FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6
OF BIENVILLE PARISH
Castor, Louisiana

Basic Financial Statements
With Accountant's Review Report
and Agreed-Upon Procedures Report
As of and for the Year Ended
December 31, 2009

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**Accountant's Review Report** 

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana

I have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, which collectively comprise the fire district's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with standards established by *Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services* issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish.

A review consists principally of inquiries of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 5 through 8 and 24 through 25, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Such information has not been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, but was compiled from information that is the representation of management, without audit or review. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.

West Monroe, Louisiana

June 8, 2010

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART I

# FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis December 31, 2009

As management of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish, we offer readers of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. Please read it in conjunction with the basic financial statements and the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements

This Management Discussion and Analysis document introduces the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish basic financial statements. The annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (Government-wide Financial Statements) provide information about the financial activities as a whole and illustrate a longer-term view of the district's finances. The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund (Fund Financial Statements) tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund Financial Statements also report the operations in more detail than the Government-Wide Financial Statements by providing information about the most significant funds. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (for example, earned, but unused, sick leave).

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish are governmental funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish adopts an annual appropriated budget for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement is provided for the major fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other Information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain *required supplementary information* concerning the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish performance.

#### Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, assets of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish exceeded liabilities by \$562,782. Approximately 15% of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Fire net assets reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These assets are not available for future spending.

The balance in unrestricted net assets is affected by two factors: 1) resources expended, over time, by the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish to acquire capital assets from sources other than internally generated funds (i.e., debt), and 2) required depreciation on assets.

#### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

ASSET Cash and cash equivalents Receivables - ad valorem taxes Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) TOTAL ASSETS	2009 \$228,222 258,704 84,738 \$571.664	2008 \$147,406 265,084 26,029 \$438,519
LIABILITIES		•
Accounts payable TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$8,882 8,882	\$10,572 10,572
NET ASSETS Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted TOTAL NET ASSETS	84,738 478,044 \$562,782	26,029 401,918 \$427,947
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES		
Public safety:	2009	2008
Personal services	\$22,306	\$22,293
Operating services	80,476	105,186
Materials and supplies	20,965	4,829
Travel	727	2,651
Intergovernmental	7,976	8,112
Depreciation expense Total Program Expenses General revenues:	11,624 144,074	11,214 154,285
Taxes - ad valorem	257,705	265,092
2% fire insurance rebate	8,165	7,992
Other state grants	11,810	
Interest carned	604	1,466
Other Total General Revenues	278,909	8,485 283,035
Change in Net Assets	134,835	128,750
Net Assets - Beginning of year	427,947	299,197
Net Assets - End of year	204,782	\$427.947

#### Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The focus of the governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of December 31, 2009, the general fund's governmental fund balances of \$478,044 showed an increase of \$76,126 over December 31, 2008.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The major difference between expenditures of the original budget and the final budget was due to an increase in estimated operating services and capital outlay.

#### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

Capital assets. The Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2009, amounts to \$84,738 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment includes buildings, vehicles, and equipment. There was an increase of \$70,333 and no decreases for the year.

Long-term debt. There was no long term debt outstanding at December 31, 2009.

#### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish, P.O. Box 199, Castor, LA 71016.

June 8, 2010

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

Statement A

# FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana

## STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS December 31, 2009

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$228,222
Receivables - ad valorem taxes	258,704
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>84,738</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$571,664</u>
LIABILITIES Accounts payable	\$8,882
NET ASSETS	0.4.770
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	84,738
Unrestricted	<u>478,044</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$562,782

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### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES December 31, 2009

Public safety:	
Personal services	\$22,306
Operating services	80,476
Materials and supplies	20,965
Travel	727
Intergovernmental	7,976
Depreciation expense	11,624
Total Program Expenses	144,074
General revenues:	
Taxes - ad valorem	257,705
2% fire insurance rebate	8,165
Other state grants	11,810
Interest earned	604
Other revenues	625
Total General Revenues	278,909
Change in Net Assets	134,835
Net Assets - Beginning of year	427,947
Net Assets - End of year	\$562,782_

