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DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

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ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners
District No. 4 Public Works
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We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund, of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish, a component unit of the St. Landry Parish Government, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005, which collectively comprises the Commission's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with 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 District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish.

A review consists principally of inquiries of the Commission's 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, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are 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 budgetary comparison information as noted in the table of contents is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The other supplementary information as listed in the table of contents on pages 20-21 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. 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, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.

Management has not presented the management's discussion and analysis information that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is required to supplement, although not required to be a part of, the basic financial statements.

John S. Dowling & Company

Opelousas, Louisiana
May 24, 2006

FINANCIAL SECTION

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DISTRICT No. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</u>
Cash	\$99,401
Ad valorem taxes receivable, net	380,502
Revenue sharing receivable	23,575
Receivable - District 6	14,432
Utility deposit	250
Capital assets, net	<u>368,114</u>
<u>Total assets</u>	<u>886,274</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	11,778
Long-term liabilities	
Due within one year	94,070
Due in more than one year	<u>45,367</u>
<u>Total liabilities</u>	<u>151,215</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>	
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt	236,114
Unrestricted	<u>498,945</u>
<u>Total net assets</u>	<u>735,059</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

DISTRICT No. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
DECEMBER 31, 2005

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u> <u>Charges for</u> <u>Services</u>	<u>Net (Expenses) Revenues</u> <u>and Change in Net Assets</u> <u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u>
<u>Governmental Activities</u>			
Public works	\$295,421		\$(295,421)
Interest paid	<u>7,644</u>	—	<u>(7,644)</u>
<u>Total governmental activities</u>	<u>303,065</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>(303,065)</u>
General revenues			
Taxes			388,058
Intergovernmental			35,362
Interest and investment earnings			1,732
District 6 Public Works - rental			1,404
Reimbursement - District 6			<u>25,247</u>
<u>Total general revenues</u>			<u>451,803</u>
			Change in net assets 148,738
			Net assets - January 1, 2005 586,321
			Net assets - December 31, 2005 <u>735,059</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
DECEMBER 31, 2005

GENERAL FUND

ASSETS

Cash	\$99,401
Ad valorem taxes receivable, net	380,502
Revenue sharing receivable	23,575
Receivable - District 6	14,432
Utility deposit	<u>250</u>
<u>Total assets</u>	<u>518,160</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$3,750
Payroll taxes payable	8,028
Compensated absences payable	<u>4,070</u>
<u>Total liabilities</u>	<u>15,848</u>

FUND BALANCE

Fund balance	
Unreserved, undesignated	<u>502,312</u>
<u>Total fund balance</u>	<u>502,312</u>
<u>Total liabilities and fund balance</u>	<u>518,160</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND'S BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Total fund balance for the governmental fund at December 31, 2005		\$502,312
Cost of capital assets at December 31, 2005	\$448,085	
Less: Accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2005	<u>(79,971)</u>	368,114
Less: Bonds payable at December 31, 2005		(132,000)
Less: Compensated absences payable (long-term portion) at December 31, 2005		<u>(3,367)</u>
Net assets at December 31, 2005		<u>735,059</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>	
Taxes	
Property taxes	\$388,058
Intergovernmental	
State revenue sharing	35,362
Interest	
On property taxes	763
On checking	851
On sinking	117
Miscellaneous	
District 6 Public Works - rental	<u>1,404</u>
<u>Total revenues</u>	<u>426,555</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	
Current operating	
Labor cost	
Salaries - administration	39,645
Salaries - operators	88,658
Compensated absences	4,070
Payroll taxes	21,305
Public works	
Materials	17,186
Hauling	6,692
Workmen's compensation	10,806
Other insurance	25,521
Legal and advertising	39
Licenses and fees	53
Telephone	4,706
Utilities	1,937
Professional fees	3,500
Property and equipment	
Repairs and maintenance	15,659
Fuel and oil	22,938
Parts and supplies	5,699
Office expense	3,255
Bank charges	60
Debt service	
Principal retirement	89,000
Interest	<u>7,644</u>
<u>Total expenditures</u>	<u>368,373</u>
<u>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>58,182</u>
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>	
Expense reimbursement - District 6	<u>25,247</u>
<u>Total other financing sources</u>	<u>25,247</u>
<u>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</u>	83,429
<u>FUND BALANCE, beginning of year</u>	<u>418,883</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE, end of year</u>	<u>502,312</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Total net change in fund balance for the year ended December 31, 2005 per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance	\$83,429
Depreciation expense for year ended December 31, 2005	(24,139)
Decrease in compensated absences for the year ended December 31, 2005	448
Bond principal paid at December 31, 2005	<u>89,000</u>
<u>Total change in net assets for the year ended</u> <u>December 31, 2005 per Statement of Activities</u>	<u>148,738</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish, is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and possesses all the powers necessary to construct, acquire, operate, and maintain roads, bridges, and road drainage facilities as well as the rights, powers, and authority enumerated for road districts in Part II of Chapter 2 of Title 48. The Commission was created by Louisiana Revised Statute 48:600.1.

