# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA

Financial Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Jean C. Coco, Mayor, and Members of the Board of Aldermen Grand Coteau, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the businesstype activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 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 opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana, as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 2 to the basic financial statements, the Town adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, <u>Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments</u>, Statement No. 33, <u>Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions</u>, Statement No. 37, <u>Basic Financial Statements – And Management's Discussion and Analysis – For State and Local Governments</u>: <u>Omnibus</u>, Statement No. 38, <u>Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures</u>, and Interpretation No. 6, <u>Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Financial Statements</u>. This results in a change in the format and content of the basic financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 10, 2004, on our consideration of the Town of Grand Coteaus' internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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332 W. Sixth Avenue Oberlin, LA 70655 Phone (337) 639-4737 Fax (337) 639-4568 200 South Main Street Abbeville, LA 70510 Phone (337) 893-7944 Fax (337) 893-7946 The required supplementary information on pages 41 through 42 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Town of Grand Coteau has not presented management's discussion and analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information on pages 55 through 76 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information, except for that portion marked "unaudited" on which we express no opinion, 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.

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

Lafayette, Louisiana December 10, 2004 FINANCIAL SECTION

#### BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Town of Grand Coteau's basic financial statements comprise the following three components:

<u>Government-wide financial statements</u> - provides readers with a broad overview of the Town of Grand Coteau's finances in a manner similar to a private sector business.

 $\underline{Fund}$  financial statements - provides readers information with an emphasis on inflows and outflows of resources useful for making decisions in a budgetary context where the focus is on meeting the Town's near-term financial needs.

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

# GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2004

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	PRIMARY	GOVERNMENT	
	GOVERNMENTAL	BUSINESS-TYPE	
	ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$88,029	\$111,554	\$199,583
Investments		24,024	24,024
Receivables (net of allowances			
for uncollectibles)	16,831	45,308	62,139
Internal balances	3,047	(3,047)	
Due from other governments	60,869	9,922	70,791
Restricted assets	·	243,658	243,658
Prepaid expenses	14,921	14,508	29,429
Capital assets (net)	858,346	2,338,477	3,196,823
		<u></u>	<u> </u>
Total assets	1,042,043	2,784,404	<u>3,826,447</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and accrued			
expenses	\$34,482	\$38,100	\$72,582
Payable from restricted assets	<i>454,102</i>	43,569	43,569
Long-term liabilities		45,505	40,000
Due within one year	19,122	33,440	52,562
Due in more than one year		•	
Due in more chan one year	58,972	467,618	526,590
Total liabilities	<u>112,576</u>	<u>582,727</u>	<u>695,303</u>
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets,			
net of related debt	\$780,252	\$1,834,041	\$2,614,293
Restricted for	<i><b>Q</b></i> ,00,232	<i>41,034,011</i>	<i><b>Q</b>2,011,295</i>
Customers' deposits		108,285	108,285
Bond retirement		52,834	52,834
Unrestricted	149,215	206,517	355,732
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Total net assets	<u>929,467</u>	<u>2,201,677</u>	<u>3,131,144</u>

	REVENUES AND CHANGES IET ASSETS	-TYPE TIES TOTAL		\$ (186,580) (189,335) (143,211)	(7,468) (3,540)	<u>-0-</u> ( <u>530,134</u> )	534 4,534 376) (8,376) 265) (3,265)	07) (7,107)	07) (537,241)	15,067 74,622 52,296	
	- Z					1	\$4,534 (8,376 ( <u>3,265</u>	(1,107)	(7,107)		
	NET (EXPENSES) IN	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$ (186,580) (189,335) (143,211)	(7,468) (3,540)	(530,134)		- 0 -	( <u>530,134</u> )	15,067 74,622 52,296	
EAU, LOUISIANA ACTIVITIES 2004	SI	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS			ļ	- 0 -	\$ <u>56</u> , 245	56,245	56,245	purposes ses	
OF GRAND COTEAU, STATEMENT OF ACTI JUNE 30, 200	PROGRAM REVENUES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS				- 0 -	\$ <u>17,771</u>	17,771	<u>17, 771</u>	levied for general purposes d for general purposes	
TOWN S		FEES, FINES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES		\$83,577		83,577	280,701 93,336 96,567	470,604	554,181	ο Α Α Α Α	
		EXPENSES		\$186,580 272,912 143,211	3,540	613,711	276,167 101,712 173,848	551,727	1,165,438	General Revenues Taxes Property taxes, Sales tax, levi Franchise taxes	
			FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	Governmental Activities General government Public safety Public works	uutuure and recreation Interest on debt Total governmental	activities	Business-type Activities Gas Water Sewer Total husiness-	type activities	<u>Total primary</u> government		continued on worth second

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

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	CHANGES	TOTAL	\$1,627 32,957 343,927 4,440 26,405 26,405 14,100 14,100 3,131,144	
REVENUES AND NET ASSETS	NET (EXPENSES) REVENUES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	\$1,627 53,551 55,178 48,071 2,153,606 3 2,201,677 3	
	NET (EXPENSES IN	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$32,957 \$43,927 4,440 26,405 (53,551) <u>496,163</u> (33,971) 963,438 929,467	
LOUISIANA (CONTINUED)	сарттат.	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	ts ansfers	
TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA ATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (CONTINUE JUNE 30, 2004 PROGRAM REVENUES INES OPERATING CAPITAI	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	Interest and investment earnings Occupational licenses and other permits Intergovernmental Sale of capital assets Miscellaneous Transfers Transfers <u>Total general revenues and transfers</u> <u>Changes in net assets</u> t assets - July 1, 2003 t assets - June 30, 2004		
TOWN OF STATEMENT	P FEES, FINES AND	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	Interest and investment Occupational licenses an Intergovernmental Sale of capital assets Miscellaneous Transfers Transfers Total general re <u>Changes in net a</u> t assets - July 1, 2003 t assets - June 30, 2004	
		EXPENSES	Interest and in Occupational li Intergovernment Sale of capital Miscellaneous Transfers Total g Net assets - July Net assets - June	

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# FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2004

	GENERAL	SALES TAX FUND	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL	TOTAL
ASSETS				
Cash Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles	\$56 <b>,</b> 900	\$31,129		\$88,029
Taxes Franchise Intergovernmental Other	3,354 12,281 60,869 189			3,354 12,281 60,869 189
Due from other funds	4,054		<del></del>	4,054
Total assets	<u>137,647</u>	<u>31,129</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>168,776</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Accounts payable <u>Total liabilities</u>	<u>\$23,193</u> 23,193	2,750 2,750	-0-	\$25,943 25,943
FUND BALANCES				
Unreserved, undesignated Total fund balances	$\frac{114,454}{114,454}$	\$ <u>28,379</u> <u>28,379</u>	-0-	$\frac{142,833}{142,833}$
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>137,647</u>	<u>31,129</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>168,776</u>

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

TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS' BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2004

Total fund balances for governmental funds at June 30, 2004		\$142,833
Cost of capital assets at June 30, 2004	\$1,269,313	
Less: Accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2004	(410,967)	858,346
Prepaid expenses net of insurance payable of \$8,539 at June 30, 2004		6,382
Long-term liabilities at June 30, 2004 Capital leases payable Bonds payable	(35,383) (42,711)	(78,094)
Net assets at June 30, 2004		<u>929,467</u>

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	GENERAL	SALES TAX FUND	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL	TOTAL
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$67,363	\$74,622		\$141,985
Licenses and permits	32,957	·		32,957
Intergovernmental	343,927			343,927
Fines and forfeits	83,577			83,577
Miscellaneous revenues	26,396	9		26,405
Total revenues	554,220	74,631	-0-	628,851
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Executive and				
administrative	235,189	745		235,934
Street department	115,624			115,624
Police department	281,112			281,112
Fire department	56,015			56,015
Park department	7,268			7,268
Debt service	_19,783			19,783
Total expenditures	714,991	745	-0-	<u>715,736</u>
EXCESS (DEFICENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>5</u> (160,771)	<u>73,886</u>	-0-	(86,885)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	)			
Transfers in	- 51,813			51,813
Transfers out	(11,630)	(70,407)	\$(23,327)	(105,364)
General obligation bond				
proceeds	46,400			46,400
Sale of capital assets	4,440			4,440
Total other				
financing sources				
(uses)	91,023	( <u>70,407</u> )	( <u>23,327</u> )	<u>(2,711</u> )
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENTITURES	ES			
AND OTHER USES	\$(69,748)	\$3,479	\$(23,327)	\$(89,596)
FUND BALANCES, beginning				
of year	184,202	24,900	23,327	<u>232,429</u>
FUND BALANCES, end of year	<u>114,454</u>	<u>28,379</u>	<u> </u>	<u>142,833</u>

