

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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Required Supplemental Information (Part I)
Management's Discussion and Analysis

Union Parish Police Jury
Farmerville, Louisiana
Management's Discussion and Analysis
December 31, 2008 (Unaudited)

As management of the Union Parish Police Jury, we offer readers of the police jury's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the police jury for the year ended December 31, 2008. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here, in conjunction with the basic financial statements, and the supplementary information provided in this report in assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of our stewardship of public resources.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the police jury's basic financial statements. The police jury's basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. 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 police jury's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the police jury's 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 police jury is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the police jury'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 not taken annual 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 police jury, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the current funds of the police jury are included in one category - 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, governmental fund 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 funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

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The police jury maintains twenty-one individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, the Road Maintenance Fund, the Road Construction Fund, the Sales Tax Landfill Fund, the Detention Center Fund, the Workforce Investment Act Program, and the Farmerville Area Fire District CDBG Fund which all are considered to be major funds. Data from the other fourteen funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining schedules in the other supplemental information section of the report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis. As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The following tables focus on net assets (Table 1) and changes in net assets (Table 2) for the police jury's governmental activities.

Table 1
Net Assets
Governmental Activities

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 10,539,116	\$ 9,393,728
Capital assets (net)	<u>10,462,620</u>	<u>10,502,150</u>
Total assets	<u>21,001,736</u>	<u>19,895,878</u>
Long-term debt	9,574,176	8,618,809
Other liabilities	<u>672,927</u>	<u>928,083</u>
Total liabilities	<u>10,247,103</u>	<u>9,546,892</u>
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	10,462,620	9,472,150
Restricted for landfill closure/post-closure care	1,990,480	966,145
Unrestricted	<u>(1,698,467)</u>	<u>(89,309)</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 10,754,633</u>	<u>\$10,348,986</u>

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Table 2
Changes in Net Assets
Governmental Activities

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 4,001,968	\$3,924,787
Federal grants	1,650,109	1,580,352
State grants and entitlements	656,883	665,841
General revenues:		
Property taxes	2,257,496	1,557,854
Sales taxes	2,417,567	2,179,308
Unrestricted grants and contributions	905,208	828,664
Other general revenues	545,026	641,409
Total revenues	<u>12,434,257</u>	<u>11,378,215</u>
Program expenses		
General government	1,256,481	1,244,287
Public safety	3,413,156	3,245,775
Public works	5,297,883	4,450,689
Health and welfare	1,550,460	1,667,602
Culture and recreation	301,284	308,843
Economic development and assistance	77,067	20,989
Transportation	81,232	67,919
Interest expense	51,047	71,822
Total expenses	<u>12,028,610</u>	<u>11,077,926</u>
Increase in net assets	<u>\$ 405,647</u>	<u>\$ 300,289</u>

At the close of the fiscal year, assets of the police jury exceeded liabilities by \$10,754,633. Of those net assets, \$10,462,620 represents the police jury's investment in capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and related debt. Those assets are not available for future spending. The remaining net assets are made up of bank balances, time deposits, and receivables.

Table 3 presents the cost of each of the police jury's major functions as well as the net cost for each function (total cost less revenues generated by those functions). The net cost shows the financial burden placed on the parish's taxpayers for each of those functions.

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Table 3
Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
General government	\$ 1,256,481	\$ 1,244,287	\$ 1,183,300	\$ 1,206,858
Public safety	3,413,156	3,245,775	282,780	273,717
Public works	5,297,883	4,450,689	3,640,213	2,854,455
Health and welfare	1,550,460	1,667,602	236,157	276,104
Culture and recreation	301,284	308,843	241,939	235,300
Economic development and assistance	77,067	20,989	77,067	20,989
Transportation	81,232	67,919	7,147	(32,299)
Interest expense	51,047	71,822	51,047	71,822
Totals	<u>\$ 12,028,610</u>	<u>\$ 11,077,926</u>	<u>\$ 5,719,650</u>	<u>\$ 4,906,946</u>

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds. The police jury 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 revenue, expenditures, and balances of expendable resources. This information is used in assessing the financing requirements of the police jury. Unreserved fund balances 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, 2008, combined governmental fund balances of \$9,866,189 showed an increase of \$1,400,545 over December 31, 2007. The General Fund's balance of \$1,630,560 is slightly higher than the 2007 balance of \$1,474,540. Additionally, the Road Maintenance and Sales Tax Landfill funds showed increases of \$117,224 and \$1,563,094, respectively. This indicates that the police jury effectively stayed within these major funds' budgets and also stayed within the current year's revenues.

Budgetary Highlights

Differences between the bottom line of the original budgets and the final budgets were relatively small. Actual numbers for Sales Taxes, Severance Taxes, Use of Money and Property were higher than expected, along with Federal Grants. Expenditures were somewhat higher in areas such as Public Safety and Other General Government.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The police jury's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2008, amounts to \$10,462,620 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment includes land, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, vehicles, public works equipment and fire, water and sewer system improvements. During the year, the police jury purchased assets totaling \$730,826 and disposed of library materials totaling \$61,293.

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Long-Term Debt. At the end of the year, police jury had total long-term debt of \$9,574,176, which consisted of accrued and unused employee annual leave, certificates of indebtedness, and landfill closure/post closure care. This represents a net increase of \$955,367, over the previous year and is due, in large part, to increased costs associated with landfill closure/post closure care.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets

The police jury's financial plan for this upcoming year is well underway since the adoption of a realistic budget that meets the needs of the parish while protecting the long-term financial stability of the parish.

The 2009 General Fund and the Sales Tax Landfill Fund are projected to have positive balances even though we expect to expend more than our revenues. Our surplus balances will cover the year 2009 budgeted expenditures. The increase in the General Fund expenditures is due, in part, to the increasing costs of insurance, utilities, judicial expenses and public safety expenses. The increase in the Sales Tax Landfill Fund is due, in part, to the increasing cost of fuel and the maintenance and/or replacement of major operational items which will aid in assuring the fiscal security of the Union Parish Police Jury.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to be a summary of the Union Parish Police Jury's finances. If there are any questions regarding any information, a request can be made in writing to the Union Parish Police Jury, at P.O. Box 723, Farmerville, Louisiana 71241. Our telephone number is (318) 368-3296.



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Independent Auditor's Report

Union Parish Police Jury
Farmerville, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Union Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the police jury's primary government financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Union Parish Police Jury's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

The financial statements referred to above include only the primary government of Union Parish, Louisiana, which consists of all funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that comprise the police jury's legal entity. The financial statements do not include financial data for the police jury's legally separate component units, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial data of the parish's primary government. As a result, the primary government financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the reporting entity of Union Parish, Louisiana, as of December 31, 2008, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for the primary government of Union Parish, Louisiana, as of December 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Management's discussion and analysis on pages 1 through 5 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Union Parish Police Jury's basic financial statements. The budgetary comparison schedules on pages 31 through 35, which are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board; the combining non-major fund financial statements; the schedule of compensation paid police jurors; and the summary schedule of prior audit findings listed in the table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U. S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of Union Parish Police Jury. The supplemental information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 29, 2009, on our consideration of Union Parish Police Jury's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

HULSEY, HARWOOD & CO., CPAs
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June 29, 2009

Basic Financial Statements

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008**

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,790,264
Investments	4,692,825
Receivables	3,056,027
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	10,462,620
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$21,001,736</u></u>
 LIABILITIES	
Cash overdraft	\$ 9,711
Accounts, salaries and other payables	641,022
Deposits due others	8,000
Deferred revenues	14,194
Compensated absences	185,619
Certificates of indebtedness due within one year	305,000
Certificates of indebtedness due in more than one year	323,000
Landfill closure/postclosure care	8,760,557
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$10,247,103</u></u>
 NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets	\$10,462,620
Restricted for landfill closure/postclosure care	1,990,480
Unrestricted	(1,698,467)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u><u>\$10,754,633</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

