FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 30, 2015

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Certified Public Accountants

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Woodridge Lake Sewer District Goshen, Connecticut

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Woodridge Lake Sewer District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the 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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of Woodridge Lake Sewer District, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3-5 and 18 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Woodridge Lake Sewer District's basic financial statements. The supplemental schedules consisting of the report on sewer assessment taxes, the schedule of insurance, and statement of debt limitations are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplemental schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 16, 2015, on our consideration of Woodridge Lake Sewer District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Woodridge Lake Sewer District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Rocky Hill, Connecticut November 16, 2015

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

JUNE 30, 2015

The Woodridge Lake Sewer District ("WLSD") is a governmental entity organized under the statutes of the State of Connecticut. Its purpose is to provide wastewater treatment services to the homes encompassing approximately 20 square miles surrounding Woodridge Lake in Goshen, Connecticut. The following narrative is a review of the operating results and capital outlays for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 and an update on the District's long range facility plan and discussions with Connecticut State Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP).

#### Statement of Net Assets

WLSD net assets at June 30, 2015 totaled \$2,573,342, an increase from \$2,418,749 from last year. As discussed below, we began our major capital improvement program increasing capital assets which were funded both from current revenues and our unrestricted reserves.

Grant Receivable was for Clean Water Funds applied for from the State in the amount of \$40,716 for the completion of the Facilities Plan of which \$11,588 is still due from the prior year.

Accounts Payable of \$104,212 of which \$97,420 was for payments to our engineering firm for work performed and billed but not paid this year.

#### Revenues

The total revenue collected of \$1,120,846 exceeded budget by \$42,623. Assessments increased by \$12,423 from improved collections and additional connection charges. The District has put in place a proactive delinquent collections process. The current outstanding amount of \$18,192 is with a State Marshal who is dealing with four taxpayers. We have agreed payment plans with four taxpayers and four are in foreclosure.

We also received Clean Water Act grant funding of \$29,128 as part of the Grant for the Facilities Plan.

#### **Operating Expenditures**

The Operating Budget actual expenditure was \$763,377, some \$128,000 lower than the budget as discussed below.

Staff headcount was at the budgeted level for most of the year. However the actuals were under the budgeted levels because one employee was on a medical disability. Overtime and health insurance were under budget as well resulting in combined payroll savings of \$71,000.

Unexpected maintenance issues in Facilities, Plant and Collection System Maintenance produced a \$15,000 unfavorable variance as a result of numerous pump failures and an increase in power usage during the construction of the SCADA system.

Insurance expense was higher than plan because of increased commercial insurance rates.

On the other hand, we did not need as much outside Professional services this year for savings of \$65,000 compared to budget nor did we use the contingency reserve of \$25,000.

#### Capital

This year, the District began its major multi-year capital program to update, repair, and improve the monitoring of its sixteen mile collection system. This is a precondition in anticipation of the eventual decision by the Connecticut State Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) on the processing treatment method for the system's effluent by either using our current local facilities with significant upgrades or building a transfer pipeline to the existing regional Torrington Water Pollution Control facility. Our planned expenditures were \$2,167,152, but we only spent \$547,727 in this last fiscal year. The major reason for the under spending was the lack of agreement by the State DEEP for an established solution before we could proceed with design and construction. This resulted in deferring of both the local option and the regional solution in the planned engineering design and construction costs of \$1,245,000 to a later period. We delayed

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

JUNE 30, 2015

two large projects while we obtained more favorable funding from the USDA as opposed to the CT Clean Water Fund.

Our Facility Plan continued to investigate the Regional Option resulted in an expenditure of \$78,000 against a plan of \$14,000. We budgeted \$481,940 to reduce groundwater Inflow and Incursion into the collection system and spent \$25,400 to date. This project will be completed before December. The SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) system as well as the needed improvements to two of our pump stations were delayed which were budgeted \$386,900 and as of June 30, 2015 we spent \$230,000. This project will also be completed before December. We budgeted \$1,244,500 for engineering of our final solution and spent \$97,000 on borings to improve our cost estimate of the Regional Option. We budgeted \$40,000 for a replacement truck and spent \$31,000. The District had to refurbish five pump stations just to keep them operational resulting in unanticipated expenses of \$71,000. The Town asked the District to install laterals on which resulted an unplanned expense of \$15,000.