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOT THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Total net change in fund balances for the year ended June 30, 2004 per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances		\$(89,596)
Capital outlay which is considered expenditures on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	\$123,940	
Depreciation expense for year ended June 30, 2004	(44,540)	79,400
Prepaid expenses at June 30, 2004		6,382
Inception of general obligation bond	·	(46,400)
Bond principal retirement considered as an expenditure on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances		3,689
Capital lease payments considered as an expenditure on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances		12,554
Total change in net assets for the year ended June 30, 2004 per Statement of Activities		( <u>33,971</u> )

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2004

	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS				
	GAS FUND	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	TOTAL	
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash	\$63,328	\$13,752	\$34,474	\$111,554	
Investments	1,037	22,987		24,024	
Accounts receivable, net	20,527	10,061	12,368	42,956	
Accrued interest					
receivable	13		18	31	
Grant receivable - LCDBG			9,922	9,922	
Prepaid insurance	5,059	4,974	4,475	14,508	
Due from other funds		1,254	17,573	18 <u>,827</u>	
Total current					
assets	89,964	53,028	78,830	221,822	
RESTRICTED ASSETS					
Cash	24,434	107,904	50,199	182,537	
Investments	35,932		25,189	61,121	
Total restricted					
assets	60,366	107,904	75,388	243,658	
FIXED ASSETS					
Utility plant and deprecia	ble				
assets, net of accumulate					
depreciation	56,182	364,477	1,917,818	2,338,477	
Total fixed assets		364,477	1,917,818	2,338,477	
Total assets	206,512	<u>525,409</u>	<u>2,072,036</u>	<u>2,803,957</u>	

This statement continued on next page.

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS (CONTINUED) PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2004

	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS				
	GAS FUND	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	TOTAL	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS					
CURRENT LIABILITIES (from current assets)					
Accounts payable	\$10,988	\$3,564	\$16,667	\$31,219	
Due to other funds	1,351	19,553		20,904	
Total	12,339	23,117	16,667	52,123	
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u> (from restricted assets)					
Revenue bonds payable		13,697	19,743	33,440	
Interest payable		2,719	2,811	5,530	
Customers' deposits	28,984	14,585		43,569	
Total	28,984	31,001	22,554	82,539	
Total current liabilities	41,323	_54,118	39,221	134,662	
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES Revenue bonds payable Total long-term		154,212	313,406	467,618	
liabilities	-0-	154,212	<u>313,406</u>	467,618	
Total liabilities	<u>41,323</u>	<u>208,330</u>	<u>352,627</u>	<u>602,280</u>	
<u>NET ASSETS</u> Invested in capital assets,					
net of related debt	\$56,182	\$196,568	\$1,581,291	\$1,834,041	
Reserved for customers'	21 202	76 000		100 005	
deposits Restricted for bond retiremen	31,382 ⊢	76,903	ED 024	108,285	
Unrestricted	77,625	43,608	52,834 85,284	52,834 206,517	
Total net assets	<u>165,189</u>	<u>317,079</u>	<u>1,719,409</u>	<u>2,201,677</u>	

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUSINE	SS-TYPE ACTI	VITIES - ENTER	RPRISE FUNDS
	GAS FUND	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	TOTAL
OPERATING REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$280,588	\$92,211	\$ 95,681	\$ 468,480
Miscellaneous income	113	1,125	886	2,124
Total operating				
revenues	280,701	93,336	95,567	470,604
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Personal services	17,616	14,478	15,471	47,565
Contractual services	175,895		4,185	180,080
Supplies	12,329	6,356	2,878	21,563
Other expenses	62,074	33,879	57,227	153,180
Depreciation	8,253	35,469	74,720	118,442
Total operating				
expenses	276,167	90,182	154,481	520,830
OPERATING INCOME	4,534	3,154	(57,914)	(50,226)
NONOPERATING REVENUES				
(EXPENSES)				
Interest income	510	390	727	1,627
Interest expense		(11,530)	(19,367)	(30,897)
Total nonoperating				
revenues (expenses)	510	(11,140)	(18,640)	(29,270)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE				
CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	5,044	(7,986)	(76,554)	<u>(79,496</u> )
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS			74,016	74,016
TRANSFERS IN (OUT)		_		
Transfers in		47,568	56,481	104,049
Transfers out	(46,573)	<del></del>	(3,925)	(50,498)
<u>Total operating</u> transfers in (out)	(46,573)	47,568	52,556	53,551
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET				
ASSETS	(41,529)	39,582	50,018	48,071
<u>NET ASSETS</u> , beginning of year	206,718	277,497	1,669,391	2,153,606
NET ASSETS, end of year	<u>165,189</u>	<u>317,079</u>	<u>1,719,409</u>	2,201,677

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

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUSINE	SS-TYPE ACTI	VITIES - ENTER	RPRISE FUNDS
	GAS FUND	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	TOTAL
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING				
ACTIVITIES				
Cash received from				
customers	\$297,422	\$90,954	\$97,802	\$486,178
Cash payments to supplier:	S			
for goods and services	(255,145)	(40,935)	(51,243)	(347,323)
Cash payments to employees				
for services	(16,437)	(13,517)	( <u>14,207</u> )	(44,161)
Net cash provided				
by operating				
activities	25,840	36,502	32,352	94,694
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL				
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Transfers in from				
other funds		47,568	56,481	104,049
Transfers out to				
other funds	(46,573)		(3,925)	(50,498)
Net cash provided				
(used) for				
noncapital financin	ng			
<u>activities</u>	<u>(46,573</u> )	47,568	<u>52,556</u>	53,551
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND				
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Acquisition and construction				
of capital assets	(1,963)	(1,001)	(56,845)	(59,809)
Proceeds from grant			64,094	64,094
Principal paid on revenue				
bonds and notes		(12,922)	(18,660)	(31,582)
Interest paid on revenue				
bonds and notes		(11,748)	<u>(19,237</u> )	<u>(30,985</u> )
Net cash used for				
capital and				
related financing				
activities	(1,963)	<u>(25,671</u> )	(30,649)	(58,282)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING				
ACTIVITIES	()	()	(	
Purchase of investments	(515)		(376)	(23,878)
Interest on investments	535	390	738	1,663
Net cash provided				
(used) by investing	_	()		
activities	20	<u>(22,597</u> )	362	(22,215)
Net increase				
(decrease) in cash	(22,676)	35,802	54,622	67,748
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS,				
July 1, 2003	110,438	85,854	30,051	226,343
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS,				
June 30, 2004	87,762	<u>121,656</u>	84,673	<u>294,091</u>

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

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANASTATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)PROPRIETARY FUNDSFOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUSINE	SS-TYPE ACTI	VITIES - ENTE	RPRISE FUNDS
	GAS FUND	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND	TOTAL
			-	
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating income Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used	\$ <u>4,534</u>	<u>\$3,154</u>	\$ <u>(57,914</u> )	\$ <u>(50,226</u> )
by operating activities: Depreciation	8,253	35,469	74,720	118,442
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable (Increase) decrease in	15,583	(6,827)	1,235	9,991
(Increase) decrease in prepaid insurance (Increase) decrease in	(2,116)	(3,792)	5,481	(427)
due from other funds Increase (decrease) in			(6,009)	(6,009)
accounts payable Increase (decrease) in	(1,552)	(1,956)	14,839	11,331
customers' deposits Increase (decrease) in	1,138	1,398		2,536
due to other funds <u>Total adjustments</u>	21,306	<u>9,056</u> 33,348	90,266	<u>9,056</u> 144,920
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>25,840</u>	<u>36,502</u>	<u>32,352</u>	<u>94,694</u>

# TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS AGENCY FUND JUNE 30, 2004

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### PAYROLL ACCOUNT

#### ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	\$4,770 <u>1,352</u>
Total assets	<u>6,122</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ <u>6,122</u>

Total liabilities <u>6,122</u>

#### (1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements (GWFS) and the fund financial statements for the proprietary funds, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions on or before November 30, 1989 have been applied unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. For Enterprise funds, GASB Statements Nos. 20 and 34 provide the Town the option of electing to apply FASB pronouncements issued after November 30, 1989. The Town has elected not to apply those pronouncements. The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies are discussed in the subsequent subsection of this note. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, the Town of Grand Coteau implemented the new financial reporting requirements of GASB Statements Nos. 33 and 34. As a result, an entirely new financial presentation format has been implemented.

The following is a summary of certain significant accounting policies and practices of the Town of Grand Coteau.

