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**GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
MONROE, LOUISIANA**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999
AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Board of Directors
Greater Ouachita Water Company
Monroe, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Greater Ouachita Water Company, as of August 31, 2000, and 1999, and the related statements of income, surplus, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. 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 audits provide 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 Greater Ouachita Water Company, as of August 31, 2000 and 1999, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note E, Greater Ouachita Water Company was alleged by LaDEQ to have violated certain provisions of the Louisiana Water Control law. The financial statements were adjusted on August 31, 2000, to reflect the action of the State of Louisiana for these instances of non-compliance


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Monroe, Louisiana
November 30, 2000

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
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PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
Cost of Systems	22,150,680.84	20,796,671.13
Accumulated Depreciation	7,065,018.26	6,389,226.26
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Net Plant & Equipment	15,085,662.58	14,407,444.87
SPECIAL FUNDS		
Revenue Fund	791.18	5,068.01
Interest Fund	150,868.72	162,603.39
Reserve Fund	288,720.00	320,542.97
Renewals, Replacements & Extensions Fund	46,845.07	17,204.64
Sinking Fund	195,000.00	245,000.00
Series 97A&B Improvement Account	688.28	462,046.97
Series 1994A Improvement Fund	0.00	2,493.76
Redemptions Payment Account	0.01	0.01
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Total Special Funds	682,913.26	1,214,959.75
CURRENT ASSETS		
General Fund Cash	217,297.95	100,081.92
Accounts Receivable - Customers	818,841.95	677,355.89
Accounts Receivable - Returned Checks	10,000.42	8,481.23
Accounts Receivable - Other	0.00	5,722.82
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	828,842.37	691,559.94
Allowance for Bad Accounts	4,383.48	3,398.24
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	824,458.89	688,161.70
Prepaid Expense	43,163.41	45,547.38
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Total Current Assets	1,084,920.25	833,791.00
DEFERRED CHARGES		
Unamortized Bond Discount	0.00	0.00
Unamortized Bond Issue Expense	146,702.88	162,050.16
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Total Deferred Charges	146,702.88	162,050.16
OTHER ASSETS		
Deposits	12,500.00	12,500.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	17,012,698.97	16,630,745.78
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES

	AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
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LONG-TERM DEBT		
Bonds Payable - Series 1964 & 1965	0.00	209,250.00
Bonds Payable - Series 1994A	1,605,000.00	1,625,000.00
Bonds Payable - Series 97A&B Improvements	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00
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Total Long-Term Debt	5,105,000.00	5,334,250.00
FUNDED LIABILITIES		
Interest Payable	144,360.00	150,515.00
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable - Trade	342,095.18	212,095.31
Accounts Payable - West Ouachita Sewer	230,973.72	230,042.32
Accounts Payable - Other Sewer	61,443.93	70,960.41
Accounts Payable - Litigation Expense	0.00	10,000.00
Payroll Taxes Payable	530.15	632.00
Sales Taxes Payable	12,639.90	17,350.00
Notes Payable - Central Bank	955,000.00	750,000.00
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Total Current Liabilities	1,602,682.88	1,291,080.04
DEFERRED LIABILITIES		
Customer Meter Deposits	430,534.50	408,057.50
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,282,577.38	7,183,902.54

SURPLUS

CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION (Non-Refundable)	2,565,238.10	2,378,851.18
UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS	7,164,883.49	7,067,992.06
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	9,730,121.59	9,446,843.24
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS	17,012,698.97	16,630,745.78
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	TOTAL SYSTEM	
	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
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OPERATING REVENUE		
Revenue	3,721,998.44	3,410,214.05
Forfeited Discounts	81,416.88	78,003.99
Reconnect Charges	49,230.00	48,179.00
Sewer Inspection Fees	1,300.00	995.00
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Total Operating Revenue	3,853,945.32	3,537,392.04
DIRECT OPERATING EXPENSES		
Operating Contract	992,225.00	939,555.65
Power	484,236.34	408,540.57
Maintenance	298,411.20	292,414.09
Chemicals - Sewer	26,164.17	25,389.90
Testing - Sewer	18,507.00	24,779.00
Engineering Services	14,085.06	15,958.00
Water Purchased	634,566.45	611,786.50
Water Used in Sewer Plant	941.83	1,315.99
Service & Franchise Fees	11,565.42	13,483.21
Right of Way	700.00	11,479.00
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Total Direct Operating Expenses	2,481,402.47	2,344,701.91
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NET OPERATING INCOME	1,372,542.85	1,192,690.13
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		
	217,664.28	206,657.47
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NET OPERATING PROFIT	1,154,878.57	986,032.66
OTHER INCOME		
	39,652.09	83,315.13
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	1,194,530.66	1,069,347.79
OTHER EXPENSES		
	406,499.95	419,537.83
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NET INCOME BEFORE AMORTIZATION & DEP'N.	788,030.71	649,809.96
AMORTIZATION & DEPRECIATION		
Amort. of Bond Discount	0.00	1,912.27
Amort. of Bond Issue Exp.-1964 & 65	0.00	1,595.96
Amort. of Bond Issue Exp.-1994A	3,357.60	3,357.60
Amort. Of Bond Issue Exp.-97A&B	11,989.68	11,989.68
Depreciation Expense	675,792.00	611,400.00
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Total Amortization & Depreciation	691,139.28	630,255.51
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NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	96,891.43	19,554.45
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
STATEMENTS OF INCOME

