



*VINTON
METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY*

McARTHUR, OHIO

SINGLE AUDIT

For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

J.L. UHRIG
AND ASSOCIATES INC.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS





Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
310 West High Street
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We have reviewed the *Independent Accountant's Report* of the Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority, Vinton County, prepared by J.L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc., for the audit period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor

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Auditor of State

April 16, 2009

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Independent Accountant's Report

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
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We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2008. These basic financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic 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 of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall basic financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Authority as of September 30, 2008, and the results of its operations and changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year 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 a report dated March 4, 2009 on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
Independent Accountant's Report

We conducted our audit to opine on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures is required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations* and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The supplemental financial data schedules are presented for the purpose of additional analysis as required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information had been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements. In our opinion, this information is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

March 4, 2009

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

As management of the Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority ("Authority"), we offer readers of the Authority's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the year ended September 30, 2008. This discussion and analysis is designed to assist the reader in focusing on the significant financial issues and activities and to identify any significant changes in financial position. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Financial Highlights

1. The Authority has net assets of \$66,302. These net assets result from the difference between total assets of \$112,058 and total liabilities of \$45,756.
2. Current and other assets of \$57,501 consist of non-restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents of \$56,653 and Prepaid Expenses of \$848.
3. Current liabilities of \$22,404 consist of Accounts Payable of \$12,743; Accrued Wages and Payroll Taxes Payable of \$6,755 and Mortgages Payable of \$2,906.

Basic Financial Statements and Presentation

The financial statements presented by the Authority are the Statement of Net Assets, Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Assets and Statement of Cash Flows. These statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The Authority maintains several programs that are structured as a single enterprise fund with revenues recognized when earned and measurable, not when received. Expenses are recognized when they are incurred, not when paid. Capital assets are capitalized and depreciated, except land, over their estimated useful lives.

The *Statement of Net Assets* presents information on all the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases and decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating. Net assets increase when revenues exceed expenses. Increases in assets without a corresponding increase to liabilities results in increased net assets, which indicate improved financial condition.

The *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Assets* present information showing how the Authority's net assets changed during the year. This statement summarizes operating revenues and expenses along with nonoperating revenues and expenses. In addition, this statement lists capital grant revenues received from federal, state and local governments.

The *Statement of Cash Flows* allows financial statement users to assess the Authority's adequacy or ability to generate sufficient cash flows to meet its obligations in a timely manner. The statement is generally classified into four categories: 1) Cash flows from operating activities, 2) Cash flows from noncapital financing activities, 3) Cash flows from capital and related financing activities, and 4) Cash flows from investing activities.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes to the basic financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

Financial Analysis of the Authority

Recall that the statement of net assets provides the perspective of the Authority as a whole, showing assets, liabilities, and the difference between them (net assets). Table 1 provides a summary of the Authority's net assets for 2008 compared to 2007:

Table 1
Condensed Summary of Net Assets

| | 2008 | 2007 |
|--|----------|-----------|
| <i>Assets:</i> | | |
| Current and Other Assets | \$57,501 | \$89,598 |
| Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation) | 54,557 | 59,968 |
| Total Assets | 112,058 | 149,566 |
| <i>Liabilities:</i> | | |
| Current Liabilities | 24,269 | 16,858 |
| Long-term Liabilities | 21,487 | 24,478 |
| Total Liabilities | 45,756 | 41,336 |
| <i>Net Assets:</i> | | |
| Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt | 43,760 | 46,428 |
| Unrestricted | 22,542 | 61,802 |
| Total Net Assets | \$66,302 | \$108,230 |

During 2008, current and other assets decreased by \$32,097, and long-term liabilities decreased by \$1,126. The change in current assets was mainly due to the change in cash balance. This change was caused by the result of current year activities. The change in current liabilities is mainly due to payment of debt.

