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PALAU DISTRICT HOUSING AUTHORITY (A Component Unit of the Republic of Palau)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended September 30, 2009 and 2008

(A Component Unit of the Republic of Palau)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Palau District Housing Authority

I have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of Palau District Housing Authority (the Authority), a component unit of the Republic of Palau (ROP), as set forth in Section I of the foregoing Table of Contents, as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audits.

I conducted my 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 I plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audits provide a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Palau District Housing Authority as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated January 10, 2010 on my consideration of Palau District Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grants and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my 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 my audits.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and Statistical Section on pages 3 through 13 and 44 through 47, respectively, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Koror, Republic of Palau

January 10, 2010

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Management's Discussion and Analysis September 30, 2009

As management of the Palau District Housing Authority (the Authority), a component unit of the Republic of Palau, we offer readers of the Authority's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Authority for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements, and notes to financial statements on page 14 through 39.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the Authority exceeded its liabilities at September 30, 2009 by \$2,807,682 (net assets).
- The Authority's cash and cash equivalents at September 30, 2009 was \$929,025 representing a decrease of \$44,442 from September 30, 2008.
- The Authority had revenues of \$178,676 and operating expenses of \$130,049 for the year ended September 30, 2009.
- The Authority's net assets (assets less liabilities) increased by \$95,606 from the previous year. Specifically, net assets were \$2.8 million in 2009, \$2.7 million in 2008, and \$2.6 million in 2007. The increase in net assets is a result of revenues earned exceeding expenses incurred.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority's basic financial statements are comprised of two components: 1) authority—wide financial statements and 2) notes to the financial statements.

AUTHORITY-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The authority-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Authority's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Assets* presents information on all of the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

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Overview of the Financial Statements, Continued

AUTHORITY-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets presents information showing how the Authority's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., depreciation and earned but unused vacation leave).

The Statement of Cash Flows provides information about the Authority's cash receipts and cash payments during the reporting period. The statement reports cash receipts, cash payments, and net changes in cash resulting from operations, investing, and financing activities.

The authority-wide financial statements report on the function of the Authority that is principally supported by intergovernmental revenues. The Authority's function is to develop and administer low-cost housing projects and to assist in correcting housing conditions endangering the health, safety, and welfare of the people residing in the Republic of Palau, which is funded primarily with grant revenue received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The authority-wide financial statements can be found on pages 14 through 18 of this report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the authority-wide financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 20 through 39 of this report.

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Traditional users of governmental financial statements will find the Fund Financial Statements presentation more familiar. The focus is now on Major Funds rather than fund types. The Authority consists of exclusively Enterprise Funds. Enterprise funds utilize the full accrual basis of accounting. The Enterprise method of accounting is similar to accounting utilized by the private sector accounting.

Many of the funds maintained by the Authority are required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Others are segregated to enhance accountability and control.

Authority-Wide Financial Analysis

Fiscal year 2009 is the seventh year of implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34. The financial statement focuses on the Authority as a whole. The Authority financial statements (see pages 14 through 18) are designed to emulate corporate presentation models whereby all Authority activities are combined into one total. The focus of the Statement of Net Assets is designed to be similar to bottom line results for the Authority. This statement combines current financial resources (short-term spendable resources) with capital assets. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets focuses on both the gross costs and the net costs of Authority activities which are supported mainly by appropriations from Palau National Congress (PNC) and by other revenues. This approach is intended to summarize and simplify the user's analysis of cost of Authority services to the public.

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Authority-Wide Financial Analysis, Continued

Net Assets As of September 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007

	2009		2008	2007
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	929,025	\$ 973,467	\$ 909,545
Notes receivable, current portion		195,261	176,389	177,668
Accounts receivable		51,886	27,361	41,052
Due from grantor agency		30,375	_	
Interest receivable		9,590	9,589	9,589
Due from other fund	*************	45,000	 45,000	 25,000
Total current assets		1,261,137	 1,231,806	1,162,854
Noncurrent assets:				
Notes receivable, net of current portion		1,605,668	1,555,558	1,511,893
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(78,556)	(78,556)	(85,000)
Capital assets, net		39,555	22,424	28,175
Other assets		43,041	 43,041	 43,041
Total noncurrent assets		1,609,708	 1,542,467	 1,498,109
Total Assets	\$	2,870,845	\$ 2,774,273	\$ 2,660,963

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Authority-Wide Financial Analysis, Continued

Net Assets As of September 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007

	2009	2008	2007
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities:			
Due to other fund	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 25,000
Accrued expenses	18,163	17,197	17,567
Total liabilities	63,163	62,197	42,567
Net Assets			
Invested in capital assets	39,555	22,424	28,175
Restricted	2,374,498	2,344,123	2,312,086
Unrestricted	393,629	345,529	278,135
Total net assets	2,807,682	2,712,076	2,618,396
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 2,870,845	\$ 2,774,273	\$ 2,660,963

This schedule is prepared from the Authority's Statement of Net Assets, which is presented on an accrual basis of accounting whereby liabilities and expenses are recorded when incurred, whether paid or not, and revenue is recorded when earned, whether received or not.

