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#### VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

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#### FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 2003

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#### CALVIN L. ROBBINS, JR. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT (A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION)

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana, and the individual fund and account group financial statements of the Village as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003 as listed in the accompanying table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I 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. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana, at December 31, 2003, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund type for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Also, in my opinion, the individual fund and account group financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects the financial position of each of the individual funds and account groups of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana, at December 31, 2003, and the results of operations of such funds for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued a report dated June 22, 2004 on my consideration of the Village of Grosse Tete's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of my audit.

My audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole and on the individual fund and account group financial statements. The accompanying financial information listed as schedules in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana. Such information, except for the "Schedule of Insurance in Force", marked unaudited, on which I express no opinion, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose, individual fund and account group financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements of each of the respective individual funds and account groups, taken as a whole.

The financial information for the preceding year, which is included for comparative purposes, was derived from the financial statements for that year. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report, dated May 15, 2003, expressed an unqualified opinion on the general purpose, individual fund and account group financial statements of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana.

Certified Public Accountant (A Professional Corporation)

June 22, 2004 Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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General Purpose Financial Statements

December 31, 2003

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# **Exhibit** A

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups	nd Types and	Account Group	SC			Dece	December 31, 2003
				Account	Groups		
	Governmental	tal Fund Types	Proprietary	General	General	Ĕ	Totals
		Special	Fund Type	Fixed	Long-Term	(Memora	(Memorandum Only)
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	General	Revenue	Enterprise	Assets	Debt	2003	2002
Assets				-			
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$ 170,769</b>	\$ 76,993	\$ 10,772	1	۱. ح	\$ 258,534	\$ 274,528
Investments	235,355	34,691	6,736	ł	1	276,782	295,777
Receivables (net of allowance for	, ,		•			•	•
uncollectibles)							
Taxes	8,084	I	1	•.	I	8,084	6,923
Accounts	I	I	9,397	. 1	I	9,397	9,428
Intergovernmental	32,311	5,039	852	I	ł	38,202	31,057
Property, plant and equipment (net							
where applicable of accumulated							
depreciation)	I	<b>t</b>	474,436	1,120,894	T	1,595,330	1,547,753
Due from other fund	101,079	I	1	J	I	101,079	79,808
Prepaid expenses	6,812	3,517	ľ	ľ	ſ	10,329	12,396
Amount to be provided for retirement	nt						
of general long term debt		E	•		122,706	122,706	143,247
<b>Total Assets And Other</b>							
Debits	\$ 554,410	\$ 120,240	\$ 502,193	\$ 1,120,894	\$ 122,706	\$ 2,420,443	\$ 2,400,917

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e Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups, Continued	d Types and Ac	scount Groups,	Continued			Dece	December 31, 2003	03
		!		Account	Groups			
	Government	<b>Governmental Fund Types</b>	Proprietary	General	General	To	Totals	
UITY AND		Special	Fund Type	Fixed	Long-Term	(Memorandum	ndum Only)	
TS	General	Revenue	Enterprise	Assets	Debt	2003	2002	
all taxes navable	\$ 44.017	\$ 2.646	\$ 9.044	63 I	5	\$ 55.707	\$ 13.566	99
anon ind cover me			8	•	•	, mai		08
able	F				122,706	122,706	143,247	47
•	44,017	22,850	89,919	1	122,706	279,492	236,621	21
Credits								
ral fixed assets		I	1	1,120,894	I	1,120,894	1,084,082	82
	ŀ	ſ	504,537	F	I	504,537	489,537	37
it	•	l	(92,263)		I	(92,263)	(70,369)	(69)
protection	I	97,390	1	I	I	97,390	117,691	161
designated	510,393		F	1	E	510,393	543,355	55
nd other credits	510,393	97,390	412,274	1,120,894		2,140,951	2,164,296	96
lities, Equity r Credits	\$ 554,410	\$ 120,240	<b>\$ 502,193</b>	\$ 1,120,894	\$ 122,706	\$ 2,420,443	\$ 2,400,917	11

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Equity And Other C Investment in genera **Combined Balance** VILLAGE OF LIABILITIES, EQ OTHER CREDIT Account and payro Capital leases paya Contributed capital Accumulated defici Reserved for fire Unreserved - und Total equity an **Total Liabili** And Other Due to other fund Total liabilities Fund balances Unreserved Liabilities 

#### Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types

#### Year Ended December 31, 2003

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Exhibit B

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·	General	Revenue	2003	2002
Revenues		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Taxes	\$ 36,547	<b>s</b> -	\$ 36,547	<b>\$</b> 30,664
Licenses and permits	33,210	-	33,210	33,247
Intergovernmental	300,785	80,496	381,281	499,145
Fines	19,308	-	19,308	28,274
Interest	2,205	1,778	3,983	5,258
Miscellaneous	17,071		17,071	1,900
Total revenues	409,126	82,274	491,400	598,488

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#### Expenditures

Current

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Other Financing (Uses) Sources Operating transfers (out)	(40,000)	-	(40,000)	(35,000)
Excess (Deficiency) Of Revenues Over Expenditures	7,038	(20,301)	(13,263)	208,874
Total expenditures	402,088	102,575	504,663	389,614
Interest charges		8,375	8,375	9,548
Debt Service Principal	-	20,542	20,542	19,381
Highways and streets	51,262	-	51,262	12,041
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	200
Public safety	-	29,095	29,095	1,759
General government	1,663	-	1,663	-
Capital outlay				
Culture and recreation	626	-	626	2,468
Health	3,298	-	3,298	3,049
Highways and streets	148,382	-	148,382	148,867
Public safety	62,389	44,563	106,952	88,959
General government	134,468	<b>-</b> ·	134,468	103,342

(32,962)

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Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues And Other Financing Sources Over (Under) **Expenditures and Other Financing (Uses)** Sources

#### **Fund Balances** Beginning

#### Ending

543,355	 117,691	661,046	 487,172
\$ 510,393	\$ 97,390	\$ 607,783	\$ 661,046

(53,263)

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(20,301)

