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#### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, LOUISIANA

#### REPORT ON EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

under provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of the reject has been submitted to the audited, or reviewed, entity and other appropriate public officials. The report is available for public inspection at the Baton Rouge office of the Legislative Auditor and, where appropriate, at the office of the parish clerk of court.

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#### SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS AND SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### Summary of Auditor's Results

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- A. We issued an unqualified opinion on the Housing Authority of Covington, Louisiana for the audit of its financial statements for the year ended March 31, 1999.
- B. No reportable conditions in internal control were disclosed by our audit of the financial statements.
- C. The audit did not disclose any noncompliance which is material to the financial statements.
- D. No reportable conditions in internal control were disclosed by our audit over major programs.
- E. We issued an unqualified opinion on compliance for major programs.
- F. Our audit disclosed two audit findings that we are required to report under 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133. Our audit procedures also included those of HUD Notice PIH 96-53.
- G. Major programs are as follows, and see Schedule of Federal Expenditures for CFDA numbers and amounts:
  - Low Income Housing
  - Section 8 HAP Voucher
  - 3. Section 8 HAP Existing
  - 4. CIAP
- H. The dollar threshold to distinguish Type A and Type B programs is \$ 300,000.
- The Housing Authority of Covington, Louisiana qualified for the year ended March 31, 1999 as a low-risk auditee.

#### Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

- J. There are two findings in these financial statements that is required to be reported in accordance with GAGAS.
- K. There are two audit findings or questioned costs for Federal awards which shall include audit findings as described in 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133. Our audit procedures also included those of HUD Notice PIH 96-53.

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#### Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Commissioners Housing Authority of the City of Covington Covington, Louisiana Regional Inspector General for Audit Office of Inspector General Department of Housing and Urban Development

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana at and for the year ended March 31, 1999, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the general-purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund and account group financial statements—referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana as of March 31, 1999 and the results of its operations and changes in its surplus 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 September 3, 1999 on our consideration of Housing Authority of the City of Covington's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statement of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Mike Esles P. C.

Fort Worth, Texas September 3, 1999

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## COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS MARCH 31, 1999

		Governmental Fund Types	Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Accour	Account Groups	
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Trust and Agency	Fixed	Long-Term Debt	(Memorandum Only)
	\$ 215,562.52	\$ 26,829.78 \$	€9		\$ 4,945.00 \$	40	↔	\$ 247,337.30
	890.00							890.00
	19,897.61	9,643.19						29,540.80
ı						2,848,855.56		2,848,855.56
46	\$ 236,608.76	\$ 77,965.97 \$	0.00 \$	0.00	\$ 4,945.00	\$2,848,855.56	\$	\$ 3,168,375.29

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

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# COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

		Government	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Accour	Account Groups	
	General	Special	Debt	Capital Projects	Trust and Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt	Total (Memorandum Only)
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				•				
IABILITIES Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	227.22	€	<b>6</b>	€9	€9	40	€9	\$ 227.22 6,402.56
Due to: Tenants Other funds Other governments		18,975.96		10,564.84	4,945.00			4,945.00 29,540.80 12,728.00
Total Liabilities	6,629.78	31,703.96	0.00	10,564.84	4,945.00	0.00	0.00	53,843.58
=UND EQUITY Investment in general fixed assets						2,848,855.56		2,848,855.56
Fund balances: Reserved for capital projects				(10,564.84)				(10,564.84)
Unreserved: Undesignated	229,978.98	46,262.01						276,240.99
Total Fund Equity	229,978.98	46,262.01	0.00	(10,564.84)	0.00	2,848,855.56	0.00	3,114,531.71
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 236,608.76	\$ 77,965.97	0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,945.00	\$ 2,848,855.56	\$	\$ 3,168,375.29

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### COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