WATER SYSTEM		SEWER SYSTEM	
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999
3,095,525.91	2,892,947.34	626,472.53	517,266.71
81,416.88	78,003.99	0.00	0.00
49,230.00	48,179.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	1,300.00	995.00
<u>3,226,172.79</u>	<u>3,019,130.33</u>	<u>627,772.53</u>	<u>518,261.71</u>
801,927.00	777,203.14	190,298.00	162,352.51
343,207.36	315,711.98	141,028.98	92,828.59
237,272.75	274,657.36	61,138.45	17,756.73
0.00	0.00	26,164.17	25,389.90
0.00	0.00	18,507.00	24,779.00
14,085.06	14,758.00	0.00	1,200.00
634,566.45	611,786.50	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	941.83	1,315.99
5,724.38	7,987.21	5,841.04	5,496.00
700.00	4,700.00	0.00	6,779.00
<u>2,037,483.00</u>	<u>2,006,804.19</u>	<u>443,919.47</u>	<u>337,897.72</u>
<u>1,188,689.79</u>	<u>1,012,326.14</u>	<u>183,853.06</u>	<u>180,363.99</u>
182,159.56	167,346.19	35,504.72	39,311.28
<u>1,006,530.23</u>	<u>844,979.95</u>	<u>148,348.34</u>	<u>141,052.71</u>
34,850.79	51,876.23	4,801.30	31,438.90
<u>1,041,381.02</u>	<u>896,856.18</u>	<u>153,149.64</u>	<u>172,491.61</u>
174,406.73	176,015.98	232,093.22	243,521.85
<u>866,974.29</u>	<u>720,840.20</u>	<u>(78,943.58)</u>	<u>(71,030.24)</u>
0.00	1,810.12	0.00	102.15
0.00	1,510.70	0.00	85.26
0.00	0.00	3,357.60	3,357.60
3,596.90	3,596.90	8,392.78	8,392.78
462,821.00	425,449.00	212,971.00	185,951.00
<u>466,417.90</u>	<u>432,366.72</u>	<u>224,721.38</u>	<u>197,888.79</u>
<u>400,556.39</u>	<u>288,473.48</u>	<u>(303,664.96)</u>	<u>(268,919.03)</u>

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
STATEMENT OF SURPLUS

	AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
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CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION		
Balance - Beginning	2,378,851.18	2,148,800.41
Additions		
Water Tap Fees	129,100.00	125,173.81
Sewer Tap Fees	18,150.00	11,092.00
Other	39,136.92	93,784.96
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Balance - Ending	2,565,238.10	2,378,851.18
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UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS		
Balance - Beginning	7,067,992.06	7,048,437.61
Additions		
Net Income For The Year	96,891.43	19,554.45
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Balance - Ending	7,164,883.49	7,067,992.06
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TOTAL SURPLUS - ENDING	9,730,121.59	9,446,843.24
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
STATEMENTS OF INCREASE (DECREASE) IN
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999
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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	96,891.43	19,554.45
Noncash Items Included In Net Income		
Amortization of Bond Discount	0.00	1,912.27
Amortization of Bond Issue Expense	15,347.28	16,943.24
Depreciation	675,792.00	611,400.00
Changes in:		
Accounts Receivable	(136,297.19)	(75,714.01)
Prepaid Expenses	2,383.97	(19,120.21)
Interest Payable	(6,155.00)	(5,900.00)
Accounts Payable - Trade	129,999.87	(27,733.71)
Accounts Payable - Sewers	(8,585.08)	20,407.90
Accounts Payable - Litigation Expense	(10,000.00)	10,000.00
Payroll Taxes	(101.85)	201.25
Sales Taxes	(4,710.10)	8,202.00
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Total Adjustments	(33,465.38)	(89,656.78)
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Net Cash Provided By (Used By) Operating Activities	754,565.33	560,153.18
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Plant & Equipment	(1,354,009.71)	(1,872,606.45)
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Net Cash Provided By (Used By) Investing Activities	(1,354,009.71)	(1,872,606.45)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Investments in Special Funds	532,046.49	1,177,373.68
Customer Meter Deposits	22,477.00	16,067.00
Contributions in Aid of Construction	186,386.92	230,050.77
Loan From Central Bank	205,000.00	25,000.00
Redemption of Bonds Payable	(229,250.00)	(235,000.00)
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Net Cash Provided By (Used By) Financing Activities	716,660.41	1,213,491.45
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NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	117,216.03	(98,961.82)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	100,081.92	199,043.74
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CASH AT END OF YEAR	217,297.95	100,081.92
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AUGUST 31, 2000

NOTE A - HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

The Greater Ouachita Water Company was incorporated May 29, 1963, under the laws of the State of Louisiana, as a nonprofit organization. The company was organized to consolidate various water companies operating in Ouachita Parish, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, into a single company in order to provide better service to the area residents.

By a contract dated June 12, 1963, between the Greater Ouachita Water Company and the Parish of Ouachita, the company agreed to acquire and construct a waterworks, sewerage, and natural gas system within the Parish. Under terms of the contract, the Parish recognizes the company's title to the system until all indebtedness of the company, together with accrued interest thereon, incurred by the company in the financing of the purchase, extension and improvement of the system is paid in full. When all such indebtedness of the company is paid in full, all rights, title and interest of the company and the system shall vest in the Parish.

