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VILLAGE OF BURGOON  
SANDUSKY COUNTY

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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

Village of Burgoon  
Sandusky County  
3112 Main Street  
Burgoon, OH 43407-9756

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Burgoon, Sandusky County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village'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 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.

As discussed in Note 1, the Village prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Village of Burgoon, Sandusky County, as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 19, 2003, on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audits.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the finance committee, management, Village Council, and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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**Betty Montgomery**  
Auditor of State

May 19, 2003

**VILLAGE OF BURGOON  
SANDUSKY COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>				
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$11,209			\$11,209
Intergovernmental Receipts	12,891	\$7,021	\$20,000	39,912
Earnings on Investments	284	284		568
Miscellaneous	131			131
	<u>24,515</u>	<u>7,305</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>51,820</u>
<b>Total Cash Receipts</b>				
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property	2,207			2,207
Public Health Services	60			60
Leisure Time Activities	2,499			2,499
Community Environment	282			282
Basic Utility Services	5,400			5,400
Transportation		310		310
General Government	12,452			12,452
Capital Outlay	1,695		21,408	23,103
	<u>24,595</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>21,408</u>	<u>46,313</u>
<b>Total Cash Disbursements</b>				
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(80)	6,995	(1,408)	5,507
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>22,258</u>	<u>37,557</u>	<u>3,600</u>	<u>63,415</u>
<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</b>	<b><u>\$22,178</u></b>	<b><u>\$44,552</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,192</u></b>	<b><u>\$68,922</u></b>

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

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	<u>Proprietary Fund Type</u>
	<u>Enterprise</u>
<b>Operating Cash Receipts:</b>	
Charges for Services	<u>\$6,675</u>
Operating Income	<u>6,675</u>
Net Receipts	6,675
Cash Balance, January 1	<u>                    </u>
<b>Cash Balance, December 31</b>	<b><u><u>\$6,675</u></u></b>

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**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>				
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$11,290			\$11,290
Intergovernmental Receipts	13,515	\$7,472		20,987
Earnings on Investments	378	378		756
Miscellaneous	302			302
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Total Cash Receipts	25,485	7,850		33,335
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<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property	2,292			2,292
Public Health Services	61			61
Leisure Time Activities	2,529			2,529
Community Environment	120			120
Basic Utility Services	4,860			4,860
Transportation		1,518		1,518
General Government	13,800			13,800
Capital Outlay	1,200		\$2,500	3,700
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Total Cash Disbursements	24,862	1,518	2,500	28,880
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Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	623	6,332	(2,500)	4,455
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	21,635	31,225	6,100	58,960
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<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</b>	<b><u>\$22,258</u></b>	<b><u>\$37,557</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,600</u></b>	<b><u>\$63,415</u></b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Description of the Entity**

The Village of Burgoon, Sandusky County, (the Village) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village is directed by a publicly-elected six-member Council. The Village provides police and fire services. The Village contracts with the Sandusky County Sheriff's department to provide security of persons and property. The Village contracts with Bettsville Volunteer Fire Department to provide fire protection.

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

**B. Basis of Accounting**

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

**C. Fund Accounting**

The Village uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. The Village classifies its funds into the following types:

**1. General Fund**

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**2. Special Revenue Fund**

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following Special Revenue Fund:

*Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund* - This fund receives gasoline tax and motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

**3. Capital Project Fund**

This fund is used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise or trust funds). The Village had the following Capital Project Fund:

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*Sewer Project Fund* - This fund receives grant and loan proceeds for the purpose of constructing sewer lines.

**4. Enterprise Fund**

This fund accounts for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges. The Village had the following Enterprise Fund:

*Sewer Fund* - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of the sewer line project.

**D. Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

**1. Appropriations**

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Appropriations lapse at year end.

**2. Estimated Resources**

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

**3. Encumbrances**

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. The Village did not use the encumbrance method of accounting, as required by Ohio law.

