STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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BORDER AUTHORITY

Financial Statements

for the Year Ended

June 30, 2008,

and Independent

Auditors' Report





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# Official Roster

# Year Ended June 30, 2008

# **Board Members - Border Authority**

Title

Fred Mondragon Bob McNiel			Chairman Vice Chairman
Edgar Lopez			Director
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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors State of New Mexico New Mexico Border Authority and Mr. Hector H. Balderas New Mexico State Auditor

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund (General Fund, Hazmat Grant Fund, Special Revenue Capital Outlay Fund and Border Development Grant Fund), which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the State of New Mexico, New Mexico Border Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express 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 the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. 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.

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the Authority are intended to present the financial position and the changes in financial position of only that portion of the governmental activities and each major fund) of the State of New Mexico that is attributable to the transactions of the Authority. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the entire State of New Mexico as of June 30, 2008, and the changes in its financial position and budgetary comparison for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Board of Directors
State of New Mexico
New Mexico Border Authority
and
Mr. Hector H. Balderas
New Mexico State Auditor

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major funds (General Fund, Hazmat Grant Fund, Special Revenue Capital Outlay Fund and Border Development Grant Fund) of the Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position thereof, and the budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and major special revenue funds for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 8, 2008, on our consideration of the Authority'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 Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis presented on pages 4 through 9 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Meyners + Company, LLC December 8, 2008

Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended June 30, 2008

The State of New Mexico, New Mexico Border Authority's (the Authority) discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, provide an overview of the Authority's financial activity, identify changes in the Authority's financial position and identify any financial issues or concerns. The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is designed to focus on the past year's activities and financial changes.

As management of the Authority, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the year ended June 30, 2008.

#### **Authority Overview**

The Authority is administratively attached to one of 16 cabinet level departments within the executive branch of the New Mexico State Government (New Mexico Economic Development Department). Founded by state statute in 1991, 58-27-4, the Authority's mission is to encourage and foster development of the state by developing port facilities and infrastructure at international ports of entry; to attract new industries and business to the New Mexico Border, and to assist industries, businesses and the traveling public in their efficient and effective us of ports and related facilities. The Authority began its operations as a separate State Government Agency on 1992.

#### Financial Highlights

- In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the total assets of the Authority exceeded total liabilities by \$374,643.
- The Authority acquired \$145,977 in total capital assets greater than \$5,000 during the year.
- Of the \$446,040 in total current assets, nearly 67% was in the form of cash.
- The total cost of Authority programs was \$519,897, whereas the total Authority revenue was \$620,193.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority's basic financial statements comprise four components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, 3) budget and actual comparisons, and 4) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Management's Discussion and Analysis - continued Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### Overview of the Financial Statements - continued

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's financial statements, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as total net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Authority that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (government activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Authority include economic development, program support, technology commercialization and community development. Within the Authority, there are no business-type activities.

Fund Financial Statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Authority uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Authority can be divided into two categories: general funds and special revenue funds.

#### Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

The Authority currently maintains four governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund (48000), Hazmat Grant Fund (02900), Special Revenue Capital Outlay Fund (03600) and Border Development Grant Fund (05600).

Management's Discussion and Analysis - continued Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### Overview of the Financial Statements - continued

#### Fund Financial Statements - continued

The Authority adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 13 and 15 of this report.

Other Information. In addition to the basic statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the Authority's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. Required supplementary information can be found on pages 35 through 40 of this report.

#### Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Authority, assets exceeded liabilities by \$374,643 at the close of the 2008 fiscal year.

At the end of the 2008 fiscal year, the Authority is able to report positive balances in the category of net assets.

Governmental activities increased the Authority's net assets by \$100,296.

#### Financial Analysis of Governmental Funds

The focus of the Authority's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Authority's financial requirements.

As of the end of the 2008 fiscal year, the Authority's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$251,175, a decrease of \$41,656 in comparison with the prior year. The majority of this amount is derived from State General Fund appropriations and constitutes unreserved fund balance, which will not revert to the general fund and is available for spending in the following fiscal year. The remainder of fund balance is reserved, indicating that it is committed and not available for spending.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the Authority. At the end of the 2008 fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$161,077.

During the 2008 fiscal year, the fund balance of the Authority's general fund increased by \$108,478.

Management's Discussion and Analysis - continued Year Ended June 30, 2008

### Financial Analysis of the Authority as a Whole

#### **Net Assets**

Table A-1 summarizes the Authority's net assets as of June 30, 2008. Net assets for Governmental Activities were \$374,643.

# Table A-1 The Authority's Net Assets

YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,	2008	2007
Governmental Activities:		
Assets:		
Current and other assets	\$ 300,063	339,587
Capital and non-current assets	<u>145,977</u>	· <u>-</u>
Total Assets	446,040	339,587
Liabilities:		
Current Liabilities	<u>71,397</u>	65,240
TOTAL Liabilities	71,397	65,240
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted – subsequent years' expenditures	<u>374,643</u>	<u>274,347</u>
Total Net Assets	\$ <u>374,643</u>	<u>274,347</u>

#### Changes in Net Asset

The Authority's change in assets for fiscal year 2008 was \$100,296 (Statement of Activities). Approximately 90 percent of the Authority's revenue comes from State General Fund Appropriations; the remaining funds are from severance tax bond proceeds.

