

CASS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL AGENCY
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2007 AND 2006

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

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Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Officials

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Raymond Zellmer	Chairperson	City of Wiota
Bill Brenton	Vice Chairperson	City of Anita
Dave Meyer	Member	City of Cumberland
Dave Wheatley	Member	City of Atlantic
Randy Fischer	Member	City of Marne
John Rueb	Member	City of Atlantic
Marvin Pelzer	Member	City of Griswold
Shirley Eshelman	Member	City of Massena
Jerry Hudson	Member	City of Lewis
Duane McFadden	Member	Cass County
William Behnken	Member	Cass County
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Cass County
Environmental Control Agency

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Cass County Environmental Control Agency as of and for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits 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 and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Cass County Environmental Control Agency at June 30, 2007 and 2006 and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Organization has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated March 24, 2007 on our consideration of Cass County Environmental Control Agency's internal control over financial reporting and 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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

To the Members of the Cass County
Environmental Control Agency

Our audits were performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying financial information listed as supplemental information in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Garnett, Bell, Kuhn & Co. P.C.

Atlantic, Iowa
March 24, 2008

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Statements of Net Assets

June 30,

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 243,099	\$ 150,855
Cash held in escrow by Cass County	26,355	17,759
Cash, restricted for capital	224,793	--
Accounts receivable	114,601	108,949
Prepaid insurance	<u>15,652</u>	<u>14,715</u>
Total current assets	624,500	292,278
Noncurrent assets:		
Restricted assets:		
Cash and investments	48,364	290,590
Capital assets:		
Non-depreciable capital assets	1,049,617	680,000
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>907,963</u>	<u>1,003,518</u>
	1,957,580	1,683,518
Intangible assets, net	<u>224,538</u>	<u>171,126</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,854,982</u>	<u>\$ 2,437,512</u>

See notes to financial statements.

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable, trade	\$ 4,282	\$ 8,222
Accounts payable, plant	235,409	--
Salaries and benefits payable	1,900	2,387
Due to other governments	3,884	3,884
Accrued interest payable	2,561	--
Compensated absences	6,092	5,360
Current maturities of capital leases	14,095	23,447
Current maturities of notes payable	114,434	70,960
Current portion of estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs	<u>39,136</u>	<u>273,000</u>
Total current liabilities	421,793	387,260
Non-current liabilities:		
Capital leases, less current maturities	1,199	15,222
Notes payable, less current maturities	787,724	402,549
Estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs	<u>423,471</u>	<u>475,000</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>1,212,394</u>	<u>892,771</u>
Total liabilities	1,634,187	1,280,031
Net assets (liabilities):		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,040,128	1,171,340
Restricted for:		
Tonnage fees retained	29,266	20,513
Closure and postclosure care	48,364	290,590
Unrestricted	<u>103,037</u>	<u>(324,962)</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,220,795</u>	<u>1,157,481</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 2,854,982</u>	<u>\$ 2,437,512</u>

Cass County Environmental Control Agency
 Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets
 Year ended June 30,

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Operating revenues:		
Solid waste fees	\$ 723,735	\$ 687,121
Recyclables	54,605	58,344
Reimbursements	<u>6,314</u>	<u>6,298</u>
Total operating revenues	784,654	751,763
Operating expenses:		
Administration	53,136	50,758
Engineering	44,655	37,480
Recycling expenses	83,679	91,734
Cover, compacting and scale expenses	144,786	134,943
Equipment	65,484	80,113
Mandated changes	762	471
Buildings and grounds	172,741	138,648
Closure and postclosure care costs	89,012	37,188
Tonnage fees to Iowa Department of Natural Resources	15,603	11,444
Employee benefits	<u>28,127</u>	<u>28,193</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>697,985</u>	<u>610,972</u>
Operating income	86,669	140,791
Non-operating revenues (expenses):		
Grant revenue	3,215	20,989
Interest income	3,671	8,387
Interest expense	(30,241)	(32,099)
Loss on sale of fixed asset	<u>--</u>	<u>(128)</u>
Non-operating revenues (expenses), net	<u>(23,355)</u>	<u>(2,851)</u>
Change in net assets	63,314	137,940
Net assets beginning of year	<u>1,157,481</u>	<u>1,019,541</u>
Net assets end of year	<u>\$ 1,220,795</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,481</u>

See notes to financial statements.