#### Long Range Facility Plan and Connecticut State DEEP Discussions

In 2012, the taxpayers of the WLSD approved a project estimated at \$983,000, to reduce the I & I into our collection system and upgrade our pumping stations. The DEEP agreed to fund this project with a 20 year loan at 2%. Subsequently, the Board secured funding for this project and preliminary planning and engineering totaling \$1,230,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture-Rural Development (USDA-RD). Since the terms of this funding at a 45% grant and a 40 year loan at 2.85% were deemed superior to the DEEP funding, the WLSD executed agreements with the USDA-RD to proceed with the project. Competitive bids, in accordance with USDA-RD regulations were prepared, and we began to implement these projects in the Spring of 2015 and expect to be completed in November 2015.

In the summer of 2013, the WLSD submitted to DEEP a summary of its proposed new Facilities Plan to replace its sewer treatment plant with a new plant on-site. DEEP requested additional information, which was provided. In April of 2014, DEEP staff wrote to WLSD, that they could not accept our proposed new Facilities plan and preferred that we build a pipeline and pumping stations to send our effluent to Torrington for treatment. Board members, Woodward & Curran (W&C) and our environmental lawyers met with DEEP to determine what upgrades to our proposed new on-site plant would be required for DEEP to accept that solution for a new Facilities Plan, rather than the Torrington option. DEEP indicated it would require upgrades to the proposed new treatment plant so that the plant would produce "drinking water quality" wastewater after treatment, as well as upgrades to our after-treatment wastewater disposal fields.

W&C had in the past estimated the capital cost of the new on-site plant at \$11.5 million dollars and the capital cost of the Torrington option at \$20.5 million. W&C now estimates the on-site plant at \$17.3 million based on the new DEEP requirements. DEEP also wants additional testing of our disposal fields to assure that there will be no "breakout of wastewater" after it is discharged into our disposal fields. We have been discussing the nature of the testing with DEEP.

Since the difference in the capital cost between the Torrington option and the on-site option has narrowed considerably as a result of the new DEEP requirements, the Board has determined to further refine the costs of the Torrington option. Alternative routes to Torrington are being considered, the cost of pumping stations, excavation, road repairs and other elements of that project are being studied by W&C. As of June 30, 2015 the estimated cost of the Torrington option is \$17.4 million. Since Torrington currently treats some of the wastewater from Harwinton and Litchfield, we are reviewing Torrington's contracts with those municipalities, to secure a better estimate of Torrington's likely charges to treat our effluent. DEEP has required major upgrades to Torrington's treatment plant which taxpayers approved in November of 2014. These upgrades will increase Torrington's charges to treat our wastewater.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2015

In July, DEEP published its Clean Water Act funding list for fiscal year 2015. The WLSD's Facilities Plan (when approved by DEEP) was included in this official announcement at a \$14 million loan and a 25% grant. We are also discussing with USDA-RD, funding that might be available.

The Board has been continuing to seek support of both the DEEP and the USDA-RD for combined funding options to improve the terms of long term financing as we continue to refine the costs of our probable solution options.

# STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2015

	Total Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 217,781
Investments	653,182
Sewer assessment tax receivable	14,500
Grant receivable	40,716
Prepaid expense	-
Capital assets	4,974,135
Accumulated depreciation	(3,206,383)
Total assets	\$ 2,693,931
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 104,212
Accrued payroll and payroll taxes	16,377
Total liabilities	120,589
NET ASSETS	
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt	1,767,752
Unrestricted	805,590
Total net assets	\$ 2,573,342

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

			Program Revenues					ense) Revenue and es in Net Assets						
	Expenses		Expenses		Expenses		Expenses		Charges for Services	Gr	perating ants and tributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Go	vernmental Activities
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS  Covernmental activities														
Governmental activities General Government Depreciation (unallocated)	\$	841,259 116,378	2,060	\$	29,128		\$	(810,071) (116,378)						
Total governmental activities		957,637	2,060		29,128			(926,449)						
	Gen	eral revenues												
			nt taxes, interest,	and fe	es			1,046,246						
	Ce	ell tower renta	al and other					36,457						
	Un	restricted inv	estment earnings					1,555						
	Lo	ss on disposa	l of assets					(3,216)						
	Tota	al general revo	enues					1,081,042						
	Ch	nange in net a	ssets					154,593						
	Net :	assets - begin	ning					2,418,749						
	Net a	assets - endin	g				\$	2,573,342						