#### A. FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY

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

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
  - a. The ability of the Town 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 Town.
- 2. Organizations for which the Town does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the Town.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

#### (1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY - Continued

The Town of Grand Coteau is a primary government and has no component units. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the Town and do not present information on any other governmental unit.

#### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities display information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town of Grand Coteau, the primary government, as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, 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. Fiduciary funds are not included in the GWFS. Fiduciary funds are reported only in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets at the fund financial statement level.

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

#### FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

The various funds of the Town are classified into two categories: governmental and proprietary. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Town or meets the following criteria:

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

#### (1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION - Continued

#### FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Continued

b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise funds are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

#### Governmental Funds

<u>General Fund</u>. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### Special Revenue Funds

<u>Sales Tax Fund</u>. The Sales Tax Fund is used to account for the proceeds of a 1 percent sales and use tax that is legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

The Town reports the following major proprietary funds:

#### Enterprise Funds

<u>Gas Fund</u>. The Gas Fund accounts for gas services to residents of the Town of Grand Coteau. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund including, but not limited to, operations, construction, administration, maintenance, financing and related debt service, and billing and collection.

#### Water Fund

The Water Fund accounts for water services to residents of the Town of Grand Coteau. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund including, but not limited to, operations, construction, administration, maintenance, financing and related debt service, and billing and collection.

#### Sewer Fund

The Sewer Fund accounts for sewer services to the Town of Grand Coteau. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund including, but not limited to, operations, construction, administration, maintenance, financing and related debt service, and billing and collection.

# (1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION - Continued

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund types:

# Governmental Funds

#### Capital Projects Funds

Capital Projects funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

# Fiduciary Funds

Agency Fund (not included in government-wide financial statements).

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

#### MEASUREMENT FOCUS

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

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

a. All governmental funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

#### (1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

#### MEASUREMENT FOCUS Continued

b. The proprietary fund utilizes an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objective of this measurement focus is the determination of operating income, changes in net assets (or cost recovery), financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported. Proprietary fund equity is classified as net assets.

# BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

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

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

The proprietary fund utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used.

#### CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Louisiana statutes authorize the Town to invest in United States bonds, treasury notes or certificates, time certificates of deposit in state and national banks, or any other federally insured investment.

At year-end, the carrying amount of the Town's cash and investments was \$466,765. The bank balance of cash was \$402,342 and of investments was \$85,144. Investments are stated at cost or amortized cost, which approximates market. Investments consist of time certificates of deposits. Of the bank balance, \$200,000 is covered by federal depository insurance, and approximately \$266,765 is covered by securities held by a local bank in the Town's name.

#### NOTE (1) - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

#### INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds. Those related to goods and services type transactions are classified as "due to and from other funds." Short-term interfund loans are reported as "interfund receivables and payables." Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the statement of net assets.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

The accounting treatment over property, plant and equipment (capital assets) depends on whether they are used in governmental fund operations or proprietary fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

Prior to GASB No. 34, governments were not required to report general infrastructure assets. The Town of Grand Coteau did not capitalize infrastructure expenditures. During the current fiscal year, the Town will begin to capitalize infrastructure.

In the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are capitalized at historical cost, or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated assets, which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. The Town of Grand Coteau maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

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

Buildings and improvements	20	- 40 years
Furniture and equipment	5	- 10 years
Vehicles	5	- 15 years
Water system	20	- 50 years
Sewerage system	20	- 50 years
Meters	10	- 20 years

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

It is the policy of the Town to capitalize material amounts of interest resulting from borrowings in the course of the construction of fixed assets.

#### NOTE (1) - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as facilities acquisition and construction expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

#### BAD DEBTS

Uncollectible amounts due for ad valorem taxes, miscellaneous liens, and sundry claims are recorded as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information available indicates the uncollectibility of the particular receivable.

Uncollectible amounts due for customers' utility receivables are recognized as bad debts through the adjustment of an allowance account to the balance of individual accounts over 90 days old at the end of each fiscal year.

Allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable in the Enterprise Funds at June 30, 2004 was \$701.

#### BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

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

- 1. A public meeting is scheduled by the Town Council after allowing for at least 10 days notice to the public at the time the budget is initially submitted to the Town Council.
- 2. The budget must be finally adopted by the Council no later than the last day of the preceding fiscal year.
- 3. The Mayor and Town Council may authorize transfers of budgetary amounts within departments and revisions requiring alteration of levels of expenditures or transfers between departments.
- 4. Operating appropriations, to the extent not expended or encumbered, lapse at year-end. Capital appropriations continue in force until the project is completed or deemed abandoned.
- 5. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds. Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

NOTE (1) - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

#### BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING - Continued

The budgeted accounts shown in these financial statements include the original and final budget amounts for the year ending June 30, 2004. The budget was properly amended during a public meeting held on June 28, 2004.

#### ENCUMBRANCES

The Town does not employ the encumbrance system of accounting.

#### INVENTORY

The Town practices the policy of recording materials and supplies as expenditures or expenses when acquired. The Town does not record any of these items as inventory because the amount of the items in stock is insignificant.

#### COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The Town's policy is that employees earn and must use their vacation and sick leave as of the end of each fiscal year. Therefore, there is no provision for compensated absences at year end.

#### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Town considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

# RESTRICTED ASSETS

Restricted assets include cash and interest-bearing deposits of the proprietary fund that are legally restricted as to their use. The restricted assets are related to the utility meter deposits.

#### LONG-TERM DEBT

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

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

NOTE (1) - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

#### LONG-TERM DEBT - Continued

Long-term debt for governmental funds is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. The accounting for proprietary fund long-term debt is the same in the fund statements as it is in the government-wide statements.

#### REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND EXPENSES

#### Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues and expenses for proprietary funds are those that result from providing services and producing and delivering goods and/or services. It also includes all revenue and expenses not related to capital and related financing, noncapital financing or investing activities.

#### Expenditures/Expenses

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

In the fund financial statements, expenditures are classified as follows:

Governmental Funds - By Character Proprietary Funds - By Operating and Nonoperating

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report expenditures of financial resources. Proprietary funds report expenses relating to use of economic resources.

#### Interfund Transfers

Permanent reallocations of resources between funds of the reporting entity are classified as interfund transfers. For the purposes of the Statement of Activities, all interfund transfers between individual governmental funds have been eliminated.

# EQUITY CLASSIFICATIONS

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

1. <u>Invested in capital assets, net of related debt</u> - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

NOTE (1) - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

#### C. MEASUREMENT\_FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING - Continued

EQUITY\_CLASSIFICATIONS - Continute

- 2. <u>Restricted net assets</u> Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups, such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3. <u>Unrestricted net assets</u> All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated. Proprietary fund equity is classified the same as in the government-wide statements.

#### 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) - CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

For the year ended June 30, 2004, the Town has implemented GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments. GASB Statement No. 34 creates new basic financial statements for reporting on the Town's financial activities. The financial statements now include government-wide financial statements prepared on the accrual basis of accounting, and fund financial statements which present information for individual major funds rather than by fund type which has been the mode of presentation in previously issued financial statements. The Town also implemented GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions, No. 37, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - For State and Local Governments: Omnibus, No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures, and Interpretation No. 6, Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Financial Statements. At June 30, 2003, there was no effect on fund balance as a result of implementation of GASB Statement No. 33.