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Statements of Cash Flows

Year ended June 30,

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from solid waste fees	\$ 718,083	\$ 654,979
Cash received from recyclables	54,605	58,344
Cash received from reimbursements	6,314	6,298
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(701,559)	(337,910)
Cash payments to employees for services	(144,452)	(140,503)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(67,009)	241,208
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Cash received from grantor agency	3,215	20,989
Cash received from sale of fixed asset	--	10,000
Purchase of capital assets	(165,214)	(35,542)
Purchase of intangible assets	(68,850)	(52,940)
Principal payments on capital leases	(23,375)	(23,800)
Interest payment on capital leases	(1,031)	(1,516)
Proceeds from note payable	500,000	--
Principal payments on note payable	(71,351)	(67,416)
Interest payment on note payable	(24,649)	(28,583)
Fee paid on line of credit	(2,000)	(2,000)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	146,745	(180,808)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest received	3,671	8,387
Change in restricted assets	244,629	(7,844)
Net cash provided by investing activities	248,300	543
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	328,036	60,943
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	214,575	153,632
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 542,611</u>	<u>\$ 214,575</u>
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents to the statement of net assets:		
Cash in current assets	\$ 243,099	\$ 150,855
Cash, restricted for capital	224,793	--
Cash held in escrow in current assets	26,355	17,759
Cash and cash equivalents in restricted assets	48,364	45,961
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 542,611</u>	<u>\$ 214,575</u>

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Statements of Cash Flows - Continued

Year ended June 30,

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Operating income	\$ 86,669	\$ 140,791
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	141,999	111,612
Closure and postclosure costs	(285,393)	37,188
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Increase in accounts receivable	(5,652)	(32,142)
Increase in prepaid insurance	(937)	(1,608)
Decrease in accounts payable, trade	(3,940)	(10,132)
Decrease in salaries and benefits payable	(487)	(2,326)
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences	732	(2,175)
Total adjustments	<u>(153,678)</u>	<u>100,417</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u><u>\$ (67,009)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 241,208</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Cass County Environmental Control Agency was formed in 1971 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa. The purpose of the Agency is to operate the sanitary landfill in Cass County for use by all residents of the County.

The Agency is composed of one representative from each of the eight member cities, except that the City of Atlantic appoints one additional representative and two representatives from Cass County. The member cities are: Anita, Atlantic, Cumberland, Griswold, Lewis, Massena, Marne and Wiota. The representative of a city is appointed by the political subdivision to be represented. Each member shall be entitled to one vote for each 1,500 people or fraction thereof as determined by the most recent Federal Census.

The Agency's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the Cass County Environmental Control Agency has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The Agency has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Agency are such that exclusion would cause the Agency's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the Agency to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the Agency. The Cass County Environmental Control Agency has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

B. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Cass County Environmental Control Agency are organized as an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (b) 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.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The 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.

The Agency applies all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

The Agency distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the Agency's principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the Statement of Net Assets:

Cash, Investments, and Cash Equivalents - The Agency considers all short-term investments that are highly liquid to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, and at the day of purchase, they have a maturity date no longer than three months. There were no cash investments meeting the definition of cash equivalents at June 30, 2007.

Restricted Assets - Funds set aside for payment of closure and postclosure care costs are classified as restricted.

Accounts Receivable - Accounts receivable represent amounts that are due and payable from customers but have not been collected at June 30. Management of the Agency believes the receivables will be realized without material collection losses; therefore, no allowance for uncollectible accounts exists.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Capital Assets - Capital assets are accounted for at historical cost. Capital assets with lives in excess of three years and cost in excess of \$500 are capitalized. Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets is charged as an expense against operations. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Capital assets of the Agency are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives (In Years)</u>
Buildings	40-50
Building improvements	20-50
Equipment and vehicles	3-20

Interest is capitalized on qualified assets acquired with certain tax-exempt debt. The amount of interest to be capitalized is calculated by offsetting interest expense incurred from the date of the borrowing until completion of the project with interest earned on invested proceeds over the same period. There were no qualifying assets acquired during the year ended June 30, 2007.

Compensated Absences - Agency employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2007.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Agency's deposits in banks at June 30, 2007 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds.

The Agency is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Agency; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

The Agency had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 3, as amended by Statement 40.