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Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds General and Special Revenue Funds		A				
	enditures and C	nanges in		Year	ar Ended December	ember 31, 2003
		General Fur	p	S	pecial Revenue	Fund
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budøet	Actual	Variance Favorable
Revenues				D		
Taxes						
Franchise	S 40,000	\$ 36,547	\$ (3,453)	•	1 69	۱ ج
Licenses and permits	•	L.	•			
Business	33,500	33,210	(062)	•	1	
Intergovernmental						
State shared revenues						
Video poker	89,000	92,219	3,219	ľ		3
Highway maintenance	1,700	847	(853)	I	I	1
Alcoholic beverage tax	1,150	1,408	258	1	1	
Law enforcement	1	3	I	I	I	I
Iberville Parish shared revenues						
Sales and use tax	201,500	206,311	4,811	78,700	80,496	1,796
Fines	19,930	19,308	(622)	T	•	ł
Interest	3,800	2,205	(1,595)	1,800	1,778	(22)
Miscellaneous	1,500	17,071	15,571	3	1	1
<b>Total Revenues</b>	392,080	409,126	17,046	80,500	82,274	1,774

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Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenditures Balances - Budget and Actual -	enditures and Changes in Fund	es in Fund		Year	Ended	December 31, 2003
General and Special Kevenue Funds, Continued	ntinued	General Fund	pı	S	pecial Revenue	Fund
	Budaat		Variance Favorable		Åetnal	Variance Favorable (Infavorable)
Exnenditures	10gnma	-		-Senar		
Current						
General government	\$ 147,900	\$ 134,468	\$ 13,432	•	1 69	<b>6</b>
Public safety	62,575	62,389	186	46,028	44,563	1,465
Highways and streets	133,800	148,382	(14,582)	6	T	
Health	3,850	3,298	552	ſ	•	
Culture and recreation	1,000	626	374	I		
Total current expenditures	349,125	349,163	(38)	46,028	44,563	1,465
Capital outlay Public safety Highware and streate		1,663	(1,663)	22,000	29,095	(2,095)
Total among and succes		20.075	(32 702)	000 66	20.05	(7 005)
I otal capital outlay	77767	C7670	(0),00	1000	0/06/77	22067
Debt service	ľ	3	<b>F</b> ,	20.747	20.542	205
Interest		r		8,375	8,375	
Total debt service		9	r	29,122	28,917	205
Total Expenditures	378,347	402,088	(23,741)	97,150	102,575	(5,425)

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ents of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund and Actual -	id Changes in l	Fund			Yea	ır End	Year Ended December 31, 2003	mber	11, 2003
ial Revenue Funds, Continued									
-		General Fund	pu		Sp	pecial <b>H</b>	<b>Revenue F</b>	Fund	
		1	Ň,	Variance					Variance
	Budget	Actual	Unf	Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	A	Actual	Unf.	r avorable (Unfavorable)
of Revenues Over tures	\$ 13,733	\$ 7,038	69	(6,695)	\$ (16,650)	\$	(20,301)	€43	(3,651)
J <b>ses) Sources</b> s (out) in	(55,000)	(40,000)		15,000	•		、 1		•
of Revenues And Other is Over (Under) il Other Financing (Uses) Sources	(41,267)	(32,962)		8,305	(16,650)	Ŭ	(20,301)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	(3,651)
	543,355	543,355		•	117,691		117,691		1
	\$ 502,088	\$ 510,393	\$	8,305	\$ 101,041	\$	97,390	Ś	(3,651)

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# VILLAGE OF **Combined** Stateme

Balance - Budget a **General and Speci** 

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# (Under) Expenditi Excess (Deficiency)

Other Financing (Us **Operating transfers** 

# Excess (Deficiency) **Financing Sources Expenditures and**

# **Fund Balances** Beginning

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#### Exhibit D

#### VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

**Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Accumulated Deficit Proprietary Fund Type - Enterprise Fund** 

Years Ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

	2003		2002
Operating Revenues			
Charges for services			
Water sales	<b>\$ 72,5</b> 2	24 \$	69,707
Service connection and other fees	19,5	38	12,525
Other operating revenue	2,5	72	2,665
Total operating revenues	94,6	34	84,897

#### **Operating Expenses**

Salaries and wages	35,663	32,402
Depreciation	17,577	14,276
Tools and supplies	8,923	3,869
Repairs and maintenance	1,009	18
Postage, printing and office supplies	2,966	2,651
Insurance and bonds	8,620	6,259
Bad debts	623	1,035
Professional services	17,543	25,456
Sewer expenses	11,865	8,319
Shared cost - Water District 4	49,635	40,565
Miscellaneous	2,155	2,022
Total operating expenses	156,579	136,872
Operating (Loss)	(61,945)	(51,975)
Nonoperating Revenues		
Interest on investments	51	95
Operating transfer in	40,000	35,000
Net (Loss)	(21,894)	(16,880)

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#### Accumulated (Deficit) Beginning

Ending

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	led Dece	mber 31, 2	003	and 2002
Proprietary Fund Type - Enterprise Fund				
		2003		2002
Reconciliation of Operating (Loss) to Net Cash		-		
(Used In) Operating Activities				
Operating (loss)	\$	(61,945)	\$	(51,975)
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by				
operating activities				
Depreciation		17,577		14,276
Provision for doubtful accounts		622		1,035
Change in assets and liabilities				
Increase in due to other funds		12,077		39,598
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(591)		(759
(Increase) in prepaid expenses		146		(998)
(Decrease) in accounts payable and accrued expenses		6,669	·	(1,388)
Net Cash (Used In) Operating Activities		(25,445)		(211)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities				
Interest on investments		51		95
<b>Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities</b>				
Purchase of capital assets		(28,342)		(61,767
Capital grants		15,000		30,000
Operating transfer in from general fund		40,000		35,000
Net Cash Provided By Capital and				·
Related Financing Activities		26,658		3,233
Change In Cash And Cash Equivalents		1,264		3,117
Cash And Cash Equivalents				
Beginning		9,508		6,391
Ending	\$	10,772	\$	9,508

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#### Notes to Financial Statements

**December** 31, 2003

#### Introduction

The Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana was incorporated in 1952 under R.S. 33.1 to provide municipal services including police and fire protection, water and sewer services, street maintenance, recreation and any other lawful service to the citizens of The Village. The Village is governed by a Mayor and three person Board of Alderman. The Village is located in the northern part of Iberville Parish, Louisiana along Interstate Highway 10 and Louisiana Highway 77. The Village is approximately 1.5 square miles and has approximately 676 residents. There are twelve employees. The Village serves 292 water and sewer customers and maintains approximately seven miles of roads.

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies** 1.