A summary of 2002 and 2001 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

**E. Property, Plant and Equipment**

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

**2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH**

The Village maintains a cash pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Demand deposits	<u>\$75,597</u>	<u>\$63,415</u>

Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

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**3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2002 and 2001 follows:

2002 Budget vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$24,730	\$24,515	(\$215)
Special Revenue	7,000	7,305	305
Capital Projects	40,000	20,000	(20,000)
Enterprise		6,675	6,675
Total	\$71,730	\$58,495	(\$13,235)

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$46,500	\$24,595	\$21,905
Special Revenue	39,000	310	38,690
Capital Projects	43,600	21,408	22,192
Total	\$129,100	\$46,313	\$82,787

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$25,234	\$25,485	\$251
Special Revenue	7,500	7,850	350
Total	\$32,734	\$33,335	\$601

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$46,100	\$24,862	\$21,238
Special Revenue	34,000	1,518	32,482
Capital Projects	6,100	2,500	3,600
Total	\$86,200	\$28,880	\$57,320

The Village did not certify expenditures in accordance with Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41 (D).

**4. PROPERTY TAX**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Village Council. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial

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statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payments, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Village.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

**5. DEBT**

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2002 was as follows:

	Principal
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan	\$15,000
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan	20,000
Total	\$35,000

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan relates to planning for a sewer line construction project which was mandated by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. The OWDA has approved up to \$25,000 in loans to the Village for this project. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$2,500, over 10 years. The scheduled payment amount below assumes that \$25,000 will be borrowed. The scheduled payment will be adjusted to reflect any revisions in amounts actually borrowed. The loan is collateralized by sewer receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan relates to the design for a sewer line construction project which was mandated by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. The OWDA has approved up to \$50,000 in loans to the Village for this project. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$5,000, over 10 years. The scheduled payment amount below assumes that \$50,000 will be borrowed. The scheduled payment will be adjusted to reflect any revisions in amounts actually borrowed. The loan is collateralized by sewer receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

Amortization of the above debt is scheduled as follows:

Year ending December 31:	Planning OWDA Loan	Design OWDA Loan
2003	\$2,500	
2004	2,500	
2005	2,500	\$5,000
2006	2,500	5,000
2007	2,500	5,000
2008 – 2012	7,500	25,000
2013 – 2014		10,000
Total	\$20,000	\$50,000

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**6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

The Village's officials belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2002 and 2001, OPERS members contributed 8.5 percent of their wages. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2002.

**7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Commercial Insurance**

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for comprehensive property and general liability.

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

Village of Burgoon  
Sandusky County  
3112 Main Street  
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To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Burgoon, Sandusky County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated May 19, 2003. 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.

**Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audits and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2002-001. We also noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated May 19, 2003.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated May 19, 2003.

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**Betty Montgomery**  
Auditor of State

May 19, 2003

**VILLAGE OF BURGOON  
SANDUSKY COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001**

<b>FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS</b>
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**FINDING NUMBER 2002-001**

**Noncompliance Citation**

Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41(D) states no orders or contracts involving the expenditure of money are to be made unless there is attached thereto a certificate of the fiscal officer certifying that the amount required for the order or contract has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances. Every such contract made without such a certificate shall be null and void and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon.

This section also provides two "exceptions" to the above requirement:

- a. Then and Now Certificate - If no certificate is furnished as required, upon receipt of the fiscal officer's certificate that a sufficient sum was, both at the time of the contract or order and at the time of the certificate, appropriated and free of any previous encumbrances, Council may authorize the issuance of a warrant in payment of the amount due upon such contract or order by resolution within 30 days from the receipt of such certificate, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.
- b. If the amount involved is less than \$3,000 the fiscal officer may authorize it to be paid without the affirmation of Council, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.

No transactions are certified by the fiscal officer at the time the commitment was incurred. Neither of the exceptions provided for were used. To improve controls over disbursements we recommend all Village disbursements receive certification of the fiscal officer that the funds are or will be available.

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**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <b>Explain:</b>
2000-30172-001	Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41(D) Village transactions were not certified.	No	Not corrected. Reissued as finding #2002-001.



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**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
JUNE 19, 2003**