FUNCTIONS - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	EXPENSES	PROGRAM REVENUES			NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
		CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	
General government	\$ 1,256,481	\$ 34,771	\$ 38,410	\$ -	\$ (1,183,300)
Public safety	3,413,156	2,768,791	273,129	88,456	(282,780)
Public works	5,297,883	1,190,957	466,713	-	(3,640,213)
Health and welfare	1,550,460	-	1,314,303	-	(236,157)
Culture and recreation	301,284	7,449	51,896	-	(241,939)
Economic development and assistance	77,067	-	-	-	(77,067)
Transportation	81,232	-	26,296	47,789	(7,147)
Interest expense	51,047	-	-	-	(51,047)
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 12,028,610</u>	<u>\$ 4,001,968</u>	<u>\$ 2,170,747</u>	<u>\$ 136,245</u>	<u>(5,719,650)</u>
General revenues.					
Property taxes levied for:					
General purposes					501,242
Public works					1,289,075
Health and welfare					192,846
Culture and recreation					274,333
Sales and use taxes levied for public works					2,417,567
Other taxes, penalties and interest					63,610
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					905,208
Licenses and permits					96,791
Unrestricted investment earnings					174,148
Other					210,477
Total general revenues					<u>6,125,297</u>
Change in net assets					405,647
Net assets at beginning of year					10,348,986
Net assets at end of year					<u>\$ 10,754,633</u>

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GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

ASSETS	GENERAL	ROAD		SALES TAX LANDFILL	DETECTION CENTER	FARMERVILLE AREA FIRE DISTRICT	OTHER		TOTAL
		MAINTENANCE	CONSTRUCTION				GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 619,146	\$ 36,907	\$ 18,742	\$ 1,503,102	\$ 121,869	\$ -	\$ 490,498	\$ 2,790,264	
Investments	494,866	151,042	288,492	2,778,326	37,663	-	942,436	4,692,825	
Receivables	655,570	743,985	626,792	222,208	200,085	73,056	534,331	3,056,027	
Total assets	\$ 1,769,582	\$ 931,934	\$ 934,026	\$ 4,503,636	\$ 359,617	\$ 73,056	\$ 1,967,265	\$ 10,539,116	
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY									
Liabilities:									
Cash overdraft	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,711	\$ 9,711	
Accounts payable	127,133	69,298	23,140	31,961	76,962	73,056	93,325	494,875	
Salaries and related payables	11,889	30,304	-	12,816	61,579	-	29,559	146,147	
Deposits due others	-	8,000	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	
Deferred revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,194	14,194	
Total liabilities	\$ 139,022	\$ 107,602	\$ 23,140	\$ 44,777	\$ 138,541	\$ 73,056	\$ 146,789	\$ 672,927	
Fund equity - fund balances:									
Unreserved - undesignated	1,630,560	824,332	910,886	2,468,379	221,076	-	1,820,476	7,875,709	
Reserved for financial assurance	-	-	-	1,990,480	-	-	-	1,990,480	
Total fund equity - fund balances	\$ 1,630,560	\$ 824,332	\$ 910,886	\$ 4,458,859	\$ 221,076	\$ -	\$ 1,820,476	\$ 9,866,189	
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 1,769,582	\$ 931,934	\$ 934,026	\$ 4,503,636	\$ 359,617	\$ 73,056	\$ 1,967,265	\$ 10,539,116	

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**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE
SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Total fund balances - governmental funds \$ 9,866,189

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of
net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources 10,462,620

Some liabilities, such as landfill closure/postclosure care, compensated
absences, and certificates of indebtedness are not due and payable in the current
period and are therefore not reported in the funds

(9,574,176)

Net assets of governmental activities

\$ 10,754,633

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Public safety	232,334	-	-	-	-	-	-	577,516	3,145,914
Public works	-	1,406,604	694,757	908,238	-	2,336,064	-	799,559	3,809,158
Health and welfare	99,289	-	-	-	-	-	956,552	468,582	1,524,423
Culture and recreation	14,284	-	-	-	-	-	-	227,540	241,824
Economic development and assistance	74,311	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	74,311
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,736	22,736
Debt service	-	-	-	119,250	-	-	-	333,798	453,048
Capital outlay	22,630	-	-	-	-	26,050	-	589,690	730,826
Total expenditures	<u>1,475,466</u>	<u>1,406,604</u>	<u>694,757</u>	<u>1,027,488</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,362,114</u>	<u>956,552</u>	<u>3,222,883</u>	<u>11,238,320</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	281,116	17,224	(38,507)	2,627,796	-	(80,564)	-	(1,402,520)	1,400,545
Other sources (uses):									
Operating transfers in	314,702	100,000	-	-	-	-	-	1,089,798	1,504,500
Operating transfers out	(439,798)	-	-	(1,064,702)	-	-	-	-	(1,504,500)
Total other sources (uses)	<u>(125,096)</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,064,702)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,089,798</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	156,020	117,224	(38,507)	1,563,094	-	(80,564)	-	(312,722)	1,400,545
Fund balances at beginning of year, restated	1,474,540	707,108	949,393	2,895,765	-	301,640	-	2,133,198	8,465,644
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 1,630,560</u>	<u>\$ 824,332</u>	<u>\$ 910,886</u>	<u>\$ 4,458,859</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 221,076</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,820,476</u>	<u>\$ 9,866,189</u>

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**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 1,400,545
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation (\$770,356) exceeded capital outlays (\$730,826) in the current period.	(39,530)
Governmental funds report the retirement of long-term debt as an expenditure. However, in the government-wide financial statements, that amount representing principal on long-term debt is not treated as an expense but is instead applied against outstanding long-term debt on the Statement of Net Assets.	402,000
Governmental funds do not report increases in the landfill closure/postclosure care liability as a current expenditure because it does not require the use of current financial resources. However, in the statement of activities, such expenses are recognized as they accumulate.	(1,325,062)
Some items reported in the statement of activities, such as a net decrease or increase in compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources, nor do they provide any, and therefore are not reported as expenditures or revenues in the governmental funds.	(32,306)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$ 405,647</u>

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**FIDUCIARY FUND - INMATE BANKING AGENCY FUND
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008**

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 66,763</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 66,763</u></u>

LIABILITIES

Deposits due others	\$43,000
Due to others	11,968
Inmate balances	<u>11,795</u>
Total liabilities	<u><u>\$ 66,763</u></u>

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**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Introduction

Union Parish Police Jury is the parish governing authority governed by an elected board referred to as the "police jury" (similar to county boards in other states) and is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. The police jury is governed by nine police jurors representing the various districts within the parish. The jurors are elected by the voters of their respective districts and serve four-year terms. The current terms of jurors expire in January 2012. Jurors receive compensation for their service on the police jury as provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1233.

Union Parish, established by Act 12 of the Louisiana Legislature in 1839, is located in the north central part of the state and occupies 878 square miles of land with a population of 20,690 residents, based on the last census. State law gives the police jury various powers and functions in regulating and directing the affairs of the parish and its inhabitants. The more notable of those are the power to make regulations for their own government; to construct and maintain roads and bridges, drainage systems, sewerage systems, water works systems, parish prisons, health units, and hospitals; to manage solid waste disposal; to provide for fire protection, recreation, and parks, road lighting and marking, and the health and welfare of the poor, disadvantaged, and unemployed; to promote economic development and tourism; and to regulate the sale of alcoholic beverages in the parish. The police jury also houses and maintains the Courts and the offices of the Assessor, Clerk of Court, Registrar of Voters, District Attorney and the Sheriff. Funding to accomplish these tasks is provided by ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, beer and alcoholic beverage permits, parish licenses, state revenue sharing, severance taxes and various other state and federal grants.

In accomplishing its objectives, the police jury employs approximately 134 employees (7 in the central office, 4 in the courthouse, 2 in the 911 office, 5 in the library, 1 at the health unit, 1 in emergency preparedness, 60 at the detention center and 54 in public works). In addition to maintaining drainage and bridges in the parish, the police jury currently maintains 1,016 miles of parish roads.

The police jury also has the authority to create special districts (component units) within the parish to help in fulfilling its functions. The districts perform specialized functions, such as fire protection, water distribution, sewerage collection and disposal, drainage control, library facilities, and health care facilities.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*. The accompanying financial statements and notes thereto are presented in accordance with Statement No. 34.

GASB Statement No. 14, *The Reporting Entity*, established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. Under provisions of this Statement, the jury is considered a primary government, since it is a special purpose government that has a separately elected governing body, is legally separate, and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. As used in GASB Statement No. 14, fiscally independent means that the police jury may, without the approval or consent of another governmental entity, determine or modify its own budget, levy its own taxes or set rates or charges, and issue bonded debt. In accordance with GASB Statement 14, the reporting entity for Union Parish consist 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.