An Indenture of Mortgage, dated September 1, 1964, was made by and between the Greater Ouachita Water Company and the First National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans, Now Bank One, a national banking association having its principal office in New Orleans, Louisiana, as trustee. Supplemental Indentures of Mortgage have been made covering additions to the system.

Revenue bonds were issued in four series. Proceeds of the first series (Series 1964) were received on September 23, 1964, and the first purchase of systems was made. Proceeds of the second series (Series 1965) were received on April 12, 1965, and additional properties were added to the system. Proceeds of the third series (Series 1994A) were received on March 16, 1994, and of the fourth series (Series 97A&B) were received on December 11, 1997. These proceeds are to be used in the building of a new sewer treatment plant.

The company began operations September 28, 1964. It has an agreement with M-N Utilities, Inc., West Monroe, Louisiana to operate the system. Johnny D. Nichols, West Monroe, Louisiana, is the president of M-N Utilities, Inc.

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Officers and directors of the company and salaries paid to them as officers during the period under review were:

W. D. Carter, Chairman of the Board	13,968.51
Robert E. Bentz, President	10,070.31
Wood T Sparks, Secretary-Treasurer	<u>12,669.05</u>
	36,707.87
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NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

METHOD OF ACCOUNTING - The company uses the accrual method of accounting.

DEPRECIATION - Depreciation was computed using the straight-line method in amounts sufficient to amortize the cost of the depreciable assets over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives used in computing depreciation are:

Cost of System	25 - 50 years
Various Equipment	5 - 20 years

By specific definition in the Indenture of Mortgage, depreciation is not to be included in the operating expenses of the company. Depreciation expense was therefore shown separately on the statement of income.

SPECIAL FUNDS - The Indenture of Mortgage requires the company twice each month to transfer from the general or operating bank accounts all monies in excess of a minimum amount that is shown by the annual budget to be necessary for operating expenses for the current fiscal year to the Trustee for credit to the Revenue Fund.

Monies received in the Revenue Fund are in turn transferred to other funds in the following order:

1. Interest Fund until at least six months' interest on all outstanding bonds is accumulated or restored. On August 31, 2000, the balance in the Interest Fund was \$150,868.72. Interest payable at August 31, 2000, was \$144,360.00.
2. Reserve Fund until an amount equal to 100% of the maximum annual interest requirements on all outstanding bonds is accumulated or restored.

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3. Renewals, Replacements & Extensions Fund until \$250,000.00 is accumulated or restored. During the period under review, additions and expenditures made to and from this fund for improvements to the system resulted in a balance of \$46,845.07.

4. Sinking Fund, an amount beginning September 15, 1998, which when and multiplied by the number of such monthly deposits to be made during the next twelve month period will equal the annual requirement for that year. To date, adequate deposits have been made and the requirements of the Indenture of Mortgage have been met as shown below:

DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE
August 15, 1969 - 1999	3,815,000.00
August 15, 2000	175,000.00

	3,990,000.00
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The annual amount due on August 15, 2001, will be \$180,000.00.

5. Mandatory Retirement Fund, all remaining monies. On August 23 of each year, beginning August 25, 1969, all monies in the Sinking Fund will be transferred to this fund. At August 31, 2000, this transfer had not been made, and there was no balance in this fund.

DEFERRED CHARGES AND AMORTIZATION - Discounts on bonds issued by the company are being amortized over the term of the bonds. Shown below is an analysis of unamortized bond discount:

Original Bond Discount	66,400.00
Less Prior Year Amortization	64,487.76
Less Current Year Amortization	1,912.24

Total Amortization	66,400.00

Balance at August 31, 1999	.00
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Costs of issuing bonds are being amortized over the term of the bonds:

Total Cost at August 31, 1999	257,560.28
Less Prior Year Amortization	95,510.12
Less Current Year Amortization	15,347.28

Total Amortization	110.857.40

Balance at August 31, 2000	146.702.88
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In accordance with terms of the Indenture of Mortgage, amortization has not been shown as operating expenses of the company.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION - Connecting and tapping fees charged to new customers to pay part of the cost of extensions to such customers are credited to this account. These costs are capitalized, therefore, this method of accounting for such fees more nearly matches operating revenues with operating expenses.

NOTE C - PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Plant and Equipment is stated at the acquisition costs of the assets to the company, with the exception of the systems of Lakeview Utilities, Inc., North Louisiana Production Corporation, and B & W Utilities, Inc., which were contributed by their owners and are stated at their appraised value. Maintenance and repairs are charged to operations currently and major renewals and betterments are capitalized. Additions to the system during the year ended August 31, 2000, totaled \$1,354,009.71, and for the year ended August 31, 1999, totaled \$1,872,606.45. Shown below is an analysis of the cost of the system by expenditures from various funds:

	BALANCE 8/31/98	DURING YEAR	BALANCE 8/31/99
Bond Proceeds Series 1964	1,922,208.08		1,922,208.08
Bond Proceeds Series 1965	907,211.16		907,211.16
General Fund	11,771,635.42	885,804.19	12,657,439.61
Renewals, Replacements & Extensions Fund	3,092,039.61		3,092,039.61

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Revenue Fund	35,015.84		35,015.84
1994A Fund	1,670,072.24		1,670,072.24
97A&B Fund	1,317,296.98	468,205.52	1,785,502.50
Contributions			
Lakeview Utilities, Inc.			
Water & Sewer System	196,000.00		196,000.00
North LA Production Corp.			
Water System	71,800.00		71,800.00
B & W Utilities, Inc.			
Water System	44,658.00		44,658.00
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	21,027,937.33	1,354,009.71	22,381,947.04
Less Retirements			
Gas System Transferred	(231,266.20)		(231,266.20)
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Total	20,796,671.13	1,354,009.71	22,150,680.84
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NOTE D - LONG TERM DEBT

The company originally issued bonds known as "Waterworks and Natural Gas System Revenue Bonds" in two series. Series 1964 bonds totaled \$2,270,000.00 and were issued September 1, 1964. they were paid off as of September 1, 1999. Series 1965 bonds totaled \$1,050,000.00 and were issued march 1, 1965. they were paid off as of September 1, 1999.