**Basis of Presentation.** The financial statements of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana (Village) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Proprietary funds and similar component units apply Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails.

<u>**Reporting Entity.**</u> As the municipal governing authority, for reporting purposes, the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana 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.

GASB Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana 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 includes:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and,

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a. The ability of the municipality to impose its will on that organization and/or

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- b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the municipality.
- 2. Organizations for which the municipality does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the municipality.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

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

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

The Grosse Tete Volunteer Fire District serves the citizens of Grosse Tete, Louisiana. Its year end is December 31. The Fire District is governed by the Mayor and Board.

*Fund Accounting.* The Village uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds are classified into two categories: governmental and proprietary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types".

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

#### December 31, 2003

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked moneys (special revenue fund), the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets (capital project fund), and the servicing of general long term debt (debt service funds). The general fund is used to account for all activities of the general government not accounted for in some other fund.

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

Enterprise funds – account for operations (a) 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 had decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

**Basis of Accounting.** The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other uses) in net current assets.

The proprietary fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the balance sheet. Fund equity (i.e., net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets.

All governmental fund types use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they

become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined, and "available" means collectible within the current period or property taxes as available if they are collected within 60 days after year end. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Principal and interest on general long-term debt are recorded as fund liabilities when due.

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

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Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, franchise taxes, fines, interest revenue and charges for services. Sales taxes collected and held by the parish and beer and tobacco taxes collected and held by the state at year end on behalf of the Village also are recognized as revenue. Licenses and permits are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash.

The proprietary fund type utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

**Budgets.** Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for general, special revenue and debt service funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. Project-length financial plans are adopted for capital project funds.

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditures of resources are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not utilized in the governmental funds. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are immaterial and not reported as reservations of fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be honored during the subsequent year.

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents.</u> Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the Village.

State statutes authorize the Village to invest in obligations of the U. S. Treasury and U.S. agencies, certificates of deposit in Louisiana banks, or any other federally insured investment.

<u>Investments.</u> Investments are stated at cost or amortized cost. Investments are limited by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 33:2955 and the municipality's investment policy. If the original maturities of investments exceed 90 days, they are classified as investment; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

Short Term Interfund Receivables/Payables. During the course of operations, numerous

transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other fund" or "due to other fund" on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans, if any, are classified as "interfund receivables/payables".

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

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**Inventories.** Purchases of operating supplies are recorded as expenditures when purchased; inventories of such supplies are not recorded and are not considered by management to be material.

<u>**Prepaid Items.</u>** Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31 are recorded as prepaid items.</u>

**Fixed Assets.** General fixed assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the general fixed assets account group. Proprietary fund type property and equipment is capitalized in the fund in which it is utilized. All purchased fixed assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated fair market value on the date received.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets, as applicable.

Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems are not capitalized, as these assets are immovable and of value only to the Village.

Assets in the general fixed assets account group are not depreciated. Depreciation of buildings, equipment and vehicles in the proprietary fund type is computed using the straight-line method.

**Compensated Absences.** Vacation benefits must be taken in the year earned and no carryover of unused leave is allowed. No liability is recorded for nonvesting accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits.

**Fund Equity.** Contributed capital is recorded in proprietary funds that have received capital grants or contributions from developers, customers, or other funds when such resources are restricted for the acquisition or construction of capital assets. Contributed capital is not amortized based on the depreciation recognized on that portion of the assets acquired or constructed from such resources.

**Interfund Transactions.** Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of the expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed.

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

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All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Non-recurring or non-routine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

<u>Memorandum Only - Total Columns.</u> Total columns on the general purpose financial statements are captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither are such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

<u>Comparative Data.</u> Comparative total data for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Village's financial position and operations. However, comparative data have not been presented in all statements because their inclusion would make certain statements unduly complex and difficult to understand.

**<u>Risk Management.</u>** The Village is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions, injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Village purchases commercial insurance policies at levels which management believes is adequate to protect the Village. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

**Estimates.** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### 2. Legal Compliance - Budgets

The Village follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

A. The Village Clerk prepares a proposed budget for submission to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen no later than 15 days prior to the beginning of the ensuing fiscal year.

B. A summary of the proposed budget is published and the public notified that the proposed budget is available for public inspection. At the same time, a public hearing is called.

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## VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

#### December 31, 2003

- C. A public hearing is held on the proposed budget at least 10 days after publication of the call for the hearing.
- D. After the public hearing and completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is adopted through passage of an ordinance prior to the commencement of the fiscal year for which the budget is being adopted.
- E. Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one department, program or function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated, require the approval of the Board of Aldermen.
- F. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Funds.
- G. The budget for the General Fund is adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended from time to time by the Board of Aldermen. Such amendments are not material in relation to the original appropriations.

#### 3. Deposits and Investments

**Deposits.** Under State law, federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank must secure these deposits (or the resulting bank balances). The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. The Village's deposits are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Village. 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. Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust

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department or agent but not in the entity's name.

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

#### December 31, 2003

		Bank		Catego	ory		Carrying
At December 31, 2003	F	Balance	1	2	;	3	Amount
Deposits	\$	168,878	\$100,000	\$	-	\$ 68,878	\$ 167,195
Cash on hand		30		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<b></b>	<b></b>	30

Total cash <u>\$ 168,908 \$100,000 \$ - \$ 68,878 \$ 167,225</u> <u>Investments.</u> The Village's investments are categorized as either (1) insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the Village or its agent in the Village's name, (2) uninsured and unregistered for which the securities are held by the Village in the Village's name or (3) uninsured and unregistered for which the securities are held by the broker or dealer, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Village's name.

		Bank	-		Catego	ry		Carrying
	E	Balance		1	2		3	Amount
Certificates of Deposit	<u>\$</u>	317,739	\$		\$		<u>\$317,739</u>	\$ 317,739
	<u>\$</u>	317,739	\$	<u> </u>	<u>\$</u>	<del></del>	<u>\$317,739</u>	<u>\$ 317,739</u>

Local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP), a nonprofit corporation formed by an initiative of the State Treasurer and organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, which operates a local government investment pool. Investments are stated at market value and are equal to the value of the pool shares.