		Governmen	tal F	und Types	<u> </u>	Total	
	General	Special Revenue		Debt Service	Capital Projects	(Memorandi Only)	um –
REVENUES Rentals Intergovernmental	66,506.00 41,961.00 2,871.61	\$ 440,070.33 557.26	\$		\$ 77,415.00	\$ 66,506.0 559,446.3 3,428.8	33
Interest Other	5,958.66	317.42				6,276.0	80
Total Revenues	117,297.27	440,945.01	_	0.00	77,415.00	635,657.2	28
EXPENDITURES Administration Utilities Ordinary maintenance General expenditures	77,768.87 2,478.37 41,969.30 35,973.74	20,263.14				98,032.0 2,478.3 41,969.3 35,973.3	.37 .30
Extraordinary maintenance Housing assistance payments Capital expenditures	7,592.00	392,642.00			89,112.00	392,642. 96,704.	.00
Total expenditures	165,782.28	412,905.14	_	0.00	89,112.00	667,799.	.42
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(48,485.01)	28,039.87	-	0.00	(11,697.00)	(32,142.	.14)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES(USES) Operating transfers in Operating transfers out	)						.00
Total other financing sources(uses)	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0	0.00
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	278,463.99	18,222.14			1,132.16	297,818	.29
FUND BALANCE, end of year	\$ 229,978.98	\$ 46,262.01	\$	0.00	\$ (10,564.84)	\$ 265,676	5.15

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# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

		General Fund		Sp	Special Revenue	Funds
	Budget	Actual	Over (Under) Budget	Budget	Actual	Over (Under) Budget
REVENUES	ı	•	•			
Rentals	\$ 47,940.00	\$ 66,506.00	\$ 18,566.00	\$411,306.00	\$440,070.33	\$ 28,764.33
Intergovernmental	41,961.00	41,961.00	0.00			0.00
Interest	10,450.00	2,871.61	(7,578.39)		557.26	557.26
Other income	3,900.00	5,958.66	2,058.66		317.42	317.42
Total Revenues	104,251.00	117,297.27	13,046.27	411,306.00	440,945.01	29,639.01
EXPENDITURES						
Administration	88,440.00	77,768.87	(10,671.13)	46,301.00	20263.14	(26,037.86)
Utilities	3,630.00	2,478.37	(1,151.63)			0.00
Ordinary maintenance	50,580.00	41,969.30	(8,610.70)			0.00
General expenditures	42,250.00	35,973.74	(6,276.26)			0.00
Housing assistance payments			0.00	365,005.00	392,642.00	27,637.00
Capital expenditures	1,800.00	7592.00	5,792.00			0.00
Total Expenditures	186,700.00	165,782.28	(20,917.72)	411,306.00	412,905.14	1,599.14
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ (82,449.00)	(48,485.01)	\$ 33,963.99	\$ 0.00	28,039.87	\$ 28,039.87
Transfer of net income to unreserved deficit						
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year		278,463.99			18,222.14	
FUND BALANCES, end of year		\$229,978.98			\$ 46,262.01	II

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# COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL DEBT SERVICE AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

		<b>Debt Service Fund</b>	pu	O	Capital Projects Funds	nnds
			Over (Under)			Over (Under)
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Budget	Actual	Budget
REVENUES						
Intergovernmental	€9	€	\$ 0.00	\$ 77,415.00	\$ 77,415.00	\$ 0.00
Total Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	77,415.00	77,415.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES						
Capital expenditures			0.00	77,415.00	89,112.00	(11,697.00)
Total Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00	77,415.00	89,112.00	(11,697.00)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	(11,697.00)	\$ (11,697.00)
Transfer of net income to unreserved deficit						
FUND BALANCES, beginning of year					1,132.16	
FUND BALANCES, end of year		\$ 0.00			\$ (10,564.84)	

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#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 1999

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Housing Authority of Covington, Louisiana (the Authority), a public corporate body, was organized for the purpose of providing decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling accommodations for persons of low income.

The Authority is engaged in the acquisition, modernization, and administration of low-rent housing. In addition, the Authority has administrative responsibility for various other community development programs whose primary purpose is the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities principally for persons of low and moderate income.

The Authority is administered by a governing Board of Commissioners (the Board), whose members are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Covington, Louisiana. Each member serves a five-year term on a rotating basis. Substantially all of the Authority's revenue is derived from subsidy contracts with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Annual Contributions Contracts entered into by the Authority and HUD provide operating subsidies for Authority-owned public housing facilities, housing assistance payments for eligible individuals, and receipt of annual debt service requirements for HUD-related long-term debt.

#### (1) Financial Reporting Entity

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Generally accepted accounting principles require that the financial statements present the accounts and operations of the Authority and its component units, entities for which the Authority is considered to be financially accountable. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the Authority's operations and data from these units, if any, are combined with data of the Authority. Each discretely presented component unit, if any, would be reported in a separate column in the combined financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Authority. As of March 31, 1999, and for the fiscal year then ended, the Authority had no discretely presented component units or any component units required to be blended in these financial statements.

