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Board of Directors Knox County Housing Authority 11 Powell Street Bicknell, IN 47512

We have reviewed the audit report prepared by Pamela J. Simpson, CPA, Independent Public Accountant, for the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. In our opinion, the audit report was prepared in accordance with the guidelines established by the State Board of Accounts. Per the Independent Public Accountant's opinion, the financial statements included in the report present fairly the financial condition of the Knox County Housing Authority, as of June 30, 2008 and the results of its operations for the period then ended, on the basis of accounting described in the report.

The Independent Public Accountant's report is filed with this letter in our office as a matter of public record.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

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REPORT ON EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

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TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Directors Knox County Housing Authority Bicknell, Indiana

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Knox County Housing 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. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic financial statements based on my audit.

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

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Knox County Housing Authority, as of June 30, 2008 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the year end in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated January 22, 2009, on my consideration of the Knox County Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal controls over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 8, are not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements of the Knox County Housing Authority, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U. S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the financial statements of the Knox County Housing Authority. The accompanying financial data schedule and other additional statements and schedules listed as supplemental data in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements of the Knox County Housing Authority. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all materials respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Decatur, Illinois January 22, 2009 Certified Public Accountant

Samela J. Simpon

### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

As management of the Knox County Housing Authority, we offer the readers of the Authority's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the year ended June 30, 2008. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements.

Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Executive Director, Knox County Housing Authority, 11 Powell Place, Tilly Estate Office, Bicknell, Indiana, (812) 882-0220.

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

The financial statements included in this annual report are those of a special-purpose government engaged in a business-type activity. The following statements are included:

- Statement of Net Assets reports the Authority's current financial resources (short term spendable resources) with capital assets and long-term debt obligations.
- Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets reports the Authority's operating and non-operating revenues, by major source along with operating and non-operating expenses and capital contributions.
- Statement of Cash Flows reports the Authority's cash flows from operating, investing, capital and non-capital activities.

To fully understand the financial statements of the Housing Authority, one must start with an understanding of what the Authority actual does. The following is a brief description of the programs and services that the Authority provides for the residents of Knox County:

#### Low Income Public Housing (LIPH)

The Housing Authority owns 74 units in Knox County, Indiana. The Authority is responsible for the management, maintenance and utilities for all units and sites. On an annual basis, the Authority submits a request for funding known as the Calculation of Operating Fund Subsidy. The basic concept of the Calculation of Operating Subsidy is that the Authority has an Allowable Expense Level, Allowable Utilities Expense Level and Audit Costs and that HUD will fund the difference between the Allowable Expenses and the amount of rents that the Authority can charge the Authority's tenants.

#### Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (Section 8 Vouchers)

HUD has contracted with the Housing Authority support for 334 Housing Choice Vouchers. The Authority pays Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords for Low Income tenants. The Housing Assistance Payment matches the difference between the total rent that the Landlord can charge, at or below a fair market rent amount supplied by HUD, and the amount that the tenant can pay. For each unit that the Authority administers, HUD pays the Authority an administrative fee. The Housing Authority is not responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the units and properties associated with this program.

#### Capital Fund Program (CFP)

These grant programs are awarded by HUD on an annual basis. The purpose of these grants is to improvement the Authority's sites and the management of the Authority. The Authority requisitions funds from HUD as the Authority expends funds. The Authority is permitted four years to full expend an annual award.

### **Future Events (New Business)**

There are no future events planned by the Authority during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 that will significantly affect the Authority's Net Assets either positively or negatively.

# **Condensed Comparative Financial Statements**

### Analysis of Entity Wide Net Assets (Statement of Net Assets)

**Total Current Assets** for FYE 2008 was \$454,930 and at FYE 2007 the amount was \$289,412. This represents an increase of \$165,518. The majority of the increase relates to an increase in cash which was caused by an increase in HUD funding.

**Total Capital Assets** decreased by \$51,037. At FYE 2008 and 2007, the amount was \$2,393,790 and \$2,444,827, respectively. The changes are more fully detailed in the Capital Asset section of this discussion.

**Total Liabilities** increased by \$19,231 due to the increase in amounts due to FSS participants.

**Revenues** increased by \$242,981 from FYE June 30, 2008. At FYE 2008 and 2007, total revenues were \$1,870,305 and \$1,627,324, respectively

**Total Expenses** decreased by \$38,772 which is mostly due to a decrease in utility, general expenses, HAP payments and tenant services.

The table below illustrates our analysis:

	2008	2007	Net Change	Percent Variances
Cash	369,519	237,940	131,579	55%
Other Current Assets	85,411	51,472	33,939	66%
Capital Assets	2,393,790	2,444,827	(51,037)	-2%
<b>Total Assets</b>	2,848,720	2,734,239	114,481	4%
Current Liabilities	39,696	40,735	(1,039)	-3%
Long Term Liabilities	51,877	31,607	20,270	64%
Total Liabilities	91,573	72,342	19,231	27%
Net Invested in Capital Assets	2,393,790	2,444,827	(51,037)	-2%
Restricted Net Assets	190,396	0	190,396	100%
Unrestricted Net Assets	172,961	217,070	(44,109)	-20%
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	2,757,147	2,661,897	95,250	4%

### Analysis of Entity Wide Revenues

The Authority administers the following programs and the revenues generated from these programs during Fiscal Year Ending 2008 were as follows:

<u>Program</u>	Revenues Generated
Low Income Public Housing	\$300,309
Section 8 Vouchers	\$1,413,534
Capital Funds Program	\$122,117
Business Activities	\$34,345

Total revenues for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007 were \$1,627,324 as compared to the total revenues for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008 of \$1,870,305. Comparatively, Fiscal Year Ending 2008 revenues were more than Fiscal Year Ending 2007 revenues by \$242,981. The overall change was 15%.

