by a relative of the Mayor. There were checks made out to that insurance company several weeks before the matter was brought to the council. The insurance eventually was transferred to the company originally authorized.

Recommendation: If a matter is significant enough to bring to the council, then any changes to the approved action should also come back to the council for approval.

Current status: The recommendation has been followed. No similar findings were noted in the audit for the year ended June 30, 1998.

Finding 5

Condition; The audit report was not completed within six months as required by Louisiana law. Recommendation: The Town should monitor the outside accountant's progress on the audit and provide all necessary support to ensure timely completion of the audit.

Current status: The audit for the current year ended June 30, 1998 will be completed in a timely manner.

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

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantors/Program Title	Federal CFDA#	Program or Award <u>Amount</u>	Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development- Water Revenue Bonds of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, original \$1,201,000 purchased by Farmers Home Administration	10.418	\$ 1,201,000	\$ 1,181,954
Sewer Revenue Bonds of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, original \$1,200,000 purchased by Farmers Home Administration	10.418	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,130,006
Sewer Revenue Bonds of the Town of Homer, Louisiana, original \$ 590,000 purchased by Farmers Home Administration	10.418	\$ 590,000	\$ 590,000
Rural Development-Rural Utilities Service- Sewer Development Grant	10.770	\$ 942,500	\$ 120,000
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed through the State of Louisiana - Division of Admin	istration:		
LA Community Development Block Grant-FY 1996	14.228	\$ 368,687	\$ <u>368,687</u>
Total Federal Expenditures			\$ <u>3,390,647</u>