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Auditor of State David A. Vaudt today released an audit report on the Evansdale Municipal Water Works, Evansdale, Iowa.

The Water Works' receipts totaled \$1,057,126 for the year ended June 30, 2009, a 4.0 percent increase over 2008. The receipts included \$371,566 in charges for service, miscellaneous operating receipts of \$44,930, \$11,743 in interest on investments, \$30,744 of property rent, loan proceeds of \$66,920 and \$531,223 in sewer rental and solid waste fees collected for the City of Evansdale.

Disbursements for the year totaled \$1,057,532, a 5.3 percent increase over the prior year, and included operating disbursements of \$346,514, capital outlay of \$75,915, debt service of \$103,880 and \$531,223 for sewer rental and solid waste collection fees remitted to the City of Evansdale.

A copy of the audit report is available for review in the office of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/index.html.

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EVANSDALE MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS

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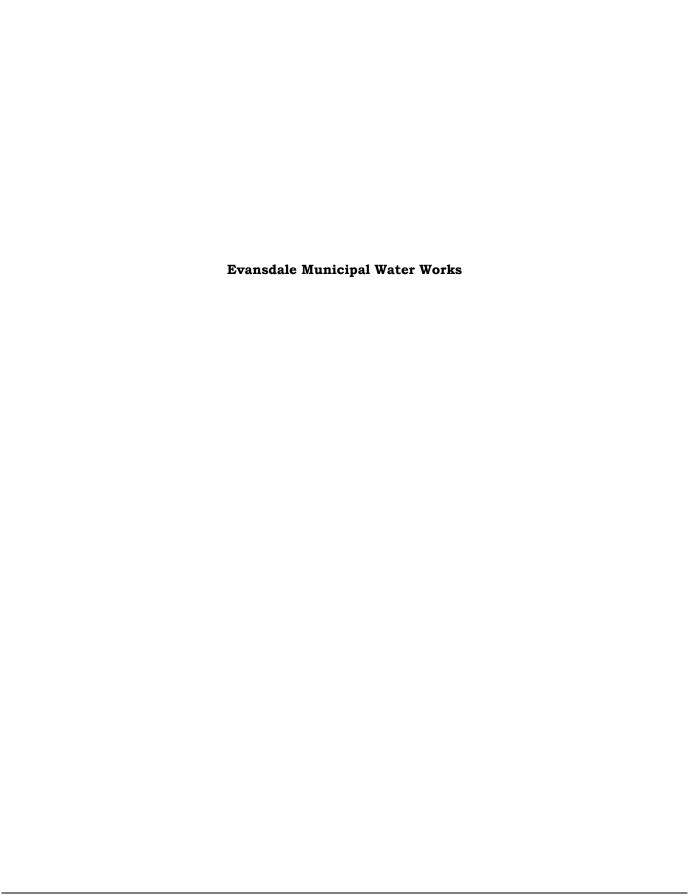
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Officials

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Term <u>Expires</u>
Sharon K. Loftus	Trustee	Dec 31, 2009
Joan M. Thompson	Trustee	(Resigned Dec. 2008)
Danton G. Burkett (Appointed)	Trustee	Dec 31, 2011
Dona R. Frickson	Trustee	Dec 31, 2013
Bennie L. Johnson	Plant and Distribution Foreman	Indefinite
Sandra E. Clements	Office Manager	Indefinite
Eugene Edler	Treasurer	Indefinite
Pat Galles	Attorney	Indefinite





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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works, Evansdale, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009. This financial statement is the responsibility of Evansdale Municipal Water Works' officials. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. 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 our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in note 1, this financial statement was prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, as discussed in note 1, the financial statement of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works is intended to present only the results of the transactions of that portion of the financial reporting entity of the City of Evansdale that is attributable to the transactions of the Water Works.