NOTE 3 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The Agency contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.70% (3.90% effective July 1, 2007) of their annual salary and the Agency is required to contribute 5.75% (6.05% effective July 1, 2007) of annual payroll. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The Agency's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$8,956, \$8,707, and \$8,617, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of capital assets at June 30, 2007 is as follows:

	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 680,000	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 680,000
Construction in progress	<u> --</u>	<u>369,617</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>369,617</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>680,000</u>	<u>369,617</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>1,049,617</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	564,637	--	--	564,637
Equipment and vehicles	<u>880,057</u>	<u>4,686</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>884,743</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>1,444,694</u>	<u>4,686</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>1,449,380</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	76,622	20,471	--	97,093
Equipment and vehicles	<u>364,554</u>	<u>79,770</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>444,324</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>441,176</u>	<u>100,241</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>541,417</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>1,003,518</u>	<u>(95,555)</u>	<u> --</u>	<u>907,963</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 1,683,518</u>	<u>\$ 274,062</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 1,957,580</u>

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS - Continued

A summary of capital assets at June 30, 2006 is as follows:

	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 680,000	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 680,000
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	543,445	21,192	--	564,637
Equipment and vehicles	<u>877,507</u>	<u>14,350</u>	<u>11,800</u>	<u>880,057</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>1,420,952</u>	<u>35,542</u>	<u>11,800</u>	<u>1,444,694</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	56,221	20,401	--	76,622
Equipment and vehicles	<u>288,027</u>	<u>78,199</u>	<u>1,672</u>	<u>364,554</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>344,248</u>	<u>98,600</u>	<u>1,672</u>	<u>441,176</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>1,076,704</u>	<u>(63,058)</u>	<u>10,128</u>	<u>1,003,518</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 1,756,704</u>	<u>\$ (63,058)</u>	<u>\$ 10,128</u>	<u>\$ 1,683,518</u>

Equipment costing \$107,164 has been purchased under capital lease agreements. Accumulated depreciation on this equipment totals \$42,743 (\$29,347 in the year ended June 30, 2006), including \$13,396 of depreciation for the year ended June 30, 2007 (\$13,396 in the year ended June 30, 2006).

NOTE 5 - INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The Agency incurred \$95,170 for landfill design and groundwater assessment projects during the year ended June 30, 2007. The total cost of the projects was \$283,260 and is being amortized over a period of five years.

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE 5 - INTANGIBLE ASSETS - Continued

A summary of the intangible assets at June 30, 2007 is as follows:

	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>
Intangible assets	\$ 188,090	\$ 95,170	\$ --	\$ 283,260
Accumulated amortization	<u>16,964</u>	<u>41,758</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>58,722</u>
Intangible assets, net	<u>\$ 171,126</u>	<u>\$ 53,412</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 224,538</u>

A summary of the intangible assets at June 30, 2006 is as follows:

	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>
Intangible assets	\$ 161,190	\$ 26,900	\$ --	\$ 188,090
Accumulated amortization	<u>3,952</u>	<u>13,012</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>16,964</u>
Intangible assets, net	<u>\$ 157,238</u>	<u>\$ 13,888</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 171,126</u>

NOTE 6 - NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

A schedule of changes in the Agency's non-current liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 follows:

	<u>Balance 2006</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance 2007</u>	<u>Current Portion</u>
Note Payable, 2003	\$ 473,509	\$ --	\$ 71,351	\$ 402,158	\$ 75,037
Note Payable, 2007	<u>--</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>39,397</u>
	473,509	500,000	71,351	902,158	114,434
Capital Lease Obligations:					
John Deere	28,657	--	13,363	15,294	14,095
Ziegler	<u>10,012</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>10,012</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
	38,669	--	23,375	15,294	14,095
Estimated Liability for Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs	<u>748,000</u>	<u>89,012</u>	<u>374,405</u>	<u>462,607</u>	<u>39,136</u>
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>\$1,260,178</u>	<u>\$ 589,012</u>	<u>\$ 469,131</u>	<u>\$1,380,059</u>	<u>\$ 167,665</u>

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NOTE 6 - NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES - Continued

	<u>Balance 2005</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Balance 2006</u>	<u>Current Portion</u>
Note Payable, bank	\$ 540,925	\$ --	\$ 67,416	\$ 473,509	\$ 70,960
Capital Lease Obligations:					
John Deere	41,534	--	12,877	28,657	13,435
Ziegler	<u>20,935</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>10,923</u>	<u>10,012</u>	<u>10,012</u>
	62,469	--	23,800	38,669	23,447
Estimated Liability for Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs	<u>710,812</u>	<u>37,188</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>748,000</u>	<u>273,000</u>
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>\$1,314,206</u>	<u>\$ 37,188</u>	<u>\$ 91,216</u>	<u>\$1,260,178</u>	<u>\$ 367,407</u>

NOTE 7 - CAPITAL LEASES

The Agency entered into a capital lease agreement with John Deere Leasing on July 17, 2003 for a tractor and loader. The agreement is for a period of 60 months at an interest rate of 4.25%. The book value of the leased equipment as of June 30, 2007 is \$33,043.