At year-end, the Commission was governed by 8 commissioners appointed by the St. Landry Parish Government. Presently, the commissioners receive no compensation for their service.

The accompanying financial statements of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements (GWFS), Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions on or before November 30, 1989 have been applied unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies are discussed in the subsequent subsection of this note.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies and practices of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish.

A. FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY

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

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the St. Landry Parish Government 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
 - a. The ability of the parish government to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the parish government.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

A. FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY - Continued

2. Organizations for which the parish government does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the parish government.
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 parish government appoints the commissioners of District No. 4 Public Works Commission and the function of the Commission serves as a substantial contribution to similar services provided by the parish government, the Commission was determined to be a component unit of the St. Landry Parish Government, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the Commission and do not present information on the parish government, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities display information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Commission, a component unit, as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accounts of the Commission are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION - Continued

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued

Funds of the Commission are classified as governmental funds. Governmental funds account for the Commission's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of capital assets, and the servicing of general long-term debt. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Commission or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type; and
- b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The Commission uses the following governmental fund:

General Fund - The General Operating Fund of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

MEASUREMENT FOCUS

On the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus as defined in item b. below.

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used as appropriate:

- a. All governmental funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.
- b. A fund on an accrual basis utilizes an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objective of this measurement focus is the determination of operating income, changes in net assets (or cost recovery), financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported. Fund equity is classified as net assets.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Revenues from local sources consist primarily of property taxes. Property tax revenues and revenue sharing revenues received from the State of Louisiana are recognized when susceptible to accrual. Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenue when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received.

Purchase of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased. The costs of governmental fund type inventories are recorded as expenditures when purchased and items on hand at year-end, if material, are recorded as assets. Expenditures for insurance and similar services which extend over more than one accounting period are accounted for as expenditures of the period of acquisition.

D. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Investments, if any, are stated at cost or amortized cost, which approximates market.

Louisiana statutes authorize the Commission to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes or certificates, time certificates of deposit in state and national banks, or any other federally insured investment. At December 31, 2005, the Commission did not hold any investments.

E. ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLE RECEIVABLES

An allowance for uncollectible property taxes receivable has been set up and is based on the prior years' uncollected amounts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

F. CAPITAL ASSETS

In the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are capitalized at historical cost, or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated assets, which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Such assets are maintained on the basis of original cost (cash paid plus trade-in allowance, if applicable).

Depreciation of all exhaustible assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Equipment	10-20 years
Trucks	5-15 years
Furniture and fixtures	10-20 years
Buildings	30-40 years

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

No interest costs were incurred during construction.

G. BUDGETS

The Commission legally adopted a budget for the year ended December 31, 2005. The budget is prepared on an accrual basis. At year-end all appropriations lapse. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts as revised for the year. The level of budgetary control is by total appropriations; however, for reporting purposes, the budgetary information has been expanded.