On March 16, 1994, the company issued bonds known as "Greater Ouachita Water Company Waterworks and Natural Gas System Bonds, Series 1994A" in the amount of \$2,000,000.00. Interest is paid semi-annually on March 1, and September 1. The interest rate is 6.25% through December 10, 1997, and thereafter shall bear interest at the rate determined by the Trustee on March 1, 2000, by adding 400 basis points to the five year constant maturity treasury and multiplying such amount by the remainder of one minus the corporate tax rate applicable to Central Bank, now Bank One, Monroe, Louisiana on such date. Principle shall be payable annually on September 1 in each year commencing September 1, 1995.

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On December 11, 1997, the company issued bonds known as "Waterworks and Natural Gas Revenue Bonds of the Greater Ouachita Water Company Series 1997" in the amount of \$3,500,000.00. Interest is paid semi-annually on March 1, and September 1. The interest rate shall begin at 5.675%

During the year ended August 31, 2000, \$229,250.00 in bonds were redeemed, and during the year ended August 31, 1999, \$235,000.00 in bonds were redeemed, bringing the total of all bonds redeemed to \$3,704,250.00. The balance of bonds outstanding at August 31, 2000, was \$5,105,000.00.

Interest payments for the next five years are as follows:

Year Ended August 31,	Amount
2001	\$279,357.50
2002	\$269,637.50
2003	\$259,282.50
2004	\$248,282.50
2005	\$242,316.25

NOTE E - LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

On or about March 16, 1990, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality ("LaDEQ") issued Compliance Order No. WC-90-014 to the Greater Ouachita Water Company ("GOWC") alleging certain violations of the Louisiana Water Control law, the Louisiana Water Regulations and previously issued compliance Order No. WC-88-149.

GOWC timely filed a request for hearing, which was granted, to challenge these allegations.

On or about April 5, 1990, LaDEQ issued a proposed penalty notice (WP-90-013) in the amount of \$6,000.00 to GOWC, and in response thereto, Respondent filed a timely request for hearing, which was granted.

These two proceedings were consolidated and a settlement has been reached in theory, although the actual settlement documents have not been executed. Pursuant to such, GOWC will pay the \$6,000.00 penalty in total settlement of the claims alleged by the compliance order and/or which could be alleged and GOWC will upgrade and/or close certain of its sewer facilities in accordance with a specified time schedule to meet LaDEQ's require-

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ments. It is believed that the settlement will give the company sufficient time to upgrade and/or close certain sewer facilities to meet LaDEQ's discharge requirements. This \$6,000.00 has been accrued as another expense to the sewer plant during the year ended August 31, 1990. This penalty was paid on June 15, 2000.

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), issued compliance order WE-CN-00-0229, on the Lake Park sewage treatment plant on October 31, 2000 compliance order WE-CN-00-0254 on the Frenchman's Bend sewage treatment plant on October 31, 2000, and compliance order WE-C-00-0233 on the Wagonwheel road sewage treatment plant on November 2, 2000. The company has requested hearings on each order and believes that it has made good faith efforts to meet its obligation to DEQ with its available rate structure and will actively contest these proceedings.

The company has finalized plans to comply with the sewer discharge limitations in the permits issued by LaDEQ and EPA. Three regional sewage treatment facilities are contemplated and most of the present facilities will be closed and the sewage treated at the new plants. The first treatment plant located in the northeastern portion of Ouachita Parish adjacent to Highway 139 has been completed and is now in operation. Construction of the second plant located on Highway 165 South has also been completed and is now in operation.

A third sewage treatment plant along 165 North is in the planning stage and it is anticipated that construction will be commenced in 2001 if rate relief is obtained from the Louisiana Public Service Commission. The company is preparing an application to the Commission for a rate increase and plans to file it in early 2001. The estimated additional cost to build this sewage treatment plant with necessary lift stations and lines is approximately \$3,000,000.00.

The anticipated costs to fully comply with the permit requirements and build the sewer treatment plants are approximately \$6 million.

NOTE F - PENSION PLAN

A money purchase pension plan was put into effect on September 1, 1995. All employees of the company are eligible. The company will contribute on the behalf of each participant 25% of

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AUGUST 31, 2000

the participant's compensation. The amount contributed during the year ended August 31, 2000 was \$9,375.00, and for August 31, 1999, was \$8,625.00.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
ON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Board of Directors
Greater Ouachita Water Company
Monroe, Louisiana

Our report on our audit of the basic financial statements of Greater Ouachita Water Company for the years ended August 31, 2000, and 1999 appears on page 1. That audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information contained on the following pages is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements.

In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.