The Agency entered into a capital lease agreement with Ziegler, Inc. on April 11, 2005 for a skid loader. The agreement is for a period of 24 months at an interest rate of 0%. The book value of the leased equipment as of June 30, 2007 is \$31,378. This lease was paid off during fiscal year 2007.

The following is a schedule by year of future minimum lease payments and present value of net minimum lease payments:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments</u>	<u>Amount Representing Interest</u>	<u>Total Minimum Lease Payments</u>
2008	\$ 14,095	\$ 293	\$ 14,388
2009	<u>1,199</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1,199</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 15,294</u>	<u>\$ 293</u>	<u>\$ 15,587</u>

Payments under these agreements for the year ended June 30, 2007 totaled \$24,429.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 8 - NOTE PAYABLE

The Cass County Environmental Control Agency entered into a mortgage note payable with a local bank to finance a balefill project completed during the year ended June 30, 2003. The note requires monthly payments of \$8,000, including interest at 5.6%, and matures with a balloon payment due on December 4, 2008.

The Agency entered into a mortgage note payable for \$500,000 on May 22, 2007 with a local bank to finance expansion and compliance with DNR regulations. The note requires monthly payments of \$5,250, including interest at 4.75% maturing on June 1, 2017.

Scheduled principal and interest payments are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 114,434	\$ 44,566	\$ 159,000
2009	369,182	31,192	400,374
2010	44,068	18,932	63,000
2011	46,208	16,792	63,000
2012	48,428	14,572	63,000
2013-2017	<u>279,838</u>	<u>35,079</u>	<u>314,917</u>
	<u>\$ 902,158</u>	<u>\$ 161,133</u>	<u>\$ 1,063,291</u>

NOTE 9 - CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS

To comply with federal and state regulations, the Agency is required to complete a monitoring system plan and a closure/postclosure plan and to provide funding necessary to effect closure and postclosure, including the proper monitoring and care of the landfill after closure. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements have established closure and thirty-year postclosure care requirements for all municipal solid waste landfills that receive waste after October 9, 1993. State governments are primarily responsible for implementation and enforcement of those requirements and have been given flexibility to tailor requirements to accommodate local conditions that exist. The effect of the EPA requirement is to commit landfill owners to perform certain closing functions and postclosure monitoring functions as a condition for the right to operate the landfill in the current period. The EPA requirements provide that when a landfill stops accepting waste, it must be covered with a minimum of twenty-four inches of earth to keep liquid away from the buried waste. Once the landfill is closed, the owner is responsible for maintaining the final cover, monitoring ground water and methane gas, and collecting and treating leachate (the liquid that drains out of waste) for thirty years.

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NOTE 9 - CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS - Continued

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 18 requires landfill owners to estimate total landfill closure and postclosure care costs and recognize a portion of these costs each year based on the percentage of estimated total landfill capacity used that period. Estimated total costs would consist of four components: (1) the cost of equipment and facilities used in postclosure monitoring and care, (2) the cost of final cover (material and labor), (3) the cost of monitoring the landfill during the postclosure period and (4) the cost of any environmental cleanup required after closure. Estimated total cost is based on the cost to purchase those services and equipment currently and is required to be updated annually for changes due to inflation or deflation, technology, or applicable laws or regulations.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 it was determined that the Agency could use additional horizontal expansion to increase the capacity and life of the currently used portion of the landfill. With the construction of future cells, the estimated life of the landfill is sixty years.

The liability for the Agency has been estimated at \$24,243 for closure and \$438,364 for postclosure, for a total of \$462,607 as of June 30, 2007. These amounts are based on what it would cost to perform all closure and postclosure care during the year ended June 30, 2007. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology or changes in regulations. The estimated remaining life of the open portion of the landfill is one year as of June 30, 2007. The Subtitle D Cell under construction as of June 30, 2007 began accepting waste October 1, 2007 and has an expected life of three years.