	2008	2007	Net Change	Percent Variances
Total Tenant Revenue	128,692	130,527	(1,835)	-1%
<b>HUD Operating Grants</b>	1,565,356	1,355,809	209,547	16%
HUD Capital Grants	109,702	107,300	2,402	2%
Other Government Grants	1,600	1,600	0	0%
Investment Income	2,282	1,498	784	52%
Other Revenue	62,673	30,190	32,483	108%
Gain/Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	0	400	(400)	-100%
Total Revenue	1,870,305	1,627,324	242,981	15%

### Analysis of Entity Wide Expenditures

**Total Expenditures** for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007 were \$1,813,827 as compared to \$1,775,055 of total expenditures for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008. Comparatively, Fiscal Year Ending 2007 expenditures were more than Fiscal Year Ending 2008 expenditures by \$38,772. Changes by major expense category will be presented below.

Administrative expenditures increased by \$17.

**Tenant Services** expenditures decreased \$7,772. This was due to the decrease of activities funded in the Business Activities Program.

Utilities decreased by \$18,963 or 26% this related to normal fluctuations in usage and prices.

**Ordinary Maintenance** expenditures increased by \$23,625 or 30%. The reason for the increase was more expended for maintenance salaries and contract costs.

**General Expense** decreased by \$13,465 or 22%. The major cause was a decrease in total bad debt expense also in the Business Activities Program.

**Extraordinary Maintenance** increased \$6,995.

**Housing Assistance Payments** decreased by \$45,220 or 4%. Leased units for the Voucher Program stayed fairly consistent to current year budget constraints.

The table below illustrates our analysis:

	2008	2007	Net Change	Percent Variances
Administative	328,220	328,237	(17)	0%
Tenant Services	5,020	12,792	(7,772)	-61%
Utilities	55,154	74,117	(18,963)	-26%
Ordinary Maintenance	102,413	78,788	23,625	30%
General Expense	48,359	61,815	(13,456)	-22%
Extraordinary Maintenance	6,995	0	6,995	100%
Housing Assistance Payments	1,042,764	1,087,984	(45,220)	-4%
Depreciation Expense	186,130	170,094	16,036	9%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$1,775,055	\$1,813,827	(38,772)	-2%

### **ANALYSIS OF CAPITAL ASSET ACTIVITY**

As of June 30, 2008, the Authority's investment in capital assets was \$2,393,790 (net of accumulated depreciation). The investment includes land, buildings, and equipment. Capital outlays for the year were \$109,702.

**Buildings** increased by \$161,709. This was due to increases from Capital Fund improvements.

**Furniture, Equipment & Machinery – Dwelling** decreased by a net amount \$14,000 or 10%. The decrease in this category was due to disposal of equipment.

**Furniture, Equipment & Machinery – Administration** decreased by a net amount \$30,421 or 8%. This was due to the disposal of a wrecked vehicle.

**Accumulated Depreciation** increased by \$168,325 or 9%. This is the amount of current year depreciation expense with rounding.

	07/01/2007	Additions/	Deletions/		06/30/2008
<u>Analysis</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Transfers</u>		<b>Balance</b>
Land	\$ 1,002,773	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	1,002,773
Buildings	2,787,256	161,709	0		2,948,965
Equipment and furniture	519,832	 0	44,421		475,411
Total Assets	\$ 4,309,861	\$ 161,709	\$ 44,421	\$	4,427,149
Accumulated depreciation	-1,865,034	 -186,130	 -17,805	_	-2,033,359
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 2,444,827</u>	\$ -24,421	\$ 26,616	\$	2,393,790

#### **DEBT ACTIVITY**

The Housing Authority had no outstanding debt during 2007 or 2008.

# STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2008

A	S	S	$\mathbf{E}$	$\mathbf{T}$	S

CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 179,123
Accounts receivable (interfund eliminated)	21,534
Investments	63,877
Total Current Assets	¢ 264.524
Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 264,534</u>
RESTRICTED ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 190,396
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Total Restricted Assets	\$ 190,396
CAPITAL ASSETS	
Land, buildings and equipment	\$ 4,427,149
Less: Accumulated depreciation	2,033,359
Net Coulded Access	¢ 2.202.700
Net Capital Assets	\$ 2,393,790
Total Assets	\$ 2,848,720
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<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable (interfund eliminated)	\$ 30,966
Accrued liabilities	7,700
Deferred revenue	1,030
Deferred revenue	1,030
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 39,696
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NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	
Trust and deposit liabilities	\$ 51,877
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Total Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>\$ 51,877</u>
NET ASSETS	
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Invested in capital assets	\$ 2,393,790
Restricted	190,396
Unrestricted	<u>172,961</u>
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Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 2,757,147</u>