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Table 2

Condensed Summary of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Assets

| | 2008 | 2007 |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| Operating Revenues (Expenses): | | |
| Operating Revenues | \$851,474 | \$865,797 |
| Operating Expenses (excluding depreciation) | (888,190) | (826,668) |
| Depreciation Expenses | (5,412) | (5,412) |
| Operating Income (Loss) | (42,128) | 33,717 |
| Nonoperating Revenue (Expense): | | |
| Interest Income | 797 | 1,154 |
| Interest Expense | (597) | (747) |
| Total Nonoperating Revenue (Expense) | 200 | 407 |
| Change in Net Assets | (41,928) | 34,124 |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year | 108,230 | 74,106 |
| Net Assets, End of Year | <u>\$66,302</u> | <u>\$108,230</u> |

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

Financial Operating Activities

The most significant operating expenses for the Authority are Housing Assistance Payments, Administrative Salaries, and Other Administrative. These expenses account for 92.33% of the total operating expenses. Housing Assistance Payments, which accounts for 77.19% of the total, represents costs associated with providing housing assistance for low-income tenants. Administrative Salaries, which accounts for 9.6% of the total, represents costs associated with salaried and hourly employees Other Administrative, which accounts for 5.54% of the total, represents costs associated with general business operations.

Funding for the most significant operating expenses indicated above is from HUD Grants. These revenues account for 99.32% of the total revenues of \$852,271. HUD Grants revenue for 2008 was \$846,511. Interest Income and Other Revenue make up the remaining 0.68%.

The Authority monitors its sources of revenues very closely for fluctuations.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

The Authority's investment in capital assets as of September 30, 2008, amounts to \$43,760 (net of accumulated depreciation and related debt). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, equipment and vehicles.

Additional information concerning the Authority's capital assets can be found in Note 9 of the notes to the basic financial statements.

As of September 30, 2008, the Authority had \$10,797 in mortgages payable with \$2,906 due within one year.

Additional information concerning the Authority's long-term obligations can be found in Note 10 of the notes to the basic financial statements.

Economic Factors

The economic outlook for the Authority is uncertain at this time. The slow economy has an impact on low-income households' ability to pay rent. Federal funding is at the discretion of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is insufficient to cover operating costs and capital related needs for Public Housing Units. Section 8 administrative fees decreased retroactively to January 1, 2004 by three percent and additional cuts are possible. Locally, we are being impacted by negative employment factors such as stagnant job growth and a sluggish market.

Contacting the Authority's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to show the Authority's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact J. Richard Griffith, Executive Director, 310 W. High Street P.O. Box 487, McArthur, Ohio 45651.

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Statement of Net Assets - Proprietary Fund Type

September 30, 2008

Assets:

Current Assets:

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Cash - Unrestricted | \$56,653 |
| Prepaid Expenses | 848 |
| <i>Total Current Assets</i> | <u>57,501</u> |

Noncurrent Assets:

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Nondepreciable Capital Assets | 5,000 |
| Depreciable Capital Assets | 49,557 |
| <i>Total Noncurrent Assets</i> | <u>54,557</u> |

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| <i>Total Assets</i> | <u>112,058</u> |
|---------------------|----------------|

Liabilities:

Current Liabilities:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Accrued Wages/Payroll Taxes Payable | 6,755 |
| Accounts Payable | 12,743 |
| Accrued Compensated Absences | 1,865 |
| Mortgages Payable | 2,906 |
| <i>Total Current Liabilities</i> | <u>24,269</u> |

Noncurrent Liabilities:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Accrued Compensated Absences | 13,596 |
| Mortgages Payable | 7,891 |
| <i>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</i> | <u>21,487</u> |

| | |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| <i>Total Liabilities</i> | <u>45,756</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------|

Net Assets:

| | |
|---|--------|
| Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt | 43,760 |
| Unrestricted | 22,542 |

| | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Total Net Assets</i> | <u><u>\$66,302</u></u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|

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

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Assets
Proprietary Fund Type
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

Operating Revenues:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| HUD Grants | \$846,511 |
| Other Revenue | 4,963 |
| <i>Total Operating Revenues</i> | 851,474 |

Operating Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Housing Assistance Payments | 689,814 |
| Administrative Salaries | 85,847 |
| Employee Benefits | 33,332 |
| Other - Administrative | 49,477 |
| Material and Labor/Maintenance | 8,738 |
| Utilities | 1,378 |
| General Expenses | 19,605 |
| Depreciation | 5,411 |
| <i>Total Operating Expenses</i> | 893,602 |

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Operating Income (Loss) | (42,128) |
|-------------------------|----------|

Nonoperating Revenue (Expense):

| | |
|--|-------|
| Interest Income | 797 |
| Interest Expense | (597) |
| <i>Total Nonoperating Revenue(Expense)</i> | 200 |

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Change in Net Assets | (41,928) |
|----------------------|----------|

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Net Assets at Beginning of Year | 108,230 |
|---------------------------------|---------|

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Net Assets at End of Year | \$66,302 |
|---------------------------|----------|