In our opinion, the aforementioned financial statement presents fairly, in all material respects, the cash basis financial position of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works as of June 30, 2009, and the changes in its cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in note 1.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated February 5, 2010 on our consideration of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 7 through 9 and pages 18 through 20 are not required parts of the financial statement, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the aforementioned financial statement taken as a whole. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 and 2 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statement. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the aforementioned financial statement and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the aforementioned financial statement taken as a whole.

DAVID A. VAUDT, CPA Auditor of State WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

February 5, 2010

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statement. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Water Works' financial statement, which follows.

2009 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Water Works' total receipts increased approximately \$41,000, or 4.0%, from fiscal 2008 to fiscal 2009.
- The Water Works' total disbursements increased approximately \$53,000, or 5.3%, from fiscal 2008 to fiscal 2009.
- The Water Works' total cash basis net assets decreased .09%, or approximately \$400, from June 30, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works has elected to present its financial statement on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Basis of accounting refers to when financial events are recorded, such as the timing for recognizing revenues, expenses and the related assets and liabilities. Under the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' cash basis of accounting, revenues and expenses and the related assets and liabilities are recorded when they result from cash transactions.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues and liabilities and their related expenses are not recorded in this financial statement. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, readers should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

The annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, as applicable to the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' cash basis of accounting.

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' financial statement. The annual report consists of a financial statement and other information, as follows:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the financial statement and provides an analytical overview of the Water Works' financial activities.
- The Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets presents information on the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' receipts and disbursements and whether the Water Works' financial position has improved or deteriorated as a result of the year's activities.
- The Notes to Financial Statement provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statement.
- Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statement with a comparison of the Water Works' budget for the year.
- Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the individual Enterprise Funds. In addition, the Schedule of Indebtedness provides details of the Water Works' debt at June 30, 2009.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE EVANSDALE MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS

Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets

The purpose of the statement is to present the receipts received by the Evansdale Municipal Water Works and the disbursements paid by the Water Works, both operating and non-operating. The statement also presents a fiscal snapshot of the Water Works' cash balances at year end. Over time, readers of the financial statement are able to determine the Evansdale Municipal Water Works financial position by analyzing the increase and decrease in cash basis net assets.

Receipts are received for both the metered and unmetered sale of water, extensions of water mains and taps for service lines, water turn on/off fees, rent for tower space on the water tower and miscellaneous fees. The City of Evansdale pays the Evansdale Municipal Water Works contract fees to include sewer rental and solid waste charges on the water bill and costs involved in preparing the billing, i.e. meter reading for sewer rental, data entry of meter reads, sales tax return preparation and payment. A summary of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash basis net assets for the years ended June 30, 2009 and June 30, 2008 are presented below:

Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets				
		Year ended June 30,		
		2009	2008	
Receipts:				
Use of money and property	\$	42,487	51,132	
Charges for service		371,566	370,987	
Sewer rental and solid waste				
collection fees collected for City		531,223	532,748	
Loan proceeds		66,920	-	
Miscellaneous		44,930	61,104	
Total receipts		1,057,126	1,015,971	
Disbursements:				
Administration		170,204	161,520	
Plant operation and maintenance		145,443	134,536	
Distribution operation and maintenance		30,867	18,661	
Sewer rental and solid waste collection fees remitted to City		531,223	532,748	
Capital outlay		75,915	55,123	
Debt service		103,880	101,740	
Total disbursements		1,057,532	1,004,328	
Net change in cash basis net assets		(406)	11,643	
Cash basis net assets beginning of year		440,357	428,714	
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$	439,951	440,357	

The larger portion of the Water Works' net assets (83.7%) is unrestricted assets used in the routine operations for the plant, distribution and administrative areas of the Water Works and for capital improvements to the plant and distribution areas. State and federal laws and regulations require the Evansdale Municipal Water Works to perform specific maintenance and monitoring functions in the collection and treatment of water sources before final distribution. The remaining net assets (16.3%) are restricted funds for customer deposits.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works prepares a budget on the cash basis of accounting and submits it to the City of Evansdale. There were no budget amendments for the Water Works during the year ended June 30, 2009.