Management's Discussion and Analysis - continued Year Ended June 30, 2008

# Financial Analysis of the Authority as a Whole - continued

# Changes in Net Asset - continued

# Table A-2 Changes in the Authority's Net Assets

YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,		2008	2007
Governmental Activities:			
Revenues:			
Program Revenues: Federal Grant			54,700
Total Program Revenues			54,700
General Revenues:			
State General Fund appropriations (net)	\$	557,700	458,100
Other revenue		<u>62,493</u>	<u>390,511</u>
Total General Revenues		620,193	848,611
Total Revenues	•	620,193	903,311
Expenses:			
Border Authority Development		<u>519,897</u>	673,946
Total Expenses		<u>519,897</u>	673,946
Increase in Net Assets		100,296	229,365
Net Assets, Beginning of Year		<u>274,347</u>	44,982
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	374,643	274,347

Management's Discussion and Analysis - continued Year Ended June 30, 2008

#### Financial Analysis of the Department's Funds

## Capital Assets and Debt Administration

The Authority had \$145,977 in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2008.

The Authority did not have any long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2008.

## Original and Final Budget

There were no significant variations between the original and final budget.

#### Currently Known Facts, Decisions or Conditions Expected to Have an Effect on Operations

New Mexico Border Authority 2008 Highlights:

- 1. Santa Teresa Rail Bypass
- 2. Additional Non-Commercial Entry Lanes at Santa Teresa Port of Entry
- 3. Hazmat Fire/Emergency Response Facility at Santa Teresa
- 4. Construction Funding for the Future Santa Teresa Poe Projects
- 5. Construction Funding for the Columbus Port of Entry
- 6. Solution to the Columbus/Palomas Floodings
- 7. NMBA Headqurters Building under Construction
- 8. Continuous Success of the Extended Operating Hours for Commercial in Santa Teresa POE
- 9. Increasing Traffic of Agricultural Products Southbound
- 10. Funding for the Santa Teresa Commercial Trucks Inspection Station
- 11. Administration of Export Vehicles Parking Lot
- 12. Joint Investment with GSA to Build a Parking Lot at the Santa Teresa POE
- 13. Support to Cross Participants for the Balloon Fiesta in Chihuahua City
- 14. Support to Cross the PBR (Professional Bull Riders) Show to Chihuahua
- 15. Continuous Support to the Mexican Program "Paisano"

#### Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Authority's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Director of Administrative Services, New Mexico Economic Development Department, Joseph M. Montoya Building, 1100 Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-4147.

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# Statement of Net Assets

<b>AS OF JUNE 30, 20</b>
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		Governmental Activities
ASSETS:	_	
Current assets:		
Investment in State Treasurer's Pool	\$	299,854
Due from State General Fund		209
Total current assets		300,063
Capital assets, net of depreciation		145,977
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	446,040
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:		
LIABILITIES:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	\$	32,901
Compensated absences payable		22,509
Accrued payroll		15,987
Total current liabilities		71,397
TOTAL LIABILITIES		71,397
NET ASSETS:		
Invested in capital assets		145,977
Unrestricted net assets		228,666
TOTAL NET ASSETS		374,643
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	446,040

# **Statement of Activities**

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008			
		_	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT
			Governmental Activities Total
EXPENSES: Border authority development		\$	519,897
		Ψ	
TOTAL EXPENSES			519,897
PROGRAM SPECIFIC OPERATING GRANTS			<del>_</del>
NET PROGRAM (EXPENSE) REVENUE			519,897
GENERAL REVENUES: General Fund appropriation Other revenue			557,700 48,893
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES	•		606,593
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Other financing sources			13,600
NET OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			13,600
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		,	100,296
NET ASSETS, June 30, 2007			274,347
NET ASSETS, June 30, 2008		\$	<u>374,643</u>

## **Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds**

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2008** 

			Major	Funds		
	_		Hazmat	Capital	Border	Total
		General	Grant	Outlay	Dev. Grant	Governmental
	_	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds
ASSETS:						
Cash on deposit (Note 2)	\$	205,234	8,271	38,023	48,326	299,854
Due from other State Agencies	Ψ	203,234	209	. 50,025	40,520	209
Due from other funds		1,008		<del>-</del>		1,008
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	206,242	8,480	38,023	48,326	301,071
LIABILITIES:						
Accounts payable and						
other current liabilities	\$	29,178	3,723	-	-	32,901
Due to other funds		-	-	· -	1,008	1,008
Accrued payroll		15,987	<del></del>	<del></del>		15,987
TOTAL LIABILITIES		45,165	3,723		1,008	49,896
FUND BALANCES:						
Unreserved/undesignated		161,077	4,757	38,023	47,318	251,175
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		161,077	4,757	38,023	47,318	251,175
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND						
FUND BALANCES	\$	206,242	8,480	38,023	48,326	301,071

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets - Governmental Activities

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008	
Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds (Governmental Fund Balance Sheet)	\$ 251,175
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:	
Capital Assets	145,977
Accrual for compensated absences	(22,509)
Net assets of governmental activities (Statement of Net Assets)	\$ 374,643