Investments in LAMP held at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were \$50,352 and \$0 respectively. In accordance with GASB Codification Section I50.165, the investment in LAMP at December 31, 2003 and 2002 are not categorized in the three risk categories provided by GASB Codification Section I50.164 because the investment is in a pool of funds and therefore not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. The LAMP corporation is governed by a board of directors comprising the State treasurer, representatives from various organizations of local government, the Government Finance Officers Association of Louisiana, and the Society of Louisiana CPA's. Only local governments having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term high-quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest. Accordingly, LAMP investments are restricted to securities issued, guaranteed, or backed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. Government, or one of its agencies, enterprises, or instrumentalities, as well as repurchase agreements collateralized by those securities. The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consist of no securities with a maturity in excess

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

December 31, 2003

of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances.

In order to accurately compare the cash and investments shown on the combined balance sheet (Exhibit A) with carrying values of deposits and investments disclosed in the schedules above, the following is provided:

Captions in Note 3

Carrying value of bank deposits	\$ 167,225
Carrying value of investments	317,739
Carrying value of LAMP deposits	<u> </u>
Total	<u>\$ 535,316</u>
Captions on combined balance sheet:	
	¢ 759 52 /
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 258,534
Investments	\$ 258,534 <u>276,782</u>

#### Receivables 4.

Receivables at December 31, 2003, consist of the following.

		·	S	pecial			
	G	eneral	R	evenue	Eŋ	terprise	Total
Receivables							
Accounts	\$	8,084	\$	-	\$	10,008	\$ 18,092
Intergovernmental		32,311		5,039		852	38,202

Gross receivables		40,395	5,039		10,860		56,294	
Less allowance for uncollectible		-			611		611	
Net total receivables	<u>\$</u>	40,395	\$ 5,039	<u> </u>	10,249	<u> </u>	55,683	

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Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

December 31, 2003

5. Fixed Assets

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The following is a summary of changes in the general fixed assets account group during the fiscal year.

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		Balance ember 31, 2002	A	lditions	Ret	irements		Balance ember 31, 2003
Land	\$	25,968	\$		\$		\$	25,968
Buildings		239,366		1,663		-		241,029
Improvements other than		-						-
buildings		30,908		-		-		30,908
Equipment		787,839		59,033		23,883		822,989
Total	<u>\$</u>	1,084,081	<u> </u>	60,696	<u>\$</u>	23,883	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,120,894</u>

The following is a summary of proprietary fund type, enterprise fund fixed assets at December 31.

	2003
Water system and equipment Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 670,631 <u>196,195</u>
Net fixed assets	<u>\$ 474,436</u>

In the enterprise fund, the following estimated useful lives are used to compute depreciation.

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		Years
Water system		33-50
Equipment		3-10

Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

December 31, 2003

**Interfund Assets/Liabilities** 6.

Due from/to other funds.

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General	Enterprise	\$ 71,848
General	Special	14,186

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#### **Retirement Commitments** 7.

#### Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (MERS)

<u>*Plan Description*</u>. Substantially all of the Village's full-time general employees participate in the MERS, a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate Board of Trustees. MERS provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits to participating, eligible employees and beneficiaries. Benefits are established and amended by state statute and are guaranteed by the State of Louisiana by provisions of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974.

The System is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. (All employees of the municipality are members of Plan A.)

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 or 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.

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December 31, 2003

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 (225)925-4810.

*Funding Policy.* Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.25% of their annual covered salary and the Village of Grosse Tete is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 8% of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the System also include one-fourth of 1% of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Village of Grosse Tete are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by R.S. 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 Village of Grosse Tete contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$9,409, \$6,861, and \$5,701, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### Municipal Police Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (MPERS)

<u>Plan Description.</u> All full-time police department employees engaged in law enforcement are required to participate in the MPERS. 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% 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 MPERS also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

MPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to Municipal Police Employees Retirement System, 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Suite 270, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70809, or by calling (225) 929-7411.

*Funding Policy.* Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 71/2% of their annual covered salary and employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current employer rate is 9.0% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the employer are established by, and may be amended by, state law. As required by state law, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial

#### Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

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valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Village's contributions to MPERS for the years ending December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001, were \$2,182, \$1,352, and \$1,296, respectively, and were equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### 8. Lease Commitments

On October 30, 2000, the Village entered into a municipal lease agreement with Emergency One, Inc. for the lease of a fire truck. The terms of the lease are for eight annual rental payments of \$29,122. The payments bear interest at 5.99%. The lease is cancelable on any anniversary date or at any time by paying a pro rata portion of the annual payment due. The lease agreement qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes (title transfers at the end of the lease term) and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of inception.

The following is an analysis of equipment leased under capital leases as of December 31, 2003.

	General Fixed Assets
Fire truck	<u>\$ 180,914</u>

Although the lease has a non-appropriation cancellation provision, the following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments anticipated under this capital lease and the present value of the net minimum lease payments at December 31, 2003.

	, ,	General Long Term Debt
2004		\$ 29,122
2005		29,122
2006		29,122
2007		29,122
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Total minimum lease payments Less amount representing interest

#### Present value of future minimum lease payments



Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

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#### 9. GASB 34 Implementation

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement no. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis- for State and Local Governments*. GASB Statement No. 34 established new financial reporting requirements for all state and local governments and consists of the following:

- A. Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the government entity's overall financial position and results of operations.
- B. Basic Financial Statements:
  - 1. Government-wide financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. These statements are designed to provide a broad overview of a government entity's finances, in a manner similar to private sector business.
  - 2. Fund financial statements, consisting of a series of statements that focus on a government's major governmental funds, using the modified accrual basis of accounting, and enterprise funds, if any.
  - 3. Notes to the financial statements that include various disclosures for the government-wide and fund financial statements to ensure that a complete picture is presented.
  - 4. Required supplementary information, such as budgetary comparison schedules.

In addition, this new GASB statement requires depreciation expense to be reported in the government-wide financial statements. However, depreciation expense will not be reported in the fund statements that use the modified accrual basis of accounting.

The Village will implement the general provisions of GASB Statement No. 34 by the fiscal year ending December 31, 2004.



Notes to Financial Statements, Continued

10. Changes in Contributed Capital

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The following is a summary of changes in contributed capital:

Enterprise<br/>FundBalance at December 31, 2002\$ 489,537Additions: State Capital Grant15,000Balance at December 31, 2003\$ 504,537

December 31, 2003



Supplementary Information

December 31, 2003

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Individual Fund and Account Group Statements and Schedules

December 31, 2003



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#### General Fund

#### December 31, 2003

The General Fund is used to account for resources, traditionally associated with governments, which are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in another fund.

