

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1
BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

WITH

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Fire Commissioners
District No. 1
Borough of Manasquan
Manasquan, New Jersey

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Board of Fire Commissioners' management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

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

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of its operations, and the changes in its fund balances and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued a report dated June 22, 2009 on my consideration of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's internal control over financial reporting and on 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 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 and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 5 and page 14, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I 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, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

My audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan, taken as a whole. The accompanying schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

BARRY J(OSBORN, CPA

June 22, 2009

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1
BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

My discussion and analysis of Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan financial performance provides an overview of the district's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2008. Please review it in conjunction with the district's basic financial statements which begin on page 6.

Financial Highlights

Total net assets increased \$15,305 which represents a 2.99 percent increase from 2007. \$80,342 was the excess of revenues over expenditures in the general fund, \$5,251 was the decrease in net assets restricted for capital projects and \$59,786 was the decrease in net assets invested in capital assets.

The amount raised by taxation was \$626,530 or 95.21 percent of all revenues. Fees under the Uniform Fire Safety Act, interest, grant funds and other income amounted to \$31,520 or 4.79 percent of all revenues.

Total program expenses have decreased \$1,284 or .002 percent.

Using This Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (on page 6 and 7) provide information about the activities of the district as a whole. Fund financial statements start on page 8. These statements tell how these services were financed. Fund financial statements also report the district's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the district's most significant funds.

Reporting the District as a Whole

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

My analysis of the district as a whole begins on page 6. One of the most important questions asked about the district's finances is, "Is the District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the district as a whole and

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include *all* assets and liabilities using the *accrual basis of accounting*, which is similar to the accounting used by most private sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the district's *net assets* and changes in them. You can think of the district's net assets — the difference between assets and liabilities — as one way to measure the district's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the district's net assets are one indicator of whether its *financial health* is improving or deteriorating.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

My analysis of the district's major funds begins on page 8. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds - not the district as a whole.

General Fund — Most of the district's basic services are reported in the general fund, which focuses on how money flows into and out of the funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. The general fund statements provide a detailed *short-term view* of the district's general operations and the basic services it provides. General fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to financial the district's programs.

The District as a Whole

The district's total net assets increased \$15,305 to \$528,828 or 2.99 percent. Details of the changes are reflected on page 8.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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Original Versus Final Budget

As reflected on page 14. The variances between the original and final budgeted amounts were insignificant.

Final Budget Versus Actual Results

As reflected on page 15, the district operated within budgetary constraints. Actual expenses were under the final budget by \$75,552.

Capital Assets

At year end, the district had \$1,716,530 in total capital assets; a net increase over 2007 of \$25,252. This is due to the purchase of a washer and dryer of \$18,011 and vehicle exhaust system of \$7,241.

Debt Administration

During 2008 the district reduced its debt by \$74,875. For additional information refer to note on commitments, page 13.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

The district's governing body considered many factors when setting the 2009 budget and tax rates including the economy, the rate of inflation and planned future capital projects. The tax rate is expected to remain at \$.040 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Contacting the City's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and investors and creditors with a general overview of the district's finances and to show the district's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Board Clerk at 35 Colby Avenue, Manasquan, NJ 08736.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1
BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 485,647	\$ 416,299
Accounts receivable	1,555	410
Security deposit	1,600	1,600
Capital assets, net	660,082	794,742
Total Assets	\$1,148,884	\$ 1,213,051
 LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and other payables	\$ 102,484	\$ 107,081
Capital lease obligation payable	517,572	592,447
Total Liabilities	620,056	699,528
 NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	142,510	202,296
Restricted for capital projects	38,598	43,849
Unrestricted	347,720	267,378
Total Net Assets	\$ 528,828	\$ 513,523

The accompanying notes are an integral part
of these financial statements

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1
BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

	2008	2007
Expenses		
Personal services	\$ 90,010	\$ 81,600
Material and services	392,823	404,493
Depreciation	159,912	157,936
Total program expenses	642,745	644,029
Program Services		
Charges for services	25,448	27,253
Net program expenses	617,297	616,776
General Revenues		
Amount raised by taxation	626,530	602,437
Interest income	2,941	3,575
New Jersey SFSA Grant	2,731	2,731
Other income	400	
Total general revenues	632,602	608,743
Increase (decrease) in net assets	15,305	(8,033)
Net Assets — beginning of year	513,523	521,556
Net Assets — end of year	\$ 528,828	\$ 513,523

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1
BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE/STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Ad just- ments	Statement of Activities
Revenues					
Amount raised by taxation	\$606,530	\$ 20,000	\$626,530		\$626,530
Charges for services	25,448		25,448		25,448
Interest income	2,941		2,941		2,941
SFSA Grant	2,731		2,731		2,731
Other income	400		400		400
Total revenues	638,050	20,000	658,050		658,050
Expenditures					
Personal services	90,010		90,010		90,010
Materials and services	368,776		368,776		368,776
Depreciation		-		159,912	159,912
Capital outlays		25,252	25,252	(25,252)	
Debit service:					
Principal	74,875		74,875	(74,875)	
Interest	24,047		24,047		24,047
Total expenditures	557,708	25,252	582,960	59,785	642,745
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures	80,342	(5,252)	75,090	(75,090)	
Change in net assets				15,305	15,305
Fund Balance/net assets					
Beginning of year	267,378	43,850	311,228		513,523
End of year	<u>\$347,720</u>	<u>\$38,598</u>	<u>\$386,318</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$528,828</u>

