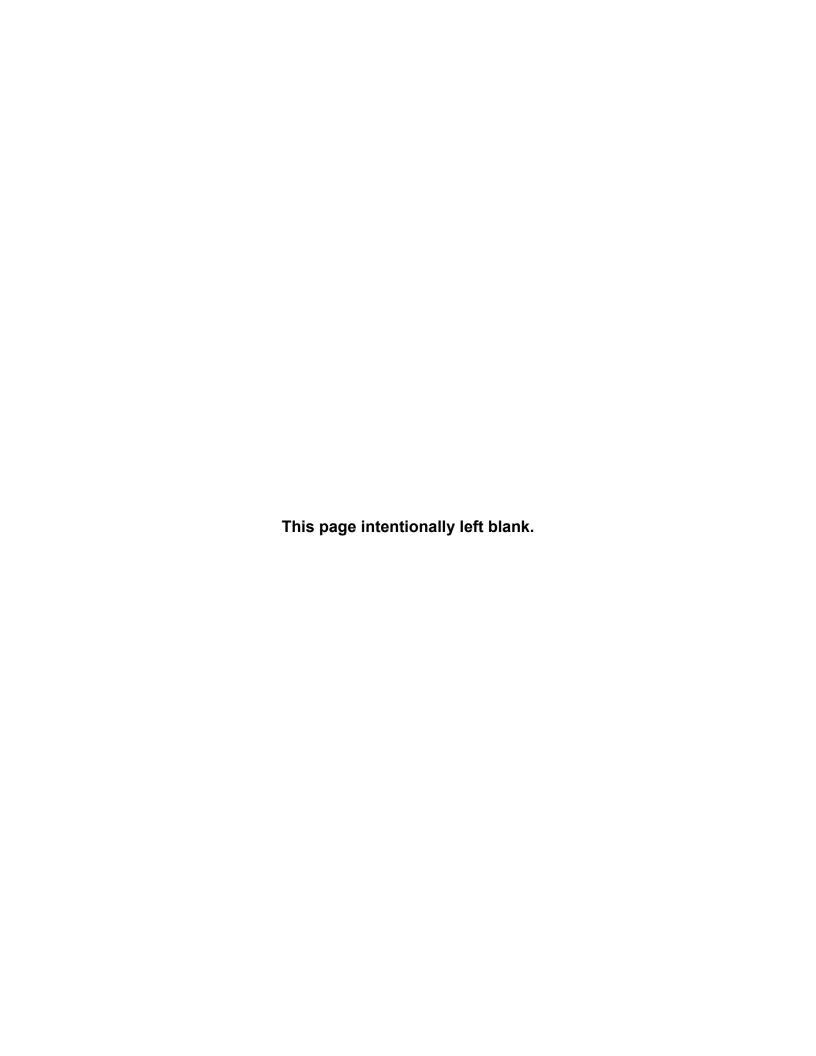




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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Community Improvement Corporation Meigs County 238 West Main Street Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Community Improvement Corporation, Meigs County, Ohio (the Corporation), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose 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 general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose 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.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Community Improvement Corporation, Meigs County, as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the changes in net assets 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*, we have also issued our report dated November 7, 2003, on our consideration of the Corporation'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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November 7, 2003

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

		2002	2001		
ASSETS:		_		_	
Current Assets:	\$	46 107	c	142 022	
Cash in Bank - Checking - Farmers B&S Cash in Bank - Savings - Farmers B&S	Ф	46,127 7,225	\$	142,823 7,097	
Total Current Assets		53,352		149,920	
Noncurrent Assets:		000 000		4.40.00=	
Building - Middleport & Improvements		200,000		143,007	
Land and Improvements - Tuppers Plains		906,250		942,321	
Land and Improvements - Pomeroy		250,000		145,000	
Existing Buildings - Pomeroy		75,000		116,075	
New Building - Pomeroy New Building - Tuppers Plains		850,000 600,000		667,090	
Buidling - State Garage - AEP		443,420		425,000	
Construction in Progress		443,420		369,050	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(139,552)		(77,270)	
Total Non-Current Assets		3,185,118		2,730,273	
Total Non Gunett Assets		0,100,110		2,100,210	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,238,470	\$	2,880,193	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:					
Current Liabilities:					
Notes Payable - Farmers B&S - Industrial Park	\$	20,000	\$	20,000	
Notes Payable - ODOD- Millenium Bldg		35,000			
Notes Payable - Farmers B&S - Tuppers Plains Building		22,007		55,098	
Interest Payable		1,215		956	
Construction Contracts Payable				34,548	
Accounts Payable		2,160		1,306	
Total Current Liabilities		80,382		111,908	
Long-Term Liabilites:					
Notes Payable - Farmers B&S - Inustrial Park		150,056		170,056	
Notes Payable - Farmers B&S - Tuppers Plains Building		251,945		179,404	
Notes Payable - ODOD - Millenium Bldg		615,000		·	
Notes Payable - ODOD - Salt Works				650,000	
Total Long-Term Liabilities		1,017,001		999,460	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,097,383		1,111,368	
NET ASSETS					
Unrestricted Net Assets		2,141,087		1,768,825	
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Total Net Assets		2,141,087		1,768,825	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	3,238,470	\$	2,880,193	