Total net assets as of FY 2009 increased to \$2.81 million from \$2.71 million in FY 2008. The increase is attributed to increase in notes receivable and increase in contributed capital. There were (16) new loans issued in FY 2009 amounting to \$178,028.

Noncurrent assets increased from \$1.54 million in FY 2008 to \$1.61 million in FY 2009. The increase is attributed to increase in notes receivable. A large portion of the notes receivable is from Home Rehabilitation Loan Program.

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Authority-Wide Financial Analysis, Continued

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of an entity's financial position. In the case of the Authority, assets exceeded liabilities by \$2,807,682 as of September 30, 2009.

By far the largest portion of the Authority's net assets (85%) reflects its restricted net assets. Restricted net assets pertain to grants received from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), contributions received from the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands and from the Republic of Palau.

With prudent fund management, the Authority was able to increase its surplus from \$345,529 in FY 2008 to a surplus of \$393,629 in FY 2009.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

Operating Revenues for the Year Ended September 30, 2009

Operating revenues:

\$ 66,645
74,975
16,200
9,000
<u>11,856</u>

Total operating revenues

\$ 178,676

The schedule indicates total revenues realized by the Authority in FY 2009 of \$178,676. The largest portion of revenues (\$66,645 and \$9,000) was contributed by the Olbiil Era Kelulau (Palau National Congress). The Authority's revenues are largely intergovernmental revenues received from cost reimbursement grants. The Authority draws down monies from the grants' awards for allowable program expenses, except for non-cash transactions, such as depreciation expense and changes in compensated absences. The Authority's intergovernmental revenues and charges for services were sufficient to cover all expenses incurred during the year.

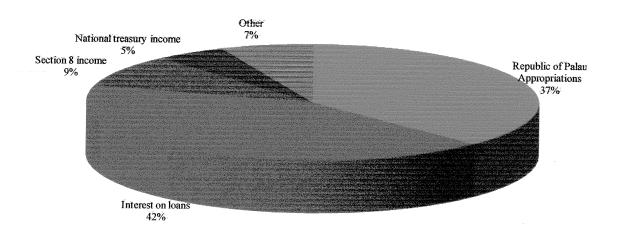
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Authority-Wide Financial Analysis, Continued

The following chart exhibits the breakdown of revenues for Palau District Housing Authority in FY 2009.

Operating Revenues Breakdown



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Operating Expenses for the Year Ended September 30, 2009

Operating expenses:		
Salaries and wages	\$	64,122
Other		14,424
Depreciation		14,153
Rent expense		11,320
Professional fees		9,000
Employee benefits		6,549
Communication		5,312
Repairs and maintenance		2,610
Travel	***************************************	2,559
Total expenses	\$	130,049
Operating income		48,627
Non-operating revenues:		
Interest income		16,604
Change in net assets	\$	65,231

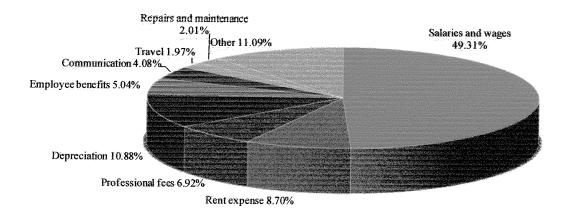
The preceding schedule shows total operating expenses of \$130,049 in FY 2009. As indicated above, the Authority has an increase in surplus of \$65,231.

The biggest expenditure in FY 2009 was salaries and wages, which approximated \$64,000.

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Expenses Breakdown For Year Ended September 30, 2009



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Authority-Wide Financial Analysis, Continued

CAPITAL ASSETS

As of September 30, 2009, the Authority's investment in capital assets for its business-type activities was \$39,555 (net of accumulated depreciation) as reflected in the following schedule:

Residential units	\$	213,431
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		38,782
Vehicles		45,979
Accumulated depreciation	-	(258,637)
Total	\$	39,555

Additional information on the Authority's capital assets can be found in Notes 1 and 6 of the accompanying Combined Financial Statements on pages 28, 34 and 35 of this report.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Accounting principles used in developing data on a budgetary basis differ from those used in preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Amounts included in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets – Budget and Actual which are presented on a non-GAAP budgetary basis) reconcile to the increase in net assets on the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets.