#### (2) Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Authority 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. The various funds are grouped by type and broad categories in the financial statements as follows:

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (3) <u>Fund Accounting</u> (continued)

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#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Authority are financed. The measurement focus is on determination of financial position and changes in financial position rather than on net income determination. The following are the Authority's governmental fund types:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Authority. The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of the Authority which are not properly accounted for in another fund. All general operating revenues which are not restricted or designated as to their use by outside sources are recorded in the General Fund.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> - The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of interest, principal, and related costs of general long-term debt.

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

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Authority as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. The following is the Authority's fiduciary fund type:

Agency Funds - Agency Funds include Tenant Security Deposit Fund. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of result of operations.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### ACCOUNT GROUPS

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Account groups are used to establish accounting control and accountability for the Authority's general fixed assets and general long-term debt for governmental fund types. These are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position and not with results of operations. The following are the Authority's account groups:

General Fixed Assets Account Group - This account group is established to account for all fixed assets of the Authority.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group - This account group is established to account for all long-term debt of the Authority.

#### (4) Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All Governmental 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. Revenues are considered "measurable" when received in cash, except for certain revenues which are accrued when they are both measurable and available or have not been received at the normal time of receipt. Certain grant revenues are accrued when funds are expended. Revenues susceptible to accrual are federal grants, interest on investments, and other miscellaneous revenues which are both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

Agency Funds are custodial in nature and do not measure results of operations. They are clearing accounts whose assets at all times are equally offset by related liabilities.

#### (5) Budgetary Data

The Authority is required by its HUD Annual Contributions Contracts to adopt annual budgets for the Low-Rent Housing Program, included in the General Fund, and all Assisted Housing (Section 8) Programs, included in Special Revenue Funds. Annual budgets are not required for Capital Projects Funds as their budgets are approved for the length of the project. Both annual and project length budgets require grantor approval.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The Authority is under a limited budget review from HUD with the control category of total operating expenditures. If there are no overruns of the total operating expenditures, then HUD does not require budget revisions other than when there are substantial additions to nonroutine expenditures, such as reinstatement of prior-year encumbrances. The Board and HUD must approve fund appropriation increases. Any unused appropriations lapse at year-end. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Board and HUD.

The original budget has been amended throughout the year to reflect changes in revenue and expenditure estimates.

The budget is prepared on a statutory (HUD) basis and does not contain a provision for uncollectible tenant receivables. The difference is not considered materially different from generally accepted accounting principles.

#### (6) <u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>

The entity defines cash and cash equivalents to include certificates of deposit, money market funds, savings accounts, and demand deposits.

#### (7) <u>Tenant Receivables</u>

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Receivables for rentals and service charges are reported in the General Fund, net of allowances for doubtful accounts amounting to \$ -0- at March 31, 1999.

#### (8) <u>Interfund Transactions</u>

During the course of normal operations, the Authority has numerous transactions between funds to provide services, construct assets, and service debt. These transactions are generally reflected as operating transfers except for transactions reimbursing a fund for expenditures made by it for the benefit of another fund. Such transactions are recorded as expenditures in the disbursing fund and as a reduction of expenditures in the receiving fund.

#### (9) General Fixed Assets

General Fixed Assets have been acquired for general governmental purposes. Assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the Governmental Funds and capitalized at cost in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Contributed fixed assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time received. Depreciation is not recorded on general fixed assets. Public domain general fixed assets (infrastructure) consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, including roads, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems, and lighting systems, are capitalized along with other general fixed assets.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Costs of completed Modernization projects are reported as construction-in-progress until audited cost certification reports are submitted to HUD, at which time such costs are transferred to the appropriate property categories.

#### (10) <u>General Long-Term Debt</u>

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All long-term indebtedness of the Authority is accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group and is intended to be paid through the Debt Service Fund.

#### (11) Compensated Absences

Authority employees accrue personal leave, or compensated absences, by a prescribed formula based on length of service. The cost of this has not been accrued due to immateriality.

