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**Subject: SEPTEMBER MONTHLY FINANCIAL
AND OPERATIONS REPORT**

Attached is the Monthly Financial and Operations Report for the period ending September 30, 2007.

General Fund Revenues

Our projection for FY2008 General Fund revenue is \$400,000 lower than last month mainly due to the following:

- Sales tax receipts for August \$500,000 (1.28%) less than budgeted and 2% more than last year's August receipts. As a result, we have decreased our estimate for the year by \$500,000 million, and are projecting receipts for the remaining months of the fiscal year at budget.

Other Resources

Our projection for Sale of Capital Assets has decreased by \$1.5 million because the revenue from the sale of Bolsover Real Estate was deposited in the Limited Use Mobility Fund rather than the General Fund.

General Fund Expenditures

Our projection for FY2008 General Fund expenditures is unchanged from the previous month.

General Fund Ending Fund Balance

We are projecting an ending unreserved undesignated fund balance of approximately \$233 million, which is approximately 15% of estimated expenditures less debt service. This does not include the rainy day fund or sign abatement fund. The total unreserved fund balance is projected to be \$255 million.

Enterprise Funds

Parking Management Operating Fund

We are projecting an increase of \$500,000 due to a growth in metered parking receipts. This is mainly attributable to the newly installed meters (440).

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Combined Utility System

Our projection for Water and Sewer Sales decreased by \$8 million due to total pumpage of treated water being 1.47 billion gallons less than September 2006. Even though the rainfall in September 2007 was not high (3.05 inches), the ground was saturated which led to less need for watering.

Special Revenue Funds, Risk Management and Other Funds

We are currently projecting the remaining funds at budget.

Katrina Aid & Recovery Fund

A Project Worksheet ("PW") in the amount of \$20,733 additional costs for the Controllers Department was submitted to the Governor's Office of Emergency Management ("GDEM") for processing. In September, the GDEM audited four Police Department PW's totaling \$9.4 million. The audit went well with positive comments from the auditor stating "the work was completed within the scope of work written in the approved FEMA project worksheet". The audit report approved all costs with no de-obligations and recommended that FEMA close the project.

Please let me know if you have any questions.


Judy Gray Johnson, Director