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

112 Of JOINE 30, 2000	Major Funds					
	General Fund	Hazmat Grant Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Border Dev. Grant Fund	Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES:						
Other revenue	\$ 48,893		<del>_</del>		48,893	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 48,893				48,893	
EXPENDITURES:						
Current:						
Personnel services	\$ 359,866		-	-	359,866	
Operating costs	23,431	3,748	-	-	27,179	
Contractual services	128,418	409	-	-	128,827	
Capital outlay			145,977		145,977	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	511,715	4,157	145,977		661,849	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER						
EXPENDITURES	(462,822)	(4,157)	(145,977)	=	(612,956)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
State General Fund appropriations	557,700	· _	-	_	557,700	
Other financing sources	13,600		<del></del>		13,600	
NET OTHER FINANCING						
SOURCES (USES)	571,300				571,300	

108,478

52,599

161,077

(4,157)

8,914

4,757

(145,977)

184,000

38,023

47,318

<u>47,318</u>

**NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES** 

FUND BALANCES, June 30, 2007

FUND BALANCES, June 30, 2008

AS OF JUNE 30, 2008

(41,656)

292,831

251,175

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities - Governmental Activities

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008		
Net Changes in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds (Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances)	<b>\$</b>	(41,656)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Capital assets		145977
In the Statement of Activities, certain operating expenses - compensated absences (sick and annual leave) - are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the Governmental Funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amounts of financial resources used (essentially, the		
amounts actually paid). The net increase in the liabilities for the year was:	_	(4,025)
Change in net assets of governmental activities (Statement of Activities)	\$	100,296

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures -

Major Governmental Funds -Budget and Actual (Modified Accrual Basis)

	GENERAL FUND (FUND 48000)					
				Actual	Variance From	
	_	Budgeted A		Amounts	Final Budget	
	_	Original	Final	(Budgetary Basis)	Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:						
Intergovernmental revenue:						
General fund appropriation	\$	507,700	507,700	557,700	50,000	
Other sources	-	13,600	<u>13,600</u>	62,493	48,893	
TOTAL REVENUES		521,300	521,300	620,193	98,893	
EXPENDITURES:						
General government:						
Personnel services		377,800	365,800	367,146	(1,346)	
Contractual services		28,800	24,800	23,431	1,369	
Operating costs	-	114,700	130,700	127,434	3,266	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	521,300	521,300	518,011	3,289	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES						
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND						
OTHER FUNDING SOURCES (USES)	\$ _	-		102,182	102,182	
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING						
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH GAAP:						
(Increase) decrease in accounts payable				58,895		
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2008 (GAAP BASIS)				\$161,077		

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures -

Major Governmental Funds -

Budget and Actual (Modified Accrual Basis) - continued

12.10 2.10 2.20 join 2.000	HAZMAT GRANT (FUND 02900)						
	. –			Actual	Variance From		
	_	Budgeted	Amounts	Amounts	Final Budget		
	_	Original	Final	(Budgetary Basis)	Positive (Negative)		
REVENUES:							
Intergovernmental revenue:							
Federal funds	\$	102,798	102,798	-	(102,798)		
Other state sources	-		<del></del>		<del></del>		
TOTAL REVENUES		102,798	102,798	-	(102,798)		
EXPENDITURES:							
General government:							
Personnel services		-	-	· -	-		
Contractual services		12,000	12,000	3,748	8,252		
Operating costs	-	90,798	90,798	409	90,389		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	102,798	102,798	4,157	98,641		
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES							
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND	\$			(4.157)	(4.157)		
OTHER FUNDING SOURCES (USES)	<u>ه</u> _		-	(4,157)	(4,157)		
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING				8,914			
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH GAAP:							
Increase (decrease) in receivables				· -			
(Increase) decrease in accounts payable							
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2008 (GAAP BASIS)				\$			

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Major Governmental Funds -

Budget and Actual (Modified Accrual Basis) - continued

TEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000		SI	PECIAL REVENUE CAPI	TAL OUTLAY (FUND 03600	)
	-	Budgeted	Amounts	Actual Amounts	Variance From Final Budget
· ·	-	Original	Final	(Budgetary Basis)	Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:	-				
Intergovernmental revenue:					
Local governments	\$	-	-	-	-
Other state sources		<del>_</del>	10,000	<del></del>	(10,000)
TOTAL REVENUES			10,000	-	(10,000)
EXPENDITURES:					
General government:					
Personnel services		-	•	-	-
Contractual services			-	-	-
Capital Outlay			194,000	145,977	48,023
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			194,000	145,977	48,023
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND					
OTHER FUNDING SOURCES (USES)	\$		(184,000)	(145,977)	(38,023)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING				184,000	
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH GAAP: Increase (decrease) in receivables (Increase) decrease in accounts payable					
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2008 (GAAP BASIS)				\$38,023	

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures -

Major Governmental Funds -

Budget and Actual (Modified Accrual Basis) - continued

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008			RORDER DEVELO	PMENT GRANT (FUND 058	00)
	_	Rudgeted		Actual Amounts	Variance From Final Budget
	_	Budgeted Amounts Original Final		(Budgetary Basis)	Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:	_				
Intergovernmental revenue:					
Local governments	· \$	-			-
Other state sources	_			<del></del>	
TOTAL REVENUES		-		· -	-
EXPENDITURES:					
General government:					
Contractual services		-			-
Other operating expense		-			-
Capital Outlay	<u>·</u>			<del></del>	<del></del>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	_	<del>_</del>		<u> </u>	<del></del>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND					
OTHER FUNDING SOURCES (USES)	\$ _			-	-
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING					
ADJUSTMENTS TO CONFORM WITH GAAP: Increase (decrease) in receivables				-	
(Increase) decrease in accounts payable				<del>-</del>	
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2008 (GAAP BASIS)				\$	