Chapter 455B.306(8)(b) of the Code of Iowa requires permit holders of municipal solid waste landfills to maintain separate closure and postclosure care accounts to accumulate resources for the payment of closure and postclosure care costs. The Agency has begun accumulating resources to fund these costs and, at June 30, 2007, assets of \$48,364 are restricted for these purposes, of which \$2,535 is for closure and \$45,829 is for postclosure care. They are reported as restricted assets and restricted net assets on the Statement of Net Assets.

Also, pursuant to chapter 567-111.3(3) of the Iowa Administrative Code (IAC), since the estimated closure and postclosure care costs are not fully funded, the Agency is required to demonstrate financial assurance for the unfunded costs. The Agency has adopted the dedicated fund mechanism.

Chapter 567-111.8(7) of the IAC allows a government to choose the dedicated fund mechanism to demonstrate financial assurance and use the accounts established to satisfy the closure and postclosure care account requirements. Accordingly, the landfill is not required to establish closure and postclosure care accounts in addition to the accounts established to comply with the dedicated fund financial assurance mechanism.

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June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 10 - SOLID WASTE TONNAGE FEES RETAINED

The Agency has established an account for restricting and using solid waste tonnage fees retained by the Agency in accordance with Chapter 455B.310 of the Code of Iowa.

As of June 30, 2007, the unspent amounts retained by the Agency and restricted for the required purposes totaled \$29,266.

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Cass County Environmental Control Agency is a member of the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, as allowed by Chapter 670.7 of the Code of Iowa. The Iowa communities Assurance Pool (Pool) is a local government risk-sharing pool whose 556 members include various governmental entities throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was formed in August, 1986 for the purpose of managing and funding third-party liability claims against its members. The Pool provides coverage and protection in the following categories: general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, public officials liability, police professional liability, property, inland marine and boiler/machinery. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior years.

Each members' annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual operating contributions are those amounts necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, claims, claims expenses and reinsurance expenses due and payable in the current year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Capital contributions are made during the first six years of membership and are maintained to equal 300 percent of the total current members' basis rates or to comply with the requirements of any applicable regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the Pool.

The Pool also provides property coverage. Members who elect such coverage make annual operating contributions which are necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses and reinsurance premiums, all of which are due and payable in the current year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Any year-end operating surplus is transferred to capital. Deficiencies in operations are offset by transfers from capital and, if insufficient, by the subsequent year's member contributions.

The Agency's property and casualty contributions to the risk pool are recorded as expenses from its operating funds at the time of payment to the risk pool. The Agency's annual contributions to the Pool were \$15,137 and \$14,579 for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 respectively.

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NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT - Continued

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Pool retains general, automobile, police professional, and public officials' liability risks up to \$350,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured in an amount not to exceed \$2,650,000 per claim and \$5,000,000 in aggregate per year. For members requiring specific coverage from \$3,000,000 to \$10,000,000, such excess coverage is also reinsured. Automobile physical damage risks are retained by the Pool up to \$100,000 each accident, each location, with excess coverage reinsured on an individual-member basis. All property risks are also reinsured on an individual-member basis.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim or series of claims exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the member's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event that a series of casualty claims exhausts total members' equity plus any reinsurance and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims shall be the obligation of the respective individual member. The Agency does not report a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance or excess risk-sharing recoveries unless it is deemed probable that such losses have occurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated. Accordingly, at June 30, 2007, no liability has been recorded in the Agency's financial statements. As of June 30, 2007, settled claims have not exceeded the risk pool or reinsurance company coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Members agree to continue membership in the Pool for a period of not less than one full year. After such period, a member who has given 60 days' prior written notice may withdraw from the Pool. Upon withdrawal, payments for all claims and claims expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the member's withdrawal. Members withdrawing within the first six years of membership may receive a partial refund of their capital contributions. After the sixth year, the member is refunded 100 percent of its capital contributions, however, the refund is reduced by an amount equal to the annual operating contribution which the withdrawing member would have made for the one-year period following withdrawal.

The Agency also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with Workers' Compensation, Liability and Crime. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007 and 2006

NOTE 12 - CONTINGENCIES

Line of Credit

The Agency entered into a line of credit agreement in the amount of \$1,000,000 bearing an interest rate of 5%, due January 1, 2008. The primary purpose of the line of credit is to show the Agency can demonstrate financial assurance for closure and postclosure care costs. As of June 30, 2007, the outstanding balance on the line of credit was \$ - 0 - .

