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**ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT NO. 3**

Grant, Louisiana

Financial Report

Year ended December 31, 2007

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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Board of Commissioners
Allen Parish Fire Protection District No. 3
Grant, Louisiana

We have compiled the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Allen Parish Fire Protection District No. 3, a component unit of the Allen Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying general purpose financial statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them. However, we did become aware of a departure from generally accepted accounting principles that is described in the following paragraph.

Management has not presented the government-wide financial statements and management's discussion and analysis, required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for States and Local Governments. The amount by which this departure affects the financial statements is not reasonably determinable.

We are not independent with respect to Allen Parish Fire Protection District No. 3.

Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Oberlin, Louisiana
May 29, 2008

**GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
Grant, Louisiana

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups
December 31, 2007

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Account Groups</u>		<u>Totals (Memo Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>General</u>	
				<u>Fixed Assets</u>	<u>Long-Term Debt</u>	
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS						
Cash and interest-bearing deposits	\$ 23,799	\$ -	\$ 17,235	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,034
Receivables -						
Ad valorem taxes	40,951	56,988	-	-	-	97,939
Due from other funds	-	39,892	21,600	-	-	61,492
Fixed assets	-	-	-	835,911	-	835,911
Amount available in debt service funds	-	-	-	-	96,880	96,880
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	-	-	-	-	180,684	180,684
	<u>\$ 64,750</u>	<u>\$ 96,880</u>	<u>\$ 38,835</u>	<u>\$ 835,911</u>	<u>\$ 277,564</u>	<u>\$ 1,313,940</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 1,043	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,043
Due to other funds	39,892	21,600	-	-	-	61,492
Note payable	-	-	-	-	42,564	42,564
General obligation bonds payable	-	-	-	-	235,000	235,000
Total liabilities	<u>40,935</u>	<u>21,600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>277,564</u>	<u>340,099</u>
Fund equity:						
Investment in general fixed assets	-	-	-	835,911	-	835,911
Fund balances						
Reserved for debt service	-	75,280	-	-	-	75,280
Designated	-	-	38,835	-	-	38,835
Unreserved, undesignated	23,815	-	-	-	-	23,815
Total fund equity	<u>23,815</u>	<u>75,280</u>	<u>38,835</u>	<u>835,911</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>973,841</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$ 64,750</u>	<u>\$ 96,880</u>	<u>\$ 38,835</u>	<u>\$ 835,911</u>	<u>\$ 277,564</u>	<u>\$ 1,313,940</u>

See accompanying notes and accountants' report.

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
Grant, Louisiana

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances -
All Governmental Fund Types
Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Governmental Fund Types			Totals (Memo Only)
	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	
Revenue:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 42,329	\$ 58,496	\$ -	\$ 100,825
Local sources	13,490	-	-	13,490
Interest	2,722	-	1,462	4,184
Total revenues	<u>58,541</u>	<u>58,496</u>	<u>1,462</u>	<u>118,499</u>
Expenditures:				
Current -				
Professional fees	1,949	-	-	1,949
Advertising	250	-	-	250
Bank service charges	3	-	-	3
Contract labor	225	-	-	225
Auto expenditures	7,807	-	-	7,807
Insurance	13,088	-	-	13,088
Maintenance	16,025	-	-	16,025
Miscellaneous	-	-	22	22
Supplies	1,895	-	-	1,895
Pension commission	1,378	1,508	-	2,886
Postage	320	-	-	320
Salaries	3,000	-	-	3,000
Payroll taxes	230	-	-	230
Taxes & licenses	72	-	-	72
Training	311	-	-	311
Travel	3,638	-	-	3,638
Utilities	2,933	-	-	2,933
Capital outlay	-	-	2,259	2,259
Debt service -				
Principal	-	49,964	-	49,964
Interest and fiscal charges	-	15,376	-	15,376
Total expenditures	<u>53,124</u>	<u>66,848</u>	<u>2,281</u>	<u>122,253</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>5,417</u>	<u>(8,352)</u>	<u>(819)</u>	<u>(3,754)</u>
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	-	-	2,259	2,259
Transfers out	<u>(2,259)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,259)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(2,259)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,259</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	3,158	(8,352)	1,440	(3,754)
Fund balances, beginning	<u>20,657</u>	<u>83,632</u>	<u>37,395</u>	<u>141,684</u>
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 23,815</u>	<u>\$ 75,280</u>	<u>\$ 38,835</u>	<u>\$ 137,930</u>

See accompanying notes and accountants' report.