WEBB AND WEBB

Monroe, Louisiana
November 30, 2000

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION
 AUGUST 31, 2000

	COST AT 08/31/99	ADDITIONS	COST AT 08/31/00
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WATER SYSTEM			
Original Cost 9/28/64	1,277,027.07	0.00	1,277,027.07
Original Cost 3/12/65	675,686.86	0.00	675,686.86
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	1,952,713.93	0.00	1,952,713.93
Additions & Renovations			
Mains & Extensions	5,410,111.59	540,226.85	5,950,338.44
Service Lines	3,657,974.66	166,895.29	3,824,869.95
Water Meters	776,566.69	44,142.49	820,709.18
Wells & Equipment	2,704,824.09	270,082.17	2,974,906.26
Chlorinator Equipment	131,204.13	0.00	131,204.13
Other Equipment	106,262.38	5,340.00	111,602.38
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Total Additions	12,786,943.54	1,026,686.80	13,813,630.34
Total Water System	14,739,657.47	1,026,686.80	15,766,344.27
SEWER SYSTEM			
Original Cost 9/28/64	126,000.00	0.00	126,000.00
Original Cost 3/12/65	33,514.56	0.00	33,514.56
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	159,514.56	0.00	159,514.56
Additions & Improvements	5,295,616.10	327,322.91	5,622,939.01
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Total Sewer System	5,455,130.66	327,322.91	5,782,453.57
LAND	601,883.00	0.00	601,883.00
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TOTAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT	20,796,671.13	1,354,009.71	22,150,680.84
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION
 AUGUST 31, 2000

PRIOR DEPRECIATION	CURRENT DEPRECIATION	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION 08/31/00	UNDEPRECIATED BALANCE 08/31/00
889,341.09	25,541.00	914,882.09	362,144.98
466,227.56	13,514.00	479,741.56	195,945.30
----- 1,355,568.65	----- 39,055.00	----- 1,394,623.65	----- 558,090.28
1,644,497.29	196,984.00	1,841,481.29	4,108,857.15
1,173,335.05	116,770.00	1,290,105.05	2,534,764.90
320,435.45	24,526.00	344,961.45	475,747.73
937,279.56	77,353.00	1,014,632.56	1,960,273.70
49,967.28	4,081.00	54,048.28	77,155.85
43,325.79	4,052.00	47,377.79	64,224.59
----- 4,168,840.42	----- 423,766.00	----- 4,592,606.42	----- 9,221,023.92
5,524,409.07	462,821.00	5,987,230.07	9,779,114.20
90,510.00	2,520.00	93,030.00	32,970.00
23,121.08	670.00	23,791.08	9,723.48
----- 113,631.08	----- 3,190.00	----- 116,821.08	----- 42,693.48
751,186.11	209,781.00	960,967.11	4,661,971.90
----- 864,817.19	----- 212,971.00	----- 1,077,788.19	----- 4,704,665.38
0.00	0.00	0.00	601,883.00
----- 6,389,226.26	----- 675,792.00	----- 7,065,018.26	----- 15,085,662.58
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE
 AUGUST 31, 2000

RISK	MAXIMUM COVERAGE	FROM	TO	TOTAL PREMIUM	AMOUNT PREPAID
Items listed in policy in- clude wells, water tanks, reservoirs, sewer life pump & treatment plants pressure pumps, tank, bldg. Products - Completed Oper.	2,000,000	07/31/00	07/31/01	16,527.00	15,149.75
Personal & Adv. Injury	1,000,000				
Fire Damage	100,000				
Medical	5,000				
Hired, Non-Owned Autos	BI and PD 10,000,000				
Employees	500,000	07/31/00	07/31/01	7,050.00	6,462.50
Robert E. Bentz	25,000	12/03/00	12/03/01	250.00	41.67
W. D. Carter	25,000				
Wood T. Sparks	25,000				
Same as above	500,000	01/01/00	01/01/01		
Personal & Adv. Injury Products - Completed Oper.	3,000,000	07/14/00	07/14/01	5,823.00	5,095.13
Environmental Insurance	1,000,000	07/23/99	07/23/02	25,145.40	16,414.36
				----- 54,795.40 =====	----- 43,163.41 =====

COVERAGE PROVIDED BY M-N UTILITIES, INC., WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA
 (CONTRACT OPERATOR OF THE SYSTEM)

Products - Completed Oper.	2,000,000	06/01/00	06/01/01		
Personal & Adv. Injury	1,000,000				
Fire Damage	100,000				
Medical	5,000				
Automobiles	3I 1,000,000	06/01/00	06/01/01		
Employees	100,000	04/01/00	04/01/01		

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE
AUGUST 31, 2000

COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AGENT	TYPE
American Central Ins. Co.	MER 563817	Troy & Montgomery	Fire and extended coverage, vandalism, malicious mischief General Liability " " " Auto Liability
American Central Ins. Co.	MEDW48528		Commercial Umbrella & Liability
Western Surety Company	1228024	Troy & Montgomery	Fidelity Bond
LA Workers Compensation Corp.	6842	Troy & Montgomery	Workmen's Comp.
Coregis Insurance Co.	NPN 441744	Troy & Montgomery	Directors & Officers Liability
Royal Surplus Lines Ins. Co.	WCI 76930731	Troy & Montgomery	Environmental Remediation Costs

COVERAGE PROVIDED BY M-N UTILITIES, INC., WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA
(CONTRACT OPERATOR OF THE SYSTEM)

The American Central Insurance Co.	MER 526306	Troy & Montgomery	General Liability
The American Central Insurance Co.	MEAK 54234	Troy & Montgomery	Auto liability, collision, comprehensive coverage, medical payments uninsured motorist
Transcontinental Insurance Company	176930731	Troy & Montgomery	Workmen's Comp.