Construction in Progress

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources requires existing landfills to construct a Subtitle D Cell by October, 2007. The construction was completed prior to June 30, 2007 but was not placed into operation until September because of necessary needed approvals. Therefore a portion of the amount in construction in progress has been accrued in Accounts Payable, plant and will be paid with loan funds already on hand.

Equipment Purchase

The Agency approved an agreement in April of 2007 with the intent to purchase a new tractor/loader in the amount of \$38,988. The transaction was completed in August of 2007.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Combining Statements of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

Assets	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Planning</u>
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 243,099	\$ --
Cash held in escrow by Cass County	--	10,980
Cash, restricted for capital	224,793	--
Accounts receivable	114,601	--
Due from other funds	--	1,907
Prepaid insurance	<u>15,652</u>	<u>--</u>
Total current assets	598,145	12,887
Noncurrent assets:		
Restricted assets:		
Cash and investments	--	--
Capital assets:		
Non-depreciable capital assets	680,000	--
Depreciable capital assets, net	907,963	--
Construction in progress	<u>369,617</u>	<u>--</u>
	1,957,580	--
Intangible assets, net	<u>224,538</u>	<u>--</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,780,263</u>	<u>\$ 12,887</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable, trade	\$ 4,282	\$ --
Accounts payable, plant	235,409	--
Salaries and benefits payable	1,900	--
Due to other funds	2,911	--
Due to other governments	3,884	--
Accrued interest payable	2,561	--
Compensated absences	6,092	--
Current maturities of capital leases	14,095	--
Current maturities of note payable	114,434	--
Current portion of estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs	<u>39,136</u>	<u>--</u>
Total current liabilities	424,704	--
Non-current liabilities:		
Capital leases, less current maturities	1,199	--
Note payable, less current maturities	787,724	--
Estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs	<u>423,471</u>	<u>--</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>1,212,394</u>	<u>--</u>
Total liabilities	1,637,098	--

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<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Closure and Postclosure</u>	<u>Eliminations</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 243,099
15,375	--	--	26,355
--	--	--	224,793
--	--	--	114,601
1,004	--	(2,911)	--
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>15,652</u>
16,379	--	(2,911)	624,500
--	48,364	--	48,364
--	--	--	680,000
--	--	--	907,963
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>369,617</u>
--	--	--	1,957,580
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>224,538</u>
<u>\$ 16,379</u>	<u>\$ 48,364</u>	<u>\$(2,911)</u>	<u>\$ 2,854,982</u>
\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 4,282
--	--	--	235,409
--	--	--	1,900
--	--	(2,911)	--
--	--	--	3,884
--	--	--	2,561
--	--	--	6,092
--	--	--	14,095
--	--	--	114,434
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>39,136</u>
--	--	(2,911)	421,793
--	--	--	1,199
--	--	--	787,724
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>423,471</u>
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1,212,394</u>
--	--	(2,911)	1,634,187

Cass County Environmental Control Agency
 Combining Statements of Net Assets - Continued

June 30, 2007

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Planning</u>
Net assets (liabilities):		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 1,040,128	\$ --
Restricted for:		
Tonnage fees retained	--	12,887
Closure and postclosure care	--	--
Unrestricted	<u>103,037</u>	<u>--</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,143,165</u>	<u>12,887</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 2,780,263</u>	<u>\$ 12,887</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Closure and Postclosure</u>	<u>Eliminations</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 1,040,128
16,379	--	--	29,266
--	48,364	--	48,364
--	--	--	103,037
<u>16,379</u>	<u>48,364</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1,220,795</u>
<u>\$ 16,379</u>	<u>\$ 48,364</u>	<u>\$(2,911)</u>	<u>\$ 2,854,982</u>

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Combining Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

Year ended June 30, 2007

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Planning</u>
Operating revenues:		
Solid waste fees	\$ 723,735	\$ --
Recyclables	54,605	--
Reimbursements	<u>6,314</u>	<u>--</u>
Total operating revenues	784,654	--
Operating expenses:		
Administration	53,136	--
Engineering	44,655	--
Recycling expenses	81,991	--
Cover, compacting and scale expenses	144,786	--
Equipment	65,484	--
Mandated changes	762	--
Buildings and grounds	172,741	--
Closure and postclosure costs	89,012	--
Tonnage fees to Iowa Department of Natural Resources	15,603	--
Employee benefits	<u>28,127</u>	<u>--</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>696,297</u>	<u>--</u>
Operating income (loss)	88,357	--
Non-operating revenues (expenses):		
Grant revenue	3,215	--
Interest income	1,665	--
Interest expense	<u>(30,241)</u>	<u>--</u>
Non-operating revenues (expenses), net	<u>(25,361)</u>	<u>--</u>
Net income (loss) before operating transfers	62,996	--