**Notes to Financial Statements** 

## NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

### Reporting Entity

The New Mexico Border Authority is an autonomous executive branch state agency which was created by the New Mexico Legislature in 1991 for the purpose of:

- Encouraging and fostering development of the State, its cities and its counties by development to attract
  new industries and businesses, thereby creating new job opportunities in the State while resolving
  transportation and logistical problems that may arise as ports of entry develop.
- Actively promoting and assisting public and private sectors' infrastructure development to attract new
  industries and businesses, thereby creating new job opportunities in the State while resolving
  transportation and logistical problems that may arise as ports of entry develop.
- Designing, financing, equipping and operating port facilities necessary to ensure the timely, planned and efficient development of the border area between New Mexico and the Mexican state of Chihuahua.

#### **Prohibitions**

The Authority is expressly prohibited from operating any project as a business or in any manner except as a lessor, and from expending funds or incurring indebtedness for improvements, repairs, maintenance or additions to any real or personal property owned by those other than the Authority.

#### **Financing Powers**

The New Mexico Border Authority has been granted two methods for financing its projects, subject to the approval of the State Board of Finance: borrowing and issuing revenue bonds. The Authority has been granted specific powers and authorities respective to each instrument and is restricted in those powers for each instrument.

#### **Administrative Attachment**

The Border Development Act was amended effective July 1, 1996, to change the number of Directors to seven and provide that the Cabinet Secretary of Economic development be Chairman of the Board of Directors for the New Mexico Border Authority. The amended legislation provided that the New Mexico Border Authority be administratively attached to the Economic Development Department. Through this administrative attachment, the Economic Development Department provides human resource services, accounting functions and information systems support. The New Mexico Border Authority does not have component units.

Notes to Financial Statements - continued

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Principles of Accounting

The financial statements for the Authority have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. Pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standard Board (FASB) issued after November 30, 1989 are not applied in the preparation of the financial statements of the proprietary fund type in accordance with GASB No. 20. The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units. The more significant of these accounting policies are described below.

### Financial Reporting Entity

The New Mexico Border Authority is a component unit of the Executive Branch of the State of New Mexico and is legally separate and fiscally independent of other State agencies, has decision-making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to significantly influence operations and primary accountability for fiscal matters. The New Mexico Border Authority is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined in Section 2100, "Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards." Included within the reporting entity is the New Mexico Border Authority as described above. Other Executive Branch entities of government are excluded because they are established separately by statutes.

#### Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the Authority as a whole) and fund financial statements. The reporting model focus is on either the Authority as a whole or major individual funds (within the fund financial statements. Both the government-wide and the fund financial statements (within the basic financial statements) categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type activities. The Authority has only governmental type activities. In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental column reflects a full accrual, economic resources basis, which incorporates long-term assets as well as long-term debt and obligations.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reflects both the gross and net cost per functional category, which are otherwise being supported by general governmental revenues. The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital gains. Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities include revenues from two program specific grants. The Authority only charges direct expenses to these grants. The program revenues must be directly associated with the function. The Authority included only one function (general government).

### • Financial Reporting Entity - continued

General revenues (General Fund appropriation, transfers in from other State agencies, Federal aid, etc.), normally cover the net cost (by function). Historically, the previous model did not summarize or present net cost by function or activity.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Authority as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The fund financial statements are similar to the financial statements presented in the previous accounting model.

The governmental fund statements are presented on a current financial resource and modified accrual basis of accounting. This presentation is deemed appropriate to (a) demonstrate legal compliance, (b) demonstrate the source and use of liquid resources, and (c) demonstrate how the Authority's actual experience conforms to the budget or fiscal plan. Since the governmental fund statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the government-wide statements' governmental column, reconciliation is presented on the page following each statement, which briefly explains the adjustment necessary to transform the fund-based financial statements into the governmental column on the governmental-wide presentation.

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

The use of financial resources to acquire capital assets are capitalized as assets in the government-wide financial statements, rather than reported as expenditures. Proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as a liability in the government-wide financial statements rather than as a funding source. Amounts paid to reduce long-term debt of the Authority are reported as a reduction of the liability, rather than as an expenditure in the government-wide financial statements.

Government 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. For this purpose, the Authority considers all revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 day s of the end of the current fiscal year. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting - continued

Unreimbursed state and federal grants associated with current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Authority.

In applying the "susceptible to accrual" concept to intergovernmental revenues pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 33 (GASB 33), Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions, the provider should recognize liabilities and expenses and the recipient should recognize receivables and revenues when the applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. Resources transmitted before the eligibility requirements are met, under most circumstances, should be reported as advances by the provider and deferred revenue by the recipient.