#### (12) Total Columns on Combined Statements

Total columns on the 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, nor is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

#### NOTE B - CASH DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

It is the entity's policy for deposits to be secured by collateral valued at market or par, whichever is lower, less the amount of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance. The entity's deposits are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity at March 31, 1999. The categories are described as follows:

- Category 1 Insured or collateralized with securities held by the entity or by its agent in the entity's name.
- Category 2 Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the entity's name.
- Category 3 Uncollateralized, uninsured and unregistered, but with securities held by the bank, its trust department, or its agent, pledged to the PHA, but not in the PHA's name.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

Cash Deposits, categorized by level of risk, (at cost, which approximates market) are:

	 	 Category	··		•
Total Bank Balances	1	2		3	
\$ 247,337.30	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$	147,337.30	

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 Housing Authority that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

#### NOTE C - ACTIVITIES OF THE PHA

At March 31, 1999, the PHA was managing 49 units of low-rent in one project under Program FW — 2263, 54 units of Section 8 Existing under Program 2250, and 55 units of Vouchers under Program FW-2250.

#### NOTE D - CONTINGENCIES

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The entity is subject to possible examinations by federal regulators who determine compliance with terms, conditions, laws and regulations governing grants given to the entity in the current and prior years. These examinations may result in required refund by the entity to federal grantors and/or program beneficiaries.

#### NOTE E - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Changes in the general fixed assets account group are as follows:

	_	Beg. of Period	_	Additions	Deletions	_	End of Period
Land, land impvts.	\$	199,804.24	\$		\$	\$	199,804.24
Buildings		2,616,195.14					2,616,195.14
Equipment		25,264.18	-	7,592.00			32,856.18
Total	\$	2,841,263.56	\$	7,592.00	\$ 0.00	\$	2,848,855.56

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) MARCH 31, 1999

#### NOTE F - DISCLOSURES ABOUT FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

#### Cash and Investments

The carrying amount approximates fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments.

#### Long Term Debt

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It is not possible to estimate the fair value of long term debt owed to the federal government by this governmental entity, a housing authority. FASB 107 describes fair value of a financial instrument as the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties.

#### NOTE G - ACCOUNTING FOR THE IMPAIRMENT OF LONG - LIVED ASSETS

The full amount of the carrying value of buildings and land improvements are deemed recoverable from future cash flows.

#### NOTE H - USE OF ESTIMATES IN THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE I - YEAR 2000 COMPUTER CONVERSION

The PHA utilizes a fee accountant. The fee accountant has assessed the Year 2000 computer conversion issues. The fee accountant has recently purchased new computer hardware and software in anticipation of Year 2000. The software providers for the PHA's in-house software also appear to have addressed the Y2K issues. The PHA's in-house computer is new and appears to be Y2K compliant.

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES COMBINING BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 1999

	Assisted Housing Programs		
	Existing Units Program	Voucher Program	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26.829.78 \$		\$ 26.829.78
Due from:			
Other funds	9.643.19		9.643.19
Other governments		41.493.00	41.493.00
Prepaid expenditures			0.00
Total Assets	\$ 36,472.97 \$	41,493.00	\$ 77,965.97
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Due to:			0.00
Other funds		18.975.96	18.975.96
Other governments	12,728.00		12,728.00
Total liabilities	12,728.00	18,975.96	31,703.96
FUND EQUITY			
Unreserved and undesignated	23,744.97	22,517.04	46,262.01
Total fund equity	23,744.97	22,517.04	46,262.01
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 36,472.97 \$	41,493.00	\$ 77,965.97

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# SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES MARCH 31, 1999

	Assisted Hot	Housing Programs	
	Existing Units Program	Voucher Program	Total
3EVENUES			
Intergovernmenta! Interest	\$ 210,813.83	\$ 229,256.50 25.26	\$ 440,070.33 557.26
Other		317.42	317.42
Total Revenues	211,345.83	229,599.18	440,945.01
EXPENDITURES			
Administration Housing assistance payments	11,389.22	8,873.92	20,263.14 392,642.00
Total Expenditures	198,466.72	214,438.42	412,905.14
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	12,879.11	15,160.76	28,039.87
⁻UND BALANCE, beginning of year	10,865.86	7,356.28	18,222.14
⁻UND BALANCE, end of year	\$ 23,744.97	\$ 22,517.04	\$ 46,262.01

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

## CAPITAL PROJECT FUND TYPES COMBINING BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 1999

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	CIAP Housing Programs	grams
	CIAP 1997	Total
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	€F	0.00
Total Assets	\$ 00.00	0.00
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Due to: Other funds	10,564.84	0.00
Total fiabilities	10,564.84	10,564.84
FUND EQUITY Reserved for capital projects	(10,564.84) (10	(10,564.84)
Total fund equity	(10,564.84)	(10,564.84)
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 00.00	0.00