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<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Closure and Postclosure</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ --	\$ --	\$ 723,735
--	--	54,605
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>6,314</u>
--	--	784,654
--	--	53,136
--	--	44,655
1,688	--	83,679
--	--	144,786
--	--	65,484
--	--	762
--	--	172,741
--	--	89,012
--	--	15,603
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>28,127</u>
<u>1,688</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>697,985</u>
(1,688)	--	86,669
--	--	3,215
--	2,006	3,671
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(30,241)</u>
<u>--</u>	<u>2,006</u>	<u>(23,355)</u>
(1,688)	2,006	63,314

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Combining Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets - Continued

Year ended June 30, 2007

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Planning</u>
Operating transfers in (out):		
Operations Fund	\$ --	\$ --
Planning Fund	(4,504)	4,504
Recycling Fund	(5,937)	--
Closure and Postclosure Fund	<u>244,232</u>	<u>--</u>
Operating transfers in (out), net	<u>233,791</u>	<u>4,504</u>
Change in net assets	296,787	4,504
Net assets beginning of year	<u>846,378</u>	<u>8,383</u>
Net assets end of year	<u>\$ 1,143,165</u>	<u>\$ 12,887</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Closure and Postclosure</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
--	--	--
5,937	--	--
--	(244,232)	--
<u>5,937</u>	<u>(244,232)</u>	<u>--</u>
4,249	(242,226)	63,314
<u>12,130</u>	<u>290,590</u>	<u>1,157,481</u>
<u>\$ 16,379</u>	<u>\$ 48,364</u>	<u>\$ 1,220,795</u>

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Combining Statements of Cash Flows

Year ended June 30, 2007

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Planning</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from solid waste fees	\$ 718,083	\$ --
Cash received from recyclables	54,605	--
Cash received from reimbursements	6,314	--
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(699,871)	--
Cash payments to employees for services	(144,452)	--
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(65,321)</u>	<u>--</u>
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:		
Transfers from other funds	244,232	3,546
Transfers to other funds	<u>(10,284)</u>	<u>--</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) non-capital financing activities	233,948	3,546
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Cash received from grantor agency	3,215	--
Purchase of capital assets	(165,214)	--
Purchase of intangible assets	(68,850)	--
Principal payments on capital leases	(23,375)	--
Interest payment on capital leases	(1,031)	--
Proceeds from note payable	500,000	--
Principal payments on note payable	(71,351)	--
Interest payment on note payable	(24,649)	--
Fee paid on line of credit	<u>(2,000)</u>	<u>--</u>
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities	146,745	--
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest received	1,665	--
Change in restricted assets	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>1,665</u>	<u>--</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	317,037	3,546
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>150,855</u>	<u>7,434</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 467,892</u>	<u>\$ 10,980</u>

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<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Closure and Postclosure</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ --	\$ --	\$ 718,083
--	--	54,605
--	--	6,314
(1,688)	--	(701,559)
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(144,452)</u>
(1,688)	--	(67,009)
6,738	--	254,516
<u>--</u>	<u>(244,232)</u>	<u>(254,516)</u>
6,738	(244,232)	--
--	--	3,215
--	--	(165,214)
--	--	(68,850)
--	--	(23,375)
--	--	(1,031)
--	--	500,000
--	--	(71,351)
--	--	(24,649)
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(2,000)</u>
--	--	146,745
--	2,006	3,671
<u>--</u>	<u>244,629</u>	<u>244,629</u>
<u>--</u>	<u>246,635</u>	<u>248,300</u>
5,050	2,403	328,036
<u>10,325</u>	<u>45,961</u>	<u>214,575</u>
<u>\$ 15,375</u>	<u>\$ 48,364</u>	<u>\$ 542,611</u>

Cass County Environmental Control Agency
Combining Statements of Cash Flows - Continued

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Operations	Planning
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash used in operating activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ 88,357	\$ --
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	141,998	--
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Increase in accounts receivable	(5,652)	--
Increase in prepaid insurance	(937)	--
Decrease in accounts payable, trade	(3,941)	--
Decrease in salaries and benefits payable	(487)	--
Increase in compensated absences	732	--
Decrease in estimated liability for landfill closure and postclosure care costs	(285,393)	--
Total adjustments	(153,680)	--
Net cash used in operating activities	\$(65,323)	\$ --