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
ANALYSIS OF REVENUE FUND BALANCE
AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.00
 INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market	791.18

Total of Fund	791.18
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REVENUE FUND
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED 2000	AUGUST 31 1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	5,068.01	440.02
 DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Transfers from Operating Fund	445,000.00	485,000.00
Transfers from Interest Fund	17,685.83	4,995.97
Transfers from Reserve Fund	31,822.97	0.00
Transfers from Renewals, Replacements & Extensions Fund	0.00	20,000.00
Transfers from Sinking Fund	0.00	31,218.67
Earnings from Investments	253.94	72.99
	-----	-----
Total Deposits	494,762.74	541,287.63
	-----	-----
	499,830.75	541,727.65
 DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Transfers to Interest Fund	251,663.76	271,218.67
Transfers To Renewals, Replacements & Extensions Fund	27,146.67	20,000.00
Transfers To Sinking Fund	220,229.14	245,440.97
	-----	-----
Total Disbursements	499,039.57	536,659.64
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	791.18	5,068.01
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
ANALYSIS OF INTEREST FUND BALANCE
AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE 0.00

INVESTMENTS

Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market 150,868.72

Total of Fund 150,868.72

INTEREST FUND
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	162,603.39	129,958.34
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Transfers from Revenue Fund	251,663.76	271,218.67
Transfers from R.R.& E. Fund	1,293.06	3,448.39
Transfers from Sinking Fund	30,000.00	4,650.71
Transfers from 97 A&B Fund	0.00	47,695.83
Transfers from Reserve Fund	14,209.06	12,633.70
Transfers from Series 1994A	8.52	223.51
Earnings from Investments	3,651.76	4,946.57
Total Deposits	300,826.16	344,817.38
	-----	-----
	463,429.55	474,775.72
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Interest on Bond Coupons Maturing	294,875.00	306,930.00
Transfers to Sinking Fund	0.00	246.36
Transfers to Revenue Fund	17,685.83	4,995.97
Total Disbursements	312,560.83	312,172.33
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	150,868.72	162,603.39
	=====	=====

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
ANALYSIS OF RESERVE FUND BALANCE
AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market	288,720.00

Total of Fund	288,720.00
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RESERVE FUND
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	320,542.97	320,753.74
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Transfers from 97A&B Fund	0.00	0.00
Earnings from Investments	14,209.06	12,422.93
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Total Deposits	14,209.06	12,422.93
	-----	-----
	334,752.03	333,176.67
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Transfers to Interest Fund	14,209.06	12,633.70
Transfers to Revenue Fund	31,822.97	0.00
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Total Disbursements	46,032.03	12,633.70
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	288,720.00	320,542.97
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 ANALYSIS OF RENEWALS, REPLACEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS FUND BALANCE
 AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market	46,845.07

Total of Fund	46,845.07
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RENEWALS, REPLACEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS FUND
 COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	17,204.64	97,915.13
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Transfers from 1994A Fund	2,493.76	0.00
Transfers from Revenue Fund	27,146.67	20,000.00
Earnings from Investments	1,293.06	3,448.39
	-----	-----
Total Deposits	30,933.49	23,448.39
	-----	-----
	48,138.13	121,363.52
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Transfers to Revenue Fund	0.00	20,000.00
Transfers to Interest Fund	1,293.06	3,448.39
Plant and Equipment Purchased	0.00	80,710.49
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Total Disbursements	1,293.06	104,158.88
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	46,845.07	17,204.64
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
ANALYSIS OF SINKING FUND BALANCE
AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market	195,000.00

Total of Fund	195,000.00
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SINKING FUND
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED 2000	AUGUST 31 1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	245,000.00	265,531.34
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Transfers from Revenue Fund	220,229.14	245,440.97
Transfers from Interest Fund	0.00	246.36
Earnings from Investments	4,770.86	4,650.71
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Total Deposits	225,000.00	250,338.04
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	470,000.00	515,869.38
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Bond Redemption Payment	245,000.00	235,000.00
Transfers to Interest Fund	30,000.00	4,650.71
Transfers to Revenue Fund	0.00	31,218.67
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Total Disbursements	275,000.00	270,869.38
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	195,000.00	245,000.00
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 ANALYSIS OF SERIES 1994A BALANCE
 AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market	0.00

Total of Fund	0.00
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SERIES 1994A FUND
 COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
 FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	AUGUST 31 1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	2,493.76	13,841.78
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Earnings from Investments	8.52	223.51
	-----	-----
Total Deposits	8.52	223.51
	-----	-----
	2,502.28	14,065.29
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Transfers to R. R. & E. Fund	2,493.76	0.00
Transfers to Interest Fund	8.52	223.51
Plant & Equipment - Sewer Plant	0.00	11,348.02
	-----	-----
Total Disbursements	2,502.28	11,571.53
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	0.00	2,493.76
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
ANALYSIS OF 97A&B FUND BALANCE
AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Secs Money Market	688.28

