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Official Roster June 30, 2007

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

L. L. Rhodes Carl Surber Cheryl Knobel President Vice President Secretary

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Independent Auditor's Report

Mr. Hector Balderas
State Auditor of the State of New Mexico
Board Members of the ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT

Mr. Balderas and Members of the Board

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT (District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We have also audited the budget comparison presented as supplementary information in the accompanying financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above, present fairly in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the District as of June 30, 2007, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, the financial statements referred to above present fairly in all material respects the budgetary comparison of the District for the year ended June 30, 2007 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The District has not presented the Management's Discussion and Analysis that is required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 28, 2008 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

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## **ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT**

Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash in Banks	\$	151,237
Accounts Receivable (Net of Allowance for		
Uncollectible Accounts)		5,881
Property Taxes Receivable		705
Interest Receivable		2,282
Prepaid Expenses		234
Total Current Assets		160,339
Non-current Assets		
Capital Assets		
Land		31,799
Buildings & Improvements		10,777
Utility System		373,721
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(131,646)
Total Non-current Assets		284,651
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Total Assets		444,990
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		2.851
Gross Receipts Tax Payable		60
Accrued Interest		3,461
Current Portion of Long-term Debt		6,889
Total Current Liabilities	<del></del>	13,261
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Non-current Liabilities		
Loan Payable		77,973
Total Non-current Liabilities		77,973
Total Liabilities		91,234
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Net Assets		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt		199,789
Unrestricted		153,967
Total Niek Accords		
Total Net Assets	\$	353,756

## ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Operating Revenues	
Sales and Services	\$35,967
Operating Expenses	
Bad Debts	189
Chemicals	265
Conservation Fees	93
Depreciation	15,380
Dues and Subscriptions	100
Insurance	3,459
Miscellaneous	210
Office & Postage	689
Professional Fees	21,108
Repairs & Maintenance	5,838
Taxes	318
Travel & Training	571
Utilities	1,609
	49,829
Operating Income	(13,862)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	
Property Taxes	32,071
Interest Income	5,261
Interest Expense	(3,461)
	33,871
Change in Net Assets	20,009
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	333,747
Net Assets at End of Year	\$353,756

# **ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT**

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Cook Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Receipts from Customers and Users	\$	35,246
Payments to Employees and Suppliers	Ψ	(33,444)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		1,802
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Cash Flows from Non-capital Financing Activities		
Property Taxes		32,071
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Non-capital		
Financing Activities		32,071
Cash Flows from Capital & Related Financing Activities		
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets		(10,365)
Principal Paid		(15,974)
Interest Expense		(3,461)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital & Related		(0,101)
Financing Activities		(29,800)
Time in the second of the seco		(20,000)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest Income		5,261
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities		5,261
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash		9,334
Cash, Beginning of the Year		141,903
Cash, End of the Year	\$	151,237
Reconciliation of Net Income to Net Cash Provided by		
Operating Activities		
Operating Income	\$	(13,862)
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash	Ψ	(10,002)
Provided by Operating Activities		
Depreciation		15,380
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable		(682)
(Increase) Decrease in Property Taxes Receivable		(23)
(Increase) Decrease in Interest Receivable		(598)
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Expenses		553
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable		1,250
Increase (Decrease) in Gross Receipts Tax Payable		20
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Interest		(236)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	1,802

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2007

#### NOTE A: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Alpine Village Sanitation District (District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Alpine Village Sanitation District applies all GASB pronouncements as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board Pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. The more significant of the Village's accounting policies are described below.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments. Some of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

• Financial Statements prepared using full-accrual accounting for all the District's activities.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including the notes to the financial statements) as of June 30, 2007.

#### **Financial Reporting Entity**

The ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT (District) was created by Laws of 1941, Chapter 80 (Sections 73-21-1 through 73-21-54, New Mexico Statutes, 1978 Compilation). Under law, the District will serve a public use and will promote the health, safety, prosperity, security and general welfare of the inhabitants of the District.

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

The District has no component units, defined by GASB Statement No. 14 as other legally separate organizations for which the elected District members are financially accountable. There are no other primary governments with which the District Board Members are financially accountable. There are no other primary governments with which the District has a significant relationship.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The District is engaged in business-type activity only. The financial statements (the statement of net assets, statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets and the statement of cash flows) report information on all of the activities of the District.

Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2007

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured; basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The fund financial statements for proprietary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic resource measurement focus means all assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) are included on the statement of net assets and the operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned. Expenses are recognized at the time the liability is incurred.