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Operating Income	
Tenant revenue Tenant revenue - other	\$ 128,527 165
Total Rental Income	\$ 128,692
HUD grants - operating Other governmental grants Other revenue	1,565,356 1,600 62,673
Total Operating Income	<u>\$ 1,758,321</u>
Operating Expenses	
Administration Tenant services Utilities Ordinary maintenance and operation General expense Extraordinary maintenance Housing assistance payments Depreciation  Total Operating Expenses  Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 328,220 5,020 55,154 102,413 48,359 6,995 1,042,764 186,130 \$ 1,775,055 \$ -16,734
Interest income	2,282
Capital Contributions	
Capital funds grants	109,702
Changes in net assets Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 95,250 <u>2,661,897</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 2,757,147</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

# **Operating Activities**

Operating grants	\$ 1,565,157
Tenant revenue	128,397
Other revenue	64,273
Housing assistance payments	-1,042,764
Payments to employees	-248,047
Payments to suppliers and contractors	-292,058
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 174,958
Investing Activities	
Investments (purchased) redeemed	\$ -20,270
Interest income	2,282
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	\$ -17,988
Capital and Related Financing Activities	
HUD grants - capital	\$ 109,702
Additions (deletions) to fixed assets	-135,093
Net Cash Provided (Used) by	
Capital and Related Financing Activities	\$ -25,391
Net Change in Cash	\$ 131,579
Cash Balance at June 30, 2007	237,940
Cash Balance at June 30, 2008	\$ 369,519

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

# <u>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash</u> <u>Provided (Used) by Operating Activities</u>

Net operating income (loss) Adjustment to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss)	\$	-16,734
to Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		10 - 100
Depreciation		186,130
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		-13,669
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		2,338
Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities		-3,666
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues		289
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities		20,270
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>\$</u>	174,958

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Organization and Reporting Entity -

The Knox County Housing Authority was established by Knox County pursuant to the laws of the State of Indiana, to transact business and to have powers as defined therein. The Housing Authority was established to provide low-rent housing for qualified individuals in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and other applicable Federal Agencies.

Under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) had direct responsibility for administering low-rent housing programs in the United States. Accordingly, HUD has entered into a contract with the Authority for the purpose of assisting in financing the acquisition, construction and leasing of housing units and to make annual contributions (subsidies) to the program for the purpose of maintaining its low-rent character.

In evaluating the Authority as a reporting entity, management has addressed its relationship with the County of Knox and concluded that the County does not maintain an oversight responsibility for the Authority's operations. An independent Board of Commissioners, appointed by the County, is responsible for the activities of the Authority. The Authority recruits and employs its executive staff and has substantial legal authority to control its affairs without requiring approval of the County government. Debt incurred by the Authority is not an obligation of the County; the County does not review or approve the Authority's budget, is not entitled to any surplus funds generated by the Authority's operations and is not responsible for any deficits incurred by the Authority. Consequently, in accordance with evaluating the criteria set forth in Section 2100 and 2600 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Codification, management has concluded that the Knox County Housing Authority is a separate reporting entity. The Housing Authority has no component units.

#### (b) Method of Accounting -

The financial statements of the Housing Authority have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly, reflect all significant receivables, payables and other liabilities.

The Housing Authority applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. The funds apply Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (c) Financial Statement Presentation

The Authority distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the Authority's principal ongoing operations. Principal operating revenues are tenant rents and HUD grants. Operating expenses include administration, maintenance, insurance, depreciation, utilities, housing assistance payments and other general expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting these definitions are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

#### (d) Funds -

Each of the programs of the Housing Authority are organized on a basis of fund accounting, using a separate set of self balancing accounts as prescribed by HUD. The programs of the Housing Authority are:

- \* Low Rent Public Housing
- \* Section 8 Choice Vouchers
- \* Capital Fund Program
- \* Business Activities

These programs are all accounted for within the 'Proprietary' (enterprise) fund as described below:

#### Proprietary Fund Types:

Proprietary funds use the economic resources measurement focus and utilize the accrual basis of accounting. All assets and liabilities associated with a proprietary fund's activities are included on the fund statement. Proprietary fund equity is segregated into Invested in Capital Assets Net of Related Debt, Restricted Net Assets and Unrestricted Net Assets.

#### (e) Cash and Cash Equivalents -

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Housing Authority considers all highly liquid investments to be cash equivalents. The term "highly liquid" refers to investments with a maturity of 1 month or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

#### (f) Interprogram Receivables and Payables -

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur within individual programs that may result in amounts owed between these programs. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other programs" or "due to other programs" on the combing statement of net assets and have been eliminated in the basic financial statements.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (g) Accounts Receivable -

The tenants accounts receivable discloses the gross amount due from the tenants at June 30, 2008, and does not take into consideration prepaid amounts. The Housing Authority provides for an allowance for doubtful accounts, based on the estimated collections of current accounts receivables. The Housing Authority periodically writes off uncollectible accounts receivable to the allowance account based on a review of the current status of existing receivables and the determination that the receivable will not be collected.