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Comparative Balance Sheets General Fund December 31, 2003 and 2002

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Exhibit F-1

ASSETS	2003	 2002
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 170,769	\$ 203,431
Investments	235,355	230,558
Receivables		
Taxes ·	8,084	6,923
Intergovernmental	32,311	25,137
Due from other fund	101,079	79,808
Prepaid expenses	6,812	7,042

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LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilițies		
Accounts and payroll taxes payable	\$ 44,017	\$ 9,544
Fund Balance		
Unreserved - undesignated	 510,393	543,355
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 554,410	\$ 552,899

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, nd Changes in Fund Balance	Dece	mber 31, 2	003	and 2002
Feneral Fund		2003		2002
Revenues				
Taxes	\$	36,547	\$	30,664
Licenses and permits		33,210		33,247
Intergovernmental		300,785		386,017
Fines		19,308		28,274
Interest		2,205		3,477
Miscellaneous		17,071		1,900

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#### Expenditures

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Current		
General government	134,468	103,342
Public safety	62,389	52,798
Highways and streets	148,382	148,867
Health	3,298	3,049
Culture and recreation	626	2,468
Total current expenditures	349,163	310,524
Capital outlay		
General government	1,663	-
Public safety	-	1,759
Culture and recreation	_	200
Highways and streets	51,262	12,041
Total capital outlay	52,925	14,000
Total Expenditures	402,088	324,524
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	7,038	159,055
Other Financing (Uses)		
Operating Transfer Out	(40,000)	(15,000)
Excess of Revenues And Other Financing		

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Sources Over Expenditures And Other Financing (Uses)

**Fund Balance** Beginning

Ending

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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# **Exhibit F-3**

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# December 31, 2003 and 2002

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ntenance		1,700		847	
nent				ı	
shared revenues					
tax		201,500		206,311	
		19,930		19,308	
		3,800		2,205	
		1,500		17,071	
nues		392,080		409,126	:
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# December 31, 2003 and 2002

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Variance       Variance         Budget       Actual       Unfavorable       B         Budget       Actual       (Unfavorable)       B         S       147,900       \$       134,468       \$       13,432       \$         S       62,575       62,399       186,322       (14,582)       \$	Deneral Fund, Communea		2003			2002		
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-   -   -   -     29,222   51,262   (22,040)     29,222   52,925   (23,703)     378,347   402,068   (23,741)     378,347   402,068   (23,741)     and tures   13,733   7,038   (6,695)     her Financing   (55,000)   (40,000)   15,000     es And Other   (41,267)   (32,962)   8,305		•	1,663	(1,663)	1	<b>I</b>		I
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29,222   51,262   (22,040)     zpenditures   29,222   52,925   (23,703)     spenditures   13,733   7,038   (6,695)     her Financing   (55,000)   (40,000)   15,000     es And Other   (41,267)   (32,962)   8,305	ion	•	ſ	F	3,900	200		3,700
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378,347   402,088   (23,741)     xpenditures   13,733   7,038   (6,695)     her Financing   (55,000)   (40,000)   15,000     her Financing   (55,000)   (40,000)   15,000     es And Other   (32,962)   8,305	ΎΕ	29,222	52,925	(23,703)	17,302	14,000		3,302
xpenditures   13,733   7,038   (6,695)     her Financing   (55,000)   (40,000)   15,000     her Financing   (55,000)   (40,000)   15,000     es And Other   (41,267)   (32,962)   8,305	tures	378.347	402.088	(23.741)	351.977	324,524		27,453
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VILLAGE OF GRC Comparative Statements Budget and Actual - Gen General government Highways and street Culture and recreati Total current expe General government Culture and recreati Highways and street Total capital outla **Total Expendit** Excess of Revenues Ov Other Financing (Uses Operating transfers ou Excess of Revenues An Sources Over Expen-Financing (Uses) Public safety Public safety Capital outlay Fund Balance Expenditures Beginning Health Current Ending
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<b>GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA</b>											Exhibit	bit F-4
ule of Expenditures Compared to Budget							Years	s Ended December	)ecen	31,	2003 and	d 2002
				2003						2002		
					R Va	Variance					Val 1	Variance
		Budget	₹.	ctual	rav (Unfa	ravoranie Unfavorable)	B	Budget	Ā	ctual	Unfa Unfa	r avoranie (Unfavorable)
2	69	46,850	69	44,809	<del>69</del>	2,041	<del>59</del>	34,250	\$	34,934	<del>59</del>	(684)
		15,600		18,000		(2,400)		14,400 6 500		14,400		- 101)
		36.225		22.373		(4,1)-4) 13.852		20.000		11.505		(101) 8.495
spu		6,925		6,492		433		4,000				2,237
ilities		9,450		11,399		(1,949)		10,000		10,721		( <b>1</b> 21)
and office supplies				2,342		(42)		1,500		1,833		(\$33)
ptions		2,750		2,620		130		1,900		1,785		115
		1,350		2,407		(1,057)		1,400		1,060		340
		16,675		10,636		6,039		12,500		14,934		(2, <b>4</b> 34)
ance		100 450		180		(184) (1.940)		2.500		3 555		29 (1.055)
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al government		147,900		134,468		13,432		109,150		103,342		5,808
		29,975		30,144		(169)		29,400		28,234		1,166
als and travel		r		1,250		(1,250)		·		395	·	(395)
		2,000		2,182		(182)		1,500		1,352		148
		1,150		1,175		(25)		1,000		178		222
		5 800		100 <sup>5</sup> C			,	5 000		100,0		(395)
ies		2,850		2,615	-	235		2,500		1,934		566
		4,575		4,390		185		7,750		5,259		2,491
onds		9,150		8,827		323		14,000		6,390		7,610
epartment		62,575		62,389	· •	186		65,150		52,798		12,352
safety		62,575		62,389		186		65,150		52,798		12,352
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VILLAGE OF GI Comparative Schedule Dues and subscripti Total police dep Total public s Insurance and bond Telephone and utili Tools and supplie General government Convention, meals Postage, printing an Building maintena Total general Convention, mea Insurance and bo Vehicle expense Police department Professional fees Miscellaneous See Notes to Financial Statements. Official journal Miscellaneous Retirement Telephone **General Fund** Uniforms Public safety Salaries Uniforms Per diem Salaries Current . 