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GASB Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of Union Parish Police Jury 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. These criteria include:

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
 - 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's financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Based on the previous criteria, the police jury has determined that the following component units are part of the Union Parish reporting entity:

Component Units:	<u>Fiscal Year End</u>	<u>Criteria Used</u>
Union Parish:		
Tax Assessor	December 31	2 & 3
Sheriff	June 30	2 & 3
Clerk of Court	December 31	2 & 3
Communications District	December 31	1 & 3
Tourist Commission	December 31	1 & 3
Library	December 31	2 & 3
Third Judicial District Criminal Court (Union Parish)	December 31	2 & 3
Waterworks District No. 1	December 31	1 & 3
Rocky Branch Waterworks District	December 31	1 & 3
Tri-Ward Hospital Service District	December 31	1 & 3
East Union Hospital Service District	March 31	1 & 3
West Sterlington Sewer District	December 31	1 & 3
Rocky Branch-Crossroads Fire Protection District	December 31	1 & 3
Ward 5 Fire Protection District	December 31	1 & 3
North Union Fire Protection District	December 31	1 & 3
Spencer-West Sterlington Fire Protection District	December 31	1 & 3
Northeast Union Fire Protection District	December 31	1 & 3

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Considered in the determination of component units of the reporting entity was the Union Parish School Board, the District Attorney for the Third Judicial District, the Third Judicial District Court, and the various municipalities in the parish. It was determined that these governmental entities are not component units of Union Parish reporting entity because they have separately elected governing bodies, are legally separate, and are fiscally independent of Union Parish Police Jury.

GASB Statement 14 provides for the issuance of primary government financial statements that are separate from those of the reporting entity. However, the primary government's (police jury's) financial statements are not a substitute for the reporting entity's financial statements. The accompanying primary government financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units.

The police jury has chosen to issue financial statements of the primary government (police jury) only; therefore, none of the previously listed component units, except as discussed in the following paragraph, are included in the accompanying primary government financial statements. These financial statements are not intended to and do not report on the Union Parish reporting entity but rather are intended to reflect only the financial statements of the primary government (police jury).

The primary government financial statements include all funds, account groups, and organizations for which the police jury maintains the accounting records. The organizations for which the police jury maintains the accounting records are considered part of the primary government (police jury) and include the Union Parish Library, the Union Parish Detention Center, and the Third Judicial District Criminal Court.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Government-wide and fund financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and, where applicable, proprietary and fiduciary funds, even though fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and, where applicable, major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements, where applicable. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

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 generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, state revenue sharing, and federal and state grants are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the police jury.

The police jury's current year financial statements include the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the police jury's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Road Maintenance Fund accounts for the maintenance of the parish highways, roads, bridges, and drainage systems. Financing is provided by the State of Louisiana Parish Transportation Fund, sales and use taxes, a specific parishwide ad valorem tax, state revenue sharing funds, and interest earnings.

The Road Construction Fund accounts for major upgrades and repairs of parish highways, streets, and bridges. Financing is provided by state revenue sharing, interest earnings, and a specific parishwide ad valorem tax.

The Sales Tax Landfill Fund accounts for operation of the Union Parish Sanitary Landfill. Financing is provided by a parishwide sales tax, dumping fees, and interest earned on deposits. In accordance with the tax proposition, excess taxes not required for operation of the landfill are transferred to other funds for road construction and maintenance, solid waste collection, and the retirement of long-term debt associated with operation of the landfill.

The Detention Center Commission Fund accounts for the cost of housing prisoners convicted of state and federal offenses at the parish prison. Financing is provided by fees charged the state and federal governments and transfers from the General Fund.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued)

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Fund accounts for grants from the United States Department of Labor through the Louisiana Department of Labor. Grants flow through the police jury, the grant recipient, to Union Community Action Agency, which administers the program under contract with the police jury. The program provides job training and related assistance to economically disadvantaged individuals. The ultimate goal of the program is to move trainees into permanent, self-sustaining employment. The program is reported on a June 30 year end which corresponds with the year end of Union Community Action Agency.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The police jury has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule the effect of inter-fund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the police jury's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Deposits and investments

The police jury's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State law allows the police jury to invest in collateralized certificates of deposits, government backed securities, commercial paper, the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (a state sponsored investment pool), and mutual funds consisting solely of government backed securities. Currently, all investments of the police jury consist of deposits in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool. Investments for the police jury are reported at fair value.

Receivables and payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of inter-fund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of inter-fund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

All property tax receivables are shown net of uncollectible accounts. 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 15th. 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. The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes:

	<u>Authorized Millage</u>	<u>Levied Millage</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
Parishwide taxes:			
General	4.00	2.79	Indefinite
Road Maintenance	6.15	6.15	2016
Road Construction	5.13	5.13	2016
Library	2.40	2.40	2016
Health Unit	1.57	1.70	2014
Council on Aging	1.50	1.63	2012

The difference between authorized and levied millage is the result of reassessments of taxable property within the parish as required by Article 7, Section 18 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974. The following are the principal taxpayers for the parish and their 2008 assessed valuation (amounts expressed in thousands):

	<u>2008 Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Percent of Total Assessed Valuation</u>
Enervest Operating Co.	\$ 5,982	4.03%
Pilgrim's Pride Corp. (Assessment one)	5,327	3.59%
Centerpoint Energy Gas Trans.	4,298	2.90%
Pilgrim's Pride Corp. (Assessment two)	3,954	2.67%
Entergy Louisiana Inc.	3,191	2.15%
Claiborne Electric Coop.	2,454	1.65%
Trans-Union Interstate Pipeline	2,219	1.50%
Axiom Tep, LLC	1,974	1.33%
BellSouth	1,497	1.01%
Community Trust Bank	1,375	0.93%
Total	<u>\$ 32,271</u>	<u>21.76%</u>

Union Parish has a one percent sales and use tax, which was passed by the voters on April 30, 1983, for an indefinite period. The net proceeds of the tax (after necessary costs of collection) are used: (1) to construct, acquire, improve, maintain, and operate solid waste collection and disposal facilities; (2) to construct, improve, and maintain streets, roads, and bridges; and (3) to fund the retirement of bonds issued to construct any of the above capital facilities. The Union Parish School Board serves as the sales tax collection agency for the parish. The school board's tax department provides collection services for a fee of one percent of amounts actually collected.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)
Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)**

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, etc., are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost.

Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The police jury maintains a threshold level of \$5,000 or more for capitalizing assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend their useful lives are not capitalized.

All capital assets, other than land and construction in progress, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Land improvements	20 - 30 Years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 40 Years
Fire, sewer and water systems improvements	20 - 30 Years
Public works equipment	5 - 15 Years
Vehicles	3 - 7 Years
Office furniture and equipment	5 - 10 Years
Library materials	5 Years

Compensated Absences

The following policies relating to vacation and sick leave are currently in effect:

Full-time employees of the Union Parish Library earn from 10 to 20 days of annual leave each year, depending upon their classification and length of service. After ten years of continuous service, employees receive an additional two days of annual leave each year. Annual leave cannot be carried forward to succeeding years. Full-time employees earn 12 days of sick leave each year while employees working between 20 and 40 hours per week earn sick leave on a pro rata basis. Sick leave may be accumulated without limitation. Upon reaching retirement, an employee has the option of being paid for accumulated leave up to 100 hours at his or her current rate of pay or having it applied toward the retirement benefit calculation.

Employees of the district attorney's office paid from the Criminal Court Special Revenue Fund earn 12 days of annual leave and 12 days of sick leave per year. Leave cannot be accumulated and carried forward to succeeding years. There is no formal leave policy for employees of the district judge's office paid from the Criminal Court Fund.

All full-time employees of the police jury earn annual leave at rates varying from 10 to 18 days per year, depending upon their length of service. All permanent part-time employees earn annual leave on a pro rata basis. Upon voluntary resignation, retirement, or death, accumulated annual leave of up to 300 hours is paid at the employee's current rate of pay. In addition, all full-time employees earn 12 days of sick leave each year and all permanent part-time employees earn sick leave on a pro rata basis. Sick leave may be accumulated to an unlimited number of days. Employees have the option, upon retirement, of being paid for sick leave up to 100 hours or applying sick leave to retirement.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)
Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)
Compensated Absences (Continued)

The entire compensated absence liability, determined in accordance with the provisions of GASB Codification Section C60, is reported on the government-wide financial statements. For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount that is normally expected to be paid using expendable available financial resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported in the governmental funds.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term obligations, such as certificates of indebtedness and compensated absences are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities. In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize long-term obligations only to the extent that they will be paid with current resources.

Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events within the control of the police jury, which are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence.

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.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the police jury's deposits may not be returned to it. The police jury's policy to ensure that there is no exposure to this risk is to require each financial institution to pledge its own securities to cover any amount in excess of Federal Depository Insurance Coverage. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the Police Jury that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Accordingly, the Police Jury had no custodial credit risk related to its deposits at December 31, 2008.

Under state law, the police jury 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 principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 2008, the police jury has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$2,857,027, (including cash in the inmate banking agency fund) as follows:

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

Demand deposits	\$2,856,427
Petty cash	600
Total	<u>\$2,857,027</u>

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. These securities 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 and cash equivalents (bank balances) at December 31, 2008, are \$4,029,988. As of December 31, 2008, \$250,000 of the police jury's deposits was secured by federal deposit insurance, leaving \$3,779,988 exposed to custodial credit risk. Those deposits were collateralized with \$4,273,606 in securities owned by the fiscal agent banks, and held by a third party bank in the fiscal agent bank's name.

NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS

Investments held at December 31, 2008, consist of \$4,692,825 in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP), a local government investment pool. In accordance with GASB Codification Section 150.126, the investment in LAMP at December 31, 2008, is not categorized in the three risk categories provided by GASB Codification Section 150.125 because the investment is in a pool of funds and therefore not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LSA - R.S. 33:2955.

Effective August 1, 2001, LAMP's investment guidelines were amended to permit the investment in government only money market funds. In its 2001 Regular Session, the Louisiana Legislature (Senate Bill No. 512, Act 701) enacted LSA - R.S. 33:2955(A)(1)(h) which allows all municipalities, parishes, school boards, and any other political subdivisions of the State to invest in "investment grade (A-1/P-1) commercial paper of domestic United States corporations." Effective October 1, 2001, LAMP's Investment Guidelines were amended to allow the limited investment in A-1 or A-1+ commercial paper.

The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based on quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

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NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES

The receivables of \$3,056,027 at December 31, 2008, are as follows:

	Taxes	Due From Other Governments		Fines and Forfeitures	Accounts and Other	Total
		Federal	State			
General	\$ 626,648	\$ -	\$ 27,716	\$ -	\$ 1,206	\$ 655,570
Road Maintenance	704,879	-	38,854	-	252	743,985
Road Construction	587,970	-	38,822	-	-	626,792
Sales Tax Landfill	222,208	-	-	-	-	222,208
Detention Center	-	-	-	-	200,085	200,085
Farmerville Area Fire District	-	73,056	-	-	-	73,056
Other governmental	469,926	-	43,202	9,574	11,629	534,331
Total	<u>\$ 2,611,631</u>	<u>\$ 73,056</u>	<u>\$ 148,594</u>	<u>\$ 9,574</u>	<u>\$ 213,172</u>	<u>\$ 3,056,027</u>

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfers during the year ended December 31, 2008, were as follows:

	Transfers out		
	General	Sales Tax	Total
Transfers in General Fund	\$ -	\$ 314,702	\$ 314,702
Road Maintenance Fund	100,000	-	100,000
Nonmajor Funds	339,798	750,000	1,089,798
Total	<u>\$ 439,798</u>	<u>\$ 1,064,702</u>	<u>\$ 1,504,500</u>

Transfers from the General Fund to other funds were operating transfers. Transfers to the General Fund were unrestricted dumping fees. Transfers from the Sales Tax Landfill Fund to the Solid Waste Collection Fund were surplus sales taxes, as provided by the tax proposition.

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NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, is as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 729,655	\$ 34,146	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 763,801
Construction in Progress	-	12,967	-	-	12,967
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>729,655</u>	<u>47,113</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>776,768</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Land improvements	1,741,859	-	-	-	1,741,859
Buildings and improvements	7,612,311	473,771	30,100	-	8,116,182
Other improvements	-	14,886	-	-	14,886
Fire, sewer and water system improvements	1,885,608	88,456	-	-	1,974,064
Public works equipment	4,809,595	-	-	-	4,809,595
Vehicles	2,089,729	-	-	-	2,089,729
Office furniture and equipment	592,915	22,630	-	-	615,545
Library:					
Building and improvements	207,524	19,778	-	-	227,302
Vehicle	87,285	-	-	-	87,285
Office furniture and equipment	124,378	-	-	-	124,378
Books and videos	748,174	34,092	-	(61,293)	720,973
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>19,899,378</u>	<u>653,613</u>	<u>30,100</u>	<u>(61,293)</u>	<u>20,521,798</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Land improvements	(247,010)	(58,062)	-	-	(305,072)
Buildings and improvements	(2,848,529)	(182,319)	-	-	(3,030,848)
Other improvements	-	(434)	-	-	(434)
Fire, sewer and water system improvements	(463,717)	(97,610)	-	-	(561,327)
Public works equipment	(3,315,523)	(292,189)	-	-	(3,607,712)
Vehicles	(1,666,492)	(62,198)	-	-	(1,728,690)
Office furniture and equipment	(570,119)	(19,640)	-	-	(589,759)
Library:					
Building and improvements	(154,024)	(7,466)	-	-	(161,490)
Vehicle	(87,285)	-	-	-	(87,285)
Office furniture and equipment	(90,841)	(10,257)	-	-	(101,098)
Books and videos	(683,343)	(40,181)	-	61,293	(662,231)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(10,126,883)</u>	<u>(770,356)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61,293</u>	<u>(10,835,946)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>9,772,495</u>	<u>(116,743)</u>	<u>30,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,685,852</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 10,502,150</u>	<u>\$ (69,630)</u>	<u>\$ 30,100</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,462,620</u>

Buildings and improvements were adjusted to include \$30,100 of engineering fees related to the visitors' center at the Union Parish Detention Center.

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NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Depreciation expense for the year was charged to the following governmental functions:

	<u>Amount</u>
General government	\$ 16,609
Public safety	253,868
Public works	354,641
Health and welfare	26,082
Culture and recreation	57,904
Economic development and assistance	2,756
Transportation	58,496
	<u>\$ 770,356</u>

NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of long-term obligation transactions for the year ended December 31, 2008:

	<u>Certificates of Indebtedness</u>	<u>Compensated Absences</u>	<u>Landfill Closure/Post Closure Care</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 1,030,000	\$ 153,313	\$ 7,435,496	\$ 8,618,809
Additions	-	179,893	1,325,061	1,504,954
Deductions	(402,000)	(130,410)	-	(532,410)
Adjustments	-	(17,177)	-	(17,177)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 628,000</u>	<u>\$ 185,619</u>	<u>\$ 8,760,557</u>	<u>\$ 9,574,176</u>

As discussed in Note 1, upon separation from service, employees are paid for accumulated leave at their then current rate of pay. Adjustments to the compensated absence liability include adjusting the ending liability to ending pay rates and to limitations on the hours for which an employee will be paid.

Outstanding certificates of indebtedness consist of the following individual issues:

Certificates of Indebtedness - \$2,500,000 issued March 15 and July 17, 2000, for construction of an addition to the Union Parish Detention Center, principal due in annual installments of \$287,000 to \$323,000 through March 1, 2010, interest at 6% per annum, payments made from Detention Center Debt Service Fund.

\$ 628,000

The annual requirements to amortize all certificates of indebtedness outstanding at December 31, 2008, are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2009	\$ 305,000	\$ 28,530	\$ 333,530
2010	323,000	9,690	332,690
	<u>\$ 628,000</u>	<u>\$ 38,220</u>	<u>\$ 666,220</u>

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NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Substantially all employees of the Union Parish Police Jury are members of the Parochial Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (System), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate board of trustees. The System is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. All employees of the police jury are members of Plan A.

All permanent employees working at least twenty-eight hours per week who are paid wholly or in part from parish funds and all elected parish officials are eligible to participate in the System. Under Plan A, employees who retire at or after age 60 with at least 10 years of creditable service, at or after age 55 with at least 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with at least 30 years of creditable service are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final average salary for each year of creditable service. However, for those employees who were members of the supplemental plan only before January 1, 1980, the benefit is equal to one percent of final average salary plus \$24 for each year of supplemental-plan-only service earned before January 1, 1980, plus 3 percent of final-average salary for each salary for each year of service credited after the revision date. Final average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. Employees who terminate with at least the amount of creditable service stated above, and do not withdraw their employee contributions, may retire at the ages specified above and receive the benefits accrued to their date of termination. The system also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, Post Office Box 14619, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-4619, or by calling (504) 928-1361.

Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.50 percent of their annual covered salary and the Union Parish Police Jury is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 12.75 percent of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the system also include one-fourth of one percent (except Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes) of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. These tax dollars are divided between Plan A and Plan B based proportionately on the salaries of the active members of each plan. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Union Parish Police Jury are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The Union Parish Police Jury's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were \$277,899, \$287,053, and \$279,311, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

NOTE 9 - POST RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The Union Parish Police Jury provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. Substantially all of the police jury's employees become eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the police jury. These benefits for retirees and similar benefits for active employees are provided through an insurance company whose monthly premiums are paid jointly by the employee and by the police jury. The police jury recognizes the cost of providing these benefits (police jury's portion of premiums) as an expenditure when paid during the year, which was \$403,828, for 2008. Of that amount, \$27,439 was for retiree benefits.

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NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The police jury is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; liability; and injuries to employees or others. To handle such risk of loss, the police jury maintains commercial insurance policies covering automobile liability and medical payments, workers compensation, general liability, and surety bond coverage on the secretary/treasurer and other employees handling money. No claims were paid on any of the policies during the past three years which exceeded the policies' coverage amounts.

NOTE 11 - LITIGATION

At December 31, 2008, the police jury is not involved in any litigation.

NOTE 12 - WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT PROGRAM

The Union Parish Police Jury participates in the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program funded through the Louisiana Department of Labor by the United States Department of Labor. The jury is a member of the 82nd Planning District which is comprised of 3 parishes. The members of the 82nd Planning District, consisting of the Parishes of Union, Morehouse, and West Carroll and the 82nd Planning District Service Delivery Area (SDA) Private Industry Council, entered into an agreement. This agreement designated the president of the Morehouse Parish Police Jury as the chief elected official of the SDA and the Union Parish Police Jury as the WIA grant recipient. This agreement names Union Community Action Association, Inc. as the administrative entity. The SDA is comprised of three elements:

1. *Private Industry Council (PIC) - consists of 17 members representing a cross-section of the SDA population. The PIC is responsible for providing guidance for program development and for monitoring the operations of the administrative entity.*
2. *Designated Chief Elected Official - a police jury president elected by his peers from the Seventh Planning District. His responsibilities are the same as the PIC.*
3. *Administrative Entity - the organization selected by the PIC to administer the program. All actions by the administrative entity must be approved by the PIC and the designated chief elected official.*

The designated chief elected official notified the Assistant Secretary of Labor, State of Louisiana that the Union Community Action Association, Inc. was designated as the administrative entity for the SDA and that all funds and copies of correspondence should be sent to the Union Community Action Association, Inc. This notification also stated that all bookkeeping and program documents would be maintained by the Union Community Action Association, Inc. Further, the Union Parish Police Jury appointed Charles H. Kelley or his successor as the contracting officer for the WIA program to act on behalf of the police jury.

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NOTE 13 - LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE CARE COSTS

State and federal laws and regulations require the police jury to place a final cover on its landfill when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. Although final closure and post-closure care costs will be paid only near or after the date that the landfill stops accepting waste, the police jury reports a portion of those closure and post-closure care costs in long-term debt on the Statement of Net Assets, based on cumulative landfill capacity used as of December 31 of each year.

The \$8,760,557, reported as landfill closure and post-closure care liability at December 31, 2008, represents 85 percent of the estimated capacity of the currently active cells. Of that amount, \$1,325,061 is attributable to operations of the current year. The police jury will recognize the remaining estimated cost of closure and post-closure care of \$1,603,366 as the remaining capacity is filled. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and post-closure care in 2008. The police jury expects to close the landfill in 2013. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

In its landfill permit, the police jury agreed to restrict \$1 for each ton of Type II waste received into the landfill for post-closure care costs. At December 31, 2008, there is approximately 977,217 tons of Type II waste in the landfill. As shown on the statement of net assets, the police jury has restricted \$1,990,480 at December 31, 2008, for landfill post-closure care costs. The estimated closure and post-closure care costs were established in 1995 when the police jury received its operating permit. At that time it was required to provide the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality with a financial assurance plan. The purpose of the plan is to demonstrate that the police jury will have the financial resources to properly close the landfill at its completion and also establish and maintain ground water monitoring activities for a period of thirty years. The initial closure and post-closure care costs were established in 1995 and have been adjusted annually based on the United States Department of Commerce's Producer Price Index. Further, the methodology for depositing waste into the landfill has changed to allow for more deposits than originally planned on the same area of ground.

During 2007, the police jury negotiated a line of credit with a local bank in the amount of \$4,039,000 to provide additional financial assurance. The letter of credit was submitted to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and the Louisiana State Bond Commission for approval during 2007 and was executed on May 15, 2008. The letter of credit is automatically extended for a period of at least one year on May 15 of each year thereafter, unless, at least 120 days before the expiration date, the bank notifies the police jury that an extension is not granted.

NOTE 14 - EMERGENCY 911 WIRELESS SERVICE

Louisiana Revised Statutes (LRS) 33:9109-9131 provides for the accessibility of emergency 911 service for wireless telephone users. The statutes provide that any emergency 911 communications district may levy a service charge, to be collected by the wireless service provider, to finance the costs of implementing such service. LRS 33:9101(D) further provide that parishes, such as Union Parish, with a population between 20,000 and 30,000, and wireless service providers in the district shall complete all necessary enhancements for wireless 911 service within eighteen months of the initial levy of the service charge. Union Parish Communications District started collecting the service charge in March 2000. Wireless service providers were notified by letter dated May 29, 2001, that all action necessary to implement the enhancements should be completed by September 1, 2001. The district was notified by Alltel on February 8, 2002, that cellular site data had been collected and submitted to the third party provider. At December 31, 2008, all work necessary to implement wireless service had been completed.

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NOTE 15 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

Beginning fund balances of the Road Maintenance and Sales Tax Landfill Funds have been adjusted to reverse an interfund transfer recorded in error in 2007. The effects of the adjustment are as follow:

	Beginning Fund Balance as Previously Stated	Adjustment	Beginning Fund Balance Restated
Road Maintenance	\$ 857,108	\$ (150,000)	\$ 707,108
Sales Tax Landfill	2,745,765	150,000	2,895,765
	<u>\$ 3,602,873</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,602,873</u>

NOTE 16 – NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT

In November 2004, GASB issued Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, requiring the accrual of postemployment benefits for retired employees. The Police Jury is required, if applicable, to implement this pronouncement for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009. Management has not yet determined the full impact that adoption of GASB Statement No. 45 will have on the financial statements.

Required Supplemental Information (Part II)

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
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**GENERAL FUND - BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<u>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
	<u>ORIGINAL</u>	<u>FINAL</u>		<u>WITH FINAL BUDGET</u>
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 365,000	\$ 365,000	\$ 501,242	\$136,242
Other taxes, penalties, and interest	21,000	21,000	63,610	42,610
Licenses and permits	61,200	70,700	96,791	26,091
Intergovernmental funds:				
Federal funds	9,500	9,500	7,230	(2,270)
Severance taxes	750,000	900,000	688,683	(211,317)
State revenue sharing	41,633	41,633	42,634	1,001
Fire insurance rebate	60,000	60,000	80,637	20,637
Other state funds	95,000	95,000	73,802	(21,198)
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	18,182	18,182	19,534	1,352
Use of money and property	24,500	114,500	110,068	(4,432)
Other revenues	2,500	2,500	72,351	69,851
Total revenues	<u>1,448,515</u>	<u>1,698,015</u>	<u>1,756,582</u>	<u>58,567</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government:				
Legislative	108,750	108,750	97,194	(11,556)
Judicial	205,948	218,659	219,557	898
Elections	21,545	21,545	24,685	3,140
Finance and administrative	171,275	171,275	184,819	13,544
Other general government	535,150	528,144	506,363	(21,781)
Public safety	384,255	344,255	232,334	(111,921)
Health and welfare	135,352	135,352	99,289	(36,063)
Culture and recreation	20,550	20,550	14,284	(6,266)
Economic development and assistance	23,750	23,750	74,311	50,561
Capital outlay	5,000	5,000	22,630	17,630
Total expenditures	<u>1,611,575</u>	<u>1,577,280</u>	<u>1,475,466</u>	<u>(101,814)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(163,060)</u>	<u>120,735</u>	<u>281,116</u>	<u>160,381</u>
Other sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	234,000	334,000	314,702	(19,298)
Operating transfers out	<u>(341,000)</u>	<u>(440,000)</u>	<u>(439,798)</u>	<u>(202)</u>
Total other sources (uses)	<u>(107,000)</u>	<u>(106,000)</u>	<u>(125,096)</u>	<u>(19,096)</u>
Net change in fund balances	(270,060)	14,735	156,020	141,285
Fund balances at beginning of year	<u>1,237,075</u>	<u>1,474,540</u>	<u>1,474,540</u>	-
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 967,015</u>	<u>\$1,489,275</u>	<u>\$1,630,560</u>	<u>\$141,285</u>