#### (h) Investments -

Investments are stated at cost which approximates market.

#### (i) Fixed Assets -

For the purpose of determining, distinguishing and recording materials and non-expendable equipment and personal property purchased or acquired in connection with development, management, and maintenance of public housing developments owned or operated, the Housing Authority follows the following capitalization policy:

If the initial cost of a piece of equipment and/or other personal property is five hundred dollars (\$500) or more and the anticipated life or useful life of said equipment or property is more than one (1) year, the same shall be capitalized and recorded as non-expendable equipment and charged as a capital expenditure.

Land, buildings and equipment contains the following:

- 1) The total development construction costs incurred for each project at the end of the initial operating period,
- 2) nonexpendable equipment, and
- 3) property betterments and additions
- 4) land acquisitions.

These are recorded at cost. Depreciation of property and equipment is provided using the straight line method for financial reporting purposes at rates based on the following estimates:

Buildings	40	years
Equipment	5-7	years
Leasehold improvements	10	years

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (j) Income Tax -

The Authority, organized as a non-profit corporation subsidized by the Federal government, is exempt from Federal and State income taxes.

#### (k) Annual Contributions/Subsidies and Other Grants

Annual contributions and subsidies received from the Department of HUD are recorded as grant revenues.

Other grants (such as CFP grants) are recognized when program expenditures are incurred. Such revenue is subject to review by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and may result in disallowance in subsequent periods.

- (l) The Housing Authority adopts a budget annually. The budget is submitted to the Board of Commissioners for approval. Subsequent budget revisions may also be required to be submitted to the Board for approval.
- (m)The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles require the Housing Authority to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Note 2 - Cash and Investments

Statutes authorize the Housing Authority to invest in certificates of deposit, money market funds, United States government securities and repurchase agreements fully collateralized by United States government securities.

All cash and investments are insured up to \$100,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or other equivalent insurance company of the depository financial institutions. The deposits exceeding the insured or registered limits are public funds covered by the State of Indiana Public Deposit Fund.

#### Custodial Credit Risk

- a. Deposits Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned to or that the Authority will not be able to recover collateral securities in the possession of an outside party.
- b. Investments Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the depository, the Authority will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of the outside party.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

#### Note 2 - Cash and Investments (Continued)

Credit Risk Investments, Concentration of Credit Risk and Interest Rate Risks - Investments

*Credit Risk* is the risk that an issuer or other counter party to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Housing Authority has no investment policy that limits its investment choices other than the limitation of state law and/or the Department of Urban Development regulations.

Concentrations of Credit Risk is the risk of loss attributed to the amount of the investment in a single issuer. The Authority does not have a formal investment policy covering the concentration of credit risk.

*Investment Rate Risk* is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Housing Authority has no formal policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value loses arising from increasing interest rates.

The cash deposits held at financial institutions can be categorized according to three levels of risk. These three levels of risk are as follows:

- Category 1 Deposits which are insured or collateralized with securities held by the Housing Authority or by its agent in the Housing Authority's name.
- Category 2 Deposits which are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Housing Authority's name.
- Category 3 Deposits which are not collateralized or insured.

Based on the three levels of risk, all of the Housing Authority's funds are classified as Category 1.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Boo</u>	ok Balance	Bank Balance		
Low Rent	\$	45,155	\$	52,913	
Voucher		277,390		288,042	
Business Activities		46,974		49,000	
Total	<u>\$</u>	369,519	\$	389,955	

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

#### Note 2 - Cash and Investments (Continued)

Similar to cash deposits, investments held at financial institutions can be categorized according to three levels of risk. These three levels of risk are:

- Category 1 Investments that are insured, registered or collateralized with securities held by the Housing Authority or by its agent in the Housing Authority's name.
- Category 2 Investments which are uninsured and unregistered held by the counter-party's trust department or agent in the Housing Authority's name.
- Category 3 Uninsured or unregistered investments held by the counter-party, its trust or its agent, but not in the Housing Authority's name.

Based on the three levels of risk, all of the Housing Authority's investments are classified as Category 1.

<u>Program</u>	Boo	k Balance	Market Valu		
Low Rent Voucher	\$	12,000 51,877	\$	12,000 51,877	
Total	<u>\$</u>	63,877	<u>\$</u>	63,877	

#### Note 3 - Compensated Absences

Vacation leave with pay shall be earned by all regular full time employees at the specified rates. Employees shall not be granted pay in lieu of vacation. All vacation must be taken during the calendar year of eligibility. Employees who terminate without proper notification shall forfeit all right to vacation pay.

Employees may be paid for leave because of illness or accident. All eligible employees shall be entitled to ten full days with pay for sick leave in any twelve month period, which twelve month period shall be measured from anniversary date of such employees employment. Any employee may accumulate his or her unused sick leave toward increasing the period of sick leave to which he or she is entitled in any given twelve month period, up to a maximum of fifteen days of sick leave in any given twelve months period.