# NOTE (2) - CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES - Continued

The implementation of GASB Statement No. 34 caused the opening fund balance at July 1, 2003 to be restated in terms of ``net assets'' as follows:

Total fund balances - Governmental funds at July 1, 2003		\$232,429
Add: Cost of capital assets at July 1, 2003	\$1,145,373	
Less: Accumulated depreciation at July 1, 2003	(366,427)	778,946
Less: Capital leases payable at July 1, 2003		(47,937)
Net assets at July 1, 2003		<u>963,438</u>

# NOTE (3) - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2004 consist of the following:

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Taxes receivable	\$3,354		\$3,354
Accounts		\$42,956	42,956
Due from others	1,007	2,321	3,328
Accrued interest receivable		31	31
Franchise receivable	12,281		12,281
Other receivable	189		189
Total	<u>16,831</u>	<u>45,308</u>	<u>62,139</u>

# NOTE (4) - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, for the Town of Grand Coteau is as follows:

	Balances July 1, 2003	Additions	Disposals	Balances June 30, 2004
Governmental Activities	_			
Land	\$75,171	\$61,704		\$136,875
Building and improvements	205,354			205,354
Equipment	296,415	45,172		341,587
Other structures and				
improvements	568,433	17,064		585,497
Totals at historical				
cost	<u>1,145,373</u>	123,940	-0-	1,269,313
Less accumulated depreciation				
Building and improvements	(66,856)	(5,134)		(71,990)
Equipment	(186,329)	(18,036)		(204,365)
Other structures and	,,	(,,		(,
improvements	(113,241)	(21,371)		(134,612)
Total accumulated	, <u>,</u> ,	<u></u> .		<u> </u>
depreciation	(366,426)	(44,541)	<u>-0-</u>	(410,967)
Governmental Activities				
Capital assets, net	778,947	<u>79,399</u>	<u>-0-</u>	858,346
capital abbeto, nee	<u></u>			
Business-type Activities				
Gas system and equipment	\$318,671	\$1,963		\$320,634
Waterworks system and	- •			
equipment	1,057,129	1,000		1,058,129
Sewer plant and equipment	2,917,538	600		2,918,138
Land	24,000			24,000
Construction in progress		56,247		56,247
Totals at historical				
cost	4,317,338	59,810	- 0	4,377,148
Less accumulated depreciation	(055 500)			
Gas system and equipment	(256,199)	(8,254)		(264,453)
Waterworks system and	(			()
equipment	(658,184)			(693,653)
Sewer plant and equipment	( <u>1,005,845</u> )	(74,720)		( <u>1,080,565</u> )
Total accumulated			_	(
depreciation	( <u>1,920,228</u> )	( <u>118,443</u> )	<u>-0-</u>	(2,038,671)
Business-type capital				
assets, net	<u>2,397,110</u>	<u>(62,011</u> )	<u>-0-</u>	2,338,477

# NOTE (4) - CAPITAL ASSETS - Continued

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

General government	\$16,529
Public safety - police	3,384
Public safety - fire	3,688
Public works - streets	20,140
Culture and recreation	800
Total	<u>44,541</u>

# NOTE (5) - ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

The accounts and other payables consisted of the following at June 30, 2004:

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business-type Activities	Total
Accounts Due to Agency Fund	\$34,482	\$31,219 1,351	\$65,701 1,351
Interest payable		5,530	5, <u>530</u>
Totals	34,482	<u>38,100</u>	72,582

#### NOTE (6) - RETIREMENT

The employees of the Town are covered by social security only. The Town does not contribute to any other retirement plan for its employees.

# NOTE (7) - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows consist of the following:

Unrestricted assets Cash	\$111,554
Restricted assets Cash	182,537
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>294,091</u>

#### NOTE (8) - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - ENTERPRISE FUND

The accounts receivable consist of gas, water and sewer billings uncollected as of June 30, 2004. The detail of the accounts receivable as of June 30, 2004 is as follows:

<u>Total accounts receivable</u>		\$43,660
Plus: sal	es tax receivable,net	(3)
Less: all	owance for uncollectible accounts	(701)
Net accoun	ts receivable	<u>42,956</u>

The amount of unbilled receivables as of June 30, 2004 and prior years was immaterial to the financial statements and is not included in accounts receivable.

#### NOTE (9) - AD VALOREM TAXES

For the year ended June 30, 2004, the Town of Grand Coteau levied a general tax of 5.67 mills on property with assessed valuation totaling \$2,699,670. Total tax levied was \$15,307. Taxes receivable at June 30, 2004 total \$3,354.

The Town's ad valorem tax, levied for the calendar year, is due on or before December 31, and becomes delinquent on January 1.

# NOTE (10) - RESERVATION OF FUND EQUITY

The Town records reserves to indicate that a portion of the fund equity is legally segregated for a specific future use. The following details the description and amount of all reservations of the Town.

		Balance at June 30, 2004
Enterprise	Funds	
Reserved	for customers' deposits	\$108,285
Reserved	for bond retirement	52,834
		<u>161,119</u>

### NOTE (11) - DEDICATION OF SALES TAX PROCEEDS

Proceeds of the 1 percent sales and use tax are dedicated to the following purposes:

Constructing and purchasing fire department stations and equipment; constructing and purchasing police department stations and equipment; opening, constructing, paving, resurfacing and improving streets, sidewalks, and bridges; constructing and improving drains, drainage canals and subsurface drainage; constructing, acquiring or improving any work of public permanent improvements; and purchasing and acquiring all equipment and furnishings for the public works, buildings, improvements and facilities of the Town of Grand Coteau, title to which shall be in the public.

### NOTE (12) - PROPRIETARY FUNDS - RESTRICTED ASSETS

Certain assets of the Enterprise Funds have been restricted for debt service and customers' deposits. These assets consist of cash and short-term investments restricted for the following:

Customers' deposits	\$84,735
Bond retirement - Reserve	22,196
Bond retirement - Sinking Fund	98,986
Bond retirement - Depreciation and Contingency	37,741
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	243,658

### NOTE (13) - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - LONG-TERM DEBT

A bond of \$46,400 was issued on December 8, 2003 for the purpose of acquiring a tract of land for public purposes. The \$46,400 Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2003 consists of two fully registered certificates.

Certificate R-1 in the principal amount of \$39,500 bearing interest at variable rates not to exceed 6% is payable over a five year period. The first payment was due on January 8, 2004 with the final payment due December 8, 2008. The monthly payments of \$709.76 will consist of fully amortized payments of principal and interest.

Certificate R-2 in the principal amount of \$6,900 is noninterest bearing and payable in five annual principal payments of \$1,380.

### NOTE (13) - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - LONG-TERM DEBT Continued

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

Description of Debt	Balance July 1, 2003	Additions	Payments	Balance June 30, 2004
Certificate R-1 \$39,500, dated December 8, 2003		\$39,500	\$3,689	\$35,811
Certificate R-2 \$6,900, dated December 8, 2003		6,900		6,900
	-0-	<u>46,400</u>	<u>3,689</u>	<u>42,711</u>

The annual requirements to retire debt as of June 30, 2004 are as follows:

Years Ending			
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2005	\$8,926	\$971	\$9,897
2006	9,156	742	9,898
2007	9,392	505	9,897
2008	9,636	261	9,897
2009	5,601	37	5,638
	<u>42,711</u>	2,516	<u>45,227</u>

### NOTE (14) - LONG-TERM DEBT - LEASES PAYABLE

The Town of Grand Coteau entered into a noncancellable capital lease with JDR Capital Corporation for a copier on September 10, 1999. The first monthly payment was due on September 21, 1999, with the final payment due on July 21, 2004. The agreement requires monthly payments of \$225.75 for sixty months which are recorded in the General Fund.

The Town of Grand Coteau entered into a noncancellable capital lease with Louisiana Copier Services for two copiers on February 14, 2003. The first monthly payment was due on February 14, 2003, with the final payment due on January 14, 2008. The agreement requires monthly payments of \$432.21 for sixty months which are recorded in the General Fund.

### NOTE (14) - LONG-TERM DEBT - LEASES PAYABLE - Continued

The Town of Grand Coteau entered into a noncancellable capital lease with CLM Equipment Company, Inc. for a backhoe on May 29, 2003. The first monthly payment was due on May 29, 2003, with the final payment due on May 29, 2007. The agreement requires annual payments of \$7,228.12 for five years.

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

	Balance July 1, 2003	Additions	Payments	Balance June 30, 2004
JDR Capital Corp. lease Louisiana Copier Services	\$2,636		\$2,413	\$223
lease	18,760		3,356	15,404
CLM Equipment Co. lease	26,542		6,785	<u>19,757</u>
Totals	<u>47,938</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>12,554</u>	<u>35,384</u>

At June 30, 2004, future minimum rental payments required are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	Interest	<u>Total</u>
2005	\$10,196	\$2,445	\$12,641
2006	10,709	1,706	12,415
2007	11,634	908	12,542
2008	2,845	81	2,926
Total minimum lease			
payments	<u>35,384</u>	<u>5,140</u>	<u>40,524</u>

### NOTE (15) - PROPRIETARY FUND CHANGES IN DEBT

The following is a summary of changes in Proprietary Fund debt for the year ended June 30, 2004:

	Balance at			Balance at
Description of Debt	July 1, 2003	Issued	Retired	June 30, 2004
\$338,666 of Utilities Revenue Refunding Bond dated				ta a 4 000
April 1, 1989	\$218,073		\$23,086	\$194,987
\$225,000 of Sewer Revenue Bond dated February 17, 1995	208,567		3,496	205,071
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\$125,000 of Water Tower Project Bond dated July 1, 1998	106,000		5,000	101,000
	<u>532,640</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>	<u>31,582</u>	<u>501,058</u>

### NOTE (15) - PROPRIETARY FUND CHANGES IN DEBT - Continued

The annual requirements to retire debt as of June 30, 2004, are as follows:

Years Ending			
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2005	\$33,440	\$29,396	\$62,836
2006	35,936	27,129	63,065
2007	37,524	24,686	62,210
2008	41,264	22,132	63,396
2009	39,703	19,326	59,029
2010-2014	104,944	63,237	168,181
2015-2019	64,593	41,192	105,785
2020-2024	33,290	28,675	61,965
2025-2029	41,672	20,293	61,965
2030-2034	52,164	9,801	61,965
2035-2036	16,528	519	17,047
	501,058	286,386	787,444

NOTE (16) - SEWER REVENUE BOND - FEBRUARY 17, 1995

A bond of \$225,000 was issued on February 17, 1995 for improvements on the Town's sewer system. The bond has a stated interest of 4 ½ percent and is payable over a forty year period. Commencing March 17, 1998 and on the 17th day of each month thereafter through February 17, 2035, monthly payments of \$1,032.75 will be due which will consist of fully amortized payments of principal and interest. Each payment shall be applied, first, to the payment of accrued interest; and second, to the payment of principal.