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

### BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL (GENERAL) FUND JUNE 30, 2015

		General Fund
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	217,781
Investments		653,182
Sewer assessment tax receivable		14,500
Grant receivable		40,716
Prepaid expenses		
Total assets	\$	926,179
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$	104,212
Deferred sewer tax revenue		13,543
Accrued payroll and payroll taxes		16,377
Total liabilities		134,132
FUND BALANCES		
Fund balance - unassigned		792,047
Total fund balances		792,047
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$</u>	926,179

### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – $\,$

### GOVERNMENTAL (GENERAL) FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

		General Fund
REVENUE		
Sewer assessment taxation	\$	1,051,646
Intergovernmental grant		29,128
Investment income		1,555
Other		36,457
Sewer permit fees / connection charge		2,060
Total revenues	\$	1,120,846
EXPENDITURES		
Personnel Personnel		
Payroll	\$	305,879
Payroll taxes and employee benefits	Ψ	123,253
Operations		123,233
Power and heat		74,086
Vehicle operation		7,574
Chemicals and supplies		3,231
Telephone/beepers		3,231
Plant equipment - repair and maintenance		
Collection system - repairs and maintenance		23,177
Other maintenance and miscellaneous		29,237
Strison alarm and maintenance		32,107
Manhole raisings		7,269
Office		-
Office trailer lease		4.540
		4,569
Office expenses		13,729
Insurance Insurance		
Insurance coverage		81,739
<u>Professional fees</u> Legal, audit, engineering and testing and other		54.200
		54,308
Total operations		763,377
Capital outlay		
Capital improvements		469,845
Facility plan expense	<del></del>	77,882
Total capital outlay		547,727
Total expenditures		1,311,104
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(190,258)
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		982,305
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	792,047

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL (GENERAL) FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2015

Fund balance - governmental (general) fund		\$	792,047
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:			
Capital assets used in government activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental fund.			
Governmental capital assets Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 4,974,135 (3,206,383)		1,767,752
Uncollected sewer assessment taxes not available to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the governmental fund.		·	13,543
Net assets of governmental activities		\$	2,573,342

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF THE GOVERNMENTAL (GENERAL) FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Net change in fund balance - governmental (general) fund	\$ (190,258)	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. The following items reflect the amount by which depreciation expense exceeds capital expenditures.		
Total capital outlay	\$ 547,727	
Less: portion expensed	 77,882	
Portion capitalized	469,845	
Less: current year depreciation	 116,378	
		353,467
The net effect of disposing and writing off certain assets		
results in a loss that reduces net assets.		(3,216)
Revenue from sewer assessment taxes in the statement of activities is based on billings, while such revenue is reported in the governmental fund when it becomes currently available.		
Adjustment from available sewer assessment taxes		
to adjusted billed balances		 (5,400)
Changes in net assets of governmental activities		\$ 154,593

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2015

#### **NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the Woodridge Lake Sewer District (the District) have been prepared substantially in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

District Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The district-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non fiduciary activities of the District.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which direct expenses offset program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific revenue. Program revenues include 1) charges for services provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions, either operating or capital that are restricted to meeting a particular function. Property (sewer assessment) taxes, cell tower rental, investment earnings, and delinquent interest which are not restricted, are recorded as general revenue.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The district-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Sewer assessment taxes are recognized in the year for which they are levied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Intergovernmental revenues are recognized when the eligibility requirements have been met. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, except for debt service expenditures and claims and judgments which are recorded only when payment is due.

Miscellaneous charges for services, as well as delinquent interest and lien fees, are recorded as revenues when received.

The District reports the following funds

Major Governmental Funds:

General Fund - General operating fund of the District used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. This fund accounts for general governmental operations, which is principally the District's wastewater treatment function.

There are no other major or non-major governmental funds.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2015

#### NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Budgets**

An annual budget for the General Fund is approved at a District meeting each spring. For management purposes, the budget is informally amended.

#### General Reporting Entity

The Woodridge Lake Sewer District is a separately organized governmental entity located within the Town of Goshen, Connecticut and is not reported as a component unit of the Town.