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

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund Type
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

Cash Flow from Operating Activities:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Cash Received from HUD | \$846,511 |
| Other Cash Receipts | 4,963 |
| Housing Assistance Payments | (689,814) |
| Administrative Salaries and Benefits | (114,205) |
| Other Administrative | (47,367) |
| Ordinary Maintenance | (8,738) |
| Other Operating Expenses | (20,982) |
| | (20,982) |

Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities (29,632)

Cash Flow from Capital and Related Financing Activities:

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Cash Payments for Interest | (597) |
| Cash Payments for Principal | (2,743) |
| | (2,743) |

Net Cash Flow from Capital and Related Financing Activities (3,340)

Cash Flow from Investing Activity:

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Interest Received | 797 |
| | 797 |

Net Cash Flow from Investing Activity 797

Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents (32,175)

Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year 88,828

Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year \$56,653

Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to

Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Operating Income (Loss) | (\$42,128) |
| <i>Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss)</i> | |
| <i>to Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:</i> | |
| Depreciation | 5,411 |
| <i>Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities:</i> | |
| Prepaid Expenses | (78) |
| Accounts Payable | 2,188 |
| Accrued Wages & Benefits | 3,209 |
| Accrued Compensated Absences | 1,766 |
| | 1,766 |

Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities (\$29,632)

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

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE AUTHORITY, PROGRAMS AND REPORTING ENTITY

Description of the Authority and Programs

Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority was created under Section 3735.07 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Authority contracts with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide low-income persons with safe and sanitary housing through rent subsidies provided by HUD (Section 8 Housing Assistance). The majority of the Authority's rental income is received from HUD.

A summary of the significant programs administered by the Authority is provided below:

Section 8 Rental Voucher Program - Under the Section 8 Voucher Program, low-income tenants lease housing units directly from private landlords rather than from the Authority. HUD contracts with the Authority, which in turn, contracts with the private landlords and makes assistance payments for the difference between the approved contract rent and the actual rent paid by the low-income tenants.

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Program - This program is designed to help participants achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency.

Reporting Entity

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of the Authority consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the Authority. For the Authority, this includes general operations and the Section 8 program.

The Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority was established for the purpose of engaging the development, acquisition, and administrative activities of the low-income housing program. An Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) was signed by the Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), under provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437) Section 1.1. The Authority was also created in accordance with state law to eliminate housing conditions which were detrimental to the public peace, health, safety, morals, or welfare by purchasing, acquiring, constructing, maintaining, operating, improving, extending, and repairing housing facilities. The nucleus of the financial reporting entity as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, is the "primary government." A fundamental characteristic of a primary government is that it is a fiscally independent entity. In evaluating how to define the financial reporting entity, management has considered all potential component units. A component unit is a legally separate entity for which the primary government is financially accountable. The criteria of financial accountability, is the ability of the primary government to impose its will upon the potential component unit. These criteria were considered in determining the reporting entity. The Authority has no component units.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Authority have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Authority's accounting policies are described below.

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting

The Authority uses a fund to report on its financial position and the results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain functions or activities.

A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein, which are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special restrictions or limitations. For financial statement presentation purposes, the funds of the Authority are grouped into the following fund type.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE: The proprietary fund is used to account for the Authority's ongoing activities which are similar to those found in a private sector. The following is the Authority's proprietary fund:

Enterprise Fund - The enterprise fund is used to account for operations 1) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or 2) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 20, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, the Authority follows GASB guidance as applicable to proprietary funds, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins issued on or before November 30, 1989 that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Authority also elects to apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, except for those that conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

Measurement Focus

The proprietary fund type is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of the Authority are included on the statement of net assets. The statement of change in net assets presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Authority finances and meets the cash flow needs of its enterprise activity.

Basis of Accounting

The proprietary fund type uses the accrual basis of accounting for reporting purposes. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and measurable and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, if measurable.

Budgetary Data

The Authority is not required to follow the budgetary requirements of the Ohio Revised Code. However, the Authority does maintain a budget or management purposes.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of funds deposited in checking accounts and are stated at cost, which approximates market value.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows and for presentation on the statement of net assets, cash and cash equivalents include all highly liquid debt instruments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased.

Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond September 30, 2008, are recorded as prepaid items by using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the purchase and an expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

Capital Assets

Land, buildings, equipment and vehicles are recorded at historical cost. Donated land, buildings, equipment and vehicles are recorded at their fair value on the date donated. The Authority capitalizes all assets with a cost of \$3,000 or more. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line method using half-year convention over the following useful lives:

| <u>Description</u> | <u>Estimated Lives</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Buildings and Improvements | 30 |
| Equipment | 7 |
| Vehicles | 5-7 |

Compensated Absences

The Authority reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability for employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned by the employees if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributed to services already rendered and it is probable that the Authority will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The liability for sick leave and vacation benefits is based on accumulated unused balances and employees' wage rates at fiscal year end. Compensated absences are expensed when earned by the employees.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the Authority, these revenues are tenant revenues, operating grants from HUD and other miscellaneous revenue.

Operating expenses are those expenses that are expended directly for the primary activity of the proprietary fund. For the Authority, these expenses are primarily administrative, benefits, maintenance and operations, depreciation, and housing assistance payments.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets – net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are recorded as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use by either internal or external restrictions. The Authority did not have any restricted net assets for the year ended September 30, 2008.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Legal Requirements

State Statutes require the classification of cash into three categories.

Active cash is public deposits necessary to meet demands on the treasury. Such funds must be maintained either as cash in the Authority's treasury, in commercial or depository accounts payable or withdrawable on demand including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive cash is public deposits not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive funds may only be used to purchase investments which mature or are redeemable within five years from the date of purchase.

Interim cash is public deposits not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the current depository agreement expires. Interim funds may only be invested or deposited in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above, provided that the fair value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to fair value daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;

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NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)

4. Bond and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) of this section, and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool. (STAROhio);
7. Certain banker's acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the date of purchase in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of interim monies available for investment at any time; and
8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

Public depositories must give security for all public funds on deposit. Protection of the Authority's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds with the Treasurer by the financial institution, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Authority, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

The following information classifies deposits by category of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, *Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements* and GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*. The Authority held no investments at the end of the year.

Deposits: Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Authority.

At September 30, 2008, the carrying amount of all Authority deposits was \$56,653. All of the Authority's bank balance was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

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NOTE 4 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

The employees of the Authority are covered by the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS), who administers three separate pension plans. The Traditional Pension Plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Member-Directed Plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the Member-Directed Plan members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of member and (vested) employer contributions plus any investment earnings thereon.

The Combined Plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Under the Combined Plan employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar in nature to the Traditional Plan benefit. Member contributions, the investment of which is self-directed by the members, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the Member-Directed Plan.

OPERS provides basic retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members of the Traditional and Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority to establish and amend benefits. The OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. Interested parties may obtain a copy by making a written request to 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705 or 1-800-222-PERS (7377).

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. The contribution requirements of the plan members and the commission are established and may be amended by the Public Employees Retirement Board. The 2008 contribution rate for employees was 9.5% of their covered salaries until January 1, 2008 at which time the contribution rate increased to 10.0%. The 2008 contribution rate for local government employers was 13.85% of covered payroll, and effective January 1, 2008 this rate increased to 14.0%. Of the employer contribution rate, 9.35% was the portion used to fund retirement and disability benefits.

The portion of the Authority's contributions that was used to fund retirement and disability benefits for the years ended September 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 was \$11,738, \$11,004 and \$8,939, respectively, which was equal to the required contributions for each year. All required contributions were made prior to each of those fiscal year ends.

NOTE 5 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

In addition to the pension benefit obligation described above, the OPERS provides postemployment health care coverage to age and service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with either the Traditional Plan or Combined Plan. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for postemployment health care coverage. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered another postemployment benefit as described in *GASB Statement No. 12*. Other postemployment benefits are advance-funded on an actuarially determined basis. A portion of each employer's contribution to the Traditional Plan or Combined Plan is set aside for the funding of postemployment health care. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employer contributions. The 2008 contribution rate for local government employers was 13.85% of covered payroll and increased to 14.0% of covered payroll effective January 1, 2008. Of the employer contribution rate, 5.0% was the portion that was used to fund health care until January 1, 2008, at which time 7.0% was the portion used to fund health care.

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NOTE 5 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – (Continued)

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2007, include a rate of return on investments of 6.5%, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4.0% compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .50% and 6.3% based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase between .50% and 4.0% percent annually for the next seven years and 4.0% percent annually after seven years.

All investments are carried at market. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Assets are adjusted to reflect 25% of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets annually.