Total of Fund	688.28
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97A&B FUND
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED 2000	AUGUST 31 1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	462,046.97	1,563,893.07
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Earnings from Investments	6,846.83	44,593.42
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Total Deposits	6,846.83	44,593.42
	-----	-----
	468,893.80	1,608,486.49
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Transfers to Interest Fund	0.00	47,695.83
Sewer Plant	468,205.52	1,098,743.69
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Total Disbursements	468,205.52	1,146,439.52
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	688.28	462,046.97
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
ANALYSIS OF REDEMPTION PAYMENT ACCOUNT
AUGUST 31, 2000

CASH IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE	0.01
INVESTMENTS	
Marquis Treasury Sec Money Market	0.00

Total of Fund	0.01
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REDEMPTION PAYMENT ACCOUNT
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DEPOSITS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000 AND 1999

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31 2000	1999
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FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	0.01	0.01
DEPOSITS IN FUND		
Total Deposits	0.00	0.00
	-----	-----
	0.01	0.01
DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUND		
Total Disbursements	0.00	0.00
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FUND BALANCE - ENDING	0.01	0.01
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
AUGUST 31, 2000

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES	202.89
AQUA BEN CORPORATION	741.00
BADGER METER, INC.	4,796.34
CITY OF MONROE	63,092.83
D & W SYSTEM SALES, INC.	791.91
DANIEL PRINTING CO., INC.	195.30
DELTA PROCESS & EQUIPMENT, INC.	3,205.80
DPC INDUSTRIES, INC.	7,009.47
EMS ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL	3,802.74
HACH COMPANY	310.50
IMAGEMAX, INC.	22.17
JABAR CORPORATION	12,793.03
L & R UTILITIES, INC.	28.88
LOUISIANA ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC.	463.50
MASON SURVEYING, INC.	150.00
M-N UTILITIES, INC.	178,698.47
MONROE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	39.50
OUACHITA ELECTRIC SERVICE, INC.	1,537.48
PARSON & SANDERSON, INC.	2,198.30
PRAIRIE ROAD WATER DISTRICT	1,572.28
R. E. BENTZ, INC.	651.58
ROBERT L. GEORGE, III	9,404.00
SAFE DRINKING WATER PROGRAM FEE	47,299.29
THORNTON, MUSSO, & BELLEMIN, INC.	2,222.88
TURNER CONTROLS, INC.	35.20
US FILTER DISTRIBUTION GROUP	673.68
W. W. GRAINGER, INC.	156.16

	342,095.18
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 DETAILS OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	TOTAL SYSTEM	
	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
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ACCOUNTING	20,745.00	20,045.00
ADVERTISING	2,484.93	185.45
BANK CHARGES	83.18	264.37
DUES	1,040.60	772.25
INSPECTION & SUPERVISION FEE	5,183.87	6,595.71
INSURANCE	35,713.97	32,282.19
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE	48,311.41	48,949.01
MISCELLANEOUS	11,701.08	12,002.75
OFFICE SUPPLIES & EXPENSE	29,726.40	21,862.28
PAYROLL TAXES	3,674.37	4,481.89
POSTAGE	3,884.69	4,738.64
SALARIES - OFFICERS	36,707.87	33,459.70
SALARIES - OFFICE	3,898.20	3,898.20
TAXES & LICENSES	3,248.26	9,979.41
TELEPHONE	2,581.88	1,907.28
TRAVEL	192.00	433.34
TRUSTEE FEES	8,486.57	4,800.00
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	217,664.28	206,657.47
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PRORATED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000	
WATER REVENUE	3,721,998.44	85.593%
SEWER REVENUE	626,472.53	14.407%
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	4,348,470.97	100.000%
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 DETAILS OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

WATER SYSTEM		SEWER SYSTEM	
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31		YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31	
2000	1999	2000	1999
17,756.32	17,004.54	2,988.68	3,040.46
2,126.93	157.32	358.00	28.13
71.20	224.27	11.98	40.10
890.68	655.11	149.92	117.14
4,437.04	5,595.26	746.83	1,000.45
30,568.75	27,385.58	5,145.22	4,896.61
39,693.25	39,584.70	8,618.16	9,364.31
10,015.34	10,182.15	1,685.74	1,820.60
25,443.80	18,546.17	4,282.60	3,316.11
3,145.01	3,802.07	529.36	679.82
3,325.03	4,019.88	559.66	718.76
31,419.47	28,384.48	5,288.40	5,075.22
3,336.60	3,306.91	561.60	591.29
3,248.26	4,270.15	0.00	5,709.26
2,209.92	1,617.98	371.96	289.30
164.34	367.61	27.66	65.73
4,307.62	2,242.00	4,178.95	2,558.00
182,159.56	167,346.19	35,504.72	39,311.28

PRORATED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1999	
2,892,947.34	84.832%
517,266.71	15.168%
3,410,214.05	100.000%

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 DETAILS OF OTHER INCOME AND OTHER EXPENSES

	TOTAL SYSTEM	
	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
	-----	-----
OTHER INCOME		
Bad Debt Recovery	2,304.52	2,595.84
Cash Over	0.00	199.82
Discounts Earned	127.07	(461.18)
Interest Earned	31,034.03	70,350.16
Miscellaneous	1,451.38	6,364.12
NSF Check Charges	4,600.00	4,170.00
Oil & Gas Royalties	135.09	96.37
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Total Other Income	39,652.09	83,315.13
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 OTHER EXPENSE		
Interest Expense - Bonds S. 1964 & 1965	0.00	11,250.00
Interest Expense - Bonds S. 1994A	90,075.00	91,135.00
Interest Expense - Bonds 97 A&B	198,645.00	198,645.00
Interest Expense - Customer Deposits	22,236.50	19,991.06
Interest Expense - Central Bank	61,186.14	58,555.95
Pension Expense	9,375.00	10,135.34
NSF Check Charges	4,600.00	4,110.00
Provision For Bad Accounts	20,279.92	15,715.48
Litigation Expense	0.00	10,000.00
Cash Short	102.39	0.00
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Total Other Expense	406,499.95	419,537.83
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GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
 DETAILS OF OTHER INCOME AND OTHER EXPENSES