- a. Actual monthly payments into the Sinking Fund during the interest only period depend on the schedule of advances of principal made to the Town during construction. However, monthly debt service payments into the Sinking Fund will not exceed \$843.75.
- b. The Town will have to make monthly payments of \$43 into a Reserve Fund. The payments into the Reserve Fund will continue until an amount equal to one year's debt service on the bond is accumulated therein.
- c. The Town will have to make monthly payments of \$43 into a Contingency Fund. The payments into the Contingency Fund will be made over the life of the bond.

The Town did not comply with these requirements.

NOTE (17) - WATER TOWER PROJECT BOND - JULY 1, 1998 - RESTRICTION ON USE

- a. Actual monthly payments into the Sinking Fund are required to be \$946.67.
- b. Each month, there will be an amount set aside into the Reserve Fund at least equal to 10 percent of the amount to be paid into the Sinking Fund until the amount in the Reserve Fund equals the Reserve Fund requirement.

### NOTE (17) - WATER TOWER PROJECT BOND - JULY 1, 1998 - RESTRICTION ON USE -Continued

C. Each month, there will be an amount set aside into the Contingency Fund equal to 5 percent of the revenues for the preceding month provided that such sum is available. Such payments shall continue until such time as there has been accumulated in the Contingency Fund the sum of \$12,500.

The Town did not comply with these requirements.

### NOTE (18) - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE - FLOW OF FUNDS - RESTRICTION ON USE

Under the terms of the bond indentures on outstanding Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds dated April 1, 1989, all income and revenues of the Utility System are pledged and dedicated to the retirement of said bonds, and are to be set aside into the following special funds:

All revenues shall be deposited into a "Utilities Revenue Fund" to provide for the payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the system and for the following purposes:

(a) Each month, there will be set aside into a fund called the "Utilities Revenue Bond and Interest Sinking Fund" an amount constituting 1/12 of the next maturing installment of principal and 1/6 of the next maturing installment of interest on the outstanding bonds. Such transfers shall be fully sufficient to assure the prompt payment of principal and interest installments as they become due, and may be used only for such payments. This deposit must be made on or before the 20th of each month.

(b) There shall also be set aside into a "Utilities Revenue Bond Reserve Fund" an amount equal to 5 percent of the amount to be paid into the Sinking Fund until there shall have been accumulated in the Reserve Account an amount equal to the maximum principal and interest requirements in any one maturity year. Such amounts may be used only for the payment of maturing bonds and interest coupons for which sufficient funds are not on deposit in the Utility Revenue Bond Sinking Fund and as to which there would otherwise be default.

(c) Funds will also be set aside into a "Utilities Depreciation and Contingency Fund" an amount equal to 5 percent of the amount to be paid into the Sinking Fund. Money in this fund may be used for the making of extraordinary repairs or replacements to the system which are necessary to keep the system in operating condition and for which money is not available as a maintenance and operation expense. Money in this fund may also be used to pay principal or interest on the bonds falling due at any time there is not sufficient money for payment in the other bond funds.

(d) All of the revenues received in any fiscal year and not required to be paid in such fiscal year into any of the above noted funds shall be regarded as surplus and may be used for any lawful corporate purposes.

The Town did not comply with these requirements.

### NOTE (19) - SEWER CHARGES

The Town's sewer rate schedule is as follows:

	Monthly Charge
Base rate - 4,000 gallons	\$10.00
Each additional 1,000 gallons	2.00

### NOTE (20) - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES

	Interfund Receivables	Interfund Payables
Major Funds		
Governmental Funds		
General Fund	\$4,054	
Proprietary Funds		
Gas Fund		\$1,352
Water Fund	1,254	19,553
Sewer Fund	17,573	
Non-Major Funds		
Capital Projects Fund		
Agency Fund	1,352	3,328
	<u>24,233</u>	24,233

The amounts due to and from the funds per interfund receivables and payables represent short-term loans.

### Note (21) - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to risks of loss in the areas of general and auto liability, property hazards and workers' compensation. All of these risks are handled by purchasing commercial insurance coverage. There have been no significant reductions in the insurance coverage the year.

### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUDGET			VARIANCE- POSITIVE
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	ACTUAL	(NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$47,515	\$43,690	\$67,363	\$23,673
Licenses and permits	29,469	26,610	32,957	6,347
Intergovernmental	321,718	331,255	343,927	12,672
Fines and forfeits	61,025	83,918	83,577	(341)
Miscellaneous	24,738	20,695	26,396	5,701
Total revenues	484,465	506,168	554,220	48,052
EXPENDITURES				
Current operating				
Executive and administrative	154,141	240,064	235,189	4,875
Street department	93,482	104,621	115,624	(11,003)
Police department	228,106	279,839	281,112	(1,273)
Fire department	47,492	41,487	56,015	(14,528)
Park department	6,116	3,218	7,268	(4,050)
Debt service			19,783	(19,783)
Total expenditures	<u>529,337</u>	669,229	714,991	(45,762)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(4 <u>4,</u> 872)	(163,061)	(160,771)	2,290
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Operating transfers in	43,000	42,267	51,813	9,546
Operating transfers out	(22,000)	(5,672)	(11,630)	(5,958)
General obligation bond proceeds			46,400	46,400
Sale of capital assets	<u> </u>	<u></u>	4,440	4,440
Total other financing				
sources	21,000	36,595	91,023	54,428
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES				
AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)				
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>(23,872</u> )	( <u>126,466</u> )	(69,748)	56,718
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year			184,202	
FUND BALANCE, end of year			<u>114,454</u>	

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### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE SALES TAX FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUDG ORIGINAL	ET FINAL	ACTUAL	VARIANCE~ POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				
Sales tax collections Miscellaneous income	\$69,572	\$69,143	\$74,622	\$5,479
Total revenues	69,572	69,143	74,631	5,488
EXPENDITURES Current operating				
Executive and administrative Total expenditures	<u>790</u> 790	860 860	745 745	<u>    115</u> <u>    115</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	68,782	68,283	73,886	5,603
OTHER FINANCING USES Operating transfers out Total other financing	( <u>59,000</u> )	( <u>67,657</u> )	( <u>70,407</u> )	(2,750)
uses	( <u>59,000</u> )	( <u>67,657</u> )	( <u>67,657</u> )	(2,750)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>9,782</u>	626	3,479	<u>2,853</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year			24,900	
FUND BALANCE, end of year			<u>28,379</u>	

### OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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### GENERAL FUND

The General Fund is used to account for resources traditionally associated with governments which are not required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund has a greater number and variety of revenue sources than any other fund, and its resources normally finance a wider range of activities. The resources of the General Fund are ordinarily largely expended and replenished on an annual basis.