#### Basis of Presentation

The financial transactions of the Authority are maintained on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, expenditures or expenses and other financing sources or uses. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for, in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

GASB No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria for the determination of major funds based on a percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or governmental and enterprise combined. The Authority reports all funds to be major governmental funds. The following funds are reported in the financial statements.

General Fund. The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except for those to be accounted for in another fund.

**Special Revenue Funds.** The Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. Sources of revenue are primarily special appropriations of State, Federal and local Governments and private grants and revenues generated by various activities of the Department.

Hazmat Grant. This fund is used to account for the activities of a federal grant from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and passed through the New Mexico Department of Transportation (DOT). The funds are appropriated under Section 330 of the FY 2002 DOT Appropriations Act (Public Law 107-87). The Authority agreed to administer the grant for the County of Dona Ana. All capital outlay items purchased under this grant are transferred to the

#### Basis of Presentation - continued

## Hazmat Grant - continued

County of Dona Ana for further administration per a Memorandum of Agreement dated February 6, 2003.

<u>Capital Outlay Fund</u>. This fund is used to account for the activities relating to the appropriation by the State of New Mexico from the sale of severance tax bonds pursuant to Chapter 429 Laws of 2003, Chapter 110 Laws of 2003, Chapter 338 Laws of 201, Chapter 23 Laws of 2000 Special Session, Chapter 18 Laws of 200 Special Session, and Chapter 2 Laws of 1999 Special Session, collectively.

Border Development Grant. This fund is used to account for the activities of a grant awarded to the County of Hidalgo pursuant to New Mexico Laws of 2004 Chapter 126, resulting in a joint powers agreement between the County of Hidalgo and the New Mexico Boarder Authority to administer the grant.

As a general rule, interfund transfers are eliminated in the government-wide financial statements except for receivables between government and business-type funds. The Authority eliminated all interfund transactions for the current fiscal year.

#### Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The New Mexico State Legislature makes appropriations to the Authority. Legal compliance is monitored through the establishment of a budget (modified cash basis) and a financial control system, which permits a budget to actual comparison. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations for each budget at the appropriation unit level.

Budgeted appropriation unit amounts may be amended upon approval from the Budget Division of the State of New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration within the limitations as specified in the General Appropriation Act. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are both the original appropriation and the final authorized amounts as legally revised during the year.

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

O No later than September 1, the Authority prepares a budget request by appropriation unit to be presented to the next Legislature.

#### Budgets and Budgetary Accounting - continued

- O The appropriation request is submitted to the Department of Finance and the Administration's Budget Division (DFA) and to the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC).
- DFA makes recommendations and adjustments to the appropriation request, which become the Governor's proposal to the Legislature.
- The LFC holds hearings on the appropriation request, also submitting recommendations and adjustments before presentation to the Legislature.
- Both the DFA and LFC-recommended appropriation proposals are presented to the Legislature for approval of the final budget plan.
- O Budgetary control is exercised at the appropriation unit level of the Sixth Judicial District Attorney as a whole, and changes are approved by the DFA.
- O The Authority's budget for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, was amended in a legally permissible manner by increasing or reallocating appropriation unit totals as the need arose during the year. Individual amendments were not material in relation to the original budget.
- O Single year appropriations lapse at the end of the year, except for goods and services received by the last day of the fiscal year which are reclassified as accounts payable.
- O Budgets for the Government Funds are presented on a modified accrual basis. Current year encumbrances are included as expenditures, and payment of prior year encumbrances are excluded from current year budgeted expenditures. Budget expenditures record changes in prepaid expenses, accounts payable and accrued payroll. Budgetary comparisons presented for the Government Funds in this report are on the modified accrual basis, which conforms to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as encumbrances are treated as accounts payable and expenditures. This procedure conforms to the Department of Finance and Administration and State requirements.
- O The Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures, Modified Accrual Basis and Actual does not include funds with multiple year budgets. If they were included, the schedule would be misleading. The adjustments to the actual (US GAAP) basis to arrive at the budgetary basis are presented in Note 10.

Notes to Financial Statements - continued

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

#### Budgets and Budgetary Accounting – continued

Each year the Legislature approves multiple year appropriations, which the State considers as continuing appropriations. The Legislature authorizes these appropriations for two to five years; however, it does not identify the authorized amount by fiscal year. Consequently, the appropriation is budgeted in its entirety the first year the Legislature authorizes it. The unexpended portion of the budget is carried forward as the next year's beginning budget balance until either the project period has expired or the appropriation has been fully expended. The budget presentations in these financial statements are consistent with this budgeting methodology.

#### • Encumbrances

Encumbrances outstanding at year end do not represent US GAAP expenditures unless they are reclassified as accounts payable. All governmental fund budgets are maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Authority has defined cash and cash equivalents to include cash on deposit with the State Treasurer.

#### Receivables

Receivables consist of amounts due from other state or federal governments. No allowance for doubtful accounts is established since all amounts are collected in the subsequent fiscal year.

#### Due To/From Other Funds

Internal balances due to/from in the governmental funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide columnar presentation, as such eliminating internal activity in the Statement of Activities.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets are tangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives that extend beyond a single reporting period. Capital assets are reported in the Statement of Net Assets at historical cost or estimated fair value, if donated. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Items with a cost of less than \$5,000 are expensed in the year of acquisition. Repairs and maintenance expenses are charged to operations when incurred, and major betterments and replacements are capitalized. The major classifications of capital assets and their related depreciable lives are as follows:

Machinery and equipment	4 years
Data processing equipment	4 years
Furniture and fixtures	4 years

#### • Capital Assets - continued

The Authority, per the General Services Department of the State of New Mexico, includes software in the capital assets. The Authority does not develop, capitalize or depreciate internally developed software.

