### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA

Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 Ruston, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the fund information of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my 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 I 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. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinions.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities and fund information for the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 as of December 31, 2010, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally-accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated May 27, 2011, on my consideration of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. I's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 Page 2

Management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 5 and 19 through 22, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurances.

WILLIAM R. HULSEY Certified Public Accountant

May 27, 2011

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART A)
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD& A)

Our discussion and analysis of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District provides an overview of the District's activities for the year ended December 31, 2010 as compared to 2009. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

#### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Fire District as a whole.

### Reporting the District as a Whole The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector entities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report to the District's net assets and changes in them. The District's net assets (the differences between assets and liabilities) measure the District's financial position. The increases or decreases in the District's net assets are an indicator or whether its financial position is improving or not.

#### THE FIRE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

For the year ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, net assets changed as follows:

Beginning Net Assets	2010 \$3,073,656	<u>2009</u> \$ 3,084,621
Increase(Decrease) in Net Assets	(40,335)	(10,965)
Ending Net Assets	\$3,033,321	\$ 3,073,656

#### The Fire District's FUNDS

The following schedule presents a summary of revenues and expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	2010	Percent	2009	Percent
Revenues	Amount	Of Total	Amount	Of Total
Sales Tax	\$ 426,831	33.14%	\$ 418,874	38.45%
Charges for services	555,271	43.12%	580,231	53.27%
Grants	202,508	15.72%	11,309	1.03%
Other revenues	103,272	8.02%	78,927	7.25%
Total Revenues	\$1,287,882	100.00%	\$1,089,341	100.00%

	2010	Percent	2009	Percent
Expenditures	Amount	Of Total	Amount	Of Total
Public Safety	\$ 1,125,170	84.93%	\$848,383	90.12%
Capital Outlay	203,047	15.07%	251,923	9.88%
Total Expenditures	\$1,324,884	100.00%	\$1,100,306	100.00%

#### **GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The Fire District's General Funds revenues fell short of the final budgeted amount by \$21,365 while expenditures had a favorable variance of \$32,757 for a net positive variance of \$11,392.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At December 31, 2010, the Fire District had \$5,330,680 (\$ 668,858, net of accumulated depreciation) invested in capital assets including buildings, vehicles, and machinery and equipment as shown below:

	December 31 2009	Additions	Disposals	December 31 2010
Vehicles	\$1,663,082			\$1,663,082
Building	150,581	283,960		434,541
Machinery & Equipment	3,198,128	22,129		3,220,257
Land	12,800			12,800
Construction in Progress	4,824		(4,824)	0
Totals at Historical Cost	\$5,029,415	306,089	(4,824)	5,330,680
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(4,487,068)	(174,754)		(4,661,822)
Totals, net	\$ 542.347	\$ 131,335	\$ (4,824)	\$ 668,858

#### Debt

During 2008, the Fire District paid off its outstanding balance in general obligation refunding bonds, Series 2001. These bonds matured in April, 2009 and there has not been any additional debt incurred since that time. The District had a total liability for compensated absences of \$2,698 at year end.

#### ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The Fire District has continued to hire additional firefighter/operators in the last several years. The District has also within the last year completed two additional fire stations and renovated another. It is the goal of the District to provide the best fire protection possible for the citizens of Lincoln Parish and will continue to improve its fire rating.

#### CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about the report or need additional information, contact the following:

Contact Person:

Dennis Ford

Title:

Director

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2010

		vernmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash	\$	436,341
Investments		1,233,916
Accounts Receivable		623,836
Prepaid Expenses		11,569
Due from LPPJ		144,064
Non-Depreciable Assets		12,800
Depreciable Assets		656,058
·		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,118,584
		•
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$	59,443
Due to LPPJ		23,122
Non-Current Liabilities		
Due Within One Year		
Compensated Absenses		2,698
TOTAL LIABILITIES		85,263
NET ASSETS		
Invested in Capital Assets,		
Net of Related Debt		668,858
Unrestricted		2,364,463
Total Net Assets	****	3,033,321
TOTAL LIABILITIES		
AND NET ASSETS	\$	3,118,584