The Water Works' receipts were \$42,453 more than budgeted. This was primarily due to the Water Works receiving loan proceeds of \$66,920.

Total disbursements were \$34,681 less than budgeted. This was primarily due to the well number six project remaining in the planning phase although the project was budgeted for \$31,000 in fiscal 2009.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2009, the Evansdale Municipal Water Works had \$766,920 of loan debt outstanding. The loan was originally issued March 1, 1999.

ECONOMIC FACTORS

The City of Evansdale continues to experience a sizeable increase in new housing starts. However, current economic conditions beyond the Evansdale Municipal Water Works Trustees' control play a significant roll in the daily operations of the water plant and distribution services. These conditions include, but are not limited to:

- the need to constantly maintain facilities, wells, vehicles and machinery.
- the need to comply with federal and state regulations for the production of water and well-head protection.
- the need to maintain up-to-date technology at a reasonable cost.
- the fluctuation of the cost of the chemicals and energy used to produce quality water.

CONTACTING THE EVANSDALE WATER WORKS' FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our customers and creditors with a general overview of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' finances and to show the Water Works' accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Evansdale Municipal Water Works at 319-233-5524.





Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

Charges for service \$	371,566
Miscellaneous	44,930
Total operating receipts	416,496
Operating disbursements:	
Business type activities:	
Administration	170,204
Plant and collection	145,443
Distribution	30,867
Total operating disbursements	346,514
Excess of operating receipts over operating disbursements	69,982
Non-operating receipts (disbursements):	
Interest on investments	11,743
Property rent	30,744
Solid waste collection fees collected for City	185,436
Sewer rental fees collected for City	345,787
Loan proceeds	66,920
Solid waste collection fees remitted to City	(185,436)
Sewer rental fees remitted to City	(345,787)
Capital outlay	(75,915)
Debt service	(103,880)
Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(70,388)
Net change in cash basis net assets	(406)
Cash basis net assets beginning of year	440,357
Cash basis net assets end of year \$	439,951
Cash Basis Net Assets	
Restricted for customer deposits \$	71,581
Unrestricted	368,370
Total \$	439,951

Notes to Financial Statement

June 30, 2009

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works is a component unit of the City of Evansdale, Iowa, as determined by criteria specified by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The Water Works is governed by a three-member Board of Trustees appointed by the City Council, which exercises oversight responsibility under this criteria.

B. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Water Works are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts which comprise its receipts, disbursements and balances. The various funds are classified as Enterprise Funds in the financial statement. Enterprise Funds are utilized to finance and account for the acquisition, operation and maintenance of governmental facilities and services supported by user charges.

C. Basis of Accounting

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statement of the Water Works is prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statement does not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

D. Restricted Assets and Net Assets

Funds set aside for customer deposits are classified as restricted.

E. <u>Budgets and Budgetary Accounting</u>

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information.

(2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The Water Works' deposits in banks and credit unions at June 30, 2009 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance, the national credit union share insurance fund or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The Water Works 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 Board of Trustees; 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.

The Water Works had investments in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust which are valued at an amortized cost of \$173,737 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust is unrated for credit risk purposes.

(3) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The Water Works 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 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 4.10% of their annual covered salary and the Water Works is required to contribute 6.35% of annual covered payroll. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The Water Works' contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$9,355, \$8,292 and \$7,455, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(4) Compensated Absences

Water Works' employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. Sick leave is payable when used or upon retirement. If paid upon retirement, the total accumulated hours are reduced by one-fourth, not to exceed 240 hours.

These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the Water Works until used or paid. The Water Works' approximate liability for earned compensated absences payable to employees at June 30, 2009 was as follows:

Type of Benefit	Amount
Vacation Sick Leave	\$ 7,600 11,000
Total	\$ 18,600

This liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2009.

