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NINETEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Cottax, Louisiana

Component Unit Financial Statements  
As of and for the Two Years Ended June 30, 1997  
With Supplemental Information Schedules

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**Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Commissioners  
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Levee District  
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We have audited the accompanying component unit financial statements of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District as of June 30, 1987 and for the two years then ended. These component unit financial statements are the responsibility of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these component unit financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and 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 component unit financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the component unit financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall component unit financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The financial statements referred to above present only the financial transactions of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District, a component unit of the State of Louisiana.

In our opinion, the component unit financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District as of June 30, 1987 and the results of its operations for the two years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the component unit financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying supplemental information schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the component unit financial statements of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit

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of the component unit financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the component unit financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 27, 1997 on our consideration of the Fifteenth Louisiana Levee District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

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

Board of Commissioners  
The Nineteenth Louisiana  
Levee District  
Levee District  
P.O. Box 287  
Cottier, Louisiana

We have audited the component unit financial statement of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District, as of and for the two years ended June 30, 1987, and have issued our report thereon dated August 27, 1987. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

**Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statements amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with these 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 non-compliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

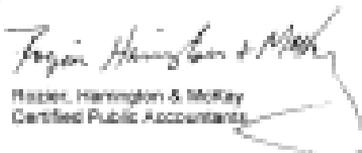
In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a

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timey period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of management. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.



Roger Harrington & McKay  
Roger Harrington & McKay  
Certified Public Accountants

**STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
**NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT**  
**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET**  
**All Fund Types and Account Groups**  
**June 30, 1997**

<b>Assets</b>	Departmental Funds	Account Groups General Fund Assets	Total Balances, 1997
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Fund Assets</u>	<u>1997</u>
Cash and cash equivalents			
Cash in State Treasury	\$ 23,257	\$ -	\$ 23,257
Cash in Bank	99,650	-	99,650
General Fund Assets	<u>          -</u>	<u>29,240</u>	<u>29,240</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 122,907</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 29,240</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 152,147</u></b>
<b>Liabilities and fund equity</b>			
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Ported Taxes Payable	<u>          -</u>	<u>          -</u>	<u>          -</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b><u>1,000</u></b>	<b><u>          -</u></b>	<b><u>1,000</u></b>
<b>Fund equity</b>			
Investment in general fund assets	-	29,240	29,240
Fund balance, unreserved	<u>121,907</u>	<u>          -</u>	<u>121,907</u>
<b>Total fund equity</b>	<b><u>121,907</u></b>	<b><u>29,240</u></b>	<b><u>151,147</u></b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund equity</b>	<b><u>\$ 122,907</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 29,240</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 152,147</u></b>

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.*

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
 NINETEENTH LEVEE DISTRICT  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
 General Fund  
 For the Year Ended June 30, 1997

<b>Revenues:</b>	
Taxes	\$ 79,000
Intergovernmental Revenues	2,026
Other	<u>4,970</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>86,000</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Personal Services	11,150
Retreats/Benefits	5,175
Supplies	445
Professional Services	6,344
Capital Outlay	88,294
Other Charges	<u>83,180</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>194,588</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	<u>(108,588)</u>
<b>Fund balance - beginning of year</b>	<u>123,742</u>
<b>Fund balance - end of year</b>	<u>\$ 115,154</u>

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STATE OF LOUISIANA  
 NINETEENTH LEVEE DISTRICT  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL  
 General Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 1997

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u> <u>FAVORABLE</u> <u>(UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Taxes	\$ 27,120	\$ 26,889	\$ 231
Intergovernmental Revenue	2,181	2,676	495
Other	4,800	4,900	100
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>34,101</u>	<u>34,465</u>	<u>364</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Personnel Services	16,880	16,280	600
Contract Services	6,800	5,079	1,721
Supplies	300	500	(200)
Professional Services	5,000	6,254	(1,254)
Capital Outlay	-	10,204	(10,204)
Other Charges	7,000	10,115	(3,115)
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>35,980</u>	<u>48,432</u>	<u>(12,452)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	6,881	(4,340)	(11,221)
<b>Fund balance - beginning of year</b>	<u>112,540</u>	<u>112,540</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Fund balance - end of year</b>	<u>\$ 119,421</u>	<u>\$ 118,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,221</u>

*All accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.*

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
 NINETEENTH LEVY DISTRICT  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
 General Fund  
 For the Year Ended June 30, 1998

**Revenues:**

Taxes	\$ 31,287
Intergovernmental Revenues	2,627
Other	<u>1,326</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>35,240</u>

**Expenditures:**

Personnel Services	11,558
Related Benefits	2,800
Supplies	400
Professional Services	7,811
Other Charges	<u>8,349</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>31,054</u>

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	4,186
Fund balance - beginning of year	<u>116,054</u>
Fund balance - end of year	<u>\$ 120,240</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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**NINETEENTH LEVY DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL**  
**General Fund**  
 For the Year-Ended June 30, 1996

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u> <u>FAVORABLE</u> <u>(UNFAVORABLE)</u>
<b>Revenues</b>			
Taxes	\$ 31,000	\$ 31,300	\$ 300
Intergovernmental Revenues	1,000	2,627	1,627
Other	1,000	3,388	2,388
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>33,000</u>	<u>37,315</u>	<u>4,315</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Personnel Services	11,000	11,000	-
Contract Services	3,175	2,500	675
Contractual Services	2,000	-	2,000
Supplies	800	800	-
Professional Services	3,215	7,000	(3,785)
Other Charges	8,000	8,745	(745)
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>28,290</u>	<u>31,145</u>	<u>(2,845)</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures</b>	5,000	6,170	1,170
<b>Fund balance - beginning of year</b>	<u>115,074</u>	<u>116,070</u>	<u>996</u>
<b>Fund balance - end of year</b>	<u>\$ 120,074</u>	<u>\$ 122,240</u>	<u>\$ 2,166</u>

This accompanying table may be changed prior to the final audit.

NINETEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Cottier, Louisiana

Notes to the Financial Statements  
As of and for the Two Years Ended June 30, 1997

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District (the District) was created by the Louisiana State Legislature under provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 35:281 and includes portions of Grant Parish. The District's primary function is to provide flood protection for those areas contained in the District. The Board of Commissioners of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District is responsible for the operations and duties of the District, in accordance with Louisiana statutes. The Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, assists in providing flood protection for those areas contained in the District. There are three board members appointed by the Governor of Louisiana in accordance with provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 35:304.

The Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District prepares its financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Based on criteria established by GASB, the Levee District is a component unit of the State of Louisiana.

**A. FUND ACCOUNTING**

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of a fund (General Fund) and account groups, each of which are considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of the General Fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District and accounts for all financial resources.

**B. GENERAL FIXED ASSETS**

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in the governmental fund (General Fund). Since the Levee District does not capitalize infrastructures, these items are excluded from the general fixed assets account group. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost.

**C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. The District's accounts are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting, using the following practices in recording revenues and capitalities:

**Revenues**

All ad valorem taxes and the related state revenue sharing (which is based on population and households in the Parish) are recorded in the year the taxes are assessed. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis and are due on or before December 31 in the

NINETEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Cottlev, Louisiana

NOTES to the Financial Statements  
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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

year the tax is levied. Property taxes are recognized in compliance with NCGA Interpretation 3 - (Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes) which states that such revenue is recorded when it becomes measurable and available. Available means due or past due and collected no longer than 60 days after the date of the current period.

Substantially, all other revenues are recorded when they become available and measurable.

**Expenditures**

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

**D. BUDGETARY PRACTICES**

Budgets of the General Fund are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Unexpended appropriations of the fund lapse at the end of each fiscal year. Budgets of the General Fund and all changes and amendments to these budgets are approved by the Board of Commissioners as a whole. There were no changes or amendments to the original budget of the General Fund for the years ended June 30, 1996 and 1997.

**E. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

For reporting purposes, cash and cash equivalents include a demand deposit, a savings account and certificates of deposit. Under state law the District may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank. Further, the District may invest in time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana, national banks having their principal office in Louisiana, in savings accounts or shares of savings and loan associations and savings banks and in share accounts and share certificate accounts of federally or state chartered credit unions.

**F. TOTAL COLUMN ON COMBINED BALANCE SHEET**

The total column on the combined statements is captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation.

**G. ENCUMBRANCE ACCOUNTING**

Purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments to engage in future expenditures are referred to as encumbrances. Since encumbrances do not represent liabilities or current expenditures, encumbrances are not reported in the accompanying financial statements.

NINETEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Coffee, Louisiana

Notes to the Financial Statements  
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2. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets - equipment, for the two years ended June 30, 1997, follows:

Balance July 1, 1995	\$ 34,237
For the Year Ended June 30, 1995:	
Additions	None
Deductions	<u>None</u>
Balance June 30, 1996	34,237
For the Year Ended June 30, 1997:	
Additions	11,680
Deductions	<u>6,500</u>
Balance June 30, 1997	<u>\$ 39,417</u>

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 1997, the book balance and bank balance of the cash and cash equivalents were as follows:

	Book Balance	Bank Balance
Deposits with State Treasury	\$ 23,257	\$ 23,257
Bank Deposits:		
Current Deposits	7,250	7,600
Time Deposits	6,300	6,700
Certificate of Deposits	<u>60,905</u>	<u>60,905</u>
Total	<u>\$ 118,712</u>	<u>\$ 118,862</u>

Amounts on deposit with the state Treasury are secured with pledges by the State's fiscal agent. The bank deposits are subject to the coverage by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

4. AD VALOREM TAXES

Article 8, Section 30 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution provides that for the purpose of constructing and maintaining levees, levee drainage, flood protection, hurricane flood protection and for all other purposes incidental thereto, the District may levy annually an ad valorem tax not to exceed five mills. An ad valorem tax in excess of the five mills constitutional tax must be approved by voters of the District, if additional funds are needed by the District. Voters of the District have not been asked to approve an ad valorem tax levy in excess of the five mills constitutional tax.

NINETEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Cottier, Louisiana

Notes to the Financial Statements  
As of and for the Two Years Ended June 30, 1997

4. AD VALOREM TAXES (Continued)

The District levied 4.33 mills constitutional ad valorem taxes for the year ended June 30, 1996, and 4.20 mills for the year ended June 30, 1997, respectively.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District is exposed to various risk of loss related to loss; theft; damage or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

The Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District insures against these risks by purchasing commercial insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risk have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NINGTEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Cottax, Louisiana

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PER DIEM PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS

The schedule of per diem paid to board members is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 64 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. As authorized by Louisiana Revised Statute 39:508, board members are paid \$75 per day, up to a maximum of 24 days per year, for board meetings and official business. Upon approval of the board president, per diem can be paid for 12 additional meetings.

NINETEENTH LOUISIANA LEVEE DISTRICT  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Cottree, Louisiana

Schedule of Per Diem Paid to Board Members  
For the Two Years Ended June 30, 1997

NAME	FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,	
	1997	1996
R.C. Haugh	\$ 525	\$ 675
Reed J. Pettibone	600	675
Sammy Barrette	<u>325</u>	<u>        </u>
	<u>\$ 1,450</u>	<u>\$ 1,350</u>