#### • Accrued Compensated Absences

Employees are entitled to accumulate annual leave at a rate based on appointment date and length of continuous service. A maximum of 240 hours of annual leave may be carried forward after the pay period beginning in December and ending in January. When employees terminate, they are compensated at the current hourly rate for accumulated unpaid annual leave as of the date of termination, up to a maximum of 240 hours.

Employees are entitled to accumulate sick leave at a rate of 3.69 hours per pay period. There is no limit to the amount of sick leave which an employee may accumulate. State agencies are allowed to pay fifty percent of each employee's hourly rate for accumulated sick leave over 600 hours up to 120 hours. Payment may be only once per fiscal year at a specified pay period in either January or July. In accordance with GASB No. 16, accrued compensated absences consist of accumulated annual leave and related salary payments.

#### Reverting Funds

Reverting funds are all funds that are not identified by law as non-reverting. Such funds are in excess of budgeted expenditures and budgeted and actual revenues. Examples of such reverting funds currently generated by the Authority are miscellaneous revenues, sales and services revenues, and telephone monitoring revenues. Revenues for Joint Power Agreements (JPA) are reimbursements for actual costs, and as such, are a receivable due to the Authority. Any amounts collected for these revenues over estimated budget are revertible funds, since they would be replacing reverting general funds that were temporarily used to support such activities. Reversions for JPA revenues are dependent on two criteria: 1) Period of receipt (current year versus prior year), and 2) Period of accrual (revenue recognition).

#### Non-Reverting Funds

All funds which are either appropriated to or earned by the Authority, and by law or statute, are not required to be reverted to the state treasury upon completion of a fiscal period or project are non-reverting funds. The Authority currently classifies the following revenues and sources as non-reverting:

i) Hazmat Grant Fund (Fund 02900). The source of these funds is from a grant from the Federal government, and, as such, is not revertible to the State General Fund. However, any overdrawn grant funds must be reverted to the federal grantor agency. Additionally, any State match funds appropriated from the State General Fund or from revertible Non-General Fund sources must be reverted to the State General Fund upon completion of the Project. (Section 6-5-10 NMSA 1978)

#### Non-Reverting Funds - continued

ii) Grant Funds (All Funds). Grant funds from any governmental source, such as federal or state, direct or indirect, do not revert to the State General Fund unless specifically identified in the grant contract or appropriation law. Instead, any overdrawn grant funds must be reverted to the granting agency. Currently, all grants in operation by the Department are in the form of a reimbursement basis, whereby reimbursement for grant costs is requested from the granting agency after the grant-related expenditure has occurred. (Section 6-5-10 NMSA 1978)

Unexpended and unencumbered cash balances of certain funds revert to the State General Fund at yearend. For certain funds, cash recoveries during the fiscal year from stale dated warrants and prior year reimbursements are also due to the State General Fund. There were no amounts due to the State General Fund as of June 30, 2008.

#### Revenues, Expenditures and Expenses

Substantially all governmental fund revenues are accrued. The Authority recognizes revenue when earned.

#### Program Revenues

Program revenues are revenues that (1) originate from the program or from parties other than the government's taxpayers or citizens as a whole, and (2) reduce the expenses of the function that has to be financed by general revenues. Revenues of this type can originate from a governmental source, but the proceeds are a charge for services or products produced by a government agency, where that agency is considered a vendor within the market place. Additionally, program revenues are fees charged by the government agency that are used to support a specific operation of that governmental unit.

#### Net Assets

The government-wide and business-type fund financial statements utilize a net asset presentation. Net assets are categorized as investment in fixed assets (net of related debt) and unrestricted.

Investment in Capital Assets (net of related debt) is intended to reflect the portion of net assets which are associated with non-liquid, capital assets less outstanding capital asset related debt. The net related debt is the debt less the outstanding liquid assets and any associated unamortized cost.

Unrestricted Assets represent unrestricted liquid assets.

The Authority applies unrestricted resources first for payment of expenditures.

#### 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.

# 2. CASH ON DEPOSIT – INVESTMENT IN STATE TREASURER'S POOL

Account Name	STO Number	Fund Type		Per Depository	Outstanding Warrants	Other	Financial Statements
Operational cash:		45					
State Treasurer:	417-480	General	<b>₽</b>	205 224			205 224
Operating			49	205,234	-	-	205,234
Hazmat Grant	417-029	Spec. Rev.		8,271	-	-	8,271
Capital Outlay Grant	417-036	Spec. Rev.		38,023	-	-	38,023
Border Dev. Grant	417-056	Spec. Rev.		48,326			<u>48,326</u>
Total operational cash			\$	299,854	<del></del>		299,854

#### Interest Rate Risk

The Department does not have an investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### Credit Risk

The New Mexico State Treasurer's Office Pool is not rated.

For additional GASB 40 disclosure information related to the above investment pool, the reader should refer to the separate audit report for the State Treasurer's Office for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

### 3. DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

This amount represents a receivable arising from expenditures paid by one fund on behalf of the other fund.