Palau District Housing Authority has no authority to impose taxes to generate revenue. The Authority as an autonomous agency of the Republic of Palau receives annual appropriation from the legislative branch, the Olbiil Era Kelulau (Palau National Congress). The Palau National Congress legislative budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. An annual appropriated budget is adopted by the Legislature for Palau District Housing Authority through an Annual Appropriations Act.

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Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates

The following factors were considered in preparing the Authority's budget for the 2010 fiscal year:

- An increase in the collections of loan payments. The increase will be due to additional loan disbursed.
- The number of loans to be disbursed will be similar to the previous years.
- An increase in interest income, due to additional loan disbursed.
- Appropriation from the Palau National Government applicable to administrative and operation expenditures.
- Rental revenue derived from Section 8 rental housing units.
- Major renovations to the six (6) rental housing units

Future Events that will Financially Impact the Authority

The Authority will continue its housing programs, but will depend entirely on its limited revolving funds to fund and continue its programs. However, we are optimistic that with the Compact Review the administration and congress will focus on much needed capital to be injected to the Palau Housing Authority.

The Section 8 public housing program is sustainable and the land lease has been approved awaiting lease agreement from Koror State (KSPLA). The Palau Housing Authority plans to conduct major repairs and improvements to the six rental units.

Contacting the Authority's Financial Management

The Management Discussion and Analysis is intended to provide information concerning known facts and conditions affecting the Authority's operations. This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Authority's finances and demonstrate its ability to manage its resources. For additional information concerning this report, please contact the Executive Director of the Palau District Housing Authority, PO Box 197, Koror, Republic of Palau, 96940, or call (680) 488-6207.

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Combined Statements of Net Assets with Combining Information September 30, 2009 and 2008

	Major Enterprise Funds										
	I A	Section 8 Housing Ssistance Program		Home nabilitation Loan Program	I	ow-Cost Housing Program	Non-Major Enterprise Funds		Total 2009		Total 2008
ASSETS											
Current assets:											
Cash and cash equivalents											
(Notes 1 and 2)	\$	82,635	\$	509,937	\$	69,731	\$	266,722	\$	929,025	\$ 973,467
Notes receivable, current											
portion (Notes 1, 4 and 9)		-		174,178		17,317		3,766		195,261	176,389
Accounts receivable		32,030		774		2,500		16,582		51,886	27,361
Due from grantor agency		-		-		30,375		-		30,375	-
Interest receivable		-		7,791		1,799		-		9,590	9,589
Due from other fund (Note 5)		-	***************************************					45,000		45,000	 45,000
Total current assets	-	114,665		692,680		121,722		332,070		1,261,137	 1,231,806
Noncurrent assets:										,	
Notes receivable, net of current portion (Notes 1,											
4 and 9)		-		1,435,341		120,180		50,147		1,605,668	1,555,558
Allowance for loan losses											,
(Notes 1 and 4)		_		(71,556)		(1,500)	-	(5,500)		(78,556)	 (78,556)
Notes receivable, net		-		1,363,785		118,680		44,647		1,527,112	1,477,002
Capital assets, net (Notes 1											
and 6)		38,512		_		_		1,043		39,555	22,424
Other assets	***************************************	_		43,041				-		43,041	43,041
Total noncurrent assets	***************************************	38,512	1	,406,826		118,680		45,690		1,609,708	 1,542,467
Total assets	\$	153,177	<u>\$ 2</u>	2,099,506	\$	240,402	\$	377,760	\$:	2,870,845	\$ 2,774,273

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Combined Statements of Net Assets with Combining Information, Continued September 30, 2009 and 2008

	Ma	ajor Enterprise F	unds			
	Section 8 Housing Assistance Program	Home Rehabilitation Loan Program	Low-Cost Housing Program	Non-Major Enterprise Funds	Total 2009	Total 2008
LIABILITIES						
Current Liabilities:						
Due to other fund (Note 5)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
Accrued expenses	1,711		_	16,452	18,163	17,197
Total liabilities	1,711		45,000	16,452	63,163	62,197
NET ASSETS (Note 1)						
Invested in capital assets	38,513	-		1,042	39,555	22,424
Restricted	_	1,801,186	323,312	250,000	2,374,498	2,344,123
Unrestricted	112,953	298,320	(127,910)	110,266	393,629	2,344,123 345,529
Total net assets	151,466	2,099,506	195,402	361,308	2,807,682	2,712,076
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 153,177	\$ 2,099,506	\$ 240,402	\$ 377,760	\$ 2,870,845	\$ 2,774,273