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

<u>Recycling</u>	<u>Closure and Postclosure</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$(1,688)	\$ --	\$ 86,669
--	--	141,998
--	--	(5,652)
--	--	(937)
--	--	(3,941)
--	--	(487)
--	--	732
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(285,393)</u>
<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>(153,680)</u>
<u>\$(1,688)</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$(67,011)</u>

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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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 Members of the Cass County
Environmental Control Agency
Atlantic, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Cass County Environmental Control Agency as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated March 24, 2007. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Cass County Environmental Control Agency's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of Cass County Environmental Control Agency's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Cass County Environmental Control Agency'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 discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Cass County Environmental Control Agency's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Cass County Environmental Control Agency's that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Cass County Environmental Control Agency's internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

To the Members of the Cass County
Environmental Control Agency

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Cass County Environmental Control Agency's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Cass County Environmental Control Agency's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance 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 non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the Agency's operations for the year ended June 30, 2007 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the Agency. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Cass County Environmental Control Agency's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusions on the Agency's responses, we did not audit Cass County Environmental Control Agency's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and constituents of Cass County Environmental Control Agency and other parties to whom the Agency may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Garrett, Ben, Kytan & Co. P.C.

Atlantic, Iowa
March 24, 2008

Cass County Environmental Control Agency

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2007

PART I - SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES

07-I-A Segregation of Duties: A limited number of people have the primary responsibility for many of the accounting and financial duties. As a result, some of those aspects of internal accounting control which rely upon an adequate segregation of duties are, for all practical purposes, missing in the Agency.

Recommendation: We recognize that it may not be economically feasible for the Agency to employ additional personnel for the sole purpose of segregating duties, however, it is our professional responsibility to bring this control deficiency to your attention. We recommend that the Board be aware of the lack of segregation of duties and that they act as an oversight group to the accounting personnel.

Response: The Board is aware of this lack of segregation of duties, but it is not economically feasible for the Agency to employ additional personnel for this reason. The Board will continue to act as an oversight group.

Conclusion: Response accepted.

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PART II - INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE

No matters were reported.

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PART III - OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO REQUIRED STATUTORY REPORTING

07-III-A Questionable Expenses: No expenses that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.

07-III-B Travel Expense: No expenditures of Agency money for travel expenses of spouses of Agency officials or employees were noted.

07-III-C Board Minutes: No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.

07-III-D Deposits and Investments: No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa were noted.

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PART III - OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO REQUIRED STATUTORY REPORTING -
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07-III-E Solid Waste Fees Retained: During the year ended June 30, 2007, the Agency used or retained the solid waste fees in accordance with Chapter 455B.310(2) of the Code of Iowa.

07-III-F Financial Assurance: The Agency has demonstrated financial assurance for closure and postclosure care costs by establishing a local government dedicated fund as provided in Chapter 111.6(8) of the Iowa Administrative Code. The calculation is made as follows:

	<u>Closure</u>	<u>Postclosure</u>
Total estimated costs for closure and postclosure care	\$ 24,243	\$ 438,364
Less: Balance of funds held in the local dedicated fund at June 30, 2006	<u>(15,371)</u> 8,872	<u>(275,219)</u> 163,145
Divided by the number of years remaining in the pay-in period	<u>÷ 1</u>	<u>÷ 1</u>
Required payment into the local dedicated fund for the year ended June 30, 2007	8,872	163,145
Balance of funds held in the local dedicated fund at June 30, 2006	<u>15,371</u>	<u>275,219</u>
Required balance of funds to be held in the local dedicated fund at June 30, 2007	<u>\$ 24,243</u>	<u>\$ 438,364</u>
Amount Agency has restricted for closure and postclosure care	<u>\$ 2,535</u>	<u>\$ 45,829</u>

The Agency uses the availability of a \$1,000,000 line of credit to demonstrate the ability to meet the financial assurance requirements.

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PART IV - OTHER COMMENT

07-IV-A Non-budgeted Expenditures: It was noted during the audit that certain non-budgeted expenditures are not being recorded on the monthly expense report. It was noted in the Board minutes these expenditures were approved by the Board.

Recommendation: We recommend all expenditures be recorded on the monthly expense report to properly report all expenditures incurred each month. This will provide a better reporting of all expenditures.

Response: All expenditures are reviewed and approved by the Board.

Conclusion: Response accepted.

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