(5) Loan from the City of Evansdale

On March 1, 1999, the Water Works entered into a loan agreement with the City of Evansdale for \$1,200,000 to construct a water tower with interest rates ranging from 4.30% to 4.40% per annum. On March 24, 2009, the Water Works and the City of Evansdale refinanced the outstanding debt and added \$66,920 to the debt. The new interest rates range from 1.75% to 3.3% per annum. Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the loan is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2010	\$ 115,000	21,676	136,676
2011	110,000	17,545	127,545
2012	110,000	15,345	125,345
2013	110,000	12,815	122,815
2014	110,000	9,955	119,955
2015-2016	215,000	10,340	225,340
Total	\$ 770,000	87,676	857,676

(6) Risk Management

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.





Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Balances -Budget and Actual (Cash Basis)

Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2009

			Less Funds
			not Required
		Actual	to be Budgeted
Receipts:			
Use of money and property	\$	42,487	-
Charges for service		902,789	531,223
Miscellaneous		111,850	_
Total receipts	1	,057,126	531,223
Disbursements: Business type activities	1	,057,532	531,223
Change in cash basis net assets		(406)	-
Cash basis net assets beginning of year		440,357	
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$	439,951	

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

	Budgeted	Final
_	Amounts	to Net
Net	Original/Final	Variance
42,487	52,400	(9,913)
371,566	378,800	(7,234)
111,850	52,250	59,600
525,903	483,450	42,453
526,309	560,990	34,681
(406)	(77,540)	77,134
440,357	268,801	171,556
439,951	191,261	248,690

Notes to Required Supplementary Information - Budgetary Reporting

June 30, 2009

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works prepares a budget on the cash basis of accounting and submits it to the City Council. In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund. The Water Works' disbursements are budgeted in the business type activities function. There were no budget amendments for the Water Works during fiscal 2009.

During the year ended June 30, 2009, disbursements did not exceed the amount budgeted.



Combining Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets Enterprise Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

		Water	Sewer
		Meter	Rental
	Genera	1 Deposits	Deposits
Operating receipts:			
Charges for service:			
Sale of water	\$ 237,593		
			-
Service fees	4,740		-
Water tower fees	118,533		-
Sewer and solid waste billing fees	10,700		
	371,566	-	
Miscellaneous:			
Sales tax	18,006	-	-
Penalties	4,149	-	-
Customer deposits		- 7,530	6,322
Meter sales	725	-	-
Miscellaneous	4,042	2 -	_
	26,922		6,322
Total operating receipts	398,488	3 7,530	6,322
Operating disbursements:			
Business type activities:			
Administration:			
Personal services	93,811	-	_
Services and commodities	54,797		7,807
	148,608		7,807
Plant and collection:			
Personal services	103,254	1 _	_
Services and commodities	42,189		_
Services and commodities	145,443		_
Distribution:			
Personal services	15,971	-	-
Services and commodities	14,896		
	30,867		-
Total operating disbursements	324,918	8,950	7,807
Excess (deficiency) of operating receipts over			
(under) operating disbursements	73,570	(1,420)	(1,485)
, , 1			(,)

Solid	Sewer	Solid	
Waste	Rental	Waste	
Deposits	Collections	Collections	Total
-	-	-	237,593
-	-	-	4,740
-	-	-	118,533
-	-	-	10,700
-	-	-	371,566
_	_	_	18,006
	_	_	4,149
4,156	_	_	18,008
7,150	_	_	725
	_	_	4,042
4,156			44,930
4,156	_	_	416,496
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4.000	-	-	93,811
4,839		-	76,393
4,839	-		170,204
_	-	-	103,254
-	_	-	42,189
_	-	-	145,443
			15,971
-	-	-	14,896
		<u>-</u>	30,867
4,839			346,514
			,
(683)	-		69,982

Combining Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets Enterprise Funds