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Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets and Combining Information Years Ended September 30, 2009 and 2008

	Ma	jor Enterprise F	unds			
	Section 8 Housing Assistance Program	Home Rehabilitation Loan Program	Low-Cost Housing Program	Non-Major Enterprise Funds	Total 2009	Total 2008
Operating revenues:						
Republic of Palau						
appropriation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 66,645	\$ 66,645	\$ 67,000
Interest on loans	-	69,326	3,236	2,413	74,975	63,740
Section 8 income	16,200	-	-	-	16,200	16,400
National treasury income	-	10.400	-	9,000	9,000	8,500
Other	719	10,499	554	84	11,856	6,387
Total operating revenues	16,919	79,825	3,790	78,142	178,676	162,027
Operating expenses:						
Salaries and wages	20,149	-	~	43,973	64,122	63,552
Depreciation	13,964	-	-	189	14,153	8,265
Rent expense	2,820	-	-	8,500	11,320	11,890
Professional fees	· -	-	-	9,000	9,000	9,000
Employee benefits	1,893	· <u>-</u>	-	4,656	6,549	6,373
Communication	3,580	-	_	1,732	5,312	3,446
Repairs and maintenance	1,983	-	-	627	2,610	2,699
Travel	261	<u>-</u>	-	2,298	2,559	2,887
Miscellaneous	8,184	555	-	5,685	14,424	11,490
Total operating expenses	52,834	555		76,660	130,049	119,602
Operating income (loss)	(35,915)	79,270	3,790	1,482	48,627	42,425
Non-operating revenue:						
Interest income	2,198	1,038	164	13,204	16,604	19,218
Total non-operating						
revenue	2,198	1,038	164	13,204	16,604	19,218
Change in net assets	(33,717)	80,308	3,954	14,686	65,231	61,643
Total net assets at beginning of year	185,183	2,019,198	161,073	346,622	2,712,076	2,618,396
Capital contribution			30,375	_	30,375	32,037
Total net assets at end of year	\$ 151,466	\$ 2,099,506	\$ 195,402	\$ 361,308	\$ 2,807,682	\$ 2,712,076

PALAU DISTRICT HOUSING AUTHORITY (A Component Unit of the Republic of Palau)

Combined Statements of Cash Flows with Combining Information Years Ended September 30, 2009 and 2008

	Ma	jor Enterprise Fu	unds			
	Section 8 Housing Assistance Program	Home Rehabilitation Loan Program	Low-Cost Housing Program	Non-Major Enterprise Funds	Total 2009	Total 2008
Cash flows from operating activi						
Receipts from customers	\$ 14,897	\$ 200,586	\$ 17,217	\$ 12,924	\$ 245,624	\$ 238,636
Receipts from ROP appropriation				75 (15	77.64.5	
Payments to suppliers	(18,713)	(170 (00)	((2.070)	75,645	75,645	75,500
Payments to suppliers Payments to employees	(16,713) $(22,042)$	(178,680)	(62,978)	* ' '	(310,735)	
rayments to employees	(22,042)			(48,629)	(70,671)	(63,551)
Net cash provided (used)						
by operating activities	(25,858)	21,906	(45,761)	(10,424)	(60,137)	16,799
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Cash flows from financing activi	ties:					
Capital contribution	-	-	30,375	· •	30,375	32,037
•	***************************************				30,573	32,037
Net cash provided by						
financing activities	-	-	30,375	_	30,375	32,037
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Cash flows from investing activit	ies:					
Interest and dividends	2,198	1,038	164	13,204	16,604	19,219
Acquisition of capital assets	(31,284)	-	-	, -	(31,284)	(2,514)
Other adjustments	_	_	-	-		(1,619)
Net cash provided (used)						
by investing activities	(29,086)	1,038	164	13,204	(14,680)	15,086
Net increase (decrease) in cash						
and cash equivalents	(54,944)	22,944	(15,222)	2,780	(44,442)	63,922
Cash and cash equivalents at						
beginning of year	137,579	486,993	84,953	263,942	973,467	909,545
Cash and cash equivalents at	d. 02.525	.				
end of year	\$ 82,635	\$ 509,937	\$ 69,731	\$ 266,722	\$ 929,025	\$ 973,467

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Combined Statements of Cash Flows with Combining Information, Continued Years Ended September 30, 2009 and 2008