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

### ASSETS

Cash	\$56,900
Receivables, net of allowances for	
uncollectibles	
Property taxes	3,354
Franchise	12,281
Intergovernmental	60,869
Other	189
Due from other funds	4,054
Total assets	<u>137,647</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	<u>\$23,193</u>
<u>Total liabilities</u>	23,193
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	114,454
Total fund balance	114,454
Total lightlifing and fund equity	127 647
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>137,647</u>

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE ~ POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
REVENUES			
Taxes	\$43,690	\$67,363	\$23,673
Licenses and permits	26,610	32,957	6,347
Intergovernmental	331,255	343,927	12,672
Fines and forfeits	83,918	83,577	(341)
Miscellaneous	20,695	26,396	5,701
Total revenues	506,168	554,220	48,052
EXPENDITURES			
Current operating			
Executive and			
administratíve	240,064	235,189	4,875
Street department	104,621	115,624	(11,003)
Police department	279,839	281,112	(1,273)
Fire department	41,487	56,015	(14,528)
Park department	3,218	7,268	(4,050)
Debt service	. <u></u>	19,783	<u>(19,783</u> )
Total expenditures	669,229	714,991	(45,762)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES			
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	( <u>163,061</u> )	( <u>160,771</u> )	2,290
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in	42,267	51,813	9,546
Transfers out	(5,672)	(11,630)	(5,958)
General obligation bond proceeds		46,400	46,400
Sale of capital assets Tot <u>a</u> l other <u>financing</u>		4,440	4,440
sources	36,595	91,023	54,423
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER)			
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	( <u>126,466</u> )	(69,748)	<u>56,718</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		184,202	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		<u>114,454</u>	

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND DETAILED SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

			VARIANCE - POSITIVE
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	(NEGATIVE)
TAXES			
Property taxes	\$12,477	\$15,067	\$2,590
Franchise – cable			
television	1,755	1,749	(6)
Franchise - telephone	1,424	1,907	483
Franchise - electric	28,034	48,640	<u>20,606</u>
Total taxes	43,690	67,363	23,673
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
Occupational licenses	24,633	32,253	7,620
Building permits	1,857	524	(1,333)
Moving permits	120	180	60
Total licenses and			
permits	26,610	32,957	6,347
INTERGOVERNMENTAL			
State beer tax	3,031	2,782	(249)
Housing Authority		4,213	4,213
Fire insurance rebate	3,511	3,511	
Federal grants	31,923	31,923	
State grants	5,000	9,461	4,461
Video poker revenue	234,266	234,421	155
Share of Racino income	8,271	13,824	5,553
Solid Waste payments	45,253	39,192	(6,061)
DOTD	<u></u>	4,600	4,600
Total intergovernmental	331,255	343,927	12,672
FINES			
Court fines	83,918	83,577	(341)
MISCELLANEOUS			
Interest income	288	307	19
Sundry	5,655	7,046	1,391
Water meter fees	14,752	18,743	3,991
Toys for Tots		<u> </u>	300
Total miscellaneous	20,695	26,396	5,701
Total revenues	<u>506,168</u>	<u>554,220</u>	<u>48,052</u>

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND DETAILED SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE			
Personal services			
Salaries - Clerical	\$38,267	\$46,709	\$(8,442)
Salaries - Mayor and Council	22,260	17,325	4,935
Payroll taxes	4,630	3,003	1,627
Supplies			
Office supplies and postage	19,584	18,233	1,351
<u>Other</u>			
Conventions and conferences	8,632	9,822	(1,190)
Advertising	6,988	5,908	1,080
Dues and subscriptions	3,229	2,779	450
Engineering fees	7,887	7,164	723
Equipment rental	7,401	1,365	6,036
Insurance	13,499	14,996	(1,497)
Legal and accounting	24,244	24,129	. 115
Miscellaneous	2,134	152	1,982
Pest control	432	432	
Repairs and maintenance	1,215	1,501	(286)
Telephone	7,783	8,221	(438)
Utilities	4,983	7,592	(2,609)
Bank charges	87	194	(107)
Collection agency fee		434	(434)
Uniforms	1,935	1,451	484
Interest	3,170		3,170
Travel		492	(492)
Bad debt		83	(83)
Capital outlay	61,704	63,204	( <u>1,500</u> )
Total executive and			
administrative	240,064	235,189	4,875
STREET DEPARTMENT			
Personal services			
Salaries	38,615	40,494	(1,879)
Payroll taxes	2,508	2,371	137
Supplies			
Materials and supplies	10,309	10,970	(661)

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### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND DETAILED SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

STREET DEPARTMENT (Continued)	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE - POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
Other			
Auto and truck expense	\$10,551	\$11,196	\$(645)
Repairs and maintenance	1,171	2,553	(1,382)
Insurance	12,541	13,486	(945)
Utilities	17,821	14,811	3,010
Tractor expense	1,373	92	1,281
Miscellaneous	1,271	1,609	(338)
Equipment rental	8,461	978	7,483
Capital outlay	<u> </u>	17,064	( <u>17,064</u> )
Total street department	104,621	<u>115,624</u>	( <u>11,003</u> )
POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Personal services			
Salaries and wages	185,073	187,347	(2,274)
Payroll taxes	13,281	13,056	225
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Supplies			
Materials and supplies	15,193	10,675	4,518
Uniforms	1,669	2,341	(672)
Other			
Insurance	38,501	35,825	2,676
Auto expense	9,069	11,774	(2,705)
Telephone	3,200	3,104	96
Repairs	4,384	3,873	511
Miscellaneous	4,853	405	4,448
Education	-,	(500)	500
Prisoner meals	277	208	69
Radio rental	1,839	1,799	40
Fees on fines	·	2,865	(2,865)
Capital outlay	2,500	8,340	(5,840)
Total police department	279,839	281,112	(1,273)
FIRE DEPARTMENT			
Personal services		• ·	
Salaries and wages	2,717	2,417	300
Payroll taxes	208	174	34

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### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA GENERAL FUND DETAILED SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE - POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
FIRE DEPARTMENT (Continued)			
Supplies			
Materials and supplies Uniforms	\$3,061	\$4,219 4,920	\$(1,158) (4,920)
Other			
Telephone	5,581	5,604	(23)
Utilities	800	843	(43)
Insurance	2,860	2,874	(14)
Seminars and conventions		250	(250)
Grant administration		500	(500)
Miscellaneous	392	167	225
Repairs and maintenance	265	1,935	(1,670)
Capital outlay	25,603	32,112	(6,509)
Total fire department	41,487	56,015	( <u>14,528</u> )
PARK DEPARTMENT			
Other			
Insurance	1,699	1,783	(84)
Repairs and maintenance		1,650	(1,650)
Supplies	1,519	3,835	(2,316)
Total park department	3,218	7,268	(4,050)
DEBT SERVICE			
Payments on capital lease		15,524	(15,524)
Payments on bonds		4,259	<u>(4,259</u> )
Total debt service		19,783	( <u>19,783</u> )
Total expenditures	<u>669,229</u>	<u>714,991</u>	( <u>45,762</u> )

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### SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for resources legally restricted to expenditures for specified current operating purposes or the acquisition of furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment, or other relatively minor or comparatively short-lived assets.

The Sales Tax Fund is used to account for the collection and expenditure of the Town's 1 percent sales tax.

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### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUND SALES TAX FUND BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

### ASSETS

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Cash	\$ <u>31,129</u>
Total assets	<u>31,129</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	2,750
Total liabilities	2,750
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	\$ <u>28,379</u>
Total fund balance	28,379
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>31,129</u>

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SALES TAX FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE - POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
REVENUES Taxes			
Sales tax collections	\$69,143	\$74,622	\$5,479
Miscellaneous			_
Interest income	60 147	9	9
Total revenues	69,143	74,631	5,488
EXPENDITURES			
Executive and administrative Miscellaneous	860	745	115
Total expenditures	860	745	115
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER			
EXPENDITURES	68,283	73,886	5,603
OTHER FINANCING USES			
Operating transfers out	( <u>67,657</u> )	( <u>70,407</u> )	(2,750)
Total other financing			(2.550)
uses	( <u>67,657</u> )	( <u>70,407</u> )	(2,750)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER			
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	626	3,479	<u>2,853</u>
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year		24,900	
FUND BALANCE, end of year		28,379	

### NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

### CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for the purchase or construction of major capital facilities which are not financed by proprietary funds.

The Capital Projects Fund was used to account for the street improvement project in the last fiscal year and is now being used to account for the Water Tower Painting Project. The Water Tower Painting Project is still under construction as of June 30, 2004.

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

ASSETS

Cash Investments Other receivable

Total assets

<u>-0-</u>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

### LIABILITIES

Accounts payable Total liabilities -0-FUND BALANCE Reserved for construction Total fund balance -0-Total liabilities and fund balance -0-

TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

REVENUES	
Miscellaneous	
Interest income	
Total revenues	<u>-0-</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Total expenditures	<u>-0-</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	
Transfers out	(23,173)
Total other financing sources	(23, 173)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	
AND OTHER USES	(23,173)
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FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	23,173
FUND BALANCE, end of year	<u> </u>

### SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for resources legally restricted to expenditures for specified current operating purposes or the acquisition of furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment, or other relatively minor or comparatively short-lived assets.

The Housing Rehab Program Fund provides installation and repairs of homes owned by very low-income individuals.