#### Note 4 - Defined Contribution Plan

The Housing Authority provides pension benefits for all of its full-time employees through the Public Employee's Retirement Fund of Indiana (PERF). In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. The plan requires the employee to contribute at least 3% of covered wages. Total contributions to PERF paid by the Housing Authority on behalf of the employees were \$16,354 for fiscal year end 2008.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

### Note 5 - Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2008 consists of the following accounts:

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Tenants accounts receivable Account receivable - HUD Accounts receivable - misco Accounts receivable - other	ellaneous	\$ 7,360 199 13,175 800
Subtotal		\$ 21,534
Interfund		15,762
Total		<u>\$ 37,296</u>
Note 6 - Investments		
At June 30, 2008 investmen	nts consist of the following	g:
	<u>Rate</u>	
Savings Certificates of deposit	.50% 5.00%	\$ 51,877 12,000
Total		<u>\$ 63,877</u>
Note 7 - Fixed Assets		
Balance as of June 30, 2008	3	\$ 2,393,790
Balance as of June 30, 2007	7	2,444,827
Net Increase (Decrease)		<u>\$ -51,037</u>
Reconciliation		
Additions		\$ 161,709
Disposals		-26,616
Current year depreciation expen	ıse	186,130
Net Increase (Decrease)		<u>\$ -51,037</u>

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

<u>Analysis</u>	07/01/2007 <u>Balance</u>	Additions/ <u>Transfers</u>	Deletions/ <u>Transfers</u>	06/30/2008 Balance
Land Buildings Equipment and furniture	\$ 1,002,773 2,787,256 519,832	\$ 0 161,709 0	\$ 0 0 44,421	\$ 1,002,773 2,948,965 475,411
Total Assets	\$ 4,309,861	\$ 161,709	\$ 44,421	\$ 4,427,149
Accumulated depreciation	-1,865,034	-186,130	*17,805	-2,033,359
Total Net Assets	\$ 2,444,827	\$ -24,421	<u>\$ 26,616</u>	\$ 2,393,790

<sup>\*</sup>Current year depreciation expense recognized.

### Note 8 - Accounts Payable

This classification includes the following accounts:

Vendors and contractors	\$ 10,776
Tenants security deposits	20,000
Payroll taxes payable	190
Subtotal	\$ 30,966
Interfund	15,762
Total	<u>\$ 46,728</u>

#### Note 9 - Notes Payable

On August 4, 1987, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued notice PIH 87-212 to implement the provisions of the Housing and Community Development Reconciliation Amendments of 1985 (PL 99-272, enacted April 7, 1986). This notice states, in part, the following:

Project debt to HUD (HUD-held notes) will be forgiven after a debt forgiveness amendment to the consolidated Annual Contributions Contract has been executed by HUD and the Public Housing Authority and after the Actual Development Cost Certificate has been included in an audit and approved.

As a part of the HUD mandated GAAP conversion and the above referenced notice, all HUD-held notes were recorded as debt forgiveness during a prior fiscal year.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

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Note	1() -	Accrued	Liabilities
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Accrued liabilities consists of the following:

Accrued compensated absences <u>\$ 7,700</u>

#### Note 11 - Trust and Deposit Liabilities

This classification consists of the following accounts:

FSS escrow accounts \$ 51,877

#### Note 12 - Summary of Long Term Liabilities

A summary of long term liabilities as of June 30, 2008:

	07/01/2007 <u>Balance</u> <u>Incre</u>		<u>Increase</u>	Decrease		(	06/30/2008 Balance	
FSS escrow	<u>\$</u>	31,607	\$	20,270	<u>\$</u>	0	<u>\$</u>	51,877

#### Note 13 - Deferred Revenue

This classification consists of the following accounts:

#### Note 14 - Administrative Fee

The PHA receives an "Administrative Fee" as part of the annual contribution from HUD to cover the costs (including overhead) of administering the HAP Program. The fee is calculated by HUD on an annual basis.

#### Note 15 - Allocation of Costs

The PHA allocated expenses not attributable to a specific program to all programs under management. The basis for this allocation was the number of units in each program. Management considers this to be an equitable method of allocation.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (CONTINUED)

#### Note 16 - Contingencies

#### Federal Grants

In the normal course of operations, the Housing Authority receives grant funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The programs are subject to audit by agents of HUD, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting of funds. Any liability for reimbursement which may arise as a result of these audits is not believed to be material.