The financial statements include all of the funds of the District which meet the criteria for defining the reporting entity as set forth by generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Property Taxes

Sewer assessment taxes are levied each July on assessed valuations of the preceding October 1st for all real property located within the District. Taxes are generally payable in two installments; first on July 1st and the second on January 1st. Unpaid real estate taxes are liened after January. Since all unpaid taxes may be liened and ultimately collected, there is no allowance for uncollectible taxes.

Interest on delinquent property tax payments is recorded upon collection.

Permit Fees and Sewer Connection charges

Charges for sewer system connection are recorded as revenue when received.

#### Vacation Pay and Sick Leave

Employees are paid by prescribed formulas for absence due to vacation or illness. Although these benefits are not cumulative, they are not based on the District's fiscal year, and accordingly, an estimated liability for unused vacation time is recognized at the year end.

#### Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss relating to public official liability, theft or impairment of assets, errors or omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. The District purchases commercial insurance coverage to protect against losses from these risks. Additionally, employee health coverage is purchased from a commercial carrier, with no portion being self insured.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. 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.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2015

#### NOTE 1 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts or other commitments for expenditures are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is frequently employed by governmental units. However, the District does not utilize an encumbrance accounting system.

#### Fund equity and net assets

In the District-wide financial statements, net assets are classified in the following categories:

*Invested in Capital Assets* - This category groups all capital assets into one component of net assets. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduce this category.

Restricted Net Assets - This category presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Currently there are no restricted net assets.

Unrestricted Net Assets - This category represents the net assets of the District, which are not restricted for any project or other purpose.

In the fund financial statements, fund balances of governmental funds are classified in two separate categories. The two categories and their general meanings have been restated since prior years in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 54. The categories are as follows:

Committed Fund Balance - indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation through a District meeting.

Unassigned Fund Balance - indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation and expenditure in future periods.

#### NOTE 2 - RECONCILIATIONS OF DISTRICT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Page 10 of the basic financial statements includes a reconciliation between fund balance - governmental (general) fund and net assets - governmental activities as reported in the district-wide statement of net assets.

Page 11 of the basic financial statements includes a reconciliation between the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance of the governmental (general) fund and changes in net assets of governmental activities as reported in the district-wide statement of activities.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2015

#### NOTE 3 – CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS:

Cash and cash equivalents consist of the following accounts at June 30, 2015:

Total cash and cash equivalents	\$	217,781
Total deposits Petty cash		217,731
Certificates of deposit	Ψ ———	60,606
Deposits Demand accounts	\$	157,125

Investments consist of four certificates of deposit totaling \$653,182 with maturity dates longer than three months.

#### NOTE 4 - DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT RISK

#### Legal and Contractual Provisions

State statutes allow for the investment in obligations of the United States, including its agencies, in obligations of any state (including Connecticut) or any political subdivision, authority or agency thereof provided the obligations meet certain requirements of recognized rating services; or in any custodial arrangement, pool or no-load open-end management-type investment company or investment trust provided certain requirements are met.

Deposits with financial institutions in Connecticut are partially protected against loss in excess of deposit insurance through assessment against segregated collateral required to be maintained by all qualified public depositories in the amount of 10% to 120% of their outstanding public deposits depending on the bank's financial strength as shown by its risk-based capital ratio.

#### **Deposits**

At June 30, 2015, total bank balances were \$1,108,432. A total of \$963,789 was insured under the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

The balance, \$144,643, was uninsured and exposed to custodial credit risk which is defined as the risk, that in event of a bank failure, the District's deposits might not be recovered.

A total of \$144,643 of the uninsured amount is collateralized with securities held by the financial institution, its trust department or agent, but not in the District's name.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2015

#### **NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets include land, the wastewater collection system, the treatment plant, vehicles and equipment and furnishings. The capital assets have been accumulated over many years without a formal policy to establish a minimum amount an asset must cost before it is capitalized and depreciated. However, a minimum of \$5,000 has been established as a guideline

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

With the exception of land, capital assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives by the straight line method. Depreciation expense for 2014-2015 totaled \$116,378. Estimated useful lives of the capital assets range from 5 years for office equipment and certain vehicles to 50 years for buildings and the wastewater collection and treatment system.