The revenues susceptible to accrual are charges for services and interest income.

#### **Budgetary Control**

Procedures followed in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements are:

Prior to each June 1, District administration submits, to the Board of Directors, a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. This operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.

Prior to each July 1, the budget is submitted for approval and legally enacted through passage of an ordinance by the Local Government Division of the State Department of Finance and Administration.

The District Board is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between types of expenditures; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures must be approved by the State Department of Finance and Administration.

Formal Budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year.

The level of budget authority is at the fund level.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

The District is authorized under the provisions of Chapter 6, Article 10, paragraph 10, NMSA 1978, to deposit its money in banks, savings and loan associations and/or credit unions whose accounts are insured by an agency of the United States.

Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2007

#### Investments

All money not immediately necessary for the public uses of the District may be invested in:

- (a) bonds or negotiable securities of the United States, the state or any county, municipality or Village which has a taxable valuation of real property for the last preceding year of at least one million dollars (1,000,000) and has not defaulted in the payment of any interest or sinking fund obligation or failed to meet any bonds at maturity at any time within five years last preceding; or
- (b) securities that are issued by the United States government or by its agencies or instrumentalities and that are either direct obligations of the United States or are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government or agencies guaranteed by the United States government.
- (c) in contracts with banks, savings and loan associations or credit unions for the present purchase and resale at a specified time in the future of specific securities at specified prices at a price differential representing the interest income to be earned by the investor. The contract shall be shown on the books of the financial institution as being the property of the investor and the designation shall be contemporaneous with the investment. The contract shall be fully secured by obligations of the United States having a market value of at least one hundred two percent of the contract. The collateral required for investment in the contracts provided for in this subsection shall be shown on the books of the financial institution as being the property of the investor and the designation shall be contemporaneous with investment.

#### Receivables and Payables

Receivables include amounts due from customers for sales and service. Payables represent routine monthly bills for services rendered and products purchased and accrued salaries and benefits.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which includes property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets are reported in the financial statements. Capital assets are recorded at historical costs and depreciated over their estimated useful lives (with no salvage value). Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value on the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2007

Estimated useful life is management's estimate of how long the asset is expected to meet service demands. Straight line depreciation is used based on the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings & Improvements Equipment

20-50 Years 3-15 Years

#### Compensated Absences

Fringe benefits (sick and vacation leave) for those eligible are earned based on length of service. Regular employees who terminate or retire shall be paid for unused vacation leave. Sick leave accrual can be carried over to the next year up to a maximum of 240 hours. Compensation for sick leave is limited to time-off and, therefore, unused sick leave can not be paid upon termination or retirement and is not included in the liability for compensated absences on the balance sheet.

#### Revenue

Ad valorem taxes are susceptible to full accrual on the government wide financial statements. Property Tax revenues recognize revenues net of estimated refunds and uncollectible accounts in the period for which the taxes are levied. See note for property taxes for additional information. Information for property taxes receivable at year end was not provided to the District by the County. Management was not able to determine a reasonable estimate of the property taxes receivable at year end as required by GASB 36. paragraph 14.

The policy for defining the proprietary fund's operating revenues and expenses is how individual transactions would be categorized for purposes of preparing a statement of cash flows. Transactions for which cash flows are reported as capital and related financing activities, noncapital financing activities, or investing activities normally are not reported as components of operating income.

#### **Property Taxes**

The District receives property taxes form the Lincoln County Treasurer for operational purposes. Property taxes are assessed on all property, except on livestock, on January 1st of each year, and are payable in two equal installments, on November 10th of the year in which the tax bill is prepared and April 10th of the following year. Property taxes are considered delinquent thirty days after their due date and are a lien against the property on January 1. Property taxes are collected by the County Treasurer and remitted to the District in the month following collection.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, property taxes were imposed upon the net taxable value of property contained within the District (except property excluded or exempted by law) at a rate of 10.629 mills per \$1,000. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, property taxes accruing to the benefit of the District amounted to \$32,048.

#### Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2007

#### **Restricted Net Assets**

For the government-wide statement of net assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net assets use are either:

Externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments;

Imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available it will first be applied to restricted resources.

#### **NOTE B: CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

The District is required by New Mexico State Statute (Section 6-10-17) to be 50% collateralized. Following is a schedule calculating the requirement and disclosing the pledged securities.