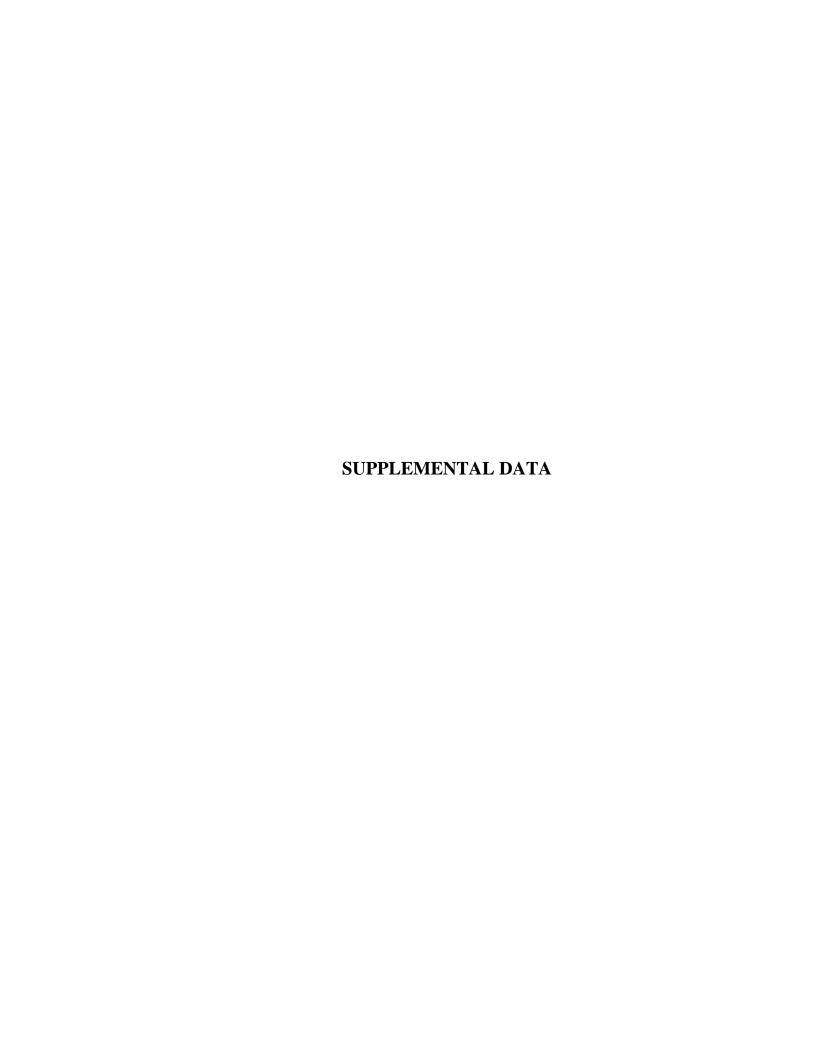
#### Note 17 - Risk Management

The Housing Authority carries commercial insurance coverage to cover exposure and the risk of losses related to torts, thefts, damages, destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries, natural disasters and defalcation.

For insured programs there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage. Settled claims have not exceeded insurance coverage or the risk pool coverage in the current or past three years.

#### Note 18 - Economic Dependency

The Housing Authority received most of its revenue (90%) from the United State Department of Housing and Urban Development. This funding is subject to federal government appropriations and potential funding reductions.



# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Federal Grantor/Program		Contract	Grant <u>Period</u>	Program <u>Amount</u>	Receipts or Revenue <u>Recognized</u>	Disbursements/ Expenditures
U.S. Department of HUD						
Direct Programs:						
Public and Indian Housing	14.850s	C-2075	FYE 06/30/08	\$ 140,437	\$ 140,437	\$ 140,437
Housing Choice Voucher Program*	14.871	C-2045V	FYE 06/30/08	\$ 1,412,504	\$ 1,412,504	<u>\$ 1,412,504</u>
Public Housing - Capital Fund	14.872	C-2075	FYE 06/30/08	\$ 122,117	<u>\$ 122,117</u>	\$ 122,117
Total HUD Assistance				\$ 1,675,058	<u>\$ 1,675,058</u>	<u>\$ 1,675,058</u>
Other Federal Grants						
FEMA	83.523	LRO-006	FYE 06/30/08	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,600
Total Housing Assistance				\$ 1,676,658	<u>\$ 1,676,658</u>	\$ 1,676,658

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes major program.

# NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS (SEFA) TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### Note 1: Basis of Presentation

Expenditures to the Housing Choice Voucher Program are reported as equal to revenues recognized. This method of expenditure recognition does not reconcile to the Housing Authority's financial statements, but is required by HUD. Revenues are recognized on the accrual basis of accounting.

# PHA's STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION OF ACTUAL MODERNIZATION COST PHASE IN36P067501-07

1. The Actual Modernization Costs of Phase IN36P067501-07 are as follows:

Funds approved	\$ 122,117
Funds expended	 122,117
Excess of Funds Approved	\$ 0
Funds advanced Project notes, non-HUD	\$ 122,117
Funds expended	 122,117
Excess of Funds Advanced	\$ 0

- 2. The distribution of costs by project, as shown on the final Statement of Modernization Cost, dated June 6, 2008, accompanying the Actual Modernization Cost Certificate submitted to HUD for approval, is in agreement with the PHA's records.
- 3. All modernization costs have been paid and all related liabilities have been discharged through payment.

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### 433 WEST PERSHING ROAD DECATUR, ILLINOIS 62526 (217) 872-1908

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

Board of Directors Knox County Housing Authority Bicknell, Indiana

I have audited the financial statements of Knox County Housing Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Knox County Housing Authority's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated January 22, 2009. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Knox County Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Knox County Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Knox County Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employee, 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 combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Knox County Housing 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 Knox County Housing Authority's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Knox County Housing Authority's internal control.

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 Knox County Housing Authority's internal control.

My 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. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

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

Also, I noted certain matters that we reported to management of Knox County Housing Authority, in a separate letter dated January 22, 2009.