H. ENCUMBRANCES

The Commission does not employ the encumbrance system of accounting.

I. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Annual vacation leave is provided to all full-time employees and they are encouraged to take an annual vacation. Employees earn 40 hours of vacation time for the first year of service, 80 hours for the second year, and 120 hours beginning on the eleventh year. Vacation time in excess of 30 days may not be accumulated for a period more than one year in addition to the present year in which the vacation time is being earned.

Sick leave is earned at the rate of 2.77 hours per bi-weekly period. Any unused sick leave is carried over on December 31 of each year. Upon termination or resignation accrued sick leave will not be paid to the employee.

Employees also may accumulate compensatory time for hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week. Compensatory time will not be paid upon termination or resignation.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

J. LONG-TERM DEBT

The accounting treatment of long-term debt depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations or proprietary fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

All long-term debt to be repaid from governmental resources are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statements.

Long-term debt for the governmental fund is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements.

K. EXPENDITURES AND EXPENSES

Expenditures/Expenses

In the government-wide financial statements, expenses are classified by function for governmental activities.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report expenditures of financial resources.

L. EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS

In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

1. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
2. Restricted net assets - Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups, such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
3. Unrestricted net assets - All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

M. ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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2. CASH

At December 31, 2005, cash is made up of the following:

Petty cash	\$200
Checks on hand	17,924
Cash in Washington State Bank	
Operating account	77,557
Sinking account	<u>3,720</u>
	<u>99,401</u>

At December 31, 2005 the bank and book balances of cash in checking accounts were as follows:

	<u>Bank</u> <u>Balance</u>	<u>Book</u> <u>Balance</u>
Interest-bearing	\$80,156	\$81,277

At year-end, the entire bank balance was covered by FDIC insurance.

3. AD VALOREM TAXES

District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish levies a special tax of fifteen (15) mills on all taxable property. This tax, which was approved at a special election held on July 21, 2002, will be assessed for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2002 and ending with the year 2011, for the purpose of constructing, acquiring, operating and maintaining the roads, bridges and road drainage facilities of the Commission and acquiring the necessary equipment therefore.

The Commission's ad valorem property tax is levied each October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property located in the District. Property taxes are due on October 1 and become delinquent on January 1 of the following year. The St. Landry Parish Sheriff bills, collects, and distributes the property taxes for the District using the assessed values determined by the Tax Assessor of St. Landry Parish.

The Commission is required to remit a percentage of the total ad valorem taxes per the tax roll to a State Pension Fund. This amount is determined by the legislative auditor each year. Since the Sheriff collects all taxes for the parish, the tax collected in the first month is reduced by the Sheriff for the Pension Fund amount owed and the remainder is remitted to the taxing district. Therefore, the ad valorem tax receivable and revenue are shown net of Pension Fund distributions. A breakdown of taxes receivable is as follows:

	<u>Total Per</u> <u>Tax Roll</u>	<u>Pension Fund</u> <u>Requirements</u>	<u>Tax Received</u> <u>In</u> <u>December</u>	<u>Allowance</u> <u>for</u> <u>Uncollectibles</u>	<u>Tax</u> <u>Receivable</u>
2005	\$405,585	\$12,762	\$6,137	\$6,184	\$380,502

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4. CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in Capital Assets for the year 2005 is as follows:

	Balance January 1, 2005	Additions	Disposals	Balance December 31, 2005
Governmental activities				
Trucks	\$47,900			\$47,900
Equipment	362,840			362,840
Buildings	32,664			32,664
Furniture and fixtures	4,681			4,681
<u>Totals at historical cost</u>	<u>448,085</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>448,085</u>
Less accumulated depreciation				
Trucks	(10,031)	\$(4,790)		(14,821)
Equipment	(43,129)	(18,142)		(61,271)
Buildings	(1,638)	(817)		(2,455)
Furniture and fixtures	(1,034)	(390)		(1,424)
<u>Total accumulated depreciation</u>	<u>(55,832)</u>	<u>(24,139)</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>(79,971)</u>
Governmental activities				
Capital assets, net	<u>392,253</u>	<u>(24,139)</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>368,114</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Public works	\$24,139
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5. LONG-TERM DEBT

On January 25, 2002, the Commission issued \$325,000 of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2002 bearing interest at the rate of 4.80 percent and had a final maturity of April 1, 2006. The certificates were secured by a pledge and dedication of the Commission's 15 mills property tax and were issued for the purpose of constructing, acquiring, operating, and maintaining roads, bridges, and road drainage facilities.