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

	2008	2007
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from operations	\$ 626,530	\$ 602,437
Charges for service	25,448	27,253
Cash paid to suppliers	(488,576)	(508,648)
Interest income received	2,941	3,575
New Jersey SFSP Grant	2,731	2,731
Other income	400	
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	169,474	127,348
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Reduction of debt	(74,875)	(71,955)
Capital expenditures	(25,251)	(62,761)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	(100,126)	(134,716)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	69,348	(7,368)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year	416,299	423,667
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 485,647	\$ 416,299
Reconciliation of change in net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Change in net assets	\$ 15,305	\$ (8,033)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	159,912	157,936
Change in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	(1,145)	1,030
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable and other payables	(4,597)	(23,587)
Total adjustments	154,170	135,379
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 169,475	\$ 127,346

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
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BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity – The Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1 (the "District") is a corporate body created for the purpose of prevention and extinguishment of fires and regulation of fire hazards within the District. The District is governed by Commissioners ("Board") that acts as the governing body. The Board is comprised of five elected Commissioners.

The Board of Commissioners annually appoints the Chair(person) of the Board from existing board members. The Chair's responsibilities are to preside at all meetings of the Board; be the chief officer of the District; perform all duties commonly incident to the position of presiding officer of a board, commission or business organization and exercise supervision over the business of the District, its officers and employees to the extent set forth in their bylaws.

The accompanying statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The financial statements include all organization, activities and functions that comprise the District.

Fund Accounting – The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The District only uses governmental funds.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed. Governmental funds reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund — The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources of the District except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws and the bylaws of the District.

Other Funds - Other Funds is used to account for funds restricted for capital projects.

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Basis of Accounting – The financial statements of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan, have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The significant accounting policies followed are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to the reader.

Inventories of Supplies - Purchases of materials and supplies are recognized and recorded as expenditures when they are acquired, regardless of when used.

Reclassifications — Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2007 financial statements to conform to the 2008 presentation.

Estimates — The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – For purpose of reporting cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and investments with an initial maturity of three months or less.

Related Party Transactions – District No. 1 is comprised of two fire companies as follows:

1. Manasquan Hook & Ladder
2. Volunteer Engine Company #2

The Board of Fire Commissioners has entered into an agreement with the company to provide fire fighting services.

Reservations of Fund Balance – The District records reservations for portions of funds equity which are legally segregated for specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and therefore, are not available for appropriations or expenditure in the general fund balance sheet. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity, which is available for appropriations, in future periods. Fund equity reserves have been established for capital projects.

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Net Assets — Net assets present the difference between assets and liabilities in the statements of net assets. Net assets invested in capital assets are reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are legal limitations imposed on their use by District legislation or external restrictions by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments.

Capital Assets — General capital assets generally result from expenditures in the reserve for capital projects. These assets are reported on the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. The District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend the asset's life are not.

Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses •

	2008	2007
Accounts payable	\$ 9,257	\$ 17,525
Accrued expense	93,227	89,556
	\$102,484	\$107,081

Capital Assets

Capital assets together with accumulated depreciation and estimated useful lives consist of the following:

	2008	2007	
Apparatus	\$1,336,804	\$1,336,804	5-10
Vehicles	119,556	119,556	5
Equipment	260,170	234,918	5
	1,716,530	1,691,278	
Less, accumulated depreciation	1,056,448	896,536	
	\$ 660,082	\$ 794,742	

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BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
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Commitments

The Board leases facilities and equipment from Manasquan Hook & Ladder Company No. 1 and Volunteer Engine Company No. 2. The lease is for a term of one year and is automatically renewable from year to year. If either party decides not to renew, written notice must be given sixty days prior to expiration of the term. Rental is paid semi-annually in the amount of \$15,000, each company.

The Board leases office space in Manasquan, NJ. The lease is for a term of five years and is subject to the Board receiving funding through tax appropriations on an annual basis. Rent expense was \$19,520 in 2008.

The following is a schedule of future minimum rental payments required if funding is approved:

2009	\$ 20,916
2010	21,962
2011	<u>5,557</u>
Total minimum payments required	<u>\$ 48,435</u>

The Board has entered into a lease with the option to purchase agreement for a 2005 fire tower ladder truck with equipment. The lease dated as of December 9, 2004 in the amount of \$800,000 is payable in annual installments of \$98,923 and bears interest at the rate of 4.059%.

