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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Village of Adelphi Ross County PO Box 465 11791 Main Street Adelphi, Ohio 43101

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Adelphi, Ross County, Ohio (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 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 opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Village prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Village of Adelphi, Ross County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

As more fully discussed in Note 9 to the financial statements, the Village reclassified its Sewer Construction Loan Fund from a Capital Project fund to an Enterprise fund, effective January 1, 2001.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 25, 2003, on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Village Council and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

November 25, 2003

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Governmental Fund Types		/
	General	Special Revenue	(Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental Receipts	\$6,149 43,947	\$6,904 12,774	\$13,053 56,721
Charges for Services	875	14,329	15,204
Fines, Licenses, and Permits Earnings on Investments	2,307	0 284	2,307 5,064
Miscellaneous	4,780 <u>3,190</u>	3,001	5,064 6,191
Total Cash Receipts	61,248	37,292	98,540
Cash Disbursements: Current:			
Security of Persons and Property	4,635	22,409	27,044
Leisure Time Activities	0	55	55
Transportation General Government	0 45,827	10,552 0	10,552 45,827
Debt Service:	10,021	Ū	
Principal Payments	472	1,941	2,413
Interest Payments	1,520	736	2,256
Total Cash Disbursements	52,454	35,693	88,147
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	8,794	1,599	10,393
Other Financing Receipts and (Disbursements):			
Sale of Fixed Assets	1,203	0	1,203
Advances-In Advances-Out	1,000 (1,000)	1,000 (1,000)	2,000 (2,000)
		<u>.</u>	<u> </u>
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	1,203	0	1,203
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	9,997	1,599	11,596
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	54,964	32,304	87,268
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$64.961	\$33,903	\$98.864

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services	\$0_
Total Operating Cash Receipts	0
Operating Cash Disbursements: Contractual Services	41,004
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	41,004
Operating Income (loss)	(41,004)
Non-Operating Cash Receitpts; Miscellaneous	300,000
Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts	300,000
Net Receipts over Disbursements	258,996
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	155,015
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$414.011

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Property Tax and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental Receipts Charges for Services Fines, Licenses, and Permits Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous	\$6,110 39,391 1,750 2,435 5,759 1,137	\$7,164 12,511 11,447 0 309 12,121	\$13,274 51,902 13,197 2,435 6,068 13,258
Total Cash Receipts	56,582	43,552	100,134
Cash Disbursements: Current: Security of Persons and Property Leisure Time Activities Transportation General Government Capital Outlays Debt Service: Principal Payments Interest Payments Total Cash Disbursements Total Cash Disbursements	1,821 0 0 41,249 0 349 893 44,312	27,284 100 4,910 0 33,181 5,867 736 72,078	29,105 100 4,910 41,249 33,181 0 6,216 1,629 116,390
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	12,270	(28,526)	(16,256)
Other Financing Receipts Proceeds from Notes Loan Proceeds	0	33,181 4,500	33,181 4,500
Total Other Financing Receipts	0	37,681	37,681
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	12,270	9,155	21,425
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	42,694	23,149	65,843
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$54.964	\$32.304	\$87.268
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$1.200	\$0	\$1,200

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts Charges for Services Total Operating Cash Receipts	<u>\$0</u> 0
Operating Cash Disbursements Cash Disbursements Total Operating Cash Disbursements	<u> </u>
Operating Income Fund Cash Balance, January 1	0 155,015
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$155.015
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	<u> \$0 </u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Adelphi, Ross County, (the Village) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village is directed by a publicly-elected six-member Council. The Village provides general governmental services. The Ross County Sheriff's department provides security of persons and property as needed. The Village appropriates general fund and fire levy fund money to support a volunteer fire department.

The Village's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Village is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

D. Fund Accounting

The Village uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Village classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Fund

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Street Construction Maintained Repair Fund- This fund receives gas tax monies for the maintenance, repair of Village roads.

Fire Squad Operations – This fund receives proceeds from various community events to supplement fire and EMS operations.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

3. Enterprise Funds

This fund accounts for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Fund:

Sewer Construction Loan Fund - This fund receives monies from the USDA for the installation of water and sewer lines.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated. The Village did not encumber all commitments required by law.