On August 5, 2003, the Commission issued \$100,000 of Certificates of Indebtedness Series 2003, of which \$85,000 bears interest at the rate of 4.15 percent and \$15,000 bears interest at the rate of zero percent and had a final maturity of April 1, 2008. The certificates were secured by a pledge and dedication of the Commission's 15 mills property tax and were issued for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining roads and bridges.

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5. LONG-TERM DEBT - Continued

A summary of changes in long-term debt is as follows:

<u>Description Of Debt</u>	<u>Balance 1/1/05</u>	<u>2005 Increase</u>	<u>2005 Decrease</u>	<u>Balance 12/31/05</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
2002 General obligation bonds at 4.80%	\$140,000		\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000
2003 General obligation bonds at 4.15%	69,000		16,000	53,000	17,000
2003 General obligation bonds at 0%	<u>12,000</u>		<u>3,000</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
<u>Total general obligation bonds</u>	<u>221,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>89,000</u>	<u>132,000</u>	<u>90,000</u>
Compensated absences	<u>3,814</u>	<u>\$3,623</u>		<u>7,437</u>	<u>4,070</u>
<u>Total long-term debt</u>	<u>224,814</u>	<u>3,623</u>	<u>89,000</u>	<u>139,437</u>	<u>94,070</u>

Maturities of long-term debt are scheduled as follows:

<u>General Obligation Bonds Year Ended December 31</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2006	\$90,000	\$3,562	\$93,562
2007	21,000	1,121	22,121
2008	<u>21,000</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>21,373</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>132,000</u>	<u>5,056</u>	<u>137,056</u>

6. FUND BALANCE

The District does not have a deficit fund balance for the year ended December 31, 2005.

7. BOARD MEMBERS

Board members do not get paid for serving on the board. A list of board members during the year 2005 is as follows:

Commissioners for January 2005 - May 2005:

Dwight Fontenot	Glen Frilot
Mary Lavergne	Mark Tompkins
Miles Briley	Jessie Howard
Hugh Richard	Raynold Soileau
Gerald Cormier	

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7. BOARD MEMBERS - Continued

Commissioners for June 2005 - December 2005:

Jessie Howard	Mark Tompkins
Ronnie Fontenot	Danny Lafleur
Hugh Richard	Paul Doucet
Miles Briley	Glenn Frilot

8. INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

On October 1, 2002, District No. 4 Public Works Commission entered into an intergovernmental agreement with District 6 Public Works Commission. The agreement states that District 4 will be reimbursed by District 6 for one-half of the joint office expenses as well as one-hundred percent of any expenses incurred solely for District 6. The agreement may be terminated at any time by a majority vote of the parties involved and any party may withdraw from the agreement by giving thirty days written notice.

9. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The Parish Government is considering holding an election on September 30, 2006 to pass a 15 mill parish-wide tax to fix roads. If passed, this could result in the consolidation or elimination of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