WATER SYSTEM		SEWER SYSTEM	
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31		YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31	
2000	1999	2000	1999
2,304.52	2,595.84	0.00	0.00
0.00	199.82	0.00	0.00
127.07	(461.18)	0.00	0.00
26,232.73	38,911.26	4,801.30	31,438.90
1,451.38	6,364.12	0.00	0.00
4,600.00	4,170.00	0.00	0.00
135.09	96.37	0.00	0.00
34,850.79	51,876.23	4,801.30	31,438.90
0.00	10,649.03	0.00	600.98
0.00	0.00	90,075.00	91,135.00
59,593.50	59,593.50	139,051.50	139,051.50
22,236.50	19,991.06	0.00	0.00
61,186.14	58,555.95	0.00	0.00
7,953.00	8,598.01	1,422.00	1,537.33
4,600.00	4,110.00	0.00	0.00
18,735.20	14,518.43	1,544.72	1,197.05
0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
102.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
174,406.73	176,015.98	232,093.22	243,521.85

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS
AUGUST 31, 2000

	YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31	
	2000	1999
GENERAL FUND	0.00	0.00
REVENUE FUND	253.94	64.75
RESERVE FUND	14,209.06	12,422.81
RENEWALS, REPLACEMENTS & EXTENSIONS FUND	1,293.06	3,448.39
SINKING FUND	4,770.86	4,650.71
INTEREST FUND	3,651.76	4,946.57
SERIES 1994A FUND	8.52	223.51
SERIES 97A&B FUND	6,846.83	44,593.42
	31,034.03	70,350.16
TOTAL	31,034.03	70,350.16

GREATER OUACHITA WATER COMPANY
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	AUGUST 31 2000	AUGUST 31 1999	AUGUST 31 1998	AUGUST 31 1997	AUGUST 31 1996
Total number of water customers at end of year	15,051	14,674	14,674	14,514	12,863
Average monthly consumption per water customer	8.0 M gal.	8.0 M gal.	8.0 M gal.	8.1 M gal.	8.2 M gal.
average monthly bill per water customer	\$16.74	\$16.70	\$16.70	\$17.02	\$16.06
Total number of sewer customers at end of year	2,931	2,381	2,381	2,339	2,194
Average monthly bill per sewer customer	\$18.91	\$18.21	\$18.21	\$16.31	\$15.02

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We have audited the financial statements of Greater Ouachita Water Company as of August 31, 2000, and 1999, and have issued our report thereon, dated November 30, 2000.

We conducted our audit in accordance with general accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements.

Compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to Greater Ouachita Water Company is the responsibility of Greater Ouachita Water Company's management. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of Greater Ouachita Water Company's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. However, the objective of our audit of the financial statements was not to provide an opinion on overall compliance with such provisions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Material instances of noncompliance are failures to follow requirements, or violations of prohibitions, contained in laws, regulations, contracts, or grants that cause us to conclude that the aggregation of the misstatements resulting from these failures or violations is material to the financial statements. The results of our tests of compliance disclosed the following instance of noncompliance that is material to the financial statements and has been recognized in Greater Ouachita Water Company's 1999 and 1998 financial statements.

As noted in note E of the notes to financial statements of the reports ended August 31, 2000 and 1999, Greater Ouachita Water Company was issued a compliance order from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality for certain violations of the Louisiana Water Control law. A \$6,000.00 fine was levied on April 5, 1990, and a liability was recognized at that time and was paid on June 15, 2000.

We considered this instance of noncompliance in forming our opinion on whether Greater Ouachita Water Company's 2000 and 1999 financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and this report does not affect our report dated November 30, 2000, on those financial statements.

Except as described above, the results of our test of compliance indicated that, with respect to the items tested, Greater Ouachita Water Company complied, in all material respects, with the provisions referred to in the third paragraph of this report; and, with respect to items not tested, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that Greater Ouachita Water Company had not complied, in all material respects, with those provisions.

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



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In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Greater Ouachita Water Company for the years ended August 31, 1999, and 1998, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

The management of Greater Ouachita Water Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but no absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitation in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

For the purpose of this report we have classified the significant internal control structure policies and procedures in the following categories:

1. Financial statement captions:
 - a. Plant & Equipment
 - b. Special Funds
 - c. Cash
 - d. Receivables
 - e. Other Assets
 - f. Debt
 - g. Payables & Accrued Liabilities
 - h. Surplus

2. Accounting applications:
 - a. Billings
 - b. Receivables
 - c. Cash Receipts

- d. Accounts Payable
 - e. Cash Disbursements
 - f. General Ledger
3. Cycles of the entity's activities
4. Controls used in administering compliance with laws and regulations:
- a. General Controls
 - b. Specific Controls

For all of the internal control structure categories listed above, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

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November 30, 2000