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
Grant, Louisiana

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances-
Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual - General Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2007

	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenue:			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 42,500	\$ 42,329	\$ (171)
Local sources	13,700	13,490	(210)
Interest	2,800	2,722	(78)
Total revenues	<u>59,000</u>	<u>58,541</u>	<u>(459)</u>
Expenditures:			
Current -			
Professional fees	2,500	1,949	551
Advertising	250	250	-
Bank service charges	5	3	2
Contract labor	-	225	(225)
Auto expenditures	8,700	7,807	893
Insurance	13,500	13,088	412
Maintenance	18,000	16,025	1,975
Miscellaneous	250	-	250
Supplies	2,100	1,895	205
Pension commission	1,400	1,378	22
Postage	325	320	5
Salaries	3,600	3,000	600
Payroll taxes	500	230	270
Taxes & licenses	900	72	828
Training	400	311	89
Travel	3,975	3,638	337
Utilities	3,200	2,933	267
Total expenditures	<u>59,605</u>	<u>53,124</u>	<u>6,481</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(605)	5,417	6,022
Other financing uses:			
Transfers out	<u>(2,260)</u>	<u>(2,259)</u>	<u>1</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other uses	(2,865)	3,158	6,023
Fund balances, beginning	<u>20,657</u>	<u>20,657</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 17,792</u>	<u>\$ 23,815</u>	<u>\$ 6,023</u>

See accompanying notes and accountants' report.

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
Grant, Louisiana

Notes to Financial Statements

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Nature of Business

Allen Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 was created under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 40:1492-1501, for the purpose of providing fire protection for the citizens of District 3 of Allen Parish. The district is governed by a board of commissioners composed of five members appointed by the Allen Parish Police Jury.

The accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Allen Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 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.

B. Financial Reporting Entity

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Allen Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Allen 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 primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Because the police jury appoints all members to the governing body and has the ability to impose its will on the District, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Allen 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 the governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

C. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds or account groups, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund or account group are summarized by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. Account groups are a reporting device used to account for certain assets and liabilities of the governmental funds not recorded directly in those funds. The various funds and account groups are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into three generic fund types and two broad fund categories as follows:

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

Governmental Fund Types -

General Fund –

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Debt Service Fund –

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

Capital Projects Fund –

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources received and used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of capital facilities and equipment not reported in the other governmental funds.

Account Groups -

General Fixed Assets Account Group -

This is not a fund but rather an account group that is used to account for general fixed assets acquired principally for general purposes.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group -

This is not a fund but rather an account group that is used to account for the outstanding principal balances of general obligation bonds.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Ad valorem taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which budgeted, that is, in the year in which such taxes are billed.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, except that principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized when due. Purchases of various operating supplies are regarded as expenditures at the time purchased.

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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

E. Fixed Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

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

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

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group and are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund types when purchased. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets.

All purchased fixed assets are stated at historical cost or estimated historical costs if actual historical cost is not available. Donated fixed assets are stated at their estimated fair value on the date donated. Estimated amounts are immaterial in relation to total fixed assets.

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

F. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

Prior to December 15, the Treasurer submits to the Chairman and Board of Commissioners a proposed operating budget for the period commencing the following January 1.

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.

A public hearing is held on the proposed budget at least ten days after publication of the call for the hearing.

After the holding of the public hearing and the completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is adopted through passage of resolution prior to the commencement of the fiscal year for which the budget is being adopted.

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 Commissioners.

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

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

Budgets for all funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Board of Commissioners.

G. Due To and Due From Other Funds

Interfund receivables and payables arise from interfund transactions and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed.

H. Cash

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and time deposits with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or 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 equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. At December 31, 2007 the District had \$41,034 in deposits (collected bank balances). Deposits were secured from risk by federal deposit insurance.