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# Years Ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

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				2003					2002		:	
					ΝÅ	Variance					Val	Variance Favorable
		Budget	A	ctual	(Unf	(Unfavorable)	Bud	ıdget	Actual		Unfa	(Unfavorable)
8		82.550	6	94.894	69	(12.344)	<del>63</del>	98.500	\$ 101.533	533	<del>6</del> 3	(3,033)
, and travel	<b>}</b> .		}	• •	•		,	, 1		300	,	(300)
		12,000		12,133		(133)		14,500	15,1	172		(672)
ons		14,600		14,120		480		9,600	10,5	562		(962)
ols and supplies		1,500		1,439		61		1,000	1,871	371		(871)
		13,600		17,929		(4,329)		16,500	10,7	192		5,708
		8,700		7,014		1,686		14,225	7,731	731	•	6,494
ities		850		853		(9)		1,200	5	906		294
ays and streets		133,800		148,382		(14,582)		- SI	148,867	367		6,658
		3,500		2,972		528		3,500	2,8	2,886		614
		350		326		24		350		163		187
		3,850		3,298		552		3,850	3,0	3,049		801
		1,000		626		374		1,000	2,4	2,468		(1,468)
rent Expenditures		349,125		349,163		(38)	<u> </u>	334,675	310,524	524		24,151
		•		1,003		(1,000)		•		1 ( 1		
		1		•		•		1,600 7,000	Γ.1	1,759 200		(6CI)
, <b>U</b>	,			- 12		-				200		3,700 7230)
1		27,22		51,262		(22,040)		11,802	12,041	741		(457)
ital Outlay Expenditures		29,222		52,925		(23,703)		17,302	14,000	00		3,302
Expenditures	62	378,347	\$	402,088	<del>63</del>	(23,741)	~	351,977	\$ 324,524	524	<del>\$</del>	27,453
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VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA Comparative Schedule of Expenditures Compared to Budget, Continued **Total E** Equipment operation Street material, tools Highways and streets Culture and recreation Highways and streets **Total Capit** Total highway Culture and recreation **Total Curr Telephone and utilit** Convention, meals, Public safety - police General government Total health Miscellaneous Health service Miscellaneous Street lights **Capital Outlay General Fund** Dog pound Insurance Labor Health

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#### VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

#### Special Revenue Fund

#### December 31, 2003

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to expenditures for particular purposes.

Grosse Tete Volunteer Fire District - this fund is used to account for the receipt of dedicated revenues from the parish police jury for fire protection services.



VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA			Ex	hibit G-1
Comparative Balance Sheets Volunteer Fire District Special Revenue Fund	Dece	ember 31, 2	2003	and 2002
ASSETS	2003 2002			2002
Assets				
Cash	\$	76,993	\$	61,589
Investments		34,691		58,483
Due from other governments		5,039		5,920
Prepaid expenses	<u></u>	3,517		4,356
Total Assets	\$	120,240	\$	130,348

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#### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

#### Liabilities

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Accounts and payroll taxes payable	\$ 2,64	5\$	1,647
Due to other funds	20,20	4	11,010
Total liabilities	22,85	)	12,657
Fund Balance Reserved for fire protection	97,39	)	117,691
Total fund balance	97,39	0	117,691
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$ 120,24</u>	0\$	130,348

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#### Exhibit G-2

December 31, 2003 and 2002

## VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Volunteer Fire District Special Revenue Fund

20032002RevenuesIntergovernmentalIberville Parish operating grant\$ 80,496\$ 113,128Interest on investments1,7781,781Total revenues82,274114,909

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#### Expenditures

Current		
Public safety - fire	44,563	36,161
Capital outlays	29,095	-
Debt service		
Principal	20,542	19,381
Interest	8,375	9,548
Total expenditures	102,575	65,090
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(20,301)	49,819
Other Financing Sources		· .
Operating Transfer Out	•••• •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	(20,000)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues And Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures And Other		
Financing Sources	(20,301)	29,819
Fund Balance		-
Beginning	117,691	87,872





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nts of Kevenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balt tment Special Revenue Fund	mce - Budgel	et and Actual	Hal			Years Ended December	31,	2003 an	and 2002
	i		2003	8			2002		
			•		Variance Favorable			Var	Variance Fevorable
		Budget	Actual		(Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	(Unfa	(Unfavorable)
ed revenue	<del>69</del>	78,700 1,800	\$ 1	80,496 1,778	<b>\$</b> 1,796 (22)	<pre>\$ 110,400</pre>	\$ 113,128 1,781	€9	2,728 (219)
		80,500	82	82,274	1,774	112,400	114,909		2,509
ebartment .									
		11,700	11	11,599	101	11,000	5,692		5,308
		5,910 20.768	10 4 7	5,710 4 877	200	3,450	2,356		1,094
		00/'N7	f o	6.018	5,070 (6,018)	4,400	0,743 2,500		(500) (500)
		3,825	. 4	4,177	(352)	3,900	4,458		(558)
		2,500 1,325	ų. Υ	(1,037) 3.224	3,537 (1.899)	4,500 3,000	9,350 3.062		(4,850) (62)
5		46,028	44	44,563	1,465	32,300	36,161		(3,861)
		22,000	29,	29,095	(1,095)	1			1
		20,747 8,375	20 8	20,542 8,375	205	19,381 9,741	19,381 9,548		-
		29,122	28,	28,917	205	29,122	28,929		193
tures		97,150	102,	102,575	(5,425)	61,422	65,090		(3,668)
kevenues Over (Under) Expenditures		(16,650)	(20,	(20,301)	(3,651)	50,978	49,819		(1,159)
		2		1	r	(20,000)	(20,000)		· •
<pre>kevenues And Other Financing Sources Over (Under) her Financing (Uses) Sources</pre>		(16,650)	(20,	(20,301)	(3,651)	30,978	. 29,819		(1,159)
		117,691	117,691	691	1	87,872	87,872		•
		101,041	\$ 97,		\$ (3,651)	\$ 118,850	<b>\$</b> 117,691	\$	(1,159)

Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual         Zona         Zona         2003         2002           Special Revenue Fund         Bulget         Actual         Variance         Pariance         2003			
2003         Variance         Variance           Favorable         Favorable         Favorable         Favorable           Favorable <t< th=""><th>Years Ended</th><th></th><th>and 2002</th></t<>	Years Ended		and 2002
Rudget         Variance Favorable         Variance Revensibe         Variance Revensibe         Variance Revensibe           erennue         80,406         5         1,796         5         10,000         5           erennue         80,500         80,406         5         1,796         5         100         11,000           erennue         80,500         80,405         5         101         11,000         3,450           erenue         5,910         82,374         1,774         112,400         3,450         2,000         3,450         2,000         3,450         2,000         2,010         2,010         2,010         2,010         2,010         2,010		2002	
Budget         Actual         (Unfavorable)         Badget         A           revenue         3,3,700         5         1,776         1,1776         1,0400         5           artherit         1,1,700         1,1,778         1,1,714         1,12,400         1,1000           artherit         5,710         80,466         5         1,774         1,12,400           artherit         1,1,700         1,1,790         1,1,779         2,000         3,4500           artherit         5,710         1,1,770         2,000         3,4500         3,4500         3,4500           artherit         1,1,770         1,1,770         2,000         3,4500         2,000         3,4500         2,000         3,4500         2,000         3,900         <	Variance Favorable		Variance Favorable
Tay Tool         S <ths< th="">         S         <ths< th=""><th></th><th></th><th>(Unfavorable)</th></ths<></ths<>			(Unfavorable)
90,600     82,274     1,774     112,400       artnent     11,700     11,599     101     11,000       5,910     5,710     2007     3,450     4,450       2,0768     14,872     5,896     4,450       2,007     3,825     1,467     3,300       2,500     1,037     3,537     4,500       2,500     1,037     3,532     3,000       2,500     1,037     3,532     3,000       2,500     1,037     3,532     3,000       2,500     2,905     1,465     3,000       2,500     2,905     1,465     3,000       2,500     2,905     1,465     3,000       2,500     2,912     2,095     1,465     9,741       2,012     2,917     2,05     2,012     2,012       2,912     2,917     2,05     2,012     2,012       2,912     2,917     2,05     2,012     2,012       2,010     12,575     (5,435)     5,0,97       1,015,575     (2,435)     5,0,97     2,0,00       2,010     2,0,19     2,0,19     3,01       2,011     102,575     (5,435)     5,0,97       2,010     2,0,19     2,0,19     2,0,90	1,796 \$ (22)	S	2,728 (219)
ertment 11,700 11,599 101 11,000 5,910 5,710 2,00 3,450 2,0,768 14,872 5,896 4,450 3,825 4,177 (322) 3,900 3,825 4,177 (322) 3,900 2,500 (1,037) 3,537 4,500 1,325 4,177 (322) 3,900 4,6,028 4,4,563 1,465 32,900 2,0,009 2,9055 (7,095) 2,9,122 28,917 20,5 (1,025) 2,9,122 28,917 20,5 (1,025) 1,0,578 (1,025) (1,025) real	11	11	2,509
11,700     11,599     101     11,000       5,910     5,710     200     3,450       20,768     14,872     5,896     4,450       20,768     14,872     5,896     4,450       3,825     4,177     3,537     3,500       2,826     (6,013)     2,000     3,450       2,825     1,037     3,537     4,500       2,526     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       2,526     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       2,526     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       2,526     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       2,526     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       2,526     2,900     2,905     1,465     3,200       2,526     2,902     2,995     1,465     2,900       2,547     20,542     2,055     9,741       2,912     2,912     2,912     2,912       2,912     2,912     2,912     2,912       104     102,575     (5,425)     61,422       2,000     2,613     102,575     5,912       2,0101     2,911     3,013     5,978       2,0101     2,0101     2,911     5,978		-	
5,910     5,710     200     3,450       20,768     14,872     5,896     4,450       3,825     4,177     (5,019)     2,000       3,825     3,224     (1,899)     3,000       2,500     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       1,353     3,224     (1,899)     3,000       2,500     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       2,500     2,000     29,095     (1,095)     -       2,014     20,542     205     [19,381       8,375     8,375     8,375     29,741       2,9,125     28,375     29,17     205     29,121       venues Over (Under) Expenditures     (16,650)     (20,301)     (3,651)     50,978			5,308
$u_0/ros$		2,356	1,094
3,825       4,177       (352)       3,900         2,500       (1,037)       3,537       4,500         2,500       1,037)       3,537       4,500         46,028       44,563       1,465       3,230         20,747       20,995       (7,095)       -         20,747       20,542       205       9,741         8,375       8,375       29,122       9,741         8,375       28,917       205       9,741         29,120       102,575       (5,425)       61,422         venues Over (Under) Expenditures       (16,650)       (20,301)       (3,651)       50,978		8,743 2,500	(4,293)
2,500     (1,037)     3,537     4,500       1,325     3,224     (1,899)     3,000       46,028     44,563     1,465     32,300       22,000     29,095     (7,095)     3,000       23,000     29,095     (7,095)     3,000       23,55     8,375     8,375     9,741       8,375     8,375     20,542     9,741       29,122     28,917     205     19,381       venues Over (Under) Expenditures     (16,650)     (20,301)     (3,651)     50,978		4,458	(558)
L,3.23       3,2.44       (1,699)       3,000         46,028       44,563       1,465       32,300         22,000       29,095       (7,095)       -,000         20,747       20,542       205       19,381         8,375       8,375       8,375       -,9741         venues Over (Under) Expenditures $97,150$ 102,575 $(5,425)$ $(1,422)$ venues Over (Under) Expenditures $(16,650)$ $20,301$ $(3,651)$ $50,978$		9,350	(4,850)
46,028     44,563     1,465     32,300       22,000     29,095     (7,095)     9,741       20,747     20,542     205     19,381       8,375     8,375     8,375     9,741       29,122     28,917     205     29,122       venues Over (Under) Expenditures     97,150     102,575     (5,425)     (1,422       venues Over (Under) Expenditures     (16,650)     (20,301)     (3,651)     50,978		3,062	(62)
22,000     29,095     (7,095)       20,747     20,542     205     19,381       8,375     8,375     205     9,741       29,122     28,917     205     29,122       29,122     28,917     205     29,122       venues     0ver (Under) Expenditures     97,150     102,575     61,422       venues     0ver (Under) Expenditures     (16,650)     (20,301)     (3,651)     50,978		36,161	(3,861)
20,747       20,542       205       19,381         8,375       8,375       205       9,741         8,375       8,375       -       9,741         0,741       29,122       28,917       205       29,122         venues Over (Under) Expenditures       97,150       102,575       (5,425)       61,422         venues Over (Under) Expenditures       (16,650)       (20,301)       (3,651)       50,978			1
29,122     28,917     205     29,122       ures     97,150     102,575     (5,425)     61,422       venues Over (Under) Expenditures     (16,650)     (20,301)     (3,651)     50,978		19,381 9,548	-
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cevenues And Other Financing Sources Over (Under) her Financing (Uses) Sources		29,819	(1,159)
117,691 117,691 - 87,872 87,872		87,872	•
<b>\$ 101,041 \$ 97,390 \$ (3,651) \$</b> 118,850 <b>\$</b> 117,691	(3,651) \$ 1	H	(1,159)