	Major Enterprise Funds											
	I A	Section 8 Housing ssistance Program		Home habilitation Loan Program		Low-Cost Housing Program		Ion-Major Enterprise Funds			Total 2008	
Reconciliation of operating												
income (loss) to net cash												
provided (used) by operating activities:												
Operating income (loss)	\$	(35,915)	\$	79,270	\$	3,790	\$	1,482	\$	48,627	\$	42,425
Adjustments to reconcile												
net income (loss) to net												
cash provided (used) by												
operating activities												
Depreciation		13,964		-		· -		189		14,153		8,265
(Increase) decrease in assets:												
Accounts receivable		(4,669)		(774)		(2,500)		(16,582)		(24,525)		13,691
Due from grantor agency		-		-		(30,375)		-		(30,375)		_
Notes receivable		-		(56,590)		(16,676)		4,283		(68,983)		(48,831)
Due from other fund		-		-		- ,		-		-		(20,000)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:												
Accrued expenses		762		-		-		204		966		1,249
Due to other fund		-				-	-	-		-		20,000
Net cash provided (used) by operating												
activities	\$	(25,858)	\$	21,906	\$	(45,761)	\$	(10,424)	\$	(60,137)	\$	16,799

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STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS - BUDGET AND ACTUAL For the Year Ended September 30,2009

	Budgeted Original	Amounts Final	Actual Amounts	(Unfavorable) Variance
Operating revenues	\$ 119,955	\$ 119,955	\$ 178,676	\$ 58,721
Operating expenses:				
Salaries and wages	65,250	65,250	64,122	1,128
Rent	11,080	11,080	11,320	(240)
Professional fees	500	500	9,000	(8,500)
Depreciation	-	-	14,153	(14,153)
Employee benefits	7,250	7,250	6,549	701
Communication	3,110	3,110	5,312	(2,202)
Travel	6,200	6,200	2,559	3,641
Repairs and maintenance	16,785	16,785	2,610	14,175
Miscellaneous	9,780	9,780	14,424	(4,644)
Total operating expenses	119,955	119,955	130,049	(10,094)
Operating income			48,627	48,627
Non-operating revenues:				
Investment income earned		-	16,604	16,604
Total non-operating revenues, net			16,604	16,604
Increase in net assets	<u>\$</u>	\$ -	\$ 65,231	\$ 65,231

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Palau District Housing Authority (the Authority), a component unit of the Republic of Palau, was established by Public Law 4-5-5 (June 20, 1970) of the Palau District Legislature (of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands). Its purpose is to develop and administer low cost housing and urban renewal projects and to assist in correcting housing conditions endangering the health, safety, and welfare of the people. The Authority was reorganized by Trust Territory Public Law 5-37 (April 5, 1973). Upon emergence of the Republic of Palau Constitutional Government (January 1, 1981), the Authority was transferred to the Republic. The Authority is a public corporation administered by a five-member Board of Directors appointed by the President of the Republic of Palau with the advice and consent of the Olbiil Era Kelulau (OEK – Palau National Congress).

The Authority's primary operations are comprised of a number of housing and grant programs as follows:

Major Enterprise Funds

Section 8 Housing Assistance Program

The program provides temporary housing for rental to assist low-income families who lack sufficient income to obtain safe, decent, and sanitary housing. The program was originally funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), until it phased-out in December 2004. However, the program has been able to sustain itself and continue to provide this service.

Home Rehabilitation Loan Program

The Home Rehabilitation Loan Program provides long-term financing to low income and moderate income families to rehabilitate existing dwellings or construct new single-family housing units. This program is made possible through the initial funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Major Enterprise Funds, Continued

Low-Cost Housing Program

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was the primary source of funds for the Loan Fund Housing Program. The program initially provided funding for loans to low-income families for up to \$12,000, payable over a period of 30 years, at an interest rate of 3 percent per year to rehabilitate/construct their housing unit.

Currently, under this loan program and with the initial funding from HUD and USDA, the Home Improvement and Repair Assistance Program was established specifically to provide low cost and long-term loans to low income and very low-income senior citizens, 60 years old and over, to rehabilitate their homes. Under this program, the loanee can avail a maximum loan of \$5,000 with interest rate of 3 percent per year and payable over a period of 10 years.

Non-Major Enterprise Funds

The following funds were determined to be non-major enterprise funds for the year ended September 30, 2009:

Emergency Housing Revolving Loan Program

The Emergency Housing Revolving Loan Program has been established as an Emergency Loan Program by the Republic of Palau to citizens whose homes are destroyed by natural disaster or fire. The Program was funded by a \$500,000 appropriation from the Republic of Palau. Pursuant to Republic of Palau Public Law 6-26, § 4, the program was initially established to provide loans to private homeowners whose homes were destroyed or made uninhabitable because of damage done by storm Utor. Loans are available from a minimum amount of \$500 to a maximum amount of \$30,000, and are to be repaid over 3 to 30 year periods at an interest rate of 3 percent per year. During the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, the Authority remitted \$250,000 of the initial funding back to the Republic of Palau National Government.