At December 31, 2008, the number of active contributing participants in the traditional and combined plans was 363,503. Actual employer contributions for 2008 which were used to fund postemployment benefits were \$6,273. The actual contribution and the actuarially required contribution amounts were the same. OPERS' net assets available for payment of benefits at December 31, 2007 (the latest information available) were \$12.8 billion. The actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability were \$29.8 billion and \$17.0 billion, respectively.

On September 9, 2004, the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) with an effective date of January 1, 2007. The HCPP restructures OPERS' health care coverage to improve the financial solvency of the fund in response to increasing health care costs.

NOTE 6 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Sick leave and vacation policies are established by the Board of Commissioners based on local and state laws.

Sick leave is earned at a rate of 4.60 hours per 80 hours of service. Unused sick leave may be accumulated without limit. At time of separation, employees shall be paid the value of up to 30 days of unused sick leave.

All permanent employees will earn vacation hours accumulated based on length of service. Unused vacation leave will be paid to the employees at the time of separation.

As of September 30, 2008, \$15,461 was accrued for unused sick leave and vacation.

NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority maintains comprehensive liability insurance coverage with private carriers for health, real property, building contents and vehicles. Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. There was no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year. There were no settlements that exceeded insurance coverage during the past three years.

NOTE 8 - ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

The Authority receives an "administrative fee" as part of the annual contribution from HUD to cover the costs (including overhead) of administering the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Programs. The fee is a percentage of a HUD determined base rate for each unit per month under HAP contracts. The rate is as follows:

Units per month X \$44.84/unit

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NOTE 9 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets during fiscal year 2008 were as follows:

| | Balance at 10/1/07 | Additions | Deletions | Balance at 9/30/08 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| <i>Nondepreciable Capital Assets:</i> | | | | |
| Land | \$5,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$5,000 |
| <i>Depreciable Capital Assets:</i> | | | | |
| Building and Improvements | 56,039 | 0 | 0 | 56,039 |
| Equipment | 11,661 | 0 | 0 | 11,661 |
| Vehicles | 22,999 | 0 | 0 | 22,999 |
| Total Depreciable Capital Assets | 90,699 | 0 | 0 | 90,699 |
| Total Capital Assets | 95,699 | 0 | 0 | 95,699 |
| <i>Accumulated Depreciation:</i> | | | | |
| Building and Improvements | (11,280) | (1,980) | 0 | (13,260) |
| Equipment | (11,661) | (500) | 0 | (12,161) |
| Vehicles | (12,790) | (2,931) | 0 | (15,721) |
| Total Accumulated Depreciation | (35,731) | (5,411) | 0 | (41,142) |
| Total Capital Assets | \$59,968 | \$(5,411) | \$0 | \$54,557 |

NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Changes in the long-term obligations of the Authority during the 2008 fiscal year were as follows:

| | Issue Date | Interest Rate | Principal Outstanding at October 1, 2007 | Additions | Deductions | Principal Outstanding at September 30, 2008 | Amount Due In One Year |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------------------|---|-----------|------------|--|---------------------------|
| Administrative Building Mortgage | 2002 | 4.95% | \$13,540 | \$0 | \$2,743 | \$10,797 | \$2,906 |
| Compensated Absences | n/a | n/a | \$13,695 | 7,649 | 5,883 | 15,461 | 1,865 |
| Total Long-Term Obligations | | | \$27,235 | \$7,649 | \$8,626 | \$26,258 | \$4,771 |

The Authority entered into a mortgage payable obligation in fiscal year 2002 in the amount of \$26,500 at an interest rate of 4.95% for the Authority's administrative building. Payments are required on a monthly basis in the amount of \$280 with the final payment due on March 25, 2012.

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NOTE 10 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS - (Continued)

Principal and interest requirements to retire debt at September 30, 2008, are as follows:

| Year Ending September 30, | Principal | Interest | Total Payment |
|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 2009 | \$2,906 | \$460 | \$3,366 |
| 2010 | 3,045 | 321 | 3,366 |
| 2011 | 3,198 | 168 | 3,366 |
| 2012 | 1,648 | 35 | 1,683 |
| Total of all Payments | <u>\$10,797</u> | <u>\$984</u> | <u>\$11,781</u> |

NOTE 11 - OPERATING LEASES

The Authority has entered into several leases for equipment. The following table represents the noncancellable rental liabilities:

| | Rental |
|------|----------------|
| 2009 | <u>\$2,981</u> |
| | <u>\$2,981</u> |

The Authority does not have operating leases after 2009. During 2008, the Authority incurred expenses of \$3,974 for noncancellable operating leases.