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

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	2002	2001	
Operating Revenues: CIC Dues Lease Revenue Reimbursement - Lessee Other Revenue	\$ 1,750 177,950	\$ 1,550 120,347 3,063 656	
Total Operating Revenues	179,700	125,616	
Operating Expenses: Janitorial Fees Lease Payments - Meigs County Mowing/Snow Removal Professional Fees Property Insurance Repairs and Maintenance Real Estate Taxes Utilities Miscellaneous Depreciation	19,619 22,917 1,375 3,500 4,870 4,078 12,537 2,854 1,747 62,281	20,514 4,167 2,175 2,119 4,731 7,194 5,741 4,175 2,412 45,555	
Total Operating Expenses	135,778	98,783	
Operating Income (Loss) Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses): Intergovernmental Grants Earnings on Investments Royalties Interest and Fiscal Charges	43,922 128 51 (38,754)	26,833 442,787 1,139 322 (90,089)	
Total Nonperating Revenues (Expenses)	(38,575)	354,159	
Net Income Before Adjustment to Net Assets	5,347	380,992	
Adjustment to Net Assets: Contribution of Building from State of Ohio Asset Revaluation (Net)	366,915	425,000	
Total Adjustment to Net Assets	366,915	425,000	
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	372,262	805,992	
Unrestricted Net Assets - January 1 (As Restated - See Note 2)	1,768,825	962,833	
Unrestricted Net Assets - December 31	\$ 2,141,087	\$ 1,768,825	

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

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

	 2002	2001
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Cash Received from Customers Cash Received from Other Operating Revenues Cash Payments for Other Operating Expenses Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	\$ 177,950 1,750 (1,397) (71,245) 107,058	\$ 120,347 5,269 (2,412) (49,510) 73,694
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities: Operating Grants Received Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	 0	 761,410 761,410
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities: Principal Payments Interest and Fiscal Charges Proceeds from Sale of Public Debt Acquisition of Capital Assets Net Cash Used for Capital and Related Financing Activities	(75,098) (38,495) 94,548 (184,760) (203,805)	(1,090,000) (89,133) 1,074,558 (629,767) (734,342)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Royalties Interest on Investments Net Cash from Investing Activities	51 128 179	322 1,139 1,461
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(96,568)	102,223
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	 149,920	 47,697
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 53,352	\$ 149,920
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Used for Operating Activities: Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 43,922	\$ 26,833
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used for Operating Activities: Depreciation	62,281	45,555
Changes in Assets and Liabilities: Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable Total Adjustments	 855 63,136	1,306 46,861
Net Cash Used for Operating Activities	\$ 107,058	\$ 73,694

Noncash Transactions:

During 2001, the State of Ohio donated a building to the Corporation that had a fair market value of \$425,000.

During 2002, the Corporation revalued their fixed assets to fair market value, resulting in a net increase of \$366,915 in buildings and land.

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Description of the Entity

The Community Improvement Corporation, Meigs County (the Corporation), is a not-for-profit corporation and was incorporated on March, 26, 1964, under authority of Ohio Rev. Code Section 1702.01. The Corporation is governed by an appointed Board of Trustees, comprised of business, professional, government and community leaders. The Corporation was formed to advance, encourage, and promote the industrial, economic, commercial and civic development of Meigs County, Ohio.

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

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Corporation have been prepared on the accrual basis.

In 1994, the Corporation adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 116, "Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made" (SFAS No. 116) and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 117, "Financial Statements for Not-For-Profit Organizations" (SFAS No. 117).

Under these provisions, net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the organization and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

- Unrestriced net assets Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.
- <u>Temporarily restricted net assets</u> Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the organization and/or the passage of time.
- <u>Permanently restricted net assets</u> Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently or until all donor imposed restrictions are met by the organization. Generally, the donors of these assets permitted organization to use all or part of the income earned on related investments for general or specific purposes.

As of December 31, 2002, all net assets were considered unrestricted.

C. Tax Status

The Corporation has been recognized by the State of Ohio as a tax exempt organization and by the Internal Revenue Service as a Section 501(C)(4) nonprofit organization. Accordingly, the federal tax status would reflect the Corporation's tax exempt status. By virtue of Ohio law, the Corporation is not subject to Ohio income taxes.