Transitional/Emergency Shelter Program

The program provides short-term temporary housing to individuals or families who become victims of domestic violence or abuse and whose homes are destroyed due to fire or natural disaster. The program was originally funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Local Funds

Local funds consist of appropriations from Republic of Palau for general operations of the Authority.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation

During 2003, the Authority implemented GASB Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Government", GASB Statement No. 37, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus", GASB Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures", and GASB Interpretation No. 6 "Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Financial Statements."

GASB Statement No. 34 creates new basic financial statements for reporting on the Authority's financial activities. The new financial statements now include government-wide financial statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting and fund accounting which present information for individual major funds rather than by fund type. Requirements in order to comply also include adopting depreciation on capital assets and classifying assets and liabilities as current and non-current.

GASB Statement No. 37 clarifies certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, including the required content of the Management Discussion and Analysis, the classification of program revenues and the criteria for determining major funds. GASB Statement No. 38 modifies, establishes and rescinds certain financial statement note disclosures. GASB Interpretation No. 6 clarifies the application of standards for modified accrual recognition of certain liabilities and expenditures in areas where differences have arisen, or potentially could arise, in interpretation and practice.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation, Continued

The accounts of the Authority are organized and operated on the basis of funds and grant programs. A fund is an independent fiscal year and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The Authority has elected to use proprietary fund types as its principal reporting. Proprietary funds are accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. The Authority's proprietary funds are enterprise funds used to account for those operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business or where the Authority has decided that the determination of revenues earned, costs incurred and/or net income is necessary for management accountability.

The general purpose financial statements of the Palau District Housing Authority have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that Use Proprietary Fund Accounting", requires that proprietary activities apply all applicable GASB pronouncements as well as Statements and Interpretations issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedures issued on or before November 30, 1989. The Palau Housing and Urban Renewal Authority has implemented GASB No. 20 and elected not to apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989.

The financial statements include certain prior-year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the organization's audited financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2008, from which the summarized information was derived.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

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New Accounting Standards

In June 2007, the GASB issued Statement No. 51, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets". This statement addresses whether and when intangible assets, including easements, water rights, timber rights, patents, trademarks, and computer software should be considered capital assets for financial reporting purposes. This statement is effective for periods beginning after June 30, 2009. This statement did not have an impact on the financial statements of the Authority.

In November 2007, GASB issued Statement No. 52, Land and Other Real Estate Held as Investments by Endowments. This statement improves the quality of financial reporting by requiring endowments to report their land and other real estate investments at fair value, creating consistency in reporting amounts in similar entities that exist to invest resources for the purpose of generating income. The provisions of this Statement are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2008. This statement did not have an impact on the financial statements of the Authority.

In March 2008, GASB issued Technical Bulletin No. 2008-1, *Determining the Annual Required Contribution Adjustment for Postemployment Benefit*, which clarifies the requirements of GASB Statement No. 27, *Accounting for Pensions by State and Local Governmental Employers*, and Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers of Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, for calculating the annual required contribution (ARC) adjustment. The provisions of this Statement are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2008. This statement did not have an impact on the financial statements of the Authority.

In June 2008, GASB issued Statement No. 53, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Derivative Instruments. This Statement is intended to improve how State and Local governments report information about derivative instruments – financial arrangements based by governments to manage specific risks or make investments in their financial statements. The provisions of this Statement are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2009. This statement did not have an impact on the financial statements of the Authority.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

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New Accounting Standards, Continued

In February 2009, GASB issued Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. This Statement is to enhance the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund type definitions. The provisions of this Statement are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2010. The Authority does not believe that the implementation of this Statement will have a material effect on its financial statements.

In March 2009, GASB issued Statement No 55, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments*. This Statement is to improve financial reporting by contributing to the GASB efforts to codify all generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for State and Local Governments so that they derive from a single source. This Statement is effective upon issuance. The Authority does not believe that the implementation of this Statement will have a material effect on its financial statements.

In March 2009, GASB issued Statement No. 56, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in the AICPA Statements on Auditing Standards. This Statement incorporates accounting and financial reporting guidance previously only contained in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) auditing literature into the GASB's accounting and financial reporting literature for State and Local governments, and addresses three issues from the AICPA's literature – related party transactions, going concern considerations and subsequent events. This Statement is effective upon issuance. Management believes that the implementation of this Statement does not materially effect the accompanying financial statements.