NOTE 12 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Authority is economically dependent on receiving operating subsidies from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

NOTE 13 - CONTINGENCIES

Under the terms of federal and state grants, periodic audits are required and certain expenditures may be questioned as not appropriate under the terms for the grants. Such audits could lead to reimbursement to the grantor agencies. Authority's management believes disallowance, if any, will be immaterial.

In the normal course of operations, the Authority may be subject to litigation and claims. At September 30, 2008, the Authority was involved in no matters management believes will have a material effect on the basic financial statements.

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Schedule of Net Assets - Proprietary Fund Type
FDS Schedule Submitted to HUD
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

| FDS Line Item No. | Account Description | Section 8 |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| | ASSETS | |
| 111 | Cash - unrestricted | \$56,653 |
| 100 | TOTAL CASH | <u>56,653</u> |
| 142 | Prepaid expenses and other assets | 848 |
| 150 | TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS | <u>57,501</u> |
| 161 | Land | 5,000 |
| 162 | Building | 56,039 |
| 164 | Equipment | 34,660 |
| 166 | Accumulated depreciation | (41,142) |
| 160 | FIXED ASSETS, NET | <u>54,557</u> |
| 190 | TOTAL ASSETS | <u><u>\$112,058</u></u> |
| | LIABILITIES | |
| 312 | Accounts payable <=90 days | 12,743 |
| 321 | Accrued wages/payroll taxes | 6,755 |
| 322 | Accrued compensated absences - current | 1,865 |
| 348 | Loan Liability-Current | 2,906 |
| 310 | TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES | <u>24,269</u> |
| 354 | Accrued compensated absences - noncurrent | 13,596 |
| 355 | Loan Liability-noncurrent | 7,891 |
| 350 | TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES | <u>21,487</u> |
| 300 | TOTAL LIABILITIES | <u>45,756</u> |
| 508.1 | Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | 43,760 |
| 512.1 | Unrestricted net assets | 22,542 |
| 513 | TOTAL EQUITY | <u>66,302</u> |
| 600 | TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY/NET ASSETS | <u><u>\$112,058</u></u> |

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Assets
Proprietary Fund Type
FDS Schedule Submitted to HUD
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

| FDS Line Item No. | Account Description | Section 8 |
|----------------------|--|-----------|
| | REVENUE | |
| 70600-010 | Housing Assistance Payments | \$631,748 |
| 70600-020 | Ongoing Administrative Fees Earned | 96,395 |
| 70600-031 | FSS Coordinator | 39,568 |
| 70060-060 | All Other Fees | 74,992 |
| 70800 | Other Government Grants | 3,808 |
| 71100 | Investment income - unrestricted | 797 |
| 71400 | Other revenue | 4,963 |
| 70000 | TOTAL REVENUE | 852,271 |
| | EXPENSES | |
| 91100 | Administrative salaries | 85,847 |
| 91200 | Auditing Fees | 5,275 |
| 91310 | Book-Keeping Fee | 4,584 |
| 91500 | Employee benefits contributions-administrative | 33,332 |
| 91600 | Office Expenses | 16,381 |
| 91700 | Legal Expense | 50 |
| 91900 | Other | 23,187 |
| 93100 | Utilities-water | 243 |
| 93200 | Utilities-electricity | 1,134 |
| 94200 | Ordinary Maintenance and Operations-Material and Other | 8,738 |
| 96100 | Insurance Premiums | 3,280 |
| 96200 | Other general expenses | 16,325 |
| 96710 | Interest of Mortgage Payable | 597 |
| 96900 | TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES | 198,973 |
| 97000 | EXCESS OPERATING REVENUE OVER EXPENSES | 653,298 |
| 97300 | Housing Assistance Payments | 689,814 |
| 97400 | Depreciation expense | 5,412 |
| 90000 | TOTAL EXPENSES | 894,199 |
| 10000 | EXCESS OF OPERATING REVENUE OVER EXPENSES | (41,928) |
| 11030 | Beginning equity | 108,230 |
| | ENDING EQUITY | \$66,302 |
| 11020 | Debt principal payments-Enterprise fund | (2,743) |

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Summary of Activities

For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

| | <u>Units</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Section 8 Gross Number of Units | 196 |
| Section 8 Number of Units Leased | 179 |