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ROAD MAINTENANCE FUND - BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</u>
	<u>ORIGINAL</u>	<u>FINAL</u>		
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 535,000	\$ 535,000	\$ 705,802	\$170,802
Intergovernmental funds:				
Federal funds	15,000	15,000	9,536	(5,464)
State revenue sharing	55,000	55,000	58,233	3,233
Parish transportation	225,000	225,000	384,329	159,329
Other state funds	-	-	49,923	49,923
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	198,800	198,800	204,608	5,808
Use of money and property	1,800	1,800	3,558	1,758
Other revenues	500	500	7,839	7,339
Total revenues	<u>1,031,100</u>	<u>1,031,100</u>	<u>1,423,828</u>	<u>392,728</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Public works	1,455,146	1,455,146	1,406,604	(48,542)
Capital outlay	22,000	22,000	-	(22,000)
Total expenditures	<u>1,477,146</u>	<u>1,477,146</u>	<u>1,406,604</u>	<u>(70,542)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(446,046)</u>	<u>(446,046)</u>	<u>17,224</u>	<u>463,270</u>
Other sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(346,046)	(346,046)	117,224	463,270
Fund balances at beginning of year, restated	<u>458,452</u>	<u>857,108</u>	<u>707,108</u>	<u>(150,000)</u>
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 112,406</u>	<u>\$ 511,062</u>	<u>\$ 824,332</u>	<u>\$313,270</u>

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**ROAD CONSTRUCTION FUND - BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<u>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</u>		<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET</u>
	<u>ORIGINAL</u>	<u>FINAL</u>		
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 400,000	\$400,000	\$583,273	\$183,273
Intergovernmental funds:				
Federal funds	12,000	12,000	7,950	(4,050)
State revenue sharing	55,000	55,000	58,232	3,232
Use of money and property	10,000	10,000	6,795	(3,205)
Total revenues	<u>477,000</u>	<u>477,000</u>	<u>656,250</u>	<u>179,250</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Public works	550,000	749,200	694,757	(54,443)
Capital outlay	75,000	-	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>625,000</u>	<u>749,200</u>	<u>694,757</u>	<u>(54,443)</u>
Net change in fund balances	(148,000)	(272,200)	(38,507)	233,693
Fund balances at beginning of year	669,883	949,393	949,393	-
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 521,883</u>	<u>\$677,193</u>	<u>\$910,886</u>	<u>\$233,693</u>

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SALES TAX LANDFILL FUND - BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Sales and use	\$1,750,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,417,567	\$ 417,567
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	1,125,025	1,225,025	1,190,957	(34,068)
Use of money and property	35,000	35,000	42,892	7,892
Other revenues	-	-	3,868	3,868
Total revenues	<u>2,910,025</u>	<u>3,260,025</u>	<u>3,655,284</u>	<u>395,259</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Public works	2,323,200	2,323,200	908,238	(1,414,962)
Debt service	119,250	119,250	119,250	-
Capital outlay	350,000	350,000	-	(350,000)
Total expenditures	<u>2,792,450</u>	<u>2,792,450</u>	<u>1,027,488</u>	<u>(1,764,962)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>117,575</u>	<u>467,575</u>	<u>2,627,796</u>	<u>2,160,221</u>
Other sources (uses):				
Operating transfers out	<u>(1,084,000)</u>	<u>(1,084,000)</u>	<u>(1,064,702)</u>	<u>19,298</u>
Net change in fund balances	(966,425)	(616,425)	1,563,094	2,179,519
Fund balances at beginning of year, restated	<u>1,929,035</u>	<u>2,745,765</u>	<u>2,895,765</u>	<u>150,000</u>
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 962,610</u>	<u>\$2,129,340</u>	<u>\$4,458,859</u>	<u>\$2,329,519</u>

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DETENTION CENTER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS		ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET
	ORIGINAL	FINAL		
Revenues:				
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	\$2,300,500	\$2,300,500	\$2,211,855	\$(88,645)
Use of money and property	1,000	1,000	887	(113)
Other revenues	30,100	30,100	68,808	38,708
Total revenues	<u>2,331,600</u>	<u>2,331,600</u>	<u>2,281,550</u>	<u>(50,050)</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Public safety	2,368,350	2,368,350	2,336,064	(32,286)
Capital outlay	2,500	2,500	26,050	23,550
Total expenditures	<u>2,370,850</u>	<u>2,370,850</u>	<u>2,362,114</u>	<u>(8,736)</u>
Net change in fund balances	(39,250)	(39,250)	(80,564)	(41,314)
Fund balances at beginning of year	122,281	301,640	301,640	-
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 83,031</u>	<u>\$ 262,390</u>	<u>\$ 221,076</u>	<u>\$(41,314)</u>

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**NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES FOR MAJOR FUNDS
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Preliminary budgets for the ensuing year are prepared by the secretary/treasurer during October of each year. During November, the finance committee reviews the proposed budgets and makes changes as it deems appropriate. The availability of the proposed budgets for public inspection and the date of the public hearing on the proposed budgets are then advertised in the official journal. During its regular December meeting, the police jury holds a public hearing on the proposed budgets in order to receive comments from residents of the parish. Changes are made to the proposed budgets based on the public hearing and the desires of the police jury as a whole. The budgets are then adopted during the police jury's regular December meeting, and a notice of the adoption is then published in the official journal.

During the year, the finance committee receives monthly budgetary comparison statements which are used as a management tool to control operations of the parish. The secretary/treasurer presents necessary budget amendments to the police jury during the year when, in his judgment, actual operations are differing materially from those anticipated in the original budget. During a regular meeting, the police jury reviews the proposed amendments, makes changes as it deems necessary, and formally adopts the amendments. The adoption of the amendments is included in police jury minutes published in the official journal.

The police jury exercises budgetary control at the functional level. Within functions the secretary/treasurer has the discretion to make changes as he deems necessary for proper control. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year end and must be re-appropriated in the next year's budget to be expended. The police jury does not use encumbrances in its accounting system.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, the police jury adopted modified accrual based budgets for the General Fund and all special revenue funds except the Criminal Court Special Revenue Fund, which is exempt from the requirements of the Local Government Budget Act, and the Workforce Investment Act Special Revenue Fund, which is accounted for on a June 30th fiscal year basis. The budgetary comparison statements included in the accompanying financial statements include the original adopted budgets and all subsequent amendments.

Other Supplemental Schedules

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

ASSETS	CAPITAL PROJECTS		TOTAL
	SPECIAL REVENUE	AIRPORT GRANT	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 484,014	\$6,484	\$ 490,498
Investments	942,436	-	942,436
Receivables	534,331	-	534,331
Total assets	<u>\$1,960,781</u>	<u>\$6,484</u>	<u>\$1,967,265</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Cash overdraft	\$ 9,711	\$ -	\$ 9,711
Accounts payable	93,325	-	93,325
Salaries and related payables	29,559	-	29,559
Deferred revenues	14,194	-	14,194
Total liabilities	<u>146,789</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,789</u>
Fund equity - fund balances:			
Unreserved - undesignated	<u>1,813,992</u>	<u>6,484</u>	<u>1,820,476</u>
Total fund equity - fund balances	<u>1,813,992</u>	<u>6,484</u>	<u>1,820,476</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$1,960,781</u>	<u>\$6,484</u>	<u>\$1,967,265</u>