DISTRICT No. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
WASHINGTON, LOUISIANA
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>BUDGET</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
	<u>ORIGINAL</u>	<u>FINAL</u>		<u>FAVORABLE</u> <u>(UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Taxes				
Property taxes	\$308,000	\$345,000	\$388,058	\$43,058
Intergovernmental				
State revenue sharing	36,500	36,500	35,362	(1,138)
Interest				
On property taxes	500	500	763	263
On checking	1,600	1,600	851	(749)
On sinking			117	117
Miscellaneous				
District 6 public works - rental	<u>1,404</u>	<u>1,404</u>	<u>1,404</u>	
<u>Total revenues</u>	<u>348,004</u>	<u>385,004</u>	<u>426,555</u>	<u>41,551</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Current Operating				
Labor cost				
Salaries - administration	19,000	19,000	39,645	(20,645)
Salaries - operators	85,000	85,000	88,658	(3,658)
Compensated absences			4,070	(4,070)
Payroll taxes	7,700	18,000	21,305	(3,305)
Public works				
Materials	50,000	25,000	17,186	7,814
Hauling	5,000	8,000	6,692	1,308
Legal and advertising	1,500	500	39	461
Workmen's compensation	8,500	11,000	10,806	194
Insurance - other	24,000	25,000	25,521	(521)
Licenses and fees	50	50	53	(3)
Office expense	2,000	2,000	3,255	(1,255)
Telephone	3,900	4,000	4,706	(706)
Utilities	600	800	1,937	(1,137)
Travel	100	100		100
Professional fees	3,000	3,500	3,500	
Property and equipment				
Repairs and maintenance	10,000	18,000	15,659	2,341
Fuel and oil	17,000	24,000	22,938	1,062
Parts and supplies	6,000	6,000	5,699	301
Bank charges			60	(60)
Debt service				
Principal	84,000	89,000	89,000	
Interest	11,513	7,642	7,644	(2)
Capital outlay				
Machinery and equipment	<u>5,000</u>			
<u>Total expenditures</u>	<u>343,863</u>	<u>346,592</u>	<u>368,373</u>	<u>(21,781)</u>

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND - (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	BUDGET		ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		
<u>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER</u>				
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>\$4,141</u>	<u>\$38,412</u>	<u>\$58,182</u>	<u>\$19,770</u>
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>				
Expense reimbursement District 6	_____	_____	<u>25,247</u>	<u>25,247</u>
<u>Total other financing</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>25,247</u>	<u>25,247</u>
<u>sources</u>				
<u>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>4,141</u>	<u>38,412</u>	<u>83,429</u>	<u>45,017</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE, beginning of year</u>			<u>418,883</u>	
<u>FUND BALANCE, end of year</u>			<u>502,312</u>	

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
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 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>		
Taxes		
Property taxes	\$388,058	\$343,583
Intergovernmental		
State revenue sharing	35,362	34,481
Interest		
On property taxes	763	94
On checking	851	503
On sinking	117	18
Miscellaneous		
District 6 Public Works - rental	1,404	1,404
<u>Total revenues</u>	<u>426,555</u>	<u>380,083</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>		
Current operating		
Labor cost		
Salaries - administration	39,645	35,280
Salaries - operators	88,658	84,783
Compensated absences	4,070	
Payroll taxes	21,305	9,149
Public works		
Materials	17,186	35,637
Hauling	6,692	3,560
Workmen's compensation	10,806	7,155
Other insurance	25,521	37,154
Legal and advertising	39	2,326
Licenses and fees	53	132
Telephone	4,706	4,753
Travel		23
Utilities	1,937	1,147
Professional fees	3,500	3,700
Property and equipment		
Repairs and maintenance	15,659	7,486
Fuel and oil	22,938	17,038
Parts and supplies	5,699	5,280
Office expense	3,255	2,833
Bank charges	60	22
Board meeting expense		149
Capital outlay		
Machinery and equipment		20,200
Portable building		12,482
Debt service		
Principal retirement	89,000	84,000
Interest	7,644	11,513
<u>Total expenditures</u>	<u>368,373</u>	<u>385,802</u>

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
GOVERNMENTAL FUND (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	GENERAL FUND	
	2005	2004
<u>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)</u>		
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>\$58,182</u>	<u>\$(5,719)</u>
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</u>		
Expense reimbursement -		
District 6	25,247	20,267
<u>Total other financing sources</u>	<u>25,247</u>	<u>20,267</u>
<u>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</u>	83,429	14,548
<u>FUND BALANCES, beginning of year</u>	<u>418,883</u>	<u>404,335</u>
<u>FUND BALANCES, end of year</u>	<u>502,312</u>	<u>418,883</u>

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT
 ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Commissioners
 District No. 4 Public Works
 Commission of St. Landry Parish
 Washington, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2005 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 these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we 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 material 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).