D. Depreciation

The organization provides for depreciation in amounts adequate to amortize costs over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Certain assets are being depreciated under the straight line method for both financial book and tax purposes. The lives of the assets and depreciation expenses under this method are in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Depreciation charged to operations was \$62,281 and \$45,555 for the years ended December, 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

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

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

E. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. Restatement of Prior Year Balances

December 31, 2000 unrestricted net assets as previously reported were understated due to the incorrect reporting of notes payable and overstated by the failure to report accumulated depreciation, as follows:

Unrestricted Net Assets - December 31, 2000	\$ 948,847
Retatement Amounts:	
Accumulated Depreciation	(31,715)
Notes Payable	 45,701
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Unrestricted Net Assets - January 1, 2001	\$ 962,833

3. Fixed Assets

Although fixed assets were formerly capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost), during 2002 fixed assets values were adjusted to reflect fair market value, due to a lack of supporting documentation for actual cost. Fixed asset information is updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized. Interest incurred during the construction of general fixed assets is also not capitalized.

Depreciation of buildings is computed using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of thirty years.

4. Industrial Park

This property consists of raw land and development costs expended to date on the industrial park and sewer project on State Route 7 in Tuppers Plains, Ohio.

5. Cash and Investments

The Corporation maintains a checking account and a savings account. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

		2002	2001		
Demand deposits	\$	53,352	\$	149,920	

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$100,000. Deposits in excess of \$100,000 are uninsured.

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

6. Debt

The Corporation's debt outstanding at December 31, 2002 and 2001 was as follows:

	2/31/2002 Principal	2/31/2001 Principal	Interest Rates	
Industrial Park Note	\$ 170,056	\$ 190,056	7.25%	
Tuppers Plains Note	273,952	234,502	7.63%	
Millenium Building Note	 650,000		0.00 - 3.00%	
Total	\$ 1,094,008	\$ 424,558		

The Industrial Park note was issued by Farmers Bank & Savings was approved to finance improvements at the Meigs County Industrial Park.

The Tuppers Plains note was issued by Farmers Bank & Savings was approved to finance the construction of a specific building on a site in the Meigs County Industrial Park, which was leased to WeCan Fabricators, Inc.

The Millenium Building note was issued by the Ohio Department of Development for the purpose of constructing a specific building on a site located on State Route 7, Pomeroy, Ohio, which was to Millenium TeleCommunications, Inc. The note is interest-free for years one through four.

The debt noted above will be paid from operating lease income received from various entities (see Note 7).

The annual requirements to amortize debt outstanding as of December 31, 2002, including interest, are as follows:

Year Ending December 31	lı	ndustrial Park	Tuppers Millenium Plains Building			Total	
December 31		I aik		i iaiiis	 Juliuling	Total	
2003	\$	32,492	\$	42,643	\$ 35,000	\$	110,135
2004		31,056		42,000	60,000		133,056
2005		29,556		42,000	60,000		131,556
2006		28,086		42,000	60,000		130,086
2007		26,616		42,000	52,713		121,329
2008 - 2012		81,096		171,754	447,366		700,216
Total	\$	228,902	\$	382,397	\$ 715,079	\$	1,326,378

7. Operating Leases

The Corporation had operating leases in effect during 2002 and 2001 with various entities for rental of building space. The details of these operating leases are as follows:

■ The University of Rio Grande leased a two story building consisting of approximately 4,550 square feet, located at 150 Mill Street, Middleport, Ohio, for a period of 15 years, commencing as of March 2, 1998 and ending on March 1, 2013 for \$600 per month.

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

7. Operating Leases (Continued)

- CDG Management, LLC leased a building consisting of approximately 10,000 square feet, located at 660 East Main Street, Pomeroy, Ohio, for a period of 7 years, commencing November 1, 2000 and ending on October 31, 2007 for \$8,333.33 per month.
- WeCan Fabricators, LLC leased a building and property located at 49425 East Park Drive, Reedsville, Ohio, for a period of 10 years, commencing as of October 1, 2001 and ending on September 30, 2011 for \$4,000 per month.
- Ohio Power Company leased the property located at 34844 State Route 7, Pomeroy, Ohio, for a period of 5 years commencing as of November 1, 2001 and ending on October 31, 2006 for \$2,083.34 per month.

Revenue from operating leases was recorded at \$177,950 for 2002 and \$120,347 for 2001.



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

Community Improvement Corporation Meigs County 238 West Main Street Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Community Improvement Corporation, Meigs County, Ohio (the Corporation), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 and have issued our report thereon dated November 7, 2003. 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 Corporation's general purpose 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 no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Corporation in a separate letter dated November 7, 2003.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Corporation's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose 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 general purpose 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 Corporation in a separate letter dated November 7, 2003.

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This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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November 7, 2003



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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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED DECEMBER 16, 2003