In December 2009, the GASB issued Statement No. 58, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Chapter 9 Bankruptcies, which provides accounting and financial reporting guidance for governments that have petitioned for protection from creditors by filing for bankruptcy under Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. This Statement is effective beginning after June 15, 2009 with retroactive application for all periods presented during which a government was in bankruptcy.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation, Continued

Budgets

Budgets are prepared on an annual basis for each major operating program and are used as a management tool throughout the accounting cycle. Budgets, however are not legally adopted nor legally required for financial statement presentation.

The Authority's governing body, the Board of Directors, adopts budgets on a program or fund level basis. These budgets are submitted by the Authority's Executive Director, and approved by resolutions of the Board of Directors.

Annual budgets are adopted for all Enterprise Funds. Throughout the fiscal year, the Authority monitors and evaluates expenditures rates and patterns. However, timely notice is not given to executive management regarding forthcoming changes in objectives or other conditions that may cause significant variations from approved budget-defined plans.

The Authority's Board of Directors may authorize revisions to the budget based on the availability of financial resources. Formal budget revisions are authorized in the same manner as original budget submissions.

Management's Use of Estimates

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

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation, Continued

Fair Value of Financial Instrument

The Authority adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 157, Fair Value Measurements, in fiscal year 2009 and there was no material impact to the financial statements. SFAS No. 157 applies to all assets and liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis and requires new disclosure that establishes a framework for measuring fair value under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP), and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. At September 30, 2009, the Authority has no financial assets and liabilities required to be measured at a fair value on a recurring basis.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Cash Flows, the Authority considers cash and cash equivalents to be cash on hand, cash in checking and savings accounts, and time certificates of deposit of less than ninety-day maturities. All of the Authority's cash and cash equivalents are with a federally insured bank, \$250,000 of which is subject to coverage by federal insurance as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, with the remaining balance exceeding insurable limits. The Authority does not require collateralization of its bank accounts and, therefore, amounts in excess of insurable limits are uncollaterized. Deposits in excess of federal depository insurance are considered uncollateralized by GASB Statement No. 40. Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. All of the Authority's deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) at September 30, 2009 and 2008.

Lending Policy

The Authority extends loans to qualifying residents of the Republic of Palau for rehabilitating existing dwellings or for constructing approved low-cost housing. The loans have terms from five to thirty years at an interest rate of 3% and 4.5%. Loans are restricted to a maximum ninety percent (90%) debt (aggregate of all debts associated with the property) to the appraised value of the property ratio or ninety percent (90%) of the estimated replacement cost, whichever is lower. The loans are collateralized by the property being rehabilitated.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation, Continued

Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

Loans are stated at the amount of unpaid principal, reduced by an allowance for loan losses. Interest on loans is calculated by using the simple interest method on daily balances of the principal amount outstanding. The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. Loans are charged against the allowance for loan losses when management believes that the collection of the principal is unlikely. The allowance is an amount that management believes will be adequate to absorb possible losses on existing loans that may be uncollectible, based on evaluation of the collectibility of loans and prior loan loss experience. The evaluation takes into consideration such factors as specific problem loans and current economic conditions that may affect the borrowers' ability to pay. The Authority recognizes bad debts using the allowance method and is only written-off after approval by management and subsequent reporting to the Board of Directors.

Capital Assets and Depreciation

All capital assets with a value greater than \$500 and a useful life over one year are capitalized.

The cost of repairs and maintenance is charged to operations as incurred and improvements are capitalized. Depreciation of capital assets is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Assets are depreciated using the following depreciation guidelines:

Category	<u> Useful Life - Years</u>
Residential units	28
Furniture, fixtures and equipm	nent 5
Vehicles	5

Upon retirement or other disposition of capital assets recorded, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective program's or fund's accounts and any gain or loss is included in the respective program's or fund's current operations.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation, Continued

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences are those absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation and sick leave. Employees are credited 55, 208 or 280 hours per fiscal year, based on their lengths of service. The accumulation of vacation and sick credits is limited to 360 at fiscal year-end and is convertible to pay upon termination of employment. The Authority recognizes as a liability all vested vacation and sick leave benefits accrued by its employees. When the employees use vacation and sick leave benefits, the liability account is reduced accordingly. At September 30, 2009 and 2008, compensated absences payable to employees were \$10,615 and \$9,094, respectively. At September 30, 2009 and 2008, all compensated absences are current.

Income Tax

Based on 34 PNC 7006, the Authority is exempt from all national and state non-payroll taxes or fees.

Net Assets

The Authority's net assets are classified as follows:

Invested in capital assets - This represents the Authority's total investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.

Restricted net assets – This includes grants from HUD, USDA, and contributions received from the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands for the establishment of the Home Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program and the Low-Cost Housing Revolving Loan program, respectively. It also includes contributions received from the Republic of Palau National Government for the establishment of Emergency Loan Program.