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

# LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

,		Program Revenues Operating Capital					Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in		
		~	Charges for				Capital		let Assets
	<b>F</b>				ants and		rants and		vernmental
The second second	Expenses		ervices	Con	tributions_	Col	ntributions		Activities
Function/Program Activities Government Activities: Public Safety	\$ 1,328,217	\$	555,271	\$	10,000	\$	192,508	\$	(570,438)
		Gen	eral Reven						
				Sales 7	l'ax				426,831
				Fire In	surance Reb	oate			56,520
				Interes	t Earned				46,002
				Miscel	laneous Rev	venue			750
				Tota	al General F	Reveni	ues		530,103
				Change	es in Net As	sets			(40,335)
	•			Net As	sets - Begin	ıning			3,073,656
				Net As	sets - Endir	ıg		\$	3,033,321

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

# RUSTON, LOUISIANA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2010

	General Fund	Debi Service Fund	Equipment Reserve Fund
ASSETS:			
Cash	\$ -	\$ 87,429	\$ 218,535
Investments	10,627	-	1,223,289
Accounts Receivable	621,945	• *	1,891
Prepaid Expenses	11,569	-	*
Due from LPPJ	138,775	-	
Due from Other Funds	9,469	<del>-</del>	194,788
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 792,385	\$ 87,429	\$ 1,638,503
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY:			•
LIABILITIES:		·	
Accounts Payable	\$ 59,443	\$ -	\$ -
Due to LPPJ	215	-	22,907
Due to Other Funds	268,799	84,454	-
Total Liabilities	328,457	84,454	22,907
FUND BALANCES:			
Reserved for:		•	
Debt Service	-	2,975	-
Unreserved. Reported in:			
General Fund	463,928	-	1,615,596
Capital Project Fund		<del>-</del>	
Total Fund Balances	463,928	2,975	1.615,596
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 792,385	\$ 87,429	\$ 1,638,503

### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL

#### FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Fire Training	Go	Total overnmental			<b>√</b>
···	Center		Funds	Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 2,36	57,161
				Amounts reported for governmental		
\$	130,377	\$	436,341	activities in the statement of net assets are		
	-		1,233,916	different because:		
	*		623,836	•		
	5,289		11,569			
	150,011		144,064 354,268			
	1.50,011		334,200		•	
\$	285.677	\$	2,803,994	Capital assets used in governmental		
				activities are not financial resources and		
				therefore are not reported in the funds.	60	68,858
			-	Compensated absenses are not due and		
				payable in the current period and therefore		
\$	-	\$	59,443	are not reported in the funds.		(2,698)
	-		23,122			
	1,015		354,268	Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 3,03	33.321
	4.04.5					
	1,015		436,833		,	
				,		
	-		2,975			
	-		2,079,524			
	284.662		284,662			
	284,662	*******	2.367,161			
\$	285,677	_\$_	2,803,994			

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

#### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

#### RUSTON, LOUISIANA

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Equipment Reserve Fund
Revenues:			
Structure Fees	\$ 555,271	\$ -	\$
Sales Tax	426,831	•	-
Grants	192.508	-	-
Other Revenues	59,972	704	40,588
Total Revenues	1,234,582	704	40,588
Expenditures:	,		
Public Safety			•
Salaries and Benefits	866,389		_
Insurance and Surety Bonds	46,733	· .	_
GIS Mapping	20,000		_
Professional Services	20,380	_	
Uniforms	9,225	_	-
Utilities	30,984	_	
Vehicle Expenditures	39,441	_	
Maintenance	22,219	_	_
Education and Training	8,117		_
Telephone	3,636		_
Office Supplies	4,521		_
Dues and Subscriptions	3,905	•	-
Equipment Rental	761	•	•
Travel	1,741	-	, and the second
Miscellaneous	13,136	-	•
Leases and Taxes	1,402	•	-
Materials and Supplies	18,292	•	-
Capital Outlay		-	-
Total Expenditures	317,426		
Total Experiments	1,428,308		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(193,726)	704	40,588
Other Financing Sources (uses):			
Operating Transfers In	•	•	-
Operating Transfers Out	(10,000)		<u> </u>
Total Other Financing Sources(Uses)	(10.000)	•.	•
Net Change in Fund Balance	(203,726)	704	40,588
Fund Balances, Beginning	667,654	2,271	1,575,008
Fund Balances, Ending	\$ 463,928	\$ 2.975	\$ 1.615,596

#### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

#### RUSTON, LOUISIANA

### RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN

#### FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO

### THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

Fire	Total	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010		
Training	Governmental			
Center	Funds			
		Net Change in Fund Balances - Total	a.	/+ / ( O I O )
\$ -	\$ 555,271	Governmental Funds	\$	(166,010)
10.000	426,831			
10,000	202,508	to a selection of the s		
2,008	103,272	Amounts reported for governmental		
12,008	1,287,882	activities in the statement of activities		
		are different because:		
		Government funds report capital outlays		
		as expenditures while governmental		
<u>-</u>	866,389	activities report depreciation expense to		
1,015	47,748	allocate those expenditures over the life		
-	20,000	of the assets:		
•	20,380	Capital asset purchases capitalized		301,265
_	9,225	Depreciation expense		(174,754)
2,566	33,550		***************************************	126,511
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	39,441			
9,779	31,998	Some expenses reported in the statement of activities		
	8,117	do not require the use of current financial		
-	3,636	resources and therefore are not reported as		
-	4,521	expenditures in governmental funds		(836)
-	3,905			
-	761	Change in Net Assets in Governmental		
N	1,741	Activities	\$	(40,335)
27	13,163			
v	1,402			
65	18,357			
12,132	329,558			
25,584	1,453,892	•		
(12 524)	(3.66.03.03			
(13,576)	(166,010)			
10,000	10,000			
	(10,000)	· ·		
10,000	-			
(3,576)	(166,010)			
288,238	2,533,171			
\$ 284,662	\$ 2,367,161			

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

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 (the District) of Ruston, Louisiana was created by resolution and adopted by the Police Jury on April 23, 1991. The governing body of the District consists of a seven member Board of Commissioners. Four of these commissioners are appointed by the municipalities of Downsville, Dubach, Simsboro, and the Town of Vienna. Three additional members are appointed by the Policy Jury.

The District complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989 have been applied unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting policies are discussed in subsequent sections of this note.

#### Basis of Presentation

In June, 1999, the GASB unanimously approved statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments. Certain of the significant changes in the presentation of its funds financial information include, for the first time a Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the District's overall financial position and results of operations and financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all fund activities. These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements including the notes to the financial statements.

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements – The governmental-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements - The 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, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year end

Principal revenue sources considered susceptible to accrual include ad valorem taxes, structure fees, sales tax, and interest on investments. Some revenue items that are considered measurable and available to finance operations during the year from an accounting perspective are not available for expenditure due to the District's present appropriation system.

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

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

These revenues have been accrued in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America since they have been earned and are expected to be collected within sixty days of the end of the period. Other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accounting. Modifications to the accrual basis of accounting include:

- Employees' vested annual leave is recorded as an expenditure when utilized. The amount of accumulated annual leave unpaid at December 31, 2010 has been reported only in the governmentwide financial statements.
- Interest on general long-term obligations is recognized when paid.
- Debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

#### **Fund Accounting**

The financial activities of the District are recorded in individual funds, each of which is deemed to be a separate accounting entity. The District uses fund accounting to report on its financial position and results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

#### Governmental Funds

General Fund - This fund is established to account for resources devoted to financing the general services that the District performs. Fees and other revenues used to finance the fundamental operation of the District are included in this fund. The fund is charged with all costs of operating the District for which a separate fund has not been established.

Debt Service - This fund is established for the purpose of accumulating resources for the payment of interest and principal on long-term general obligation debt other than those payable from Enterprise Funds and Special Assessment Funds.

Equipment Reserve Fund - This fund is established to reserve funds for the replacement of equipment when necessary.

Fire Training Center Fund - This fund is established for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a building for training of firefighters.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires 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 and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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

#### **Budgeting Procedures**

The budgets for the funds are proposed by the Director and formally adopted by the Commissioners. The budget is prepared on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated, require approval of the Commissioners. At year end, all appropriations lapse.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes demand deposits and money market accounts. Under state law, the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the Union or the laws of the United States. Further, the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 may invest in the time deposits or certificates of deposit of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana.

The District's policy is to include short-term interest bearing deposits having a maturity of three months or less as cash equivalents in the financial statements.

#### Valuation of Carrying Amounts and Deposits

Cash is reported at net book value – the year-end bank balance plus any deposits in transit and less any outstanding checks that have not cleared the bank as of that date.

#### **Fund Equity**

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- a. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt 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.
- b. Restricted net assets 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. There were no restricted net assets at December 31, 2010.
- c. Unrestricted net assets All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

#### Receivables

All receivables are recorded at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

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

#### Short-term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the balance sheet. In the process of aggregating data for the statements of net assets and the statement of activities, some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified.

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenue and expenditures. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as a reduction of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions that are not to be repaid are recorded as transfers.

#### Fixed Assets

Fixed assets of the District are stated at cost and are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets are charged as an expense against operations. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of 5 years.