City Bank		Balance		
Name of Account		Per Bank 6/30/07	Reconciled Balance	Туре
Alpine Village Sanitation District	\$	44,705 \$	45,031	Checking
Alpine Village Sanitation District-MMDA		190	190	Checking
Alpine Village Sanitation District-CD		106,016	106,016	Savings
TOTAL Deposited	-	150,911 \$	151,237	
Less: FDIC Coverage		(144,895)		
Uninsured Amount		6,016		
50% collateral requirement		3,008		
Pledged securities		0		
Over (Under) requirement	\$ <u></u>	(3,008)		

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#### **Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits**

Balance
144,895
0
6,016
150,911

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2007, \$6,016 the District's bank balance of \$150,911 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2007

#### NOTE C: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The accounts receivable are shown net of the allowance for bad debts. The reserve for uncollectible accounts for June 30, 2007 is \$90. The bad debt expense is based on the 2% of total water sales.

#### **NOTE D: RECEIVABLES**

Receivables as of June 30, 2007, were as follows:

Receivables	 Total	
Accounts Receivable (Net of Allowance for	 	
Uncollectible Accounts)	\$ 5,881	
Taxes	705	
Interest	 2,282	
	\$ 8,868	

Taxes receivable for the governmental funds consists primarily of taxes collected by the collection agency in the current year, but not remitted to the Village until after year-end. All governmental fund receivables are considered collectible.

#### NOTE E: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital Assets Balances and Activity for the Year Ended June 30, 2007, is as follows:

	Balance 6/30/06		Additions		Deletions		Balance 6/30/07
5				_			
Business-type Activity	_						
Capital Assets not being Depreciate							
Land	\$ 31,799	\$	0	\$	0	\$	31,799
Other Capital Assets							
Buildings & Improvements	10,777		0		0		10,777
Utility System	363,356		10,365		0		373,721
Total Capital Assets				_		_	
at Historical Cost	405,932		10,365		0		416,297
Accumulated Depreciation						_	
Buildings	3,592		431				4,023
System	112,674		14,949		0		127,623
	116,266		15,380	. –	0	_	131,646
Capital Assets, net	\$ 289,666	<b>[\$</b> _	(5,015)	\$_	0	\$_	284,651

#### NOTE F: LONG TERM DEBT

A summary of activity in the Long-Term Debt is as follows:

	_	Balance 6/30/06	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/07
Business-type Activities Notes Payable	\$_	100,837	\$	\$ 15,974	4 \$ 84,863
Total Notes Payable Payable	\$_	100,837	\$0	\$15,974	4 \$ 84,863

Notes to the Financial Statements
June 30, 2007

The District borrowed \$170,000 which was used to expand and replace the water lines during the fiscal years ending June 30, 1998 and 1999. The District has been paying additional principal on the note. The annual payment was \$13,641 but has been reduced because of the additional principal payments. The maturity date has also been shortened to 2016 because of the additional principal payments. The interest rate is 3%. The following schedule shows the payments due to maturity:

	Principal	Interest	Total
2007	6,890	3,461	10,351
2008	7,234	3,119	10,353
2009	7,596	2,830	10,426
2010	7,976	2,526	10,502
2011	8,375	2,207	10,582
2012-2016	46,792	5,660	52,452
	\$ 84,863 \$	19,803 \$	104,666

**NOTE G: PREPAID EXPENSE** 

Prepaid expenses are insurance premiums.

## NOTE H: RECONCILIATION OF BUDGETARY BASIS TO GAAP BASIS STATEMENTS

The Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - all Governmental Fund Types is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) basis are that:

- A. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
- B. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year from GAAP basis to the budget basis for the governmental funds are as follows:

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2007

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses:

Revenues over Expenditures Budgetary		
Comparison Statements-Budgetary Basis	\$_	9,334
Adjustments:		
Depreciation		(15,380)
Debt Service		15,974
Capital Purchases		10,365
Increase(decrease) in:		
Accounts Receivable		682
Property Taxes Receivable		23
Interest Receivable		598
Prepaid Expenses		(553)
(Increase)decrease in:		
Accounts Payable		(1,251)
Gross Receipts Tax Payable		(20)
Accrued Interest		237
		10,675
Net Change in Net Assets	\$_	20,009

#### **NOTE I: RISK MANAGEMENT**

Commercial insurance covers all losses. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settlement amount have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year of the three prior years. There are no claim liabilities at year end.

#### **NOTE J: SURETY BONDS**

The Directors and certain employees of the District are covered by a surety bond as required by Section 12 6-7, NMSA, 1978 Compliance and State Auditor's Rule 89-1.