#### Statement C

# FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Balance Sheet, December 31, 2009

#### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$228,222
Receivables - ad valorem taxes	<u>258,704</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$486,926</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
Liabilities - accounts payable	\$8,882
Fund Equity - fund balances - unreserved - undesignated	<b>478,044</b>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$478,044</u>

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### Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets

For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

Total Fund Balances at December 31, 2009 - Governmental Funds (Statement C)		<u>\$478,044</u>
Cost of capital assets at December 31, 2009  Less: Accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2009	\$1,693,211 (1,608,473)	84,738
Net Assets at December 31, 2009 (Statement A)		\$562,782

#### Statement D

# FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE - GENERAL FUND

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

REVENUES	
Ad valorem taxes	\$257,705
Intergovernmental revenues - fire insurance rebate	8,165
Other state grants	11,810
Use of money and property	604
Other revenues	625_
Total revenues	<u>278,909</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Public safety:	
Current:	
Personal services	22,306
Operating services	80,476
Materials and supplies	20,965
Travel and other	727
Capital outlay	70,333
Intergovernmental	7,976_
Total expenditures	202,783
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	76,126
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	401,918
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$478,044

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Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes
in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (Statement D)

\$76,126

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation for the period.

58,709\_

Change in net assets of governmental activities (Statement B)

\$134,835

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish was created by the Bienville Parish Police Jury, as authorized by Louisiana Revised Statute 40:1492 on July 13, 1977. The district is governed by a five member board, two members appointed by the police jury, one member appointed by the Town of Castor, one member appointed by the Town of Bienville, and one appointed by board members. Board members serve without compensation. The district is responsible for maintaining and operating fire stations and equipment and providing fire protection within the boundaries of the district.

The accompanying financial statements of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish have been prepared in conformity with U.S. 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. The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments, issued in June 1999.

#### A. REPORTING ENTITY

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

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Bienville Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial responsibility. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and:
  - a. The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or

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

Because the police jury created the district, appoints certain commissioners of the district, and has the ability to impose its will on the district, the district was determined to be a component unit of the Bienville Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the district and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the Bienville Parish financial reporting entity.

#### B. BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS

The district's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the district as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the district's major fund). Both government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. All activities of the district are classified as governmental.

The Statement of Net Assets (Statement A) and the Statement of Activities (Statement B) display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the district.

In the Statement of Net Assets, governmental activities are presented on a consolidated basis and are presented on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term obligations. Net assets are reported in three parts; invested in capital assets, net of any related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The district first uses restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized

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when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

**Program Revenues** - Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities (Statement B) are derived directly from parties outside the district's taxpayers or citizenry. Program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the district's general revenues.

Allocation of Indirect Expenses - The district reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities (Statement B). Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense, which can be specifically identified by function, is included in the direct expenses of each function.

#### C. BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial transactions of the district are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the district. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. Funds are classified into three categories; governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types". Governmental funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus of attention is on recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. The district's current operations require the use of only governmental funds. The governmental fund type used by the district is described as follows:

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#### Governmental Fund Type

General Fund - The General Fund is the principal fund of the district and is used to account for the operations of the district's office. The various fees and charges due to the district's office are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

#### D. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurement made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### 1. Accrual:

The governmental type activities in the government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

#### 2. Modified Accrual:

The governmental fund financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Governmental funds 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 soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The district considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year

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end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

#### Revenues

Ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year the taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis and attach as an enforceable lien and become due and payable on the date the tax rolls are filed with the recorder of mortgages. Louisiana Revised Statute 47:1993 requires that the tax roll be filed on or before November 15 of each year. Ad valorem taxes become delinquent if not paid by December 31. The taxes are normally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the ensuing year.

Other intergovernmental revenues are recorded when the district is entitled to the funds.

Interest income on demand deposits is recorded when the interest has been earned and the amount is determinable.

Based on the above criteria, ad valorem taxes and other intergovernmental revenues have been treated as susceptible to accrual.

#### Expenditures

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

#### E. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Under state law, the district may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the union, or the laws of the United States. The district may invest in certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 2009, the district has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$228,222.

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These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits, or the resulting bank balances, must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent bank. These deposits are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Cash (bank balances) at December 31, 2009, total \$228,860 and are fully secured by federal deposit insurance.