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# CAPITAL PROJECT FUND TYPES COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES MARCH 31, 1999

CIAP Housing Programs	CIAP 1997 Total	\$ 77,415.00 \$ 77,415.00	77,415.00 77,415.00	89,112.00	89,112.00 89,112.00	(11,697.00) (11,697.00)	1,132.16	\$ (10,564.84) \$ (10,564.84)
		REVENUES	Total Revenues	EXPENDITURES Capital expenditures	Total Expenditures	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	FUND BALANCE, end of year

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 1999

		Agency Funds Tenant Security Deposit Funds		Total Fiduciary
ASSETS	•	i unuş		Funds
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	4,945.00	\$	4,945.00
Total Assets	\$	4,945.00	\$	4,945.00
LIABILITIES				
Due to tenants	\$	4,945.00	\$	4,945.00
Total Liabilities	\$	4,945.00	\$	4,945.00

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN DEPOSITS DUE TO OTHERS MARCH 31, 1999

	Age	Tenant Security Deposit Funds		Total Fiduciary Funds
DEPOSIT BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	4,496.50	\$	4,496.50
ADDITIONS <u>Payments to tenants</u>		448.50	•	
		440.50		448.50 0.00
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				0.00 0.00
Total Additions	•	449.50	<b>B-</b> -	
	-	448.50	_	448.50
REDUCTIONS				
<del></del>				0.00
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				0.00 0.00
<del></del>	-		_	0.00
Total Reductions	-	0.00		0.00
DEPOSIT BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$ _	4,945.00	\$	4,945.00

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#### BALANCE SHEET - STATUTORY BASIS MARCH 31, 1999

#### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW -- 2263

#### <u>ASSETS</u>

Cash - Exhibit F	\$	220,507.52
Accounts receivable - tenants		890.00
Accounts receivable - other		258.63
Accounts receivable - Voucher		9,332.77
Land, structures and equipment	<b>-</b> -	2,942,237.51
Total Assets	\$ _	3,173,226.43
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS		
Accounts payable	\$	5,172.22
Accrued liabilities	_	6,402.76
Total Liabilities		11,574.98
Surplus - Exhibit C(1)	_	3,161,651.45
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$_	3,173,226.43

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#### BALANCE SHEET -- STATUTORY BASIS MARCH 31, 1999

#### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW -- 2250

#### <u>ASSETS</u>

Cash Accounts receivable - Voucher Land, structures and equipment	\$	26,829.78 9,643.19 4,641.19
Total Assets	\$	41,114.16
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS		
Accounts payable - HUD - Exhibit D(2)	\$	12,728.00
Total Liabilities		12,728.00
Surplus - Exhibit C(2)	<del></del>	28,386.86
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$	41,114.86

#### BALANCE SHEET -- STATUTORY BASIS MARCH 31, 1999

#### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW -- 2263

#### <u>ASSETS</u>

Accounts Receivable - HUD - Exhibit D(3)	\$ 41,493.00
Total Assets	\$ 41,493.00
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	
Accounts payable - Low Rent Accounts payable - Voucher	\$ 9,332.77 9,643.19
Total Liabilities	18,975.96
Surplus - Exhibit C(3)	 22,517.04
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$ 41,493.00

#### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES — STATUTORY BASIS

#### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW -- 2263

	Year Ended
	03-31-99
Operating Income Dwelling rental Interest on general fund investments Other income	\$ 66,506.00 2,871.61 4,410.36
Total Operating Income - Exhibit D(1)	73,787.97
Operating Expenses Administration Utilities Ordinary maintenance and operation General expense	77,768.87 2,478.37 41,969.30 35,973.74
Total Operating Expense - Exhibit D(1)	 158,190.28
Net Operating Income (Loss)	(84,402.31)
Other Credits Prior year adjustments - affecting	
residual receipts	 21,254.84
Total Other Credits	21,254.84
Net Loss - Exhibit C(1)	\$ (63,147.47)

#### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES — STATUTORY BASIS

### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW -- 2250 EXISTING

		Year Ended
		03-31-99
Operating Income Interest on general fund investments	\$	532.00
Total Operating Income - Exhibit D(2)	•	532.00
Operating Expenses	-	
Administration Housing assistance payments Independent public accountant audit		8,981.04 187,077.50
costs		543.33
Total Operating Expense - Exhibit D(2)	-	196,601.87
		130,001.07
Net Operating Income (Loss)	-	(196,069.87)
Net Loss - Exhibit C(2)	\$ _	(196,069.87)

### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES — STATUTORY BASIS

### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW -- 2256 VOUCHER

		Year Ended
		03-31-99
Operating Income Interest on general fund investments	\$	25.26
Total Operating Income - Exhibit D(3)		25.26
Operating Expenses Administration Housing assistance payments		8,873.92 205,564.50
Total Operating Expense - Exhibit D(3)	-	214,438.42
Net Operating Income (Loss)	-	(214,413.16)
Net Loss - Exhibit C(3)	\$	(214,413.16)

#### ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS — STATUTORY BASIS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

#### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW - 2263

Unreserved Surplus	Φ.	(4.46.000.61)
Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$	(146,233.61)
Net loss for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit B(1)		(63,147.47)
(Provision for) reduction of Operating Reserve for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(1)		28,778.47
Audit adjustment posted in subsequent year		(21,254.84)
Balance at 03-31-99		(201,857.45)
Reserved Surplus - Operating Reserve Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98		260,490.20
Provision for (reduction of) Operating Reserve for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(1)		(28,778.47)
Balance at 03-31-99 - Exhibit F(1)	\$	231,711.73

#### ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS — STATUTORY BASIS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

#### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW — 2263

Cumulative HUD Contributions  Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$ 167,996.00
Operating subsidy for year ended 03-31-99	 41,961.00
Balance at 03-31-99	 209,957.00
Cumulative HUD Grants Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	0.00
Advances for year ended 03-31-99	
Balance at 03-31-99	 0.00
Cumulative Donations  Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	2,844,425.17
Grants for year ended 03-31-99	 77,415.00
Balance at 03-31-99	 2,921,840.17
Total Surplus - Exhibit A(1)	\$ 3,161,651.45

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#### ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS — STATUTORY BASIS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT <u>FW - 2250</u> EXISTING

Unreserved Surplus Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$ (3,305,730.67)
Adjustment to HUD 03-31-98 year-end settlement, including recapture	949,748.14
Net loss for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit B(2)	(196,069.87)
(Provision for) reduction of Operating Reserve for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(2)	(14,743.96)
(Provision for) reduction of Project Account for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(2)	(104,282.00)
Balance at 03-31-99	 (2,671,078.36)
Reserved Surplus - Operating Reserve Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	10,866.00
Provision for (reduction of) Operating Reserve for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(2)	14,743.96
Balance at 03-31-99	\$ 25,609.96

#### ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS — STATUTORY BASIS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW — 2250 EXISTING

Project Account  Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98  Adjustment to HUD 03-31-98 year-end settlement, including recapture	\$	1,187,732.14 (949,748.14)
Provision for (reduction of ) Project Account for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(2)		104,282.00
Balance at 03-31-99	•••	342,266.00
Cumulative HUD Contributions  Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$	2,120,775.26
Annual contribution for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D		210,814.00
Balance at 03-31-99		2,331,589.26
Total Surplus - Exhibit A(2)	\$	28,386.86

#### ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS — STATUTORY BASIS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW - 2256 VOUCHER

<u>Unreserved Surplus</u> Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$	(2,896,429.52)
Adjustment to HUD 03-31-98 year-end settlement, including recapture		663,268.00
Net loss for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit B(3)		(214,413.16)
(Provision for) reduction of Operating Reserve for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(3) (Provision for) reduction of Operating Reserve for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(3)		(14,843.34) (9,443.00)
Balance at 03-31-99	<u></u>	(2,471,861.02)
Reserved Surplus - Operating Reserve Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98		6,366.67
Provision for (reduction of) Operating Reserve for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(3)		14,843.34
Balance at 03-31-99	\$	21,210.01

#### ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS — STATUTORY BASIS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

### ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW - 2256 VOUCHER

Project Account Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$ 1,004,040.00
Adjustment to HUD 03-31-98 year-end settlement, including recapture	(663,268.00)
Provision for (reduction of ) Project Account for the year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(3)	9,443.00
Balance at 03-31-99	350,215.00
Cumulative HUD Contributions Balance per prior audit at 03-31-98	\$ 1,893,696.05
Annual contribution for year ended 03-31-99 - Exhibit D(3)	229,257.00
Balance at 03-31-99	 2,122,953.05
Total Surplus - Exhibit A(3)	\$ 22,517.04