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**NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	SPECIAL REVENUE	DETENTION CENTER DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS AIRPORT GRANT	TOTAL
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 467,179	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 467,179
Intergovernmental funds:				
Federal funds	532,596	-	47,789	580,385
State revenue sharing	57,426	-	-	57,426
Other state funds	66,384	-	1,808	68,192
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	297,578	-	-	297,578
Fines and forfeitures	145,121	-	-	145,121
Use of money and property	146,871	-	-	146,871
Other revenues	57,611	-	-	57,611
Total revenues	<u>1,770,766</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,597</u>	<u>1,820,363</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government:				
Judicial	195,084	-	-	195,084
Finance and administrative	8,378	-	-	8,378
Public safety	577,516	-	-	577,516
Public works	799,559	-	-	799,559
Health and welfare	468,582	-	-	468,582
Culture and recreation	227,540	-	-	227,540
Transportation	22,736	-	-	22,736
Debt service	-	333,798	-	333,798
Capital outlay	546,577	-	43,113	589,690
Total expenditures	<u>2,845,972</u>	<u>333,798</u>	<u>43,113</u>	<u>3,222,883</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(1,075,206)</u>	<u>(333,798)</u>	<u>6,484</u>	<u>(1,402,520)</u>
Other sources (uses):				
Operating transfers in	756,000	333,798	-	1,089,798
Net change in fund balances	<u>(319,206)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,484</u>	<u>(312,722)</u>
Fund balances at beginning of year	2,133,198	-	-	2,133,198
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$1,813,992</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,484</u>	<u>\$1,820,476</u>

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Non-Major Special Revenue Funds

Solid Waste Collection

The Solid Waste Collection Fund was established to monitor operations and costs associated with the collection of solid waste in the parish separate from those operations and costs associated with the parish landfill discussed above. Financing is provided by transfers from the Sales Tax Fund and interest earnings.

Library Fund

The Library Fund is primarily financed by a 1.96 mill parishwide ad valorem tax and is used to furnish books, periodicals, and other related materials for the citizens of Union Parish. Additional financing is provided by a special state grant.

Health Unit Fund

The Health Unit Fund accounts for the maintenance and operation of the parish health unit. Financing is provided by a specific parishwide ad valorem tax, interest earnings, vending machine commissions, and state revenue sharing.

HUD Section 8 Housing Fund

The HUD Section 8 Housing Fund accounts for the operations of the lower income housing assistance program, which provides aid to very low income families in obtaining decent, safe, and sanitary rental housing. Financing is provided by a federal grant.

Unemployment Fund

The employment fund accounts for the jury's self-insurance program. Funds are provided by transfers from other funds.

Airport Fund

The Airport Fund accounts for the general operating expenditures of the Airport. Financing is provided by transfers from the General Fund and the rental of hangers.

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NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

ASSETS	JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDS	SOLID WASTE COLLEC- TION	LIBRARY	HEALTH UNIT	HUD SECTION 8 HOUSING	UNEMPLOY- MENT	AIRPORT	TOTAL
Cash and cash equivalents	\$158,631	\$25,952	\$ 100	\$223,709	\$74,919	\$ 91	\$ 612	\$ 484,014
Investments	217,302	-	191,918	442,801	-	90,415	-	942,436
Receivables	21,203	-	298,257	209,953	-	-	4,918	534,331
Total assets	<u>\$397,136</u>	<u>\$25,952</u>	<u>\$490,275</u>	<u>\$876,463</u>	<u>\$74,919</u>	<u>\$ 90,506</u>	<u>\$5,530</u>	<u>\$1,960,781</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Liabilities:								
Cash overdraft	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,711	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,711
Accounts payable	59,820	12,750	12,607	7,689	315	-	144	93,325
Salaries and related payables	7,183	19,254	-	1,818	1,304	-	-	29,559
Deferred revenues	-	-	-	-	14,194	-	-	14,194
Total liabilities	<u>67,003</u>	<u>32,004</u>	<u>22,318</u>	<u>9,507</u>	<u>15,813</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>144</u>	<u>146,789</u>
Fund equity - fund balances:								
Unreserved - undesignated	330,133	(6,052)	467,957	866,956	59,106	90,506	5,386	1,813,992
Total fund equity - fund balances	<u>330,133</u>	<u>(6,052)</u>	<u>467,957</u>	<u>866,956</u>	<u>59,106</u>	<u>90,506</u>	<u>5,386</u>	<u>1,813,992</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$397,136</u>	<u>\$25,952</u>	<u>\$490,275</u>	<u>\$876,463</u>	<u>\$74,919</u>	<u>\$ 90,506</u>	<u>\$5,530</u>	<u>\$1,960,781</u>

UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDS	SOLID WASTE COLLEC- TION	LIBRARY	HEALTH UNIT	HUD SECTION 8 HOUSING	UNEMPLOY- MENT	AIRPORT	TOTAL
Revenues:								
Taxes:								
Ad valorem	\$ -	\$ -	\$274,333	\$192,846	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 467,179
Intergovernmental funds:								
Federal funds	168,351	-	3,713	2,781	357,751	-	-	532,596
State revenue sharing	-	-	34,779	22,647	-	-	-	57,426
Other state funds	-	-	41,896	-	-	-	24,488	66,384
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	293,038	-	4,540	-	-	-	-	297,578
Fines and forfeitures	142,212	-	2,909	-	-	-	-	145,121
Use of money and property	129,581	-	4,521	10,430	-	2,339	-	146,871
Other revenues	16,101	-	13,094	-	16,046	-	12,370	57,611
Total revenues	<u>749,283</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>379,785</u>	<u>228,704</u>	<u>373,797</u>	<u>2,339</u>	<u>36,858</u>	<u>1,770,766</u>
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government:								
Judicial	195,084	-	-	-	-	-	-	195,084
Finance and administrative	-	-	-	-	-	8,378	-	8,378
Public safety	577,516	-	-	-	-	-	-	577,516
Public works	-	799,559	-	-	-	-	-	799,559
Health and welfare	-	-	-	76,967	391,615	-	-	468,582
Culture and recreation	-	-	227,540	-	-	-	-	227,540
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,736	22,736
Capital outlay	477,821	-	53,870	-	-	-	14,886	546,577
Total expenditures	<u>1,250,421</u>	<u>799,559</u>	<u>281,410</u>	<u>76,967</u>	<u>391,615</u>	<u>8,378</u>	<u>37,622</u>	<u>2,845,972</u>

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(501,138)</u>	<u>(799,559)</u>	<u>98,375</u>	<u>151,737</u>	<u>(17,818)</u>	<u>(6,039)</u>	<u>(764)</u>	<u>(1,075,206)</u>
Other sources (uses):								
Operating transfers in	-	750,000	-	-	-	-	6,000	756,000
Net change in fund balances	(501,138)	(49,559)	98,375	151,737	(17,818)	(6,039)	5,236	(319,206)
Fund balances at beginning of year	831,271	43,507	369,582	715,219	76,924	96,545	150	2,133,198
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$ 330,133</u>	<u>\$ (6,052)</u>	<u>\$467,957</u>	<u>\$866,956</u>	<u>\$59,106</u>	<u>\$ 90,506</u>	<u>\$5,386</u>	<u>\$1,813,992</u>

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FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES
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**Non-Major Special Revenue -
Judicial and Public Safety Funds**

Judicial Funds

Criminal Court Fund

The Third Judicial District Criminal Court Fund (Union Parish) is established under Section 571.11 of Title 15 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, which provides that fines and forfeitures imposed by the district courts and district attorney conviction fees in criminal cases be transferred to the parish treasurer and deposited into a special account to be used for the expenses of the criminal court of the parish. Expenditures are made from the fund on motion of the district attorney and approval of the district judge. The statute also requires that one-half of the funds (fund balance) remaining in the Criminal Court Fund at December 31 of each year be transferred to the parish General Fund.

Off-duty Officer Witness Fee Fund

The Off-Duty Officer Witness Fee Fund pays law enforcement officers who are required to appear in court as witnesses on their days off. Financing is provided by court costs assessed on cases tried in the district court.

Parish Litter Court

The Litter Court Fund accounts for operations of the parish litter court. Financing is provided by fines and court costs assessed against individuals found guilty by the court.

Public Safety Funds

Communications District Fund

The Communications District Fund accounts for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of the 911 emergency telephone system for Union Parish. Financing is provided by a 5 percent service charge on local telephone service within the parish.

Inmate Welfare Fund

The Inmate Welfare Fund accounts for commissary sales and purchases at the Union Parish Detention Center. Profits from commissary operations are used for the benefit of inmates and are used to provide items which are not necessarily required by law for the commission to provide or are required by law to be made available for inmates but for which an individual inmate has no money to purchase.