Capital asset activity for 2014-2015 was as follows:

<u>Description</u>	Adjusted Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance		
Land (not depreciated)	\$ 110,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,000		
Depreciable assets:						
Wastewater treatment plant and system	3,568,174	438,417	14,800	3,991,791		
Equipment	770,166	-	-	770,166		
Vehicles	96,750	31,428	26,000	102,178		
Total capital assets being depreciated:	4,435,090	469,845	40,800	4,864,135		
Less: accumulated depreciation	3,127,589	116,378	37,584	3,206,383		
Capital assets being depreciated - net	1,307,501	353,467	3,216	1,657,752		
Total capital assets - net	\$ 1,417,501	\$ 353,467	\$ 3,216	\$ 1,767,752		

#### **NOTE 6 – RETIREMENT PLAN**

The District maintains a Simplified Employee Pension Plan which covers employees. Annual discretionary contributions are made by the District to separate Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA's) maintained by each participant. Accordingly, a pension trust fund is not maintained by the District. Employer contributions totaling \$28,614 were made during 2014-2015.

The Plan is available to all employees over 21 years old who have worked at least one year and earned over a minimal amount. The plan is noncontributory by employees and provides for employer discretionary contributions based on an equal percentage of each employee's earnings.

Although the plan may be terminated by the District at any time, its original adoption was under Section 408(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, and as such, amendments must adhere to changes in the Code.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

#### **NOTE 7 - LEASE OF CELL TOWER SITE**

During 2004-2005 the District entered into a rental agreement for land and access for a wireless communication base station and antenna. The agreement had an initial term of five years, effective November 29, 2004, with an option to extend 4 additional terms of 5 years each and has been extended for 7 additional five year terms, and may be further extended for three more years at the option of the lessee. A total of \$36,457 was collected during 2014-2015.

#### **NOTE 8 - COMMITMENTS/CONTINGENCY**

In 1989 the District agreed to a consent order with the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection. The agreement required a number of steps to determine and analyze alternative solutions to problems with insufficient capacity and plant design. During 2004-2005 a scope of study plan to determine long-term solutions for resolving the consent order was completed. The estimated costs of various options ranged from approximately ten million dollars to nearly twenty million dollars at that time. In July 2009 the Department of Environmental Protection submitted a letter further defining requirements for alternative solutions and requesting additional information and cost analysis. During the year the District obtained the services of an engineering firm to further study and evaluate solutions for resolving the consent order. A grant from the State of Connecticut Clean Water Fund has been obtained to provide reimbursement of 55 % of eligible study costs. The final outcome of this matter cannot be estimated and it is not known what future governmental grant funds and/or low interest loans would be available to assist with the cost of any required actions.

#### **NOTE 9 - DATE OF MANAGEMENT'S REVIEW**

The District has evaluated events and transactions subsequent to June 30, 2015 for potential recognition and disclosure through November 16, 2015, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

The District has entered into a agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture-Rural Development (USDA-RD) to fund a percentage of future capital improvements. The estimated amount of the loan is \$686,000 and would be payable over 40 years. The interest rate on the loan would be 2.85%. The District will be receiving a grant of \$561,000 associated with this loan. The amounts have not been finalized.