As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

		Water Meter	Sewer Rental
	General	Deposits	Deposits
Non-operating receipts (disbursements):			
Interest on investments	11,743	-	-
Property rent	30,744	-	-
Solid waste collection fees collected for City	-	-	-
Sewer rental fees collected for City	-	-	-
Loan proceeds	66,920	-	-
Solid waste collection fees remitted to City	-	-	-
Sewer rental fees remitted to City	-	-	-
Capital outlay	(75,915)	-	-
Debt service:			
Principal redeemed	(70,000)	-	-
Interest paid	(33,880)	-	-
Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(70,388)	-	
Net change in cash basis net assets	3,182	(1,420)	(1,485)
Cash basis net assets beginning of year	365,188	31,190	27,879
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$ 368,370	29,770	26,394

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Solid	Sewer	Solid	
Waste	Rental	Waste	
Deposits	Collections	Collections	Total
			44 740
-	=	-	11,743
-	-	-	30,744
-	-	185,436	185,436
-	345,787	-	345,787
-	-	_	66,920
-	_	(185, 436)	(185,436)
-	(345,787)	-	(345,787)
_	-	_	(75,915)
			(- / /
_	_	_	(70,000)
_	_	_	(33,880)
-			
	-	-	(70,388)
(600)			(406)
(683)	-	-	(406)
16,100			440,357
10,100			770,337
15,417	-	-	439,951

Schedule of Indebtedness

Year ended June 30, 2009

Obligation	Date of Issue	Interest Rates	Amount Originally Issued
Loan agreement: City of Evansdale	Mar 1, 1999	1.75-3.30%	\$ 1,200,000

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Balance	Issued	Redeemed	Balance	
Beginning	During	During	End of	Interest
of Year	Year	Year	Year	Paid
770,000	66,920	70,000	766,920	33.880



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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 a Financial Statement Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Trustees of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, and have issued our report thereon dated February 5, 2010. Our report expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial statement which was prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' 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 the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' 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 a deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be a significant deficiency and a material weakness.

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 the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' ability to initiate, authorize, record, process or report financial data reliably in accordance with an other comprehensive basis of accounting such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' financial statement that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' internal control. We consider the deficiency in internal control described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

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 the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' 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. However, we believe the significant deficiency described above is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Evansdale Municipal Water Works' financial statement is 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 Water Works' operations for the year ended June 30, 2009 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statement of the Water Works. 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.

The Evansdale Municipal Water Works' response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusion on the Water Works' response, we did not audit the Water Works' response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the members and customers of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works and other parties to whom the Water Works may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the Evansdale Municipal Water Works during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

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February 5, 2010

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2009

Findings Related to the Financial Statement:

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY:

- (A) <u>Segregation of Duties</u> A key component of internal controls is segregation of incompatible duties. Mail is opened by accounting personnel with access to the accounting records. Also, the duties for maintaining accounts receivable are not separate from those of processing collections and deposits.
 - <u>Recommendation</u> We understand segregation of duties is difficult with limited office staff. However, the Water Works should review procedures and segregate duties to the extent possible utilizing current staff.
 - Response We will expand on an existing control implemented as an oversight measure. The office manager collects the mail daily, makes a copy of three random envelopes, and records them on a log which includes name of customer, date received, amount of payment, and if any adjustments were done to the account between quarterly billings. During the month, the number of envelopes received daily ranges from 1-30, so a random sampling of three (if available) represents a high percentage of accounts that are verified. We also maintain a similar record for disconnect notices that are sent out each month. The office clerk never knows which accounts were sampled. The combination of these two procedures provides a high level of oversight.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2009

Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- (1) <u>Certified Budget</u> The budget certified by the City of Evansdale includes amounts budgeted for the Evansdale Municipal Water Works. Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2009 did not exceed the amount budgeted.
- (2) <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> No disbursements we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- (3) <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of Water Works' money for travel expenses of spouses of Water Works' officials or employees were noted.
- (4) <u>Business Transactions</u> No business transactions between the Water Works and Water Works' officials or employees were noted.
- (5) <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of Water Works' officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- (6) <u>Board Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.
- (7) <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the Water Works' investment policy were noted.

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