A summary of 2002 and 2001 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Village maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2002	2001
Demand deposits	\$482,875	\$212,283
Certificates of deposit	30,000	30,000
Total deposits	\$512,875	\$242,283

Deposits: Deposits are either insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Village.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2002 and December 31, 2001 was as follows:

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$53,232	\$62,451	\$9,219
Special Revenue	30,562	37,292	6,730
Enterprise	874,015	300,000	(574,015)
Total	\$957,809	\$399,743	(\$558,066)

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$80,430	\$52,454	\$27,976
Special Revenue	63,958	35,693	28,265
Enterprise	1,029,030	41,004	988,026
Total	\$1,173,418	\$129,151	\$1,044,267

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$48,683	\$56,582	\$7,899
Special Revenue	48,680	81,233	32,553
Enterprise	574,015	0	(574,015)
Total	\$671,378	\$137,815	(\$533,563)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$74,032	\$45,512	\$28,520
Special Revenue	95,765	72,048	23,717
Enterprise	724,030	0	724,030
Total	\$893,827	\$117,560	\$776,267

4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 proceeding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Village Council. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payments, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2002 was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Ohio Water Development Loan 2657	\$124,732	2.20%
Ohio Water Development Loan-2601	432,000	3.84%
Kingston National Bank- EMS	29,416	7.25%
Total	\$586,148	

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA), Wastewater Collection System Loans-2601 and 2657 relate to a water and sewer plant expansion project that was mandated by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. OWDA Loan-2601 is a balloon loan requiring a one-time payoff when funding is received from Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities. Capitalized interest will continue to accrue at a 3.84% annually rate. OWDA Loan 2657 is a twenty year loan with semi-annual payments beginning July 1, 2004 in the amount of \$3,871, including interest. Construction on the sewer expansion was delayed due to a dispute with the construction contractor. The Village made no payments on these issuances during the period. The anticipated payments will be paid from the water and sewer collections and other financing options available to the Village. USDA requires the Village set water and sewer rates sufficient to pay debt payments on the above issuances.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

6. DEBT (Continued)

Three hundred thousand dollars was received from the contractor in fiscal 2002 as a settlement for the dispute. These monies are recorded in the proprietary fund as miscellaneous receipts.

The Kingston National Bank Note, issued May 8, 2001, in the amount of \$33,181, relates to the purchase of an emergency squad. The Village pays \$392 monthly, including interest, until May 15, 2011. The debt is paid proportionately from the General Fund and the Fire and Squad Operating Fund, as established by Council resolution. The debt is secured by the squad.

The Village received a loan on November 2, 2001, in the amount of \$4,500. The monies were used to purchase candy for resale. The proceeds benefited the Fire and Squad Operating Fund, and the debt was repaid from the monies earned from the candy sale. As of December 31, 2002, the debt and associate interest has been paid in full.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

	Squad	OWDA #2657
Year ending December 31:		
2003	\$4,704	\$0
2004	4,704	3,871
2005	4,704	7,742
2006	4,704	7,742
2007	4,704	7,742
2008-2012	18,816	38,713
2013-2017	0	38,713
2018-2022	0	38,713
2023-2024	0	11,614
Total	\$42,336	\$154,850

7. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Village has no full time employees. All elected officials pay 6.2% of their salary into the social security system. The Village also pays 6.2% of those salaries into the social security system.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles;
- Errors and omissions; and
- Public Officials Liability

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

9. ACCOUNTING CHANGE

The Sewer Construction Loan fund activity was reported as a Capital Projects Fund at December 31, 2000. The Village budgets this activity as an Enterprise Fund type. There was no affect on the Sewer Construction Loan fund's 2001 Operating Income. However, the change had the following affect on fund type's beginning cash balance at January 1, 2001.

	Balance at	Fund	Balance at
Fund Type/Account Group	12/31/00	Adjustment	01/01/01
Capital Projects Fund- Sewer Construction Loan	\$155,015	(\$155,015)	\$0
Enterprise Fund- Sewer Construction Loan	0	155,015	155,015



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Village of Adelphi Ross County PO Box 465 11791 Main Street Adelphi, Ohio 43101

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Adelphi, Ross County, Ohio, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated November 25, 2003, wherein we noted the Village reclassified its Sewer Construction Loan fund. 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.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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 an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2002-001. We also noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated November 25, 2003.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated November 25, 2003.

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Village of Adelphi Ross County Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

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Betty Montgomery

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

November 25, 2003

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

FINDING RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

Finding Number	2002-001
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Fiscal Officer Certification

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41 (D) states that no subdivision shall make any contract or order any expenditure of money unless the certificate of the fiscal officer is attached. The fiscal officer must certify that the amount required to meet such a commitment has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrance.

The following exceptions to this basic requirement are provided by statute:

<u>Then and Now Certificate</u>: This exception provides that, if the fiscal officer can certify that both at the time that the contract or order was made and at the time that he is completing his certification, sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance, the taxing authority can authorize the drawing of a warrant. The taxing authority has 30 days from the receipt of such certificate to approve payment by resolution or ordinance. If approval is not made within 30 days, there is no legal liability on the part of the subdivision or taxing district.

If the amount involved is less than \$1,000, the fiscal officer may authorize it to be paid without the affirmation of the Council. Effective April 7, 2003, this amount increased to \$3,000.

Twenty-eight percent of the transactions tested were not certified prior to the purchase commitment. The Village did not use a 'then and now' certificate.

We recommend the Village not make any purchase commitments until a lawful certificate is issued.



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VILLAGE OF ADELPHI

ROSS COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JANUARY 13, 2004