#### Compensated Absences

Employees accrue from 18 to 30 days of annual leave each year depending on years of service with the District. Firemen may receive up to one year's sick leave per illness as prescribed under Louisiana law.

A provision of \$2,698 has been made for the compensated absences and vacation in these financial statements.

#### NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. The custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's policy to ensure there is no exposure to this risk is to require each financial institution to pledge its' own securities to cover any amount in excess of Federal Depository Insurance Coverage. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the District that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Accordingly, the District had no custodial credit risk related to its deposits at December 31, 2010. The District had cash and cash equivalents in demand deposits, totaling \$436,341 at December 31, 2010.

#### NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances other than these backed by the U.S. government) at December 31, 2010, are secured, as follows:

Bank Balances	<u>\$ 518,221</u>
FDIC Insurance	337,429
Pledged Securities (uncollateralized)	505,677
Total	\$ 843,106

#### **NOTE 3 – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2010 is as follows:

	December 31, 2009			December 31, 2010	
	<b>Balance</b>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
Assets:					
Land	\$ 12,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,800	
Construction in Process	4,824	-	( 4,824)	-	
Vehicles	1,663,082	•	-	1,663,082	
Building	150,581	283,960	-	434,541	
Machinery & Equipment	3,198,128	22,129	<u> </u>	3,220,257	
Totals at Historical Cost	5,029,415	306,089	(4,824)	5,330,680	
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:					
Vehicles	(1,555,315)	( 8,896)	•	(1,564,211)	
Building	(20.707)	(4,003)	-	( 24,710)	
Machinery & Equipment	(2.911.046)	(161.855)	-	(3,072,901)	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(4,487,068)	(174,754)		(4,661.822)	
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET	\$ 542,347	<u>\$ 131,335</u>	\$ (4,824)	\$ 668,858	

Depreciation was charged to the Public Safety function of the District for \$174,754.

#### **NOTE 4 - INVESTMENTS**

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's investments in United States government securities are held by the District's agent in the District's name. Therefore, the District had no custodial credit risk related to its investments at December 31, 2010.

#### NOTE 4 - INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Under state law, the District may invest funds in obligations of the United States, in federally-insured investments, or in time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 2010, the District had the following investments stated at cost, which approximates market:

United States Government Securities

\$\_1,234,070

Interest Rate Risk. In accordance with its investments policy, the District manages its exposure to declines in fair market values by limiting investment portfolio to "money market investments,: which are defined as creditworthy, highly liquid investments with maturities of one year or less. Although there may be certain circumstances in which longer-term securities are utilized, the general use of long-term securities shall be avoided.

Credit Risk. The District's investment policy limits investments to fully insured and/or fully-collateralized certificates of deposits and direct and indirect obligations of U.S. governments agencies.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The District's investment policy limits the District's investment instruments to: 1) certificates of deposit; 2) certain direct obligations of the U.S. Government; 3) bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America; and 4) the Louisiana Asset Management Pool.

#### NOTE 5 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The receivable of \$623,836 on December 31, 2010, are detailed as follows:

	<u>l otal</u>
Structure Fees	\$ 477,116
Sales Tax	38,502
Facility Planning and Control	95,071
Other Receivables	13,147
Total	\$ 623,836

Based on prior experience, the uncollectible ad valorem taxes net of proceeds from the sheriff's sale of property is immaterial, thus no provision has been made for such loss.

#### NOTE 6 - DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

Individual fund balances due to/from other funds at December 31, 2010, are as follows:

Fun <u>d</u>	Due From Other Funds	Due To Other Funds
Major Funds:		
General Fund	\$ 9.469	\$ 268,799
Debt Service Fund	-	84,454
Fire Training Center	150.011	1,015
Equipment Reserve Fund	194,788	<del></del>
Totals	\$_354,268 ·	<u>\$ 354,268</u>

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system and payments between funds are made.

#### **NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN**

#### Plan Description

The Firefighters' Retirement System is a defined benefit pension plan covering firefighters employed by any municipality, parish, or fire protection district of the State of Louisiana under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 11:2251 through 2269.

Under the Firefighters' Retirement System, a member is eligible for normal retirement if he has:

- 20 or more years of service and has attained age 50 or
- 12 years of service and has attained age 55 or
- 25 years of service at any age

Those employees meeting one of these requirements are entitled to annual pension benefits equal to 3 1/3% of their average final compensation based on the 36 consecutive months of highest pay multiplied by their total years of service, not to exceed 100%. Benefits vest upon rendering 12 years of service to the District. Employees may elect to receive their pension benefits in the form of joint and survivor annuity. The District has nine employees covered under this retirement system.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Firefighters Retirement System, 3100 Brentwood Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809-1752, or by calling (225) 925-4060.

#### NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN (continued)

#### **Funding Policy**

Under the plan, members are required by state statute to contribute 8% of their annual covered salary and the Fire Protection District #1 is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 21.5% of annual covered payroll which went into effect in July of 2010. The previous rate was 14%. The District's contributions to the System under for the years ending December 31, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$112,761, \$57,875, and \$50,787, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### **NOTE 8 – LEASE OBLIGATIONS**

The Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. I has entered into twenty leases for real property on which to locate fire stations. The leases have various commencing dates beginning in April 1993, and running through April 1994. All leases run for twenty-five years following the commencing date with an option for the district to renew the lease for an additional twenty-five years thereafter. All leases are for \$1 per year. Leases shall expire on their own terms if a fire station, fire protection facility or similar structure is not constructed on the leased premises within twenty-four months from the date the agreement is executed by the lessor. Additionally, leases shall expire if the fire station, fire protection facility or other similar structure is not equipped with appropriate fire protection equipment or ceases to be used as a fire protection facility for the period of twenty-four consecutive months.

Because the leases are operating leases, no provision for the underlying property has been made in general fixed assets nor have the leases been reflected as general long-term debt. The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments:

Year Ending December 31.	<u>Amount</u>
2011	\$ 20
2012	20
2013	20
2014	20
2015	20
2016-2019	80
Total minimum payments required	\$_180

#### NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM DEBT

	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	Additions	Reduction	Ending Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
Government Activities: Accrued Vacation and Sick Time	\$ <u>1,862</u>	\$836	\$-max-amazamazana.a <del>.</del>	\$ <u>2,698</u>	\$ <u>2,698</u>

#### NOTE 10 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

Employees of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 may participate in a deferred compensation plan adopted under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 457 (Deferred Compensation Plans with Respect to Service for State and Local Governments).

The deferred compensation plan is available to all employees of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1. Under the plan, employees may elect to defer a portion of their salaries and avoid paying taxes on the deferred portion until the withdrawal date. The deferred compensation amount is not available for withdrawal by employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 32 and No.34, plan balances and activities are not reflected in the financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1.

#### NOTE 11 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

According to the Parish District Attorney, the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 had no pending or threatened litigation as of December 31, 2010.

#### NOTE 12 - COMPENSATION FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The members of the Board for the Fire Protection District No. 1 receive no compensation.

#### **NOTE 13 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through May 27, 2011, which the day the financial statements were available to be issued, and it has been determined that no significant events have occurred for disclosure.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (PART B)
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEUDLES

### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

								ance With
	Budgeted Amounts				Actual		vorable	
·	Original		Final		F	Amounts	(Uni	avorable)
Revenues (Inflows):		<u> </u>						
Intergovernmental:								
Local Grant	\$	8,000	\$	·	\$	•	\$	•
State Grant		869,950		197,963		192,508		(5,455)
Taxes - Sales		440,000		446,000		426,831		(19,169)
Charges for Services		550,152		552.271		555,271		3,000
Other Revenues		60,670		59,713		59,972		259
Total Revenues		1,928,772		1,255,947		1,234,582		(21,365)
Expenditures (Outflows):								
Public Safety		0.42.003		070 333		0// 200		11.044
Salaries and Benefits		942,083		878,233		866,389		11,844
Insurance and Surety Bonds		51,288		46,605		46,733		(128)
GIS Mapping		20,000		20,000		20,000		1 500
Professional Services		25,000		21,880		20,380		1,500
Uniforms		10,000		9.231		9,225		6
Utilities		40,000		29,750		30,984		(1,234)
Vehicle Expenditures		30,000		39.515		39.441		74
Maintenance		25,000		21,899		22.219		(320)
Education and Training		5,000		8,117		8.117		-
Telephone		5,000		4,035		3.636		399
Office Supplies		3,500		5,000		4,521		479
Dues and Subscriptions		5,000		3,945		3,905		40
Equipment Rental		1,000		775		761		14
Travel		2,500		1.740		1,741		(1)
Miscellaneous		12,600		9,481		8.845		636
Leases and Taxes		1.352		1,402		1,402		-
Materials and Supplies		20,000		16,740		18,292		(1,552)
Election Expenses		20,000		4,292		4,291		1
Capital Outlay		949,950		338.425		317,426		20,999
Total Expenditures		2,169,273		1,461,065		1,428,308		32,757
Excess Expenditures Over Revenues		(240,501)		(205,118)		(193,726)		11,392
Other Financing Uses								
Transfers Out		(10,000)		(10.000)		(10.000)		-
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		667,654		667.654		667,654		-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$	417,153	\$	452,536	\$	463,928	\$	11.392