Homeland Security Fund

The Homeland Security Fund accounts for grants from the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Louisiana Department of Military Affairs. Grants are used to improve emergency preparedness and reduce the threat of terrorist activity in the parish.

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 FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA

NON-MAJOR JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

ASSETS	JUDICIAL			PUBLIC SAFETY			TOTAL
	CRIMINAL COURT	OFFICER WITNESS FEE	PARISH LITTER COURT	COMMUNI-CATIONS DISTRICT	INMATE WELFARE		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$36,470	\$ 403	\$1,059	\$ 11,869	\$108,830		\$158,631
Investments	-	13,322	-	203,980	-		217,302
Receivables	9,280	295	-	11,628	-		21,203
Total assets	<u>\$45,750</u>	<u>\$14,020</u>	<u>\$1,059</u>	<u>\$227,477</u>	<u>\$108,830</u>		<u>\$397,136</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 8,839	\$ 2,150	\$ -	\$ 4,059	\$ 44,772		\$ 59,820
Salaries and related payables	-	-	-	7,183	-		7,183
Total liabilities	<u>8,839</u>	<u>2,150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,242</u>	<u>44,772</u>		<u>67,003</u>
Fund equity - fund balances:							
Unreserved - undesignated	36,911	11,870	1,059	216,235	64,058		330,133
Total fund equity - fund balances	<u>36,911</u>	<u>11,870</u>	<u>1,059</u>	<u>216,235</u>	<u>64,058</u>		<u>330,133</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$45,750</u>	<u>\$14,020</u>	<u>\$1,059</u>	<u>\$227,477</u>	<u>\$108,830</u>		<u>\$397,136</u>

UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA

NON-MAJOR JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	JUDICIAL				PUBLIC SAFETY				TOTAL
	CRIMINAL COURT	OFFICER WITNESS FEE	PARISH LITTER COURT	COMMUNI-CATIONS DISTRICT	INMATE WELFARE	HOMELAND SECURITY			
Revenues:									
Intergovernmental funds:									
Federal funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 168,351	\$ 168,351	\$ 168,351
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	-	-	-	227,929	65,109	-	-	293,038	293,038
Fines and forfeitures	129,614	6,828	5,770	-	-	-	-	142,212	142,212
Use of money and property	-	444	-	4,805	124,332	-	-	129,581	129,581
Other revenues	15,369	-	-	728	4	-	-	16,101	16,101
Total revenues	<u>144,983</u>	<u>7,272</u>	<u>5,770</u>	<u>233,462</u>	<u>189,445</u>	<u>168,351</u>	<u>168,351</u>	<u>749,283</u>	<u>749,283</u>
Expenditures:									
Current:									
General government:									
Judicial	171,674	17,328	6,082	-	-	-	-	195,084	195,084
Public safety	-	-	-	265,123	144,042	168,351	-	577,516	577,516
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	477,821	-	-	477,821	477,821
Total expenditures	<u>171,674</u>	<u>17,328</u>	<u>6,082</u>	<u>265,123</u>	<u>621,863</u>	<u>168,351</u>	<u>168,351</u>	<u>1,250,421</u>	<u>1,250,421</u>
Net change in fund balances	(26,691)	(10,056)	(312)	(31,661)	(432,418)	-	-	(501,138)	(501,138)
Fund balances at beginning of year	63,602	21,926	1,371	247,896	496,476	-	-	831,271	831,271
Fund balances at end of year	<u>\$36,911</u>	<u>\$11,870</u>	<u>\$1,059</u>	<u>\$216,235</u>	<u>\$ 64,058</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 330,133</u>	<u>\$ 330,133</u>

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Compensation Paid Police Jurors

The schedule of compensation paid to police jurors is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Compensation of the police jurors is included in the legislative expenditures of the General Fund. In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1233, the police jury has elected the monthly payment method of compensation. Under this method, jurors receive \$600 per month. The president receives an additional \$100 for expenses incurred in fulfilling the responsibilities of his office.

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
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**SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID POLICE JURORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Don Acree	\$ 7,200
Alvin Allen	7,200
Richard Bridges	7,200
Johnny Buckley, President	8,400
DeWayne Hill	7,200
Lanny Parker	7,200
Charles Sawyer	7,200
A. J. Smith	7,200
Paul "George" Upshaw	7,200
Total	<u>\$ 66,000</u>

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR NAME/ PROGRAM TITLE	CFDA NUMBER	PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER	2008 FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			
Passed through Office of the Governor, Division of Administration -			
Community Development Block Grant (States Program)	14.228	615290	\$ 88,456
Direct - Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	14.871	LA-48V196	<u>357,751</u>
Total United States Department of Housing and Urban Development			<u>446,207</u>
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR			
Direct - payment in lieu of taxes	15.000	N/A	<u>31,210</u>
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR			
Passed through Louisiana Department of Labor -			
Workforce Investment Act:			
Adult Program	17.258	N/A	458,067
Youth Program	17.259	N/A	301,672
Dislocated Worker Program	17.260	N/A	<u>196,813</u>
Total United States Department of Labor			<u>956,552</u>
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
Federal Aviation Administration - Direct Program - Airport Improvement	20.106	3-22-0017-07	<u>47,789</u>
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			
Passed through Louisiana Department of Military Affairs -			
Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness -			
Hazard Mitigation Grant	97.039	HMGP 1607-111-0001	125,092
Passed through Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections -			
State Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	2005-GE-T5-0004	<u>43,259</u>
Total United States Department of Homeland Security			<u>168,351</u>
Total Federal Expenditures			<u>\$ 1,650,109</u>

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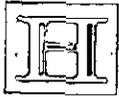
General

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal award programs of the Union Parish Police Jury as defined in Note 1 to the financial statements. All federal award programs received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedule.

Basis of Accounting

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Police Jury's financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements.

Other Reports



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

Union Parish Police Jury
Farmerville, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Union Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, which collectively comprise Union Parish Police Jury's primary government and have issued our report thereon dated June 29, 2009. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Union Parish Police Jury's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Union Parish Police Jury's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Union Parish Police Jury's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Union Parish Police Jury's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of Union Parish Police Jury's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Union Parish Police Jury's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Union Parish Police Jury's internal control.

Union Parish Police Jury
Farmerville, Louisiana
Independent Auditor's Report - GAGAS
December 31, 2008

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

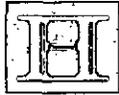
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Union Parish Police Jury's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the members of Union Parish Police Jury, management, pass-through entities and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Although the intended use of this report may be limited, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, it is issued by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

HULSEY, HARWOOD & CO., CPAs
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June 29, 2009



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Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable
to Each Major Program and on Internal Control over
Compliance in Accordance with *OMB Circular A-133*

Union Parish Police Jury
Farmerville, Louisiana

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Union Parish Police Jury, with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 *Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2008. The Union Parish Police Jury's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Union Parish Police Jury's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Union Parish Police Jury's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Union Parish Police Jury's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on Union Parish Police Jury's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Union Parish Police Jury complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Internal Control over Compliance

The management of Union Parish Police Jury is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Union Parish Police Jury's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Union Parish Police Jury's internal control over compliance.

Union Parish Police Jury
Farmerville, Louisiana
Independent Auditors' Report - OMB Circular A-133
December 31, 2008

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the members of the Union Parish Police Jury, management, federal awarding agencies, pass-through entities and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Although the intended use of this report may be limited, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, it is issued by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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June 29, 2009

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the primary government financial statements of the Union Parish Police Jury.
2. No significant deficiencies are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and Internal Control over Financial Reporting.
3. No instances of *noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Union Parish Police Jury* were disclosed during the audit.
4. No significant deficiencies in internal control over major federal award programs are reported in the Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and Internal Control over Compliance.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Union Parish Police Jury expresses an unqualified opinion.
6. No audit findings relative to the major federal award programs are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133.
7. The following programs were tested as major programs:
 - a. United States Department of Labor - Workforce Investment Act (WIA) cluster (CFDA 17.258, 17.259 and 17.260)
 - b. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development - Lower Income Housing Assistance – Housing Choice Vouchers Program (CFDA 14.871)
8. The threshold for distinguishing Type A and B programs was \$300,000.
9. The Union Parish Police Jury was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (Continued)
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

No reportable findings resulted from the financial statements audit.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

No reportable findings resulted from the major federal award programs audit.

**UNION PARISH POLICE JURY
FARMERVILLE, LOUISIANA**

**SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

The audit report for the year ended December 31, 2007, contained no findings.