The Knox County Housing Authority's response to the findings identified in my audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. I did not audit the Housing Authority of the City of Decatur's response and , accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

This reported in intended solely for the information of management, the Board of Commissioners, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Decatur, Illinois January 22, 2009 Certified Public Accountant

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### 433 WEST PERSHING ROAD DECATUR, ILLINOIS 62526 (217) 872-1908

Report on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance With OMB Circular A-133

Board of Commissioners Knox County Housing Authority Bicknell, Indiana

#### **Compliance**

I have audited the compliance of Knox County Housing Authority with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. Knox County Housing Authority's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Knox County Housing Authority's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on Knox County Housing Authority's compliance based on my audit.

I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Knox County Housing Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. My audit does not provide a legal determination of Knox County Housing Authority's compliance with those requirements.

As described in item 2008-1 in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, Knox County Housing Authority did not comply with requirements regarding reporting that is applicable to its Section 8 Voucher Program. Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in my opinion, for Knox County Housing Authority to comply with the requirements applicable to that program.

In my opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the preceding paragraph, Knox County Housing Authority complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

#### **Internal Control Over Compliance**

The management of Knox County Housing Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing my audit, I considered Knox County Housing Authority's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program ir order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Knox County Housing Authority's internal control over compliance.

My consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the entity's internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses as defined below. However, as discussed below, I identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I consider to be significant deficiencies and others that I consider to be material weaknesses.

A *control deficiency* in an entity's internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. I consider the deficiencies in the internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2008-1 to be a significant deficiency.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. I did not consider any of the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be material weaknesses.

Knox County Housing Authority's response to the findings identified in my audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. I did not audit Knox County Housing Authority's response and, accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

In addition, I noticed other matters involving the internal control and its operation that I have reported to management of Knox County Housing Authority in a separate letter dated January 22, 2009.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of, management, the Board of Commissioners, other within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone than these specified parties.

Decatur, Illinois January 22, 2009 Certified Public Accountant

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# STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

The prior audit report for the period ended June 30, 2007 contained no findings.

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

# **Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results**

Low Risk Auditee		yes	<u>X</u>	no		
Financial Statements						
Type of auditor's report: Unqualified						
<ul><li>* Material weakness(es) identified?</li><li>* Significant deficiency (ies) identified that are not</li></ul>		yes	<u>X</u>	no		
considered to be material weaknesses?		yes	<u>X</u>	none reported		
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted		yes	X	no		
Federal Awards						
Internal control over major programs:						
<ul><li>* Material weakness(es) identified?</li><li>* Significant deficiency (ies) identified that are not</li></ul>		yes	<u>X</u>	no		
considered to be material weaknesses?	<u>X</u>	yes		none reported		
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major pr	ograms:	Qua	lified			
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 510(a) of Circular A-133? X yes no						
Major Programs: (Threshold \$300,000)	<u>(</u>	<u>CFDA</u>	Number	<u>(s)</u>		
Housing Choice Voucher Program 14.871						

#### **CURRENT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **Section II - Financial Statement Audit Findings**

There were no financial statement audit findings discussed with Mary Lou Terrell, Executive Director, during the course of the audit and at an exit conference held January 22, 2009.

#### **Section III - Federal Award Findings**

There was one federal award audit findings discussed with Mary Lou Terrell, Executive Director, during the course of the audit and at an exit conference held January 22, 2009.

#### **Finding 2008-01: SEMAP Submission**

Condition and Criteria: HUD requires that all housing authorities operating a Section 8 voucher program to submit certain data electronically under the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP). This submission is required no less than semi-annually for most agencies. The SEMAP submission is the system by which HUD measures an agencies performance in key areas. The Housing Authority failed to complete the submission as required.

Effect: The Housing Authority did not complete all of the HUD mandated reporting requirements...

Cause: The Housing Authority's current Section 8 manager was not aware of the reporting requirements.

Auditor's Recommendation: The Housing Authority should review 24CFR Part 985 requirements (Section 8 Management Assessment Program) to determine that this reporting requirement is met in the future. All quality control samples required in 24CFR Part 985 should be completed and adequately documented as a basis for future SEMAP submission.

#### **CURRENT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

### **Section III - Federal Award Findings**

### **Finding 208-01 - SEMAP Submission**

**Grantee response:** The Housing Authority's Executive Director and Section 8 manager are currently working with the local HUD office to correct the prior reporting deficiency. In the future we will complete the quality controls checks mandated in 24CFR Part 985 and submit the results of those checks in the SEMAP submissions as required.