There were no expenditures for materials and supplies exceeding \$20,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000.

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 us 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 us with the required list.

4. Determine whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (2) as immediate family members.

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 District No. 4 Public Works
 Commission of St. Landry Parish
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None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management [agreed-upon procedure (3)] appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure (2).

Budgeting

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

Management provided us with a copy of the original budget. The budget was amended October 20, 2005.

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

We traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a meeting held on January 20, 2005 which indicated that the budget had been adopted by the commissioners of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry Parish by a unanimous vote. The budget was amended October 20, 2005.

Management Response: The budget for the year 2006 was adopted on a timely basis. Future budgets will be adopted on a timely basis.

Contact Person: Linda Gaspard, Office Manager

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

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Budgeted revenues for the year did not exceed actual amounts by more than 5%. Actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by \$21,781, which is 6.3% of the budgeted amount.

Management Response: The books were adjusted at year-end to set up an expense for short-term compensated absences. This amount was not known when the budget was amended. The budget will be properly amended in the future.

Contact Person: Linda Gaspard, Office Manager

Accounting and Reporting

8. Randomly select 6 disbursements made during the period under examination and:

- (a) trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee;

We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

- (b) determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account; and

The payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

- (c) determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

Inspection of documentation supporting each of the six selected disbursements indicated approvals from the Board of Commissioners. In addition, each of the disbursements were traced to the Commission's minute book where they were approved by the full Commission.

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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 through 42:12 (the open meetings law).

Agendas for all meetings were posted. We examined copies of agendas kept with minutes.

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.

We inspected copies of all bank deposit slips for the period under examination and noted no deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

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, advance, or gifts.

A reading of the minutes of the Commission for the year indicated no approval for the payments noted. We also inspected payroll records for the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to employees which would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

Our prior year report, dated June 21, 2005, did not include any comments or unresolved matters.

We were 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, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of District No. 4 Public Works Commission of St. Landry 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. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

John S. Dowling & Company

Opelousas, Louisiana
May 24, 2006

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE
(For Attestation Engagements of Government)

4-20-04 (Date Transmitted)

John S. Dowling & Company
P.O. Box 1549
Opelousas, LA 70571-1549
(Auditors)

In connection with your review of our financial statements as of [date] 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 the information available to us as of (date of completion/representations).

Public Bid Law

It is true that we have complied with the public bid law, LSA-RS Title 38:2212, and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office..

Yes [] No []

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1101-1124.

Yes [] No []

It is true that 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 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1119.

Yes [] No []

Budgeting

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 39:34.

Yes [] No []

Accounting and Reporting

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.

Yes [] No []

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

Yes [] No []

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

Yes [] No []

Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in RS 42:1 through 42:12.

Yes [] No []

Debt

It is true 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 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes [] No []

Advances and Bonuses

It is true 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.

Yes [] No []

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 noncompliance which may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.

<u><i>David K. Smith</i></u>	Secretary	<u>4/20/06</u>	Date
<u><i>Ronald F. ...</i></u>	Treasurer	<u>4/20/06</u>	Date
<u><i>Mark ...</i></u>	President	<u>4/20/06</u>	Date
<u><i>Linda J. ...</i></u>	Office MANAGER	<u>5-1-06</u>	DATE

DISTRICT NO. 4 PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF ST. LANDRY PARISH
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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
FOR THE YEARS DECEMBER 31, 2005

SECTION I - INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

No findings.

SECTION II - INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO FEDERAL AWARDS

N/A

SECTION III - MANAGEMENT LETTER

No findings.