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

### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA

#### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Budgeted Amounts					Actual		ance With al Budget vorable
		Original	<u>Final</u>		Amounts		(Unfavorable)	
Revenues (Inflows): Other Revenues	\$	46,000	\$	27,000	\$	40,588	\$	13,588
Total Revenues	Ψ_	46,000	<u> </u>	27,000		40,588	_5	13,588
Expenditures (Outflows): Capital Outlay Total Expenditures		20,000 20,000		-				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		26,000		27,000		40,588		13,588
Other Financing Sources Transfers In		-		, _		-		•
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		1,575,008	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,575,008		1,575,008		<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	_\$	800,100,1	\$	,602,008	\$	1,615,596	\$	13,588

# LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. I RUSTON, LOUISIANA BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - FIRE TRAINING CENTER FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

,		Budgeted	Amo	unts		Actual	Fina	ince With I Budget vorbale
·	C	riginal		Final	A	mounts	(Unfavorable)	
Revenues (Inflows):								
Grant Revenue	<b>\$</b> .	10,000	\$	10,000	\$	10,000	\$	-
Other Revenues		2,800		2,500		2,008_		(492)
Total Revenues		12,800		12,500		12,008		(492)
								•
Expenditures (Outflows):								
Office Expense		100		27		27		-
Maintenance		6.000		4,829		9,779		(4,950)
Utilities		2,000		2,530		2,566		(36)
Materials & Supplies		1,000		65		65		•
Insurance		1,700		1,015		1,015		•
Miscellaneous Costs		_		-		•		_
Acquisition of Equipment/Training		12,000		12,132		12,132		-
Total Expenditures		22,800		20,598		25,584		(4,986)
-		<del></del>			1			
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over								
Expenditures		(10,000)		(8,098)		(13,576)		(5,478)
•								
Other Financing Sources								
Transfers In		10,000		10,000		10,000		-
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year		288,238		288,238		288,238		_
						·	<del></del>	
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$	288.238	\$	290,140	\$	284,662	\$	(5,478)

### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

The budgets for the funds are proposed by the Director and formally adopted by the Commissioners. The budget is prepared on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated, require approval of the Commissioners. At year end, all appropriations lapse.

State law requires the District to amend its budgets when revenues plus projected revenues within a fund are expected to fall short from budgeted revenues by five percent or more and when expenditures and other uses of a fund are expected to exceed budgeted amounts by five percent or more.

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

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 Ruston, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, and have issued my report thereon dated May 27, 2011. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. I's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

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

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Board of Commissioners Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 Ruston, Louisiana Page 2

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WILLIAM R. HULSEY Certified Public Accountant

May 27, 2011

#### LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

**Board of Commissioners** Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 Ruston, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of the Lincoln Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, and have issued my report thereon dated May 27, 2011. I conducted my 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. My audit of the financial statements as of December 31, 2010, resulted in an unqualified opinion.

#### SECTION I - Summary of Auditors' Results

Α.	Report on Internal Control and Compliance Material to the	Financial Statements
	Internal Control Material Weakness	yes X_no
	Significant Deficiencies not considered to be	
	Material Weaknesses	yes <u>X</u> no
	Compliance	
	Compliance Material to Financial Statements	yes <u>X</u> no
В.	Federal Awards	
	Material Weakness Identified	yes <u>X</u> no
	Significant Deficiencies not considered to be	<del></del>
	Material Weaknesses	yes_X_no
	Type of Opinion on Compliance For Major Programs (No Munqualified Qualified Disclaimer Adverse Are their findings required to be reported in accordance	•
	Section .510 (a)? N/A	
C.	Identification of Major Programs: N/A	
	Name of Federal Program (or cluster) CFDA Number(s)	
	Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Ty	ype B Programs, N/A
	Is the auditee a "low-risk" auditee, as defined by OMB Circ	cular A-133? N/A
Finan	cial Statement Findings	

#### **SECTION II-**

No matters were reported.

#### SECTION III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No matters were reported.

## LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 RUSTON, LOUISIANA SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

#### Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards

There were not findings for this category.

#### Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements

There were not findings for this category.

#### **Management Letter Comments**

There were not findings for this category.