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

| Federal Grantor / Pass Through Grantor / Program Title | Pass Through Entity Number | Federal CFDA Number | Expenditures |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</u> | | | |
| <i>Direct from Federal Government:</i> | | | |
| Section 8 Rental Voucher Program - Contract C-5110 | --- | 14.871 | <u>\$838,625</u> |
| Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development | | | <u>838,625</u> |
| Total Federal Financial Assistance | | | <u><u>\$838,625</u></u> |

Note 1 - Significant Accounting Policies

The Authority prepares its Schedule of Federal Awards Expenditures on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

**Independent Accountant's Report on Internal Control over Financial
Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Required by Government Auditing Standards**

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
PO Box 487
310 W. High Street
McArthur, Ohio 45651

We have audited the financial statements of the Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority (the Authority), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2008 and have issued our report thereon dated March 4, 2009. 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to opine on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as described below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in 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 Authority's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Authority's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

We consider the following deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting: 2008-001.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Authority's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
Independent Accountant's Report on Internal Control over
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Required by Government Auditing Standards

Our 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 internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies. The significant deficiency described previously, we believe is also a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Authority's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. We did not audit the Authority's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, the Board of Directors, management and federal awarding agencies. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

March 4, 2009

**Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance with Requirements
Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control
over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133**

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
PO Box 487
310 W. High Street
McArthur, Ohio 45651

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority (the Authority) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2008. The summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs identifies the Authority's major federal programs. The Authority's management is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each major federal program. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Authority's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance occurred with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect on a major federal program. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing other procedures we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Authority's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that apply to its major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2008.

Internal Control over Compliance

The Authority's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance.

Board of Directors
Vinton Metropolitan Housing Authority
Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance with Requirements
Applicable to Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control
over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133

A *control deficiency* in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the entity's internal control will not prevent or detect more-than-inconsequential noncompliance with a federal program compliance requirement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that the Authority's internal control will not prevent or detect material noncompliance with a federal program's compliance requirements.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, the Board of Directors, management and federal awarding agencies. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

March 4, 2009

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

A. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

| | |
|---|--|
| 1. Type of Financial Statement Opinion | Unqualified |
| 2. Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)? | No |
| 3. Were there any other significant internal control deficiencies reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)? | Yes |
| 4. Was there any material noncompliance reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)? | No |
| 5. Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs? | No |
| 6. Were there any other reportable internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs? | No |
| 7. Type of Major Program Compliance Opinion | Unqualified |
| 8. Are there any reportable findings under § .510? | No |
| 9. Major Program (list): | Section 8 Rental Voucher Program CFDA #14.871 |
| 10. Dollar Threshold: Type A/B Programs | Type A: >\$300,000 Type B: All Other Programs |
| 11. Low Risk Auditee? | No |

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Year Ended September 30, 2008

**B. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

Finding Number 2008-001

Financial Statement Adjustments - Significant Deficiency

Rule 117-2-01(A) and 117-2-01(B)(1) directs all public offices to design and operate a system of internal control that is adequate to provide assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting.

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the Executive Director and the Board of Directors and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate. It is also important to note that independent auditors are not part of an entity's internal control structure and should not be relied upon by management to detect misstatements in the financial statements.

Thus, it is important that management develop control procedures related to drafting financial statements and footnotes that enable management to prevent and detect potential misstatements in the financial statements and footnotes prior to audit.

The following audit adjustments were made to the September 30, 2008 financial statements:

There were errors in the recording of depreciation and in the capitalization of assets and a reclassification between short term and long term liabilities for compensated absences for the fiscal year 2008.

The necessity for the Authority to make these corrections indicates a significant deficiency in the design of the internal control system over the reliability of financial reporting. The lack of controls over the posting of financial transactions and financial reporting can result in errors and irregularities that may go undetected and decreases the reliability of financial data throughout the year.

We recommend the Authority review their internal controls over recording of financial transactions and over financial reporting to help ensure the information accurately reflects the activity of the District and thereby increasing the reliability of the financial data throughout the year.

Officials' Response

In regard to the issue of short term and long term obligations for compensated absences. The Authority reported the correct figures in the long term obligations and was unaware that part of this needed to be separated out and reported as short term obligation. Now that we are aware of this issue, the Authority will make the necessary adjustment in order to correct this and to prevent it from happening in the future.

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

There were no findings and questioned costs for federal awards.



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

VINTON METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

VINTON COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED
MAY 7, 2009