I. Total Columns on Statements

Total columns on the 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 or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

(2) Ad Valorem Taxes

Property tax millage rates are adopted in December for the calendar year in which the taxes are levied and recorded. All taxes are due and collectible when the assessment rolls are filed on or before November 15th of the current year, and become delinquent after December 31st. Property taxes not paid by the end of February are subject to lien.

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2007, taxes of 24.88 mills were levied on property with taxable assessed valuations totaling \$3,563,000, and were dedicated as follows:

Maintenance	11.88 mills
Bond sinking	13.00 mills

Total taxes levied for 2007 were \$100,125. All taxes received by the tax collector between January and April 2008 were considered receivable at December 31, 2007. Taxes receivable at December 31, 2007 were \$97,939.

(3) Interfund Receivables and Payables.

	Interfund Receivables	Interfund Payables
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 39,892
Debt Service Fund	39,892	21,600
Capital Projects Fund	21,600	-
Totals	\$ 61,492	\$ 61,492

(4) General Fixed Assets

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Buildings and Improvements	Machinery and Equipment	Land	Totals
Balance, December 31, 2006	\$ 214,246	\$ 616,756	\$ 2,650	\$ 833,652
Additions	-	2,259	-	2,259
Deletions	-	-	-	-
Balance, December 31, 2007	\$ 214,246	\$ 619,015	\$ 2,650	\$ 835,911

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

(5) General Long-Term Debt

A. Debt Outstanding

\$460,000 general obligation bonds dated April 1, 1998 due in annual installments of \$10,000 to \$45,000 through April 1, 2013; interest at 4.2% to 5.2% (this issue secured by levy and collection of ad valorem taxes) \$ 235,000

\$81,662 note payable dated December 9, 2005 due in annual installments of \$19,134 to \$21,734 through December 9, 2009; interest at 4.34% (this issue secured by levy and collection of ad valorem taxes) \$42,564

The following is a summary of the long-term debt transactions during the year:

	2007
Long-term debt payable at January 1, 2007	\$ 327,528
Additions	-
Deductions	<u>(49,964)</u>
Long-term debt payable at December 31, 2007	<u>\$ 277,564</u>

B. Debt Service Requirements to Maturity

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding at December 31, 2007 is as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	55,830	12,570	68,400
2009	56,734	9,925	66,659
2010	40,000	7,200	47,200
2011	40,000	5,250	45,250
2012 - 2013	<u>85,000</u>	<u>4,375</u>	<u>89,375</u>
	<u>\$ 277,564</u>	<u>\$ 39,320</u>	<u>\$ 316,884</u>

ALLEN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3
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Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

(6) Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(7) Reserved/Designated Fund Equity

Reservations or designations of equity show amounts that are not appropriated for expenditure or are legally restricted for specific uses. The purpose for each is indicated by the account title on the face of the balance sheet.

(8) Pending Litigation

There are no lawsuits pending against the District at December 31, 2007.

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Dear Ms. Irwin:

Our firm has submitted a compilation report for the Allen Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 in Grant, Louisiana as of December 31, 2007. During our field work, we were provided with a limited review report that your office submitted dated September 12, 2007. In that report, your office directed the District to improve record keeping for fuel purchases and maintain written minutes and give written public notice of meetings. During our compilation engagement, we performed the following procedures to follow up on the corrective actions implemented by the District to correct the issues mentioned above.

1) Fuel Purchases

- a. Credit cards are no longer used to purchase fuel.
- b. Fuel purchase are made with a local vendor and paid monthly. Invoices incurred during the month are matched to the monthly statement.
- c. Specific information related to the purchase include date, time purchased, number of gallons purchased, dollar amount purchased, signature of District personnel purchasing the fuel, license number of the vehicle and mileage of the vehicle.

2) Minutes of Meeting

- a. We examined the minutes for fiscal year 2007, noting date, time and place of meeting, members absent or present and substance of matters discussed. We also examined written public notice of all meetings. All were accounted for.

Ms. Joy Irwin, CPA
Office of the Legislative Auditor
State of Louisiana
June 10, 2008

The District appears to be complying with the directions your office made to them September 12, 2007.

Please let us know if you need more information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Conrad Chapman".

Conrad Chapman, CPA