Interagency receivables:

Fund Type	SHARE Fund	 Due From	Due To
General Fund Border Dev. Grant Fund	48000 63800	\$ 1,008	
Total		\$ 	1,008

#### 4. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets is as follows:

	Balance 7/1/2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/2008
Construction in progress Depreciable assets:	\$ 	145,977	-	145,977
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	17,350	-	(17,350)	-
Accumulated depreciation	(17,350)		<u>17,350</u>	
Total capital assets	\$ 	145,977		<u>145,977</u>

There was no depreciation expense for the current year.

#### 5. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

A summary of the changes in compensated absences is as follows:

	Balance 7/1/2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/2008	Due in One Year
Compensated absences payable	\$ <u> 18,484</u>	27,286	(23,261)	22,509	22,509

Funds from general operations have been used to liquidate the liability associated with compensated absences. New Mexico State Agencies do not budget, in the current year, funds to pay for any portion of the compensated absence liability at the end of the fiscal year.

## 6. RETIREMENT PLANS (STATE PERA)

#### • PERA Plan Description

Substantially all of the Authority's full-time employees participate in a public employee retirement system authorized under the Public Employees' Retirement Act (Chapter 10, Article 11 NMSA 1978). The Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) is the administrator of the plan, which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit retirement plan.

The plan provides for retirement, disability benefits, survivor benefits and cost-of-living adjustments to plan members and beneficiaries. PERA issues a separate, publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. A copy of that report may be obtained by writing to PERA, P.O. Box 2123, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2123.

## Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute 7.42% of their gross salary. The Authority is required to contribute 16.59% of the gross covered salary. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Authority are established under Chapter 10 Article 11 NMSA 1978.

The requirements may be amended by acts of the legislature. The Authority's and employee contributions to PERA for the years ending June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$49,124, \$45,104 and \$37,584, respectively, equal to the amount of the required contribution for each year.

# 7. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) - RETIREE HEALTH CARE

The State of New Mexico is an employer who participates in a cost sharing multiple-employer plan for post-employment benefits other than pensions (OPEB). The New Mexico Retiree Health Care Authority (NMRHCA) is the administrator of the plan.

The Retiree Health Care Act (Act) (Chapter 10, Article 7C NMSA 1978) provides comprehensive core group health insurance for persons who have been retired from certain public service in New Mexico. The purpose is to provide eligible retirees, their spouses, dependents and surviving spouses and dependents with health insurance consisting of a plan, or optional plans of benefits that can be purchased by funds flowing into the Retiree Health Care Fund and by co-payments or the out-of-pocket payments of eligible retirees.

Monies flow to the Retiree Health Care Fund on a pay-as-you-go basis from eligible employers and eligible retirees. Eligible employers consist of institutions of higher education, school districts, or other entities participating in the Public School Insurance Authority, state agencies, state courts, magistrate courts, municipalities or counties, which are affiliated under or covered by the Educational Retirements Act, the Public Employees Retirement Act, Volunteer Firefighters Retirement Act, Judicial Retirement Act or the Magistrate Retirement Act.

# 7. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) - RETIREE HEALTH CARE - continued

Eligible retirees are: (1) retirees who make contributions to the fund for at least five years prior to retirement and whose eligible employer during that period of time made contributions as a participant in the Retiree Health Care Act on the person's behalf; unless that person retires before the employer's NMRHCA effective date, in which event the time period required for employee and employer contributions shall become the period of time between the employer's effective date and the date of retirement; or (2) retirees defined by the Act who retired prior to July 1, 1990, and former legislators who served at least two years.

Each participant employer makes contributions to the fund in the amount of 1.3% of each participating employee's annual salary. Each participating employee contributes to the fund an employee contribution equal to .65% of the employee's annual salary. Each participating retiree pays a monthly premium for the Medical plus basic life plan and an additional \$5 if eligible participant retired prior to the employer's NMRHCA effective date or is a former legislator. Participants may also enroll in optional plans of coverage.

Contributions from participating employers and employees become the property of the Retiree Health Care Fund and are not refundable under any circumstances, including terminations of employment or termination of the participating employer's operation or participation in the Retiree Health Care Act. The employer, employee and retiree contributions are required to be remitted to the Retiree Health Care Authority on a monthly basis.

The Retiree Health Care Authority issues a separate, publicly available audited financial report that includes post employment benefit expenditures of premiums and claims paid, participant contributions (employer, employee and retiree), and net expenditures for the fiscal year. The report also presents as required supplementary information, a schedule of funding progress and employer contributions necessary for the plan as a whole. The report also includes the approximate number of retirees participating in the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to the Retiree Health Care Authority, 4308 Carlisle Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109.

The accounting and financial reporting by employees for post-employment benefits other than pensions (OPEB employers) participating in a cost sharing multiple-employer plan requires OPEB employers to recognize expenditures/expenses for contractually required contributions only.

The Department's contributions to the RHCA for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 were \$2,618 and \$2,401, respectively, which equal the required contributions for each year.

# 7. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) - RETIREE HEALTH CARE - continued

Government Accounting Standards Statement No. 45 regarding Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefit Other than Pensions is scheduled to be implemented in fiscal year 2008. The financial impact of implementation on the Authority's financial statements has not yet been determined.