# NOTE K: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Directors on the Board of the District are recipients of water sales and services. These transactions are correctly considered arm's-length transactions since these related parties are subject to the same installation, invoicing, payment expectations, and late payment procedures as all the District customers.

## **ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT**

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance - Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

		Budgeted Ar	mounts	Actual (Budgetary	Variances Positive (Negative) Final
		Original	Final	Basis)	to Actual
Revenues	_	Original	1 Hidi		to Actual
Property Taxes	\$	28,022 \$	28,022 \$		4,026
Water Sales		25,000	25,000	24,281	(719)
Fees		10,850	10,850	10,965	115
Interest	_	1,900	1,900	4,664	2,764
Gross Profit		65,772	65,772	71,958	6,186
Expenditures					
Advertising		500	500	0	500
Bad Debt		300	300	130	170
Bank Service Charges		0	0	14	(14)
Chemicals		425	425	265	160
Dues & Subscriptions		100	100	100	0
Filing Fees		100	100	9	91
Insurance		3,380	3,380	2,906	474
License and Permits		100	100	50	50
Miscellaneous		500	500	140	360
Office & Postage		969	969	729	240
Professional Fees		21,076	21,076	20,441	635
Repairs & Replacement		3,100	3,100	5,326	(2,226)
Taxes		315	315	318	(3)
Water Meter Installation		2,100	2,100	0	2,100
Travel & Training		1,000	1,000	570	430
Utilities		2,000	2,000	1,495	505
Water Conservation Fees		150	150	94	56
Capital Outlay		21,225	21,225	10,365	10,860
Principal Payment		15,974	15,974	15,974	0
Interest Payment		3,507	3,507	3,698	(191)
Total Expenditures	_	76,821	76,821	62,624	14,197
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over Expenditures		(11,049)	(11,049)	9,334	20,383
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	141,903	141,903	141,903	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$	130,854 \$	130,854 \$	151,237_\$_	20,383

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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* 

Mr. Hector Balderas State Auditor of the State of New Mexico Board Members of the Alpine Village Sanitation District

Mr. Balderas and Members of the Board

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We have audited the basic financial statements of the business-type activities of the ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT (District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated August 28, 2008. We have also audited the budget comparisons presented as supplementary information. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States*.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control. We consider the defocoency 07-01 described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

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

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and that, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed two instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 07-01 and 07-02.

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. We did not audit the District's response and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the administration, the board members, the Office of the State Auditor, the New Mexico State Legislature and its committees, and the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

August 28, 2008

De'lun Willoughby CPA PC

## **ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT**

Schedule of Findings and Responses June 30, 2007

#### **Prior Year Audit Findings**

There are no prior year audit findings.

#### **Current Year Audit Findings**

#### 07-1 Late Audit Report - Compliance

#### Condition

The audit report was filed after the due date. The report was submitted on 09/05/08 to the State Auditor's Office.

#### Criteria

According to the State Auditor Rule 2.2.2.9 (d), the audit report due date for the Village is December 1.

#### Cause

The auditors were the cause for the late audit report. DeAun is recovering from breast cancer and staff members are first year auditors. Our office is over whelmed but improving daily.

#### Effect

The users of the financial statements such as legislators, creditors, bondholders, state and federal grantors, etc., do not have timely audit reports and financial statements for their review. Late audit report could have an effect on state and federal funding.

#### Recommendation

We will make sure all staff is properly trained so we are more diligent to file the audit timely it in the future.

#### Response

The audit will be filed timely in the future.

#### 07-2 Lack of Pledged Securities

#### Condition

The deposits held at City Bank of New Mexico were \$3,008 under secured by pledged securities.

#### Criteria

Pursuant to Section 6-10-16, NMSA 1978 and Section 6-10-17, NMSA 1978 securities with an aggregate value equal to one-half the amount of public money deposited shall be provided by the depository.

#### **Effect**

Under collateralization results in lack of guarantee of the District's money in case of bank failure.

#### Cause

The District did not monitor the pledged securities to assure they were adequate.

Recommendation

Management should monitor the depository's collateral.

Response

We will transfer money to another banking institution rather than ask for pledge securities.

## **Financial Statement Preparation**

The financial statements were prepared by De'Aun Willoughby CPA. However, they are the responsibility of management.

#### **Exit Conference**

An exit conference was held on August 28, 2008. Those present were Carl Surber-Vice President, Joe Buchanon-Manager, and De'Aun Willoughby, CPA.