#### COMPUTATION OF RESIDUAL RECEIPTS AND ACCRUING ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

	_	Year Ended
		03-31-99
Computation of Residual Receipts Operating Receipts		
Operating Income - Exhibit B(1)	\$	73,787.97
HUD operating subsidy Prior year adjustments - affecting		41,961.00
residual receipts	_	21,254.84
Total Operating Receipts	_	137,003.81
Operating Expenditures		
Operating expenses - Exhibit B(1) Capital expenditures: Replacement of nonexpendable		158,190.28
equipment		1,937.00
Property betterments and additions  Prior year adjustments - affecting		5,655.00
residual receipts		0.00
Total Operating Expenditures		165,782.28
Residual receipts (deficit) per audit		
before provision for reserve		(28,778.47)
Audit adjustments (backed out)	-	
Residual receipts per PHA before		
provision for reserve		(28,778.47)
(Provision for) or reduction of		
operating reserve - Exhibit C(1)		28,778.47
Residual receipts per PHA	\$	0.00

#### COMPUTATION OF RESIDUAL RECEIPTS AND ACCRUING ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

	Year Ended	
	03-31-99	
Computation of Accruing Annual Contributions		
Fixed annual contribution	\$ 0.00	
Total Annual Contribution - Exhibit C	\$ 0.00	

# COMPUTATION OF ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS EARNED AND PROJECT ACCOUNT — OPERATING RESERVE CHANGES HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS PROGRAM

		Year Ended
		03-31-99
Maximum Contribution Available  Maximum annual contribution authorized  Project account balance at beginning  of fiscal year  Adjustment by HUD	\$	315,096.00 1,187,732.14 (949,748.14)
Total Annual Contribution Available	-	553,080.00
Annual Contribution Required Housing assistance payments Administrative fee Independent public accountant		187,077.50 23,725.00
audit costs	_	543.33
		211,345.83
Project receipts other than annual contribution		532.00
Total Contribution Required - Exhibit C(2)		210,813.83
Excess in Annual Contribution Available	\$	342,266.17
Year-end Settlement Annual contribution due for fiscal year Total partial payments received by		210,814.00
PHA for fiscal year	_	223,542.00
(Over) Under Payment Due (HUD) PHA	\$	(12,728.00)

# COMPUTATION OF ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS EARNED AND PROJECT ACCOUNT — OPERATING RESERVE CHANGES HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS PROGRAM

	Year Ended
	03-31-99
Status of Project Account Project account balance at the beginning of fiscal year	1 107 700 1/
beginning of fiscal year Increase (decrease) during fiscal	1,187,732.14
year - Exhibit C(2)	104,282.00
Adjustments by HUD	(949,748.14)
	342,266.00
Provision for Operating Reserve Operating receipts	
Operating income - Exhibit B(2)	532.00
Annual contributions earned	210,813.83
	211,345.83
Operating Expenditures	
Operating expenses -Exhibit B(2)	196,601.87
	0.00
Residual receipts (deficit)	14,743.96
Audit adjustments - backed out	
(Provision for) reduction of operating reserve - Exhibit C(2)	(14,743.96)
Residual receipts (deficit) after provision for operating reserve	0.00

# COMPUTATION OF ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS EARNED AND PROJECT ACCOUNT — OPERATING RESERVE CHANGES HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS PROGRAM

# ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW - 2256 VOUCHER

		Year Ended
		03-31-99
Maximum Contribution Available  Maximum annual contribution authorized  Project account balance at beginning  of fiscal year  Adjustments by HUD	\$	238,700.00 1,004,040.00 (663,268.00)
Total Annual Contribution Available		579,472.00
Annual Contribution Required Housing assistance payments Administrative fee Hard-to-house fee Independent public accountant audit costs		205,564.50 23,692.00
Project receipts other than annual contribution		229,256.50
Total Contribution Required - Exhibit C(3)	•	229,256.50
Excess in Annual Contribution  Available	\$	350,215.50
Year-end Settlement Annual contribution due for fiscal year Total partial payments received by PHA for fiscal year		229,257.00 187,764.00
(Over) Under Payment Due (HUD) PHA - Exhibit A(3)	\$	41,493.00

# COMPUTATION OF ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS EARNED AND PROJECT ACCOUNT — OPERATING RESERVE CHANGES HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS PROGRAM

## ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION CONTRACT FW - 2263

	_	Year Ended
	_	03-31-99
Status of Project Account Project account balance at the beginning of fiscal year	\$	1,004,040.00
Increase (decrease) during fiscal year - Exhibit C(3) Adjustments by HUD		9,443.00 (663,268.00)
	_	350,215.00
Provision for Operating Reserve Operating receipts	_	
Operating income - Exhibit B(3)		25.26
Annual contributions earned	_	229,256.50
		229,281.76
Operating Expenditures		04440040
Operating expenses -Exhibit B(3)	_	214,438.42
	-	214,438.42
Residual receipts (deficit)		14,843.34
Audit adjustments - backed out		
(Provision for) reduction of operating reserve - Exhibit C(3)		(14,843.34)
Residual receipts (deficit) after provision For operating reserve	\$	0.00

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## STATEMENT OF MODERNIZATION COSTS — UNCOMPLETED MARCH 31, 1999

		Project LA48P-002
Funds Approved	\$	381,418.83
Funds Expended	-	98,023.84
Excess of Funds Approved	\$	283,394.99
Funds Advanced	\$	87,459.00
Funds Expended	•	98,023.84
Excess of Funds Advanced	\$	(10,564.84)

Total development funds authorized for LA48238002 were \$ 3,215,800.00. An Actual Development Cost Certificate was issued for \$ 2,512,801.17 for the year ended March 31, 1997. \$321,580.00 was subsequently received for operations. The balance of the original \$3,215,000.00 has been approved for CIAP.

#### ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE

Composition Before Adjustments  Net operating receipts retained: Operating reserves - Exhibit C(1) Imbalance at 03-31-93 Current year imbalance Excess of CIAP expenditures - Exhibit E	\$ 231,711.73 (2,291.58) 558.63 (10,564.84)
	219,413.94
Adjustments Expenses/costs not paid: Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	5,172.22 6,402.76
Income not received: Accounts receivable	(10,481.40)
General Fund Cash Available	220,507.52
General Fund Cash - Exhibit A(1)	\$ 220,507.52

#### SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

#### YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

FEDERAL GRANTOR	CDFA	GRANT		AWARD	PROGRAM
PROGRAM TITLE	<u>NO.</u>	<u> ID NO.</u>		AMOUNT	EXPENDITURES
U.S. Department of House	sing and <mark>l</mark>	Jrban Develo <sub>l</sub>	omer	nt	
Direct Programs:					
Low-Income Housing					
Operating Subsidy	14.850	FW- 2263	\$	41,961.00	\$ 41,961.00
Major Program T	otal			41,961.00	41,961.00
Section 8 HAP -					
Existing	14.156	FW- 2263		210,814.00	210,814.00
Voucher	14.177	FW- 2263		229,257.00	229,257.00
Major Program T	otal			440,071.00	440,071.00
Comprehensive					
Improvement					
Assistance Program					
Project 48P - 002	14.852	FW- 2263		77,415.00	89,112.00
Major Program T	otal			77,415.00	89,112.00
Total HUD			\$	559,447.00	\$ 571,144.00

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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

Housing Authority of the City of Covington Covington, Louisiana

#### Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* and HUD Notice PIH 96-53 that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 1999. The Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, 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* and HUD Notice PIH 96-53. 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 Housing Authority of the City of Covington, 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 Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, 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 March 31, 1999.

The results of our audit procedures disclosed immaterial instances of noncompliance with the requirements reffered to above, which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We considered these instances of noncompliance in forming our opinion on compliance, which is expressed in the following paragraph.

#### Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of The Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana is responsible for establishing and maintaining 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 Housing Authority of the City of Covington, 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 material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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

Mike Esles P. C.

Fort Worth, Texas September 3, 1999

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Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Housing Authority of the City of Covington Covington, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana as of and for the year ended March 31, 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated September 3, 1999. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and provisions of the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing a 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 two instances of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, or the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, and is discussed in the accompanying Schedule of Audit Findings.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Housing Authority of the City of Covington, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the

design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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Fort Worth, Texas September 3, 1999

# HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

MARCH 31, 1999

#### Prior Audit Findings and Questioned Cost

There were no prior audit findings.

#### Current Audit Findings

Questioned Cost

 For all Section 8 admissions, a written Rent Reasonableness Worksheet need to be done. This should also be done on all rent increases, for units on the program.

#### Recommendation

It appears the PHA is doing a study of comparable rents charged for private housing before new admissions or rent increases. But HUD regulations now require these studies be documented in writing.

#### Reply

We will comply with the above.