### 8. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (CLAIMS AND JUDGMENTS)

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Because the Authority was unable to obtain insurance at a cost it considered economically justifiable, it joined together with other State agencies and obtained insurance coverage with New Mexico Risk Management Division, a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for member agencies. The Authority pays an annual premium to New Mexico Risk Management Division for its general insurance coverage and all risk of loss if transferred.

The Authority continues to carry commercial insurance coverage for other risks of loss, including employee health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three years. There are no pending or known threatened legal proceedings involving material matters to which the Authority is a party.

#### 9. OPERATING TRANSFERS

During the fiscal year, the Department received funds that were recorded as "Other Financing Sources" in the financial statements. These amounts include State General Fund Appropriations of \$571,300, which includes \$13,600 which was appropriated to Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for distribution to the Authority as part of the compensation increase for its employees.

* - 4	SHARE Agency/Fund	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund:			
(1) SHARE System Fund 48000	34100-62000	\$ 557,700	-
(2) SHARE System Fund 48000	34100-62000	<u>13,600</u>	. <del>-</del>
		\$ <u>571,300</u>	

Notes to Financial Statements - continued

## 10. BUDGET VERSUS ACTUAL EXPENDITURES

The Department exceeded budgeted expenditures for Personal Services and Benefits category in the amount of \$1,396 as of June 30, 2008.

# 11. BUDGET TO ACTUAL RECONCILIATION

Budget basis expenditures Adjustments	\$	516,011 (6,296)
GAAP basis expenditures	**************************************	509,715



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
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BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
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ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT
AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors New Mexico Border Authority and Mr. Hector H. Balderas New Mexico State Auditor

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the New Mexico Border Authority (Authority), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated December 8, 2008. 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 Authority's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Authority'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 Authority's financial statements that is

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### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting - continued

more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Authority's internal control. Significant deficiencies are identified in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 08-01 and 08-02.

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 Authority'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 internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we considered to be a material weakness, as defined above.

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority'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, 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 are described in the accompanying schedules of findings and responses as items 08-01 and 08-02.

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

December 8, 2008

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### YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### A. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

- 1. The auditors' report expresses an unqualified opinion on the basic financial statements of the New Mexico Border Authority (Authority).
- 2. Two significant deficiencies were disclosed during the audit of the financial statements.
- 3. There were no instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Authority disclosed during the audit.

#### B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

#### 08-01 OVERSPENDING OF BUDGETED EXPENDITURES (Significant Deficiency)

Condition: The Authority overspent budgeted expenditures in the General fund by \$1,346.

**Criteria:** According to State Auditor Rule 2.2.2.10, if an agency's expenditures exceed its budget in any category, this fact must be disclosed in a finding.

Cause: The Authority had a positive budget variance in revenues and spent the excess revenues without processing a budget adjustment resolution for the expenditures.

Effect: The Authority is not in compliance with statutory requirements to obtain approval prior to making expenditures.

**Recommendation:** The Authority should establish procedures by which actual vs. budgeted expenditures are monitored on a monthly basis.

**Management's Response:** Management concurs with this finding and is taking the appropriate steps to correct the above finding in FY 2009.

#### 08-02 GENERAL LEDEGER ADJUSTMENT/CASH BALANCES (Significant Deficiency)

**Condition:** A prior year audit adjustment was booked incorrectly on the Authority's books, causing the following balances in the General Fund to be misstated over the course of the year:

- Internal Balances
- Cash
- Payroll Liabilities

### Schedule of Findings and Responses

# YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

# 08-02 GENERAL LEDEGER ADJUSTMENT/CASH BALANCES (Significant Deficiency) - continued

**Criteria:** All journal entries should be reviewed and approved to ensure their propriety. Furthermore, reconciliations should be performed to ensure that account balances are properly stated during the course of the year.

Cause: Lack of formal journal entry review policy and account reconciliation procedures.

Effect: Management decisions could be made based on incorrect financial data that could have a negative impact on the Authority, such as overspending of budgeted expenditures.

**Recommendation:** We recommend that the Authority institute journal entry review policy and institute account reconciliation procedures to ensure that journal entries are appropriate and account balances are accurately reflected.

Management's Response: The journal entry that was prepared according to the FY 2007 audit adjustments should have been reconciled after posting and noting the general ledger was incorrect. Since the Border Authority is not familiar with accounting adjustments, this makes ASD more responsible for any adjustments to the general ledger. In the future, any adjusting entries will be reconciled immediately for accuracy to the Border Authority general ledger.

# **Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings**

07-1	Cash Reconcilements – Cleared
07-2	Financial Reporting – Cleared
07-3	Year-End Journal Entries – Cleared
07-4	Journal Entry Approval - Cleared
07-5	Staff Training – Cleared

**Exit Conference** 

An exit conference was held with the Authority on December 10, 2008, at New Mexico Economic Development Department's offices in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In attendance were:

#### **NEW MEXICO BORDER AUTHORITY**

Fred Mondragon, Secretary, Economic Development Department Lisa Ortiz, ASD Director

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#### PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements presented in this report have been prepared by the independent auditor. However, they are the responsibility of management, as addressed in the Independent Auditors' Report.