If insufficient funds are available in lessee's budget for the next budget year to make the rental payment for the next renewal term and the funds to make such rental payment are otherwise unavailable by any lawful means, then lessees shall have the option to non-appropriate the funds to pay the rental payments for the next renewal term. If lessee chooses this option, then all obligations of the lessee under this agreement regarding rental payments for all remaining renewal terms shall be terminated.

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The following is a schedule of future lease payments under the lease together with the present value of the lease payments as of December 31, 2008 and 2007.

<u>Due Date</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
December 9, 2008	\$ 98,923	\$ 98,923
Later years	<u>494,613</u>	<u>593,536</u>
	593,536	692,459
Less, amount representing interest	<u>75,964</u>	<u>(100,012)</u>
Present value of lease payments	<u><u>\$517,572</u></u>	<u><u>\$592,447</u></u>

Pension Plan

The Board of Fire Commissioners, Borough of Manasquan, District No. 1 participates in the Public Employee Retirement System of New Jersey which is a part of the Division of Pensions in the Department of the Treasury, State of New Jersey. The plan is funded annually based on the projected benefit method with aggregate level normal cost and frozen initial unfunded accrued liability. The plan, which covers public employees throughout the state, does not maintain separate records for each reporting unit and, accordingly, the actuarial data for the employees of the Authority who are members of the plan is not available. There was no pension expense in 2008 and 2007.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DISTRICT NO. 1
BOROUGH OF MANASQUAN
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final		Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Amount raised by taxation	\$ 626,530	\$ 626,530	\$ 626,530	
Interest income	4,000	4,000	2,941	(1,059)
New Jersey Supplemental Fire Service Grant Program	2,731	2,731	2,731	
BFS Fees	20,000	20,000	25,448	5,448
Miscellaneous income			400	400
Total revenues	<u>653,261</u>	<u>653,261</u>	<u>658,050</u>	<u>4,789</u>
Expenditures				
Salary - Commissioners	10,000	10,000	10,000	
LOSAP	98,000	98,000	86,412	(11,588)
Materials and supplies	24,434	10,334	9,853	(481)
Rental charges	85,000	85,000	84,244	(756)
Insurance premiums	50,000	50,000	38,661	(11,339)
Professional services	35,000	35,000	23,664	(11,336)
Advertising	800	800	458	(342)
Elections	1,500	1,500	222	(1,278)
Training and education	20,000	20,000	10,988	(9,012)
Office expenses	9,500	9,500	5,110	(4,390)
Maintenance and repairs	40,500	45,500	45,256	(244)
Capital appropriations	20,000	20,000	20,000	
Capital lease	98,923	98,923	98,923	
New equipment	63,000	63,000	55,056	(7,944)
Salaries & wages	58,740	63,740	63,724	(16)
Fringe benefits	8,500	8,500	5,796	(2,704)
Utilities	3,400	3,400	2,852	(548)
Appropriation to First Aid	6,000	6,000	6,000	
BFS-salaries	5,500	9,600	9,600	
BFS-other	14,464	14,464	890	(13,574)
Total expenditures	<u>653,261</u>	<u>653,261</u>	<u>577,709</u>	<u>(75,552)</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures			<u>\$ 80,341</u>	<u>\$ 80,341</u>

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of these financial statements

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
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STATISTICAL INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2008

Property Tax Levies

Following is a tabulation of district assessed valuations, tax levies and property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuations.

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Assessed Valuations (Unaudited)</u>	<u>Total Tax Levy</u>	<u>Property Tax Rates</u>
12/31/2008	\$1,577,704,783	\$ 626,530	.040
12/31/2007	1,562,791,260	634,437	.041
12/31/2006	1,542,953,118	576,050	.038
12/31/2005	1,528,308,179	548,619	.036

Unreserved Fund Balance

Following is a tabulation of unreserved fund balance and subsequent budget action thereon for the current and preceding three years.

<u>Calendar Year Ended</u>	<u>End of Calendar Year</u>	<u>Utilization in Subsequent Budget</u>
December 31, 2008	\$347,720	
December 31, 2007	267,378	
December 31, 2006	246,876	\$77,000
December 31, 2005	269,013	47,942

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
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ROSTER OF OFFICIALS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of Dishonesty Bond</u>
Board of Commissioners	
James Hofstetter, Chairman	\$250,000
John Herbert, Treasurer/Acting Clerk	\$250,000
William McKelvey, 1st Vice Chairman	\$250,000
William Heulitt, 2nd Vice Chairman	\$250,000

Company Name

Selective Insurance Company of America.

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

I have audited the financial statements of Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, and have issued my report thereon dated June 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 Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan'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 Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's internal control over financial reporting.

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 combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan'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 Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan'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 Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's internal control.


My consideration of 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 Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests of compliance disclosed the following instance of noncompliance required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. The Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan has not had an audit completed and filed with the Authority within four months after the close of the fiscal year as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-15. I considered this instance of noncompliance in forming my opinion on whether the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan's financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, and this report does not affect my report dated June 22, 2009

This report is intended for the information and use of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District No. 1, Borough of Manasquan, and the Division of Local Government Services. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

June 22, 2009



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