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – DISTRICT GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	 Budget	 Actual	I	Variance Favorable nfavorable)
REVENUE				
Sewer assessment taxation	\$ 1,039,223	\$ 1,051,646	\$	12,423
Intergovernmental grant	-	29,128		29,128
Investment income	2,000	1,555		(445)
Other - cell tower rent	33,000	36,457		3,457
Sewer permit fees / connection charge	 4,000	 2,060		(1,940)
Total revenues	 1,078,223	 1,120,846		42,623
EXPENDITURES				
<u>Personnel</u>				
Payroll	\$ 363,633	\$ 305,879	\$	57,754
Payroll taxes and employee benefits	136,348	123,253		13,095
<u>Operations</u>				
Power and heat	67,500	74,086		(6,586)
Vehicle operation	11,600	7,574		4,026
Chemicals and supplies	4,600	3,231		1,369
Telephone/beepers	3,000	3,219		(219)
Plant equipment - repair and maintenance	20,000	23,177		(3,177)
Collection system - repairs and maintenance	25,000	29,237		(4,237)
Other maintenance and miscellaneous	21,400	32,107		(10,707)
Strison alarm maintenance	6,000	7,269		(1,269)
Manhole raisings	6,000	-		6,000
Contingency	25,000	-		25,000
Office				
Office trailer lease	4,500	4,569		(69)
Office expenses	11,662	13,729		(2,067)
Insurance				
Insurance coverage	65,778	81,739		(15,961)
Professional fees				
Legal, audit, engineering and testing and other	 119,400	 54,308		65,092
Total operations	 891,421	 763,377		128,044
Capital outlay				
Capital improvements	2,153,402	469,845		1,683,557
Facility plan expense	 13,750	 77,882		(64,132)
Total capital outlay	 2,167,152	 547,727		1,619,425
Total expenditures	 3,058,573	 1,311,104		1,747,469
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ (1,980,350)	(190,258)	\$	1,790,092
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		 982,305		
Fund Balance - End of year		\$ 792,047		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# SEWER ASSESSMENT TAXES COLLECTED AND UNCOLLECTED BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	τ	Incollected Taxes					Actual C	ollection	ns				collected Sewer
List Year		uly 1, 2014 nd Current Billings	rections and estments	A	Sewer Assessment Taxes	Ţ	nterest	Lie	en Fees		Total	-	essment Faxes e 30, 2015
2013	\$	1,035,524	\$ 656	\$	1,026,701	\$	5,846	\$	528		1,033,075	\$	9,479
2012		16,315	69		12,890	\$	2,367	\$	252		15,509		3,494
2011		3,115	152		1,740		539		48		2,327		1,527
2010		803	31		834		234		24		1,092		-
2009		102	 78		180		11		_		191		
Totals:		1,055,859	\$ 986	_\$_	1,042,345	_\$	8,997	\$	<b>8</b> 52	_\$_	1,052,194	_\$	14,500

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE JUNE 30, 2015

#### **INSURANCE:**

Blanket Buildings and		
Contents	\$ 5,955,024	100% Coinsurance, \$10,000 Deductible Per Occurrence
Equipment Coverage		
Small Tools and Equip.	40,100	Small Tools and Equipment
Scheduled Equipment	305,384	Scheduled equipment
	·	Deductible \$2,500
General Liability	3,000,000	General Aggregate Limit
•	1,000,000	Each Occurrence Limit
	10,000	Medical Expense Limit (any one person)
Public Officials and		
Employee Liability	3,000,000	Aggregate Limit
	1,000,000	Each Wrongful Act or Offense
		Retention \$5,000
Umbrella Policy	10,000,000	Aggregate Limit
	10,000,000	Each Occurrence
Motor Vehicles	1,000,000	Single-Limit Liability Each Accident
	1,000,000	Uninsured Motorist Each Accident
	1,000	Comprehensive Deductible
	1,000	Collision Deductible
Crime		Employee Dishonesty Coverage, including
Theft	250,000	Theft and Fraud
Fraud	250,000	Deductible \$5,000
Cyber Liability	1,000,000	Each Occurance
-	50,000	Privacy Crisis Management - Each Event
	50,000	Privacy Crisis Management - Aggregate

# STATEMENT OF DEBT LIMITATION JUNE 30, 2015

Base:

Receipts from taxation \$ 1,042,698

Property tax relief for elderly \_\_\_\_\_\_

**Total base** \$ 1,042,698

Debt limitation:	General Purposes	Schools	Sewers	Urban Renewal
2-1/4 times base	2,346,071	_	_	_
4-1/2 times base	2,540,071	4,692,141	_ ·	_
3-3/4 times base	-	-	3,910,118	- -
3-1/4 times base	-			3,388,769
Total debt limitation	2,346,071	4,692,141	3,910,118	3,388,769
Outstanding debt		_		
Debt limitation in excess of outstanding and authorized debt	\$ 2,346,071	\$ 4,692,141	\$ 3,910,118	\$ 3,388,769



Certified Public Accountants

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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

To the Board of Directors Woodridge Lake Sewer District Goshen, Connecticut

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Woodridge Lake Sewer District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Woodridge Lake Sewer District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 16, 2015.

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

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Woodridge Lake Sewer District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Woodridge Lake Sewer District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Woodridge Lake Sewer District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control 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 and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Rocky Hill, Connecticut November 16, 2015

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