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SPECIAL REVENUE FUND HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM FUND BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2004

### ASSETS

Cash

Total assets	<u>-0-</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES Total liabilities	-0-
FUND BALANCE Total fund balance	-0-
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>-0-</u>

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

### ACTUAL

REVENUES	
Total revenues	-0-
EXPENDITURES	
Total expenditures	-0-
OTHER FINANCING USES	
Operating transfers out	( <u>154</u> )
Total other financing	
uses	( <u>154</u> )
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES	
OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(154)
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	<u>154</u>

FUND BALANCE, end of year -0-

### COMPLIANCE

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INTERNAL CONTROL

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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

The Honorable Jean C. Coco, Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Grand Coteau, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 10, 2004. 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.

### **Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana'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 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 instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying summary schedule of current and prior year audit findings and corrective action plan as items 2004-1 and 2002-3.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town of Grand Coteau, Louisiana's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying summary schedule of current and prior year audit findings and corrective action plan as items 2003-1, 2003-2, 2002-4, and 2002-5.

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This report is intended solely for the information of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the appropriate regulatory or legislative body and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities 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 maybe limited, under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Lafayette, Louisiana December 10, 2004

		Anticipated Name of Completion Contact Person Date	Denise Moore, 6/30/2005 Clerk	Denise Moore, 1/31/2005 Clerk	
TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU	Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30, 2004	Corrective Action Planned	The Town will cosely monitor budget to actual L financial statements and amend the budget when C necessary.	The monthly transfers to the Sinking, Reserve, and L Contingency Accounts will be made monthly as C required.	
TOWN OF	Summary Schedule of Curr and Corre Year End	Reference       Corrective         Number       Description of Finding       Action         CURRENT YEAR (06/30/04)       Taken	<u>Budgeting</u> The Town did not amend the General Fund budget in a with LSA-R.S. 39:1311(A) (2) that states when to expenditures plus projected expenditures exceed expenditures by five percent or more the budget must be Total expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by \$6.8%.	<ul> <li>Recommendation: The Town should closely monitor budget to actual financial statements and amend the budget when necessary.</li> <li><u>Bond Payments</u></li> <li>The Town did not comply with the transfer procedures for the utility revenue bond issues. The utility bond issues require that amounts be transferred monthly to the Sinking, Reserve, and Contingency Accounts. No payments were made to these accounts until April of 2004. The April transfers were intended to represent transfers from prior months. Transfers were made for the incorrect amounts for May and June of 2004.</li> <li>Recommendation: The Town should fully comply with the transfer procedures as required by the utility revenue bond issues.</li> </ul>	
		Reference Number CURREN	Compliance 2004-1	2002-3	

## Summary Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings (Continued) and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30, 2004

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Reference       Description of Finding         Number       Description of Finding         CURRENT YEAR (06/30/04)       Description of Finding         CURRENT YEAR (06/30/04)       Internal Control:         2003-1       Lack of Written Policies and Procedures         The Town's written policies and procedures       not complete. The Town should develop and adopt policies in the following areas: purchasing/procurement, accounting, investments, capital assets, etc.         Pown should develop and adopt policies and procedures should be developed, adopted, and implemented.         2003-2       Customernettom: Written policies and procedures should be developed, adopted, and implemented.         2003-2       Customer Meter Deposit Liability Not Being Reconciled         The customer meter deposit detailed listing from the utility system is not being reconciled to the general ledger monthly.         Recommendation: The customer meter deposit balance per general
Description of Finding         VEAR (06/30/04)         VEAR (06/30/04)       Description of Finding         VEAR (06/30/04)         Description of Finding         Lack of Written Policies and Procedures         The Town's written policies and procedures are not complete. The Town's written policies and procedures are not complete. The Town should develop and adopt policies in the following areas: purchasing/procurement, accounting, investments, capital assets, etc.         Proceeding and adopt policies and procedures should be developed, adopted, and implemented.         Recommendation:         Weter Deposit Liability Not Being Reconciled         The customer meter deposit detailed listing from the utility system is not being reconciled to the general ledger monthly.         Recommendation:       The customer meter deposit balance per general ledger should be compared to the deposit listing per the billing

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## Summary Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings (Continued) and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30, 2004

Anticipated Completion Date	N/A		3/31/2005
Name of Contact Person	Jean C. Coco, Mayor		k k
			ce Denise Clerk
Corrective Action Planned	The Town will consider on how it can possibly strengthen its segregation of duties with present employees by shifting some responsibilities but believes that the cost to hire additional accounting personnel is not cost beneficial based upon the size of the Town's operations.		The accounts receivable utility trial balance will be reconciled to the general ledger on a monthly basis.
Corrective Action Taken			
T YEAR (06/30/04)	Lack of Segregation of duties does not exist in the area of An adequate segregation of duties does not exist in the area of accounting at Town Hall. Often the Town Clerk may collect payments on accounts, make deposits and post the same deposit into the general ledger. A system of internal control procedures contemplates a segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to its completion. While we recognize that the Town may not be large enough to permit an adequate segregation of duties for an effective system of internal control procedures, it is important that you be aware of this condition; errors or fraud could occur and be undetected. <b>Recommendation</b> : There can be only a proper segregation of duties when both the Town Clerk and Assistant Clerk are performing their respective duties. However, if this is not the case, every attempt should be made to keep the general ledgers current which will allow the Mayor and Council to keep abreast of the Town's financial condition.	Accounts Receivable Not Being Reconciled	The accounts receivable balance per the general ledger is not being compared to the customer accounts trial balance per the billing system. Errors or irregularities could be made in the recording of deposits, billings or adjustments without being detected in a timely manner. <b>Recommendation:</b> The accounts receivable balance per the general ledger should be compared to the accounts balance per the billing system at the end of each month.
Reference Number CURREN	2002-4	2002-5	

## Summary Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings (Continued) and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30. 2004

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	Anticipated Completion Date		6/30/2005				
	Name of Contact Person		Jean Coco, Mayor				
le 30, 2004	Corrective Action Planned		The Town will prepare a detailed list of fixed assets, take a physical inventory and identify assets that belong to the Town and include a tag number on the listing of fixed assets.				See current year section - finding 2002-3
Year Ended June 30, 2004	Corrective Action Taken					Yes	oz
Yca	Description of Finding	CURRENT YEAR (06/30/04) <u>Management Letter:</u>	<u>Physical Inventory</u> The Town of Grand Coteau has prepared a detailed list of fixed assets and adopted a capitalization policy; however, the Town has not conducted a complete physical inventory. <b>Recommendation</b> : The Town should conduct a complete physical inventory and compare to the compiled list of fixed assets.	PRIOR YEAR (06/30/03)	uc: Inademiate Records for Eixed Assets	The Town of Grand Coteau does not have adequate inventory records for general fixed assets and has not conducted physical inventories as required by LSA-RS 24:515.	<u>Bond Payments</u> The Town did not comply with the transfer procedures for the utility revenue bond issues. The Bond issues require that monthly amounts be transferred to the Sinking, Reserve, and Contingency Accounts.
	Reference Number	CURRENT YEAR <u>Management Letter</u>	1- TW	PRIOR Y	2002-1		2002-3

	Anticipated Name of Completion Contact Person Date			
Summary Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings (Continued) and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30, 2004	Corrective Action Planned	See current year section - finding 2003-1	See current year section - finding 2003-2	See current year section - finding 2002-4
Jurrent and Prior Year Aud and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30, 2004	Corrective Action Taken	No	No	ž
Summary Schedule of Curren and C Year	Description of Finding EAR (06/30/03)	<u>Dutrol:</u> <u>Lack of Written Policies and Procedures</u> The Town's written policies and procedures are not complete. The Town should develop and adopt policies in the following areas: purchasing/procurement, accounting, investments, capital assets, etc.	Customer Meter Deposit Liability Not Being Reconciled The Customer meter deposit detailed listing from the utility system is not being reconciled to the general ledger monthly.	Lack of Segregation of Duties An adequate segregation of duties does not exist in the area of accounting at Town Hall. Often the Town Clerk may collect payments on accounts, make deposits and post the same deposit into the general ledger. A system of internal control procedures contemplates a segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to its completion. While we recognize that the Town may not be large enough to permit an adequate segregation of duties for an effective system of internal control procedures, it is important that you be aware of this condition; errors or fraud could occur and be undetected.
	Reference Number PRIOR VI	<u>Internal Control:</u> 2003-1 <u>La</u> e Th To pur	2003-2	2002-4

## Summary Schedule of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings (Continued) and Corrective Action Plan Year Ended June 30, 2004

Anticipated	Completion	Date	
	Name of	Contact Person	
		Corrective Action Planned	
Corrective	Action	Taken	
		Description of Finding	
	Reference	Number	PRIOR YEAR (06/30/03)

# 2002-5 Accounts Receivable Not Being Reconciled

The accounts receivable balance per the general ledger is not being compared to the accounts balance per the billing system. Errors or irregularities could be made in the recording of deposits, billings or adjustments without being detected in a timely manner.