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Total Expenditur Excess (Deficiency) of Rev Other Financing Sources Operating transfer out Iberville Parish shared Excess (Deficiency) of Re Expenditures And Othe VILLAGE OF GR **Comparative Statemen** Volunteer Fire Departh Interest on investments **Total Revenue** Public safety - fire dej Professional service Total public safety Total debt service Intergovernmental Miscellaneous Maintenance Capital outlay Debt service Insurance Principal Supplies Fund Balance Expenditures Salaries Utilities Interest Beginning Revenues Current Ending

#### Enterprise Fund

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#### December 31, 2003

Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of net income is appropriate for accountability purposes.

The Utility Fund is used to account for the provision of water and sewer service to the residents of the Village.

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#### Exhibit H

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## VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

Comparative Balance Sheets Enterprise Fund December 31, 2003 and 2002

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ASSETS		2003	 2002
Current Assets			
Cash	\$	10,772	\$ 9,508
Investments		6,736	6,736
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for uncollectibles;			
2003, \$611; 2002, \$812.		9,397	9,428
Prepaid expenses	-	852	 998
Total current assets		27,757	26,670

Plant And Equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation;			
2003, \$196,195; 2002, \$178,610.		474,436	 463,671
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	502,193	\$ 490,341
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Current Liabilities		r	 
Accounts payable	\$	9,044	\$ 2,375
Due to other funds		80,875	 68,798
Total current liabilities		89,919	71,173
Fund Equity			-
Contributed capital		504,537	489,537
Accumulated deficit		-	
Unreserved	<u></u>	(92,263)	(70,369)
Total fund equity		412,274	 419,168
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u> </u>	502,193	\$ 490,341

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**General Fixed Assets Account Group** 

December 31, 2003



#### Exhibit I

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#### VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

#### Comparative Schedule of General Fixed Assets By Source General Fixed Assets Account Group

#### December 31, 2003 and 2002

General Assets, At Cost	2003	2002
Land	\$ 25,968	\$ 25,968
Buildings and improvements	241,029	239,366
Office equipment and furniture	23,589	23,589
Equipment	295,088	259,939
Vehicles	504,312	504,312
Park	22,780	22,780
Water lines and hydrants	8,128	8,128
Total general assets, at cost	\$ 1,120,894	\$ 1,084,082

#### **Investment In General Fixed Assets By Source**

Acquired prior to July 1, 1974*	\$ 70,372	\$ 70,372
Acquired after June 30, 1974 from general fund revenues	1,050,522	1,013,710
Total investment in general fixed assets by source	\$ 1,120,894	\$ 1,084,082

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\*Records reflecting source from which assets were acquired were not maintained prior to July 1, 1974.

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**Other Supplementary Information** 

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urer	Coverage	Risk	Limits of Coverage	Expiration
I Casualty Company	Public employees and Police Chief	Dishonesty	\$10,000	9/7/2004
ty Company	Vehicle fleet	Collision and comprehensive	ACV	10/19/2004
e Company - nd Marine	Equipment - tractors & mowers	Collision and physical damage	\$74,533	10/19/2004
areau Mutual	All Village owned property	Fire and extended coverage	\$188,200	1/24/2004
al Association n	All Village owned property and automobiles	Comprehensive general liability and automobile liability	Combined single limit \$500M	5/2/2004
al Association	All employees	Workers' compensation	Statutory	1/1/2004
al Association	Law enforcement officers	Comprehensive liability	Combined single limit \$500M	5/2/2004
al Association	Public officials	Errors and omissions	Combined single limit \$500M	5/2/2004

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#### Schedule 2

## VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

Schedule of Compensation Paid to Board Members

Year Ended December 31, 2003

Philip Sarullo, Mayor	\$ 13,086
Lawrence David, Alderman	6,000
Juanita J. Hill, Alderwoman	6,000
Michael Chauffe, Alderman	6,000

\$ 31,086

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#### CALVIN L. ROBBINS, JR. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT (A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION)

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana

I have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana, as of

and for the year ended December 31, 2003, and have issued my report thereon dated June 22, 2004. I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### **Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, and contracts, 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 my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, I noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to my attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in my judgment, could adversely affect the Village of Grosse Tete, Louisiana's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying schedule of findings.

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# 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

control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose 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. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described in the accompanying schedule of findings, I consider item 1 to be a material weakness.

This report is intended for the information of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, management and State of Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statues 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Certified Public Accountant

(A Professional Corporation)

June 22, 2004 Baton Rouge, Louisiana



Schedule 3

## VILLAGE OF GROSSE TETE, LOUISIANA

#### Schedule of Findings

Year Ended December 31, 2003

Finding 1. Separation of duties:

<u>Condition.</u> The Village was not large enough to permit an adequate segregation of employee duties of effective internal accounting control over the cash receipts, disbursements, and financial reporting cycles.

<u>Criteria.</u> The recording of receipts and disbursements under the control of one person represents a failure to segregate incompatible accounting activities.

*Effect.* The condition is such that errors, either intentional or unintentional, in the processing of receipts and disbursements, could occur and not be detected in a timely manner and in the ordinary

course of operations.

<u>Cause.</u> The size of the Village and the limited number of employees did not permit an adequate segregation of incompatible duties.

<u>Recommendation.</u> To the extent that it is practical to do so, Management should segregate employee duties and perform supervisory reviews.

<u>*Response.*</u> We recognize the problem and we perform supervisory reviews to mitigate the effect, however, based on the size of the Village, there is nothing else that we can do that is cost effective.



#### Independent Auditor's Comments on Resolution of Prior Audit Findings

Year Ended December 31, 2003

The matters listed in the Schedule of Findings as Findings 1, is a repeat of prior year's findings.

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