#### F. RISK MANAGEMENT

The fire district is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; and injuries to employees. To handle such risk of loss, the police jury maintains coverage on the fire district. The policy covers general liability, property, employee liability, and public officials liability. No claims were paid on any of the policies during the past three years which exceeded the policies' coverage amounts. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the year ended December 31, 2009.

#### 2. LEVIED TAXES

The district is authorized to levy a maximum tax of 6.89 mills on property within the boundaries of the district for maintenance and operation of the district. The district levied 7.19 mills for 2009. The tax was renewed and will expire with the 2018 tax roll.

The difference between authorized and levied millage is the result of reassessments of taxable property in the parish, as required by Article VII, Section 18 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974. The following are the principal taxpayers for the parish and their 2009 assessed valuation.

		Percent of
	2009	Total
•	Assessed	Assessed
·	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Gulf South Pipeline Company	\$25,405,810	7.98%
Bear Creek Storage Comp.	18,950,730	5.96%
Centerpoint Energy Gas Transmission	17,416,980	5.47%
Conocophillips Company	16,986,030	5.34%
Questar Exploration	14,916,520	4.69%

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

	2009	Percent of Total
	Assessed	Assessed
	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
El Paso E & P Company, LP	\$13,719,790	4.31%
Glencore Ltd.	8,480,180	2.67%
Centerpoint Energy - Ark	6,794,730	2.14%
EOG Resources, Inc.	6,001,920	1.89%
Centerpoint Energy	5,932,870	1.86%
Total	\$134,605,56	42.31%

#### 3. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

The following presents the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2009:

	Balance at January 1,	Additions	Deletions	Balance at December 31,
Buildings	\$412,000			\$412,000
Vehicles	1,082,786	\$50,000		1,132,786
Equipment	128,092	20,333		148,425
Total	\$1,622,878	\$70,333	NONE	\$1,693,211
Depreciation on capital assets	(\$1,596,849)	(\$11,624)	NONE	(\$1,608,473)
Net capital assets	\$26,029	\$58,709	NONE	\$84,738

#### 4. PENSION PLANS

The district has one full-time employee who participates in the social security system. The employee contributes 7.65% of his total salary to social security (FICA and Medicare) which is matched by employer contributions.

#### 5. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

The district is not involved in any litigation at December 31, 2009, nor is it aware of any unasserted claims.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART II

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### **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE** GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF	BUDGET	BUDGET	DASIS)	(UNFAVORABLE)
REVENUES	#105 000	£105.000	#0 <i>C7 70C</i>	# CD 705
Taxes - ad valorem	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$257,705	\$62,705
Intergovernmental revenues -	a roo	5.500	0.1/5	
fire insurance rebate	7,500	7,500	8,165	665
other state grants			11,810	11,810
Use of money and property	1,500	1,500	604	(896)
Other revenues			625	625
Total revenues	204,000	204,000	278,909	74,909
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government - public safety:				
Personal services and related benefits	23,000	23,000	22,306	694
Operating services	95,000	98,000	80,476	17,524
Materials and supplies	6,500	6,500	20,965	(14,465)
Travel and other charges	6,000	6,000	727	5,273
Capital outlay	131,000	141,000	70,333	70,667
Intergovernmental	6,500	8,000	7,976	24
Total expenditures	268,000	282,500	202,783	79,717
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(64,000)	(78,500)	76,126	154,626
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING				
OF YEAR	150,000	150,000	401,918	251,918
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$86,000	<u>\$71,500</u>	\$478,044	\$406,544

See accompanying note to budgetary comparison schedule.

#### Fire Protection District No. 6 Of Bienville Parish Castor, Louisiana

#### NOTE TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

The proposed budget for the General Fund, prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, is made available for public inspection at least fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The budget is then legally adopted by the district and amended during the year, as necessary. The budget is established and controlled by the board of commissioners at the object level of expenditure. Appropriations lapse at year-end and must be reappropriated for the following year to be expended. All changes in the budget must be approved by the board of commissioners.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budgeted amounts included in the accompanying financial statement include the original adopted budget amounts. There was one budget amendment for the year ended December 31, 2009.

# FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULE For the Year Ended December 31, 2009

#### **COMPENSATION PAID COMMISSIONERS**

The schedule of compensation paid to commissioners is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. The commissioners receive no compensation for meetings.

# Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

The following independent Accountant's report on applying agreed upon procedures is presented in compliance with the requirements of the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and the Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire, issued by the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 OF BIENVILLE PARISH Castor, Louisiana

I have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed upon by the management of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2009 included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, I make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

#### Public Bid Law

1. Select all expenditures made during the year for materials and supplies exceeding \$20,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000, and determine whether such purchases were made in accordance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law).

A review was made of all disbursement journals for the year. That review disclosed one expenditure during the period under examination for materials and supplies exceeding \$20,000. The fire district complied with the bid law. No expenditures were disclosed for public works exceeding \$100,000.

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#### Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all board members and employees, as well as their immediate families.

Management provided me with the required list including the noted information.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

Management provided me with the required list.

4. Determine whether any of the employees included in the listing obtained from management in procedure number 3 above were also included in the listing obtained from management in procedure number 2 above as immediate family members.

None of the contracted parties included on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure 3 above appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure 2 above.

#### **Budgeting**

5. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided me with a copy of the original and amended budget.

6. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.

I traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a meeting held on December 12, 2008 and the budget amendment to the minutes of meetings held on December 14, 2009.

7. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues or expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

I compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual revenues did not fail to meet budgeted amounts by 5% or more, and actual expenditures did not exceed budgeted amounts by 5%. Final amended budget expenditures did not exceed estimated funds available.

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#### Accounting and Reporting

- 8. Randomly select 6 disbursements made during the period under examination and;
  - (a) trace payments to supporting documentation as to correct amount and payee;
  - (b) determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account;
  - (c) determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

An examination of six randomly selected disbursements disclosed the following:

- (a) The six selected disbursements were for the proper amount as reflected on supporting documentation and were made to the correct payee.
- (b) The six payments were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.
- (c) Inspection of supporting documentation for the six disbursements indicated all of the disbursements had approval from a board member on the actual invoices.

#### Meetings

9. Examine evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1-12 (the opening meetings law).

I inquired of management whether agendas for meetings were posted at the meeting place at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. Management stated that agendas were posted and a copy is retained with the minutes. From examination of these notices I determined that the date and time of posting is written on the notice to indicate compliance.

#### Debt

10. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

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I inspected all deposits for the period under examination and noted no deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness. Discussion with agency personnel also disclosed no debt proceeds.

#### Advances and Bonuses

11. Examine payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to employees which may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

As stated in number 3 above, the district has one paid employee. A reading of the minutes of the board for the year indicated no approval for payment of bonuses, advances, or gifts. I also inspected disbursements journals for of the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to board members or employees which would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

I am not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Fire Protection District No. 6 of Bienville Parish and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Although the intended use of these reports may be limited, under Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

West Monroe, Louisiana

June 8, 2010

## Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire

The accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire has been completed by management and is included in this report as required by the questionnaire.

Mary Jo Finley CPA, Inc 116 Professional Drive West Monroe, LA 71291

In connection with your compilation of our financial statements of the Bienville Parish Fire Protection District No. 6 as of December 31, 2009 and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

These representations are based on information available to us as of June 8, 2010.

#### PUBLIC BID LAW

1. The provisions of the public bid law, LSA-RS Title 38:2212, and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office have been complied with.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

#### CODE OF ETHICS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

2. No employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone which would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1101-1124.

3. No member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April I, 1980 under circumstances which would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1119.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

#### BUDGETING

4. We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (LSA-RS 39:1301-14) or the budget requirements of LSA-RS 39:43.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

#### ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

5. All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by LSA-RS 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

6. We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with LSA-RS 24:514, LSA-RS 33:463, and/or LSA-RS 39:92, as applicable.

7. We have had our financial statements audited or compiled in accordance with LSA-RS 24:513.

#### **MEETINGS**

8. We have complied with the provisions of the Opening Meetings Law, LSA-RS 42:1-12.

#### DEBT

9. We have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and LSA-RS 47:1410.60.

#### **ADVANCES AND BONUSES**

 We have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, LSA-RS 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the foregoing laws and regulations.

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We acknowledge our responsibility to disclose to you any known non-compliance which may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.

June 8, 201

Date