See current year section - finding 2002-5.

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### OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANAENTERPRISEFUNDSSCHEDULE OF OPERATING EXPENSESFOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

GAS\_FUND\_EXPENSES

Personal services	
Salaries and wages	\$16,437
Payroll taxes	1,179
	2/2/3
Contractual services	
Gas purchases	172,208
Survey expense	3,687
Supplies	
Materials and supplies	12,329
Other Ded debt	226
Bad debt expense	726
Legal and accounting	15,199
Insurance Depoint and maintenance	10,300
Repairs and maintenance	27,026
Seminar expense Utilities	2,532
	3,898
Telephone Miscellaneous	710
MISCEITANEOUS	1,683
Depreciation	8,253
Total gas fund expenses	276,167
WATER FUND EXPENSES	
Personal services	13.517
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<u>Personal services</u> Salaries and wages Payroll taxes <u>Supplies</u> Materials and supplies <u>Other</u> Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399
<u>Personal services</u> Salaries and wages Payroll taxes <u>Supplies</u> Materials and supplies <u>Other</u> Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099
<u>Personal services</u> Salaries and wages Payroll taxes <u>Supplies</u> Materials and supplies <u>Other</u> Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099 5,637
Personal services Salaries and wages Payroll taxes Supplies Materials and supplies Other Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance Telephone	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099 5,637 1,342
<pre>Personal services Salaries and wages Payroll taxes Supplies Materials and supplies Other Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance Telephone Miscellaneous</pre>	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099 5,637 1,342 138
<pre>Personal services Salaries and wages Payroll taxes Supplies Materials and supplies Other Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance Telephone Miscellaneous Seminar expense</pre>	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099 5,637 1,342 138 809
<pre>Personal services Salaries and wages Payroll taxes Supplies Materials and supplies Other Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance Telephone Miscellaneous</pre>	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099 5,637 1,342 138
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Personal services Salaries and wages Payroll taxes Supplies Materials and supplies Other Bad debt expense Dues Legal and accounting Insurance Utilities Repairs and maintenance Telephone Miscellaneous Seminar expense Safe drinking water fee	961 6,356 287 934 11,964 4,399 7,099 5,637 1,342 138 809 1,270

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### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA ENTERPRISE FUNDS SCHEDULE OF OPERATING EXPENSES (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

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SEWER FUND EXPENSES

Personal services	
Salaries and wages	\$14,207
Payroll taxes	1,264
Contractual services	
Analysis expense	4,185
Supplies	
Materials and supplies	2,878
Other	
Bad debt expense	316
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Legal and accounting	1,968
Engineering	3,241
Repairs and maintenance	25,283
Utilities	14,838
Insurance	11,143
Miscellaneous	438
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Depreciation	74,720
Total sewer fund expenses	154,481
Total operating expenses	<u>520,830</u>

TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA COMBINED SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE JUNE 30, 2004

	ELNI	INTEREST PAYMENT	ISSUE	FINAL MATURITY	ANNUAL		BOI	BONDS	
	RATES	DATE	DATE	DATE	SERIAL PAYMENTS	AUTHORIZED	ISSUED	RETIRED	OUTSTANDING
REVENUE BONDS Sewerage utility	7.20\$	10/03 04/04	10/01/98	4/01/2011	Varies	\$206,829	\$206,829	\$78,751	\$128,078
Water utility	7.20%	10/03 04/04	86/10/01	4/01/2011	Varies	108,049	108,049	41,140	66,909
Sewerage utility	4.50%	17th of each month	56/LT/2	10/17/2036	Varies	225,000	225,000	19,928	205,072
Water utility	6.00%	10/03 04/04	7/01/98	4/01/2018	Varies	<u>125,000</u>	125,000	24,000	101,000
Total revenue bonds						664,878	664,878	163,819	501,059

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### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA COMBINED SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS - ALL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2004

	INTEREST RATES	MATURITY DATE	TOTAL BOOK VALUE
ENTERPRISE FUNDS			
Certificate of Deposit			
Bank of Sunset and Trust Co.	1.15%	9/19/04	\$35,931
Certificate of Deposit			
Bank of Sunset and Trust Co.	1.15%	12/7/04	25,189
Certificate of Deposit			
Bank of Sunset and Trust Co.	1.15%	9/19/04	1,037
Certificate of Deposit			
Bank of Sunset and Trust Co.	. 75%	6/30/04	22,987
Total			85,144

	01	Monthly	5/1/05	5/1/05	9/15/04	1/14/05	8/15/04	5/1/05
	FROM	Monthly	5/1/04	5/1/04	9/15/03	1/14/04	8/15/03	5/1/04 t t
	EFFECTIVE DATES LIMITS OF COVERAGE	Statutory	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$52,000 \$71,000 \$5,000	\$1,501,893 \$3,000 deductible	\$92,712 \$500 deductible	\$500,000 \$1,000 each claimant for law enforcement
TEAU, LOUISIANA RANCE IN FORCE , 2004 ITED)	TYPE OF COVERAGE	Workmen's Compensation	Bodily injury Property damage	Bodily injury Property damage	Bond Bond Blanket Bond	Fire, extended coverage and vandalism	Property damage	Fersonal injury Property damage Errors and omissions
TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE IN FORCE JUNE 30, 2004 (UNAUDITED)	ASSETS COVERED	Workmen's Compensation	1997 Ford sedan 1961 GMC fire truck 1991 GMC fire truck 1992 Ford sedan 1983 GMC pickup 1991 Chevy pickup 1997 Ford pickup 1998 Chevy dump truck 1998 Ford sedan 1998 Chevy sedan 1994 Chevy sedan 1994 Chevy sedan 1994 Chevy pickup 1991 Chevy pickup	Comprehensive and liability on premises and operations	Clerk and Assistant Clerk Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem Town employees	Blanket on all equipment and buildings of insured	1983 International tractor 1998 Case 580L backhoe 1996 Ford mower 1984 Ford 355 backhoe	Law enforcement officers and public officials
	INSURER	Louisiana Municipal Risk Management Agency	Risk Management		Western Surety Bond	RMC Insurance Company	EMC Insurance Company	Risk Management

### TOWN OF GRAND COTEAU, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

### GENERAL

### COMPENSATION PAID TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The compensation of the Town of Grand Coteau's governing body is included in the general administrative expenditures of the General Fund. The Mayor is paid \$600 per month and the board members are paid \$150 per month. Board members are also paid \$75 for any special meetings attended.

	COMPENSATION
Jean C. Coco, Mayor P. O. Box 312 Grand Coteau, LA 70541 (337) 662-3838 Term expires December 31, 2006	\$7,200
David T. Richard, Alderman P. O. Box 15 Grand Coteau, LA 70541 (337) 662-6905 Term expires December 31, 2006	2,025
Russell Richard, Jr., Alderman P.O. Box 117 Grand Coteau, LA 70541 (337) 662-3603 Term expires December 31, 2006	2,025
Wallace Belson, Jr. P.O. Box 55 Grand Coteau, LA 70541 (337) 662-3584 Term expires December 31, 2006	2,025
Wilton Guidry P.O. Box 457 Grand Coteau, LA 70541 (337) 662-3484 Term expires December 31, 2006	2,025
Robert Landry P.O. Box 297 Grand Coteau, LA 70541 (337) 662-3981	
Term expires December 31, 2006	2,025
	<u>17,325</u>

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### MANAGEMENT LETTER

The Honorable Jean C. Coco, Mayor and Members of the Board of Aldermen Grand Coteau, Louisiana

During our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Grand Coteau for the year ended June 30, 2004, we noted a certain area in which improvement in the financial practices of the Town may be desirable. Therefore, the following recommendation is submitted for your consideration:

(1) The Town of Grand Coteau has prepared a detailed list of fixed assets and adopted a capitalization policy; however, the Town has not conducted a complete physical inventory. We recommend that the Town conduct a complete physical inventory and compare to the compiled list of fixed assets.

In conclusion, we express our appreciation to you and your staff, particularly to your office staff, for the courtesies and assistance rendered to us during the performance of our audit. Should you have any questions or need assistance in implementing our recommendation, please feel free to contact us.

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Lafayette, Louisiana December 10, 2004

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