# SCHEDULE OF ADJUSTING JOURNAL ENTRIES JUNE 30, 2008

	Audit					Posting
Low Rent	Account Number		<u>Debit</u>		<u>Credit</u>	Account Number
(1)						
Land, structures and equipment		\$	9,675.50	\$	17,806.00	1400.4
Accumulated depreciation	1400.5		17,806.00			1400.5
Other revenue	3690				9,675.50	2810
(To properly record insuran	ce proceeds and repla	acem	ent of vehicle	e)		
(2)	47.40	4				•040
Employee benefit contribution	4540	\$	4,972.92	4		2810
Insurance expense	4510		•	\$	4,972.92	2810
(To reclassify adjusting jour	rnal entry improperly	code	ed)			
(2)						
(3)	2110.1	ф	10.050.00			2110.1
Accounts payable - KCRHFC	2119.1	\$	19,858.00	Φ	10.050.00	2119.1
Other revenue	3690			\$	19,858.00	2810
(To record maintenance cha	irges reimbursea)					
(4)						
Operating transfers out		\$	599.85			2810
Interest income	3610	φ	399.63	\$	599.85	2810
(To record interest received		Sloto	r transformed			
(10 record interest received	110111 CD #93020140	) Tate	i italistetteu	ωБ	usiness Activ	ities)
Voucher						
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(1)						
Accounts receivable - HUD	1118	\$	199.00			1118
Administrative subsidy				\$	199.00	
(To record receivable for 1 <sup>s</sup>	and 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter admi	n fee	settlement (	@ 0e	5/30/08)	
	-					
(2)						
Retained earnings	1110			\$	37,622.37	1110
Unreserved surplus	2810			4	,790,075.77	2810
Operating reserve	2826				56,493.00	2826
Project account	2827	\$	28,730.00			2827
Surplus - cumulative HUD	2840	5.	,064,364.00			2840
Invested in capital assets					13,507.23	
Restricted fund balance - HAP					190,395.63	
(To adjust equity balances p	er GAAP and HUD	manc	lates)			
(3)						
Operating transfer		\$	31,368.00			
Salaries	4110			\$	31,368.00	
(To reclassify operating tran	nsfer made to Busines	ss Ac	tivities for F	SS)		

# SCHEDULE OF ADJUSTING JOURNAL ENTRIES JUNE 30, 2008

Business Activities	Audit Account Number		Debit		Credit	Posting Account Number
(1)						
Free meal program	4100	\$	1,772.25			2810
Other income	3690			\$	1,772.25	2810
(To classify donations made to other income and remove from exp)						
(2)						
Other - social & tenant	4102	\$	450.00			2810
Other income	3690			\$	450.00	2810
(To reclassify miscellaneous receipts)						
(3)						
FEMA expense	4103	\$	800.00		000.00	2810
FEMA grant				\$	800.00	2810
(To reclassify grant inco	ome)					
(4)						
(4)		\$	800.00			
A/R - FEMA grant		Þ	800.00	\$	800.00	2810
FEMA grant	 magairrahla)			Þ	800.00	2810
(To setup FEMA grant receivable)						
(5)						
FSS program	4104	\$	31,368.00			2810
Operating transfer			Ź	\$	31,368.00	
(To record deposits made as transfers)						
_						
(6)						
Donations	3690			\$	7,424.15	2810
Salaries	4110	\$	7,424.15			2810
(To reclassify transfer)						
(7)						
Operating transfers in				\$	599.85	
Interest income	3610	\$	599.85	Ф	377.83	2810
		Ф	277.03			2010
(To record interest income transferred)						

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Board of Commissioners Knox County Housing Authority Bicknell, Indiana

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements of Knox County Housing Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United State of America, I considered the Housing Authorities internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Knox County Housing Authority's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Knox County Housing Authority's internal control.

The administration of the Housing Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgements by the administration are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of a system are to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use of disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

My study and evaluation made for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph would not necessarily disclose all material weaknesses in the system. However, my study and evaluation disclosed certain conditions in the following areas of which you should be aware in order to improve operating efficiencies and strengthen internal controls:

1. The Housing Authority's system of internal controls should be formally documented in a written internal control manual (handbook). Discussions with Housing Authority management indicate that the Housing Authority has a system of internal control in place, but without the policies being in writing and formally adopted, adherence to the procedures cannot always be verified.

The written policies should also cover the extent that outside consultants are used to enhance internal controls. The policies should include the detail of level of responsibility the fee accountant is assuming in the preparation and review of the year end financial statements as compared to the level responsibility the housing is authority is maintaining. The written procedures should indicate who will prepare and maintain copies of year end schedules, journal entries and reconciliations. However the Housing Authority management should keep in mind that you have the ultimate responsibility for preparation of accurate and complete financial statements.

- 2. Insurance premiums for fiscal year 2009 for the agency were paid by a related entity in return for maintenance services performed. The offsetting transactions were not recorded on the PHA's books. This "netting" of transactions does not properly record the income and overstates the maintenance expenses. All transactions should reported in their entirety.
- 3. The Low Income Housing Program has previously allocated interest earnings to be used in their "Tenant Services" program. The interest income was recorded directly in the tenant service account. The interest income must be recorded on the public housing books and then recorded as a transfer out to properly record all aspects of the transaction.
- 4. The Housing Authority needs to review the new prescribed HUD chart of accounts developed by HUD to be used in conjunction with asset management. Based on the new chart of accounts the Housing Authority needs to delete some accounts currently being used and incorporate some of the new accounts. Specifically surplus/equity accounts and expense accounts need to be reviewed.

This communication is intended solely for the information and used of management, the Board of Commissioners, and others within the housing authority, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Decatur, Illinois January 22, 2009 Certified Public Accountant

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