Unrestricted net assets – This includes resources derived from government appropriations. These resources are used for transactions relating to the general operations of the Authority and may be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Basis of Presentation, Continued

Classification of Revenues

The Authority has classified its revenues as either operating or non-operating according to the following criteria:

Operating Revenues – Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as federal, state and local grants and contracts and federal appropriations.

Non-operating Revenues – Non-operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as interest income, and other revenue sources that are defined as non-operating revenues by GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities that Use Proprietary Fund Accounting.

(2) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents at September 30, 2009 and 2008 consist of the following:

	 2009	2008		
Cash Time certificates of deposit	\$ 479,025 450,000	\$	347,132 626,335	
	\$ 929,025	<u>\$</u>	973,467	

(3) Deposits and investments

GASB Statement No. 40 addresses common deposit and investment risks related to credit risk, concentration of credit risk, interest rate risk and foreign currency risk. As an element of interest rate risk, disclosure is required of investments that have fair values that are highly sensitive to changes in interest rates. This statement also requires disclosure of formal policies related to deposit and investment risks.

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(3) Deposits and investments, Continued

Deposits

GASB Statement No. 3 previously required government entities to present deposit risks in terms of whether the deposits fell into the following categories:

Category 1 Deposits that are federally insured or collateralized with securities held by the Authority or its agent in the Authority's name;

Category 2 Deposits that are uninsured but fully collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Authority's name; or

Category 3 Deposits that are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in Authority's name and noncollateralized deposits.

GASB Statement No. 40 amended GASB Statement No. 3 to in effect eliminate disclosure for deposits falling into categories 1 and 2 but retained disclosures for deposits falling under category 3. Category 3 deposits are those deposits that have exposure to custodial credit risk. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned to it. Such deposits are not covered by depository insurance and are either uncollateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution or held by the pledging financial institution but not in the depositor-government's name. The Authority has an investment and deposit policy for custodial credit risk. For deposits, a general depository agreement pursuant to HUD regulations, must be executed by the Authority and the depository. The depository bank must be a bank or financial institution whose deposits are insured by FDIC, Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Administration and all deposits must be fully collateralized by U.S. securities.

For credit risk in the case of deposits, there is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned to it. As of September 30, 2009 and 2008, the carrying amount of the Authority's total cash and cash equivalents was \$929,025 and \$973,467, respectively with a corresponding bank balance of \$932,455 and \$975,465 respectively which is insured by the FDIC. From these deposits, \$932,455 and \$975,465 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively was subject to coverage by FDIC with the remaining balance exceeding insurable limits. The Authority does not require collateralization of bank accounts, and therefore, amounts in excess of insurable limits are uncollateralized and are subject to custodial credit risk.

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(3) Deposits and investments, Continued

Investments

GASB Statement No. 3 previously required government entities to present deposit risks in terms of whether the deposits fell into the following categories:

Category 1	Investments that are insured or registered, or securities held by the
	Authority or its agent in the Authority's name;

Category 2 Investments that are uninsured and unregistered for which the securities are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Authority's name; or

Category 3 Investments that are uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in Authority's name.

GASB Statement No. 40 amended GASB Statement No. 3 to in effect eliminate disclosure for deposits falling into categories 1 and 2 and provided for disclosure requirements addressing other common risks of investments such as credit risk, interest rate risk, concentration of credit risk, and foreign currency risk. GASB Statement No. 40 did retain and expand the element of custodial risk in GASB Statement No. 3.

As of September 30, 2009 and 2008, the Authority did not have investments subject to GASB Statement No. 40.

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(4) Notes Receivable

A summary of notes receivable at September 30, 2009 and 2008 consists of the following:

	2009	2008
Home Rehabilitation loans Emergency Loan Revolving	\$ 1,609,518	\$ 1,552,930
Fund loans	53,913	58,196
Low-Cost Housing loans	<u>137,498</u>	120,821
Less current portion	1,800,929 (195,261)	1,731,947 (176,389)
Long-term notes receivable, net of current portion	1,605,668	1,555,558
Less allowance for loan losses	(78,556)	(78,556)
Long-term notes receivable, net of allowance for loan losses	<u>\$ 1,527,112</u>	<u>\$ 1,477,002</u>

(5) Due from (to) other fund

During the year, Low-Cost Housing Program advances cash from Emergency Housing Revolving Loan Fund to provide additional funding to the Home Improvement Assistance Program. As of September 30, 2009 and 2008, the Low-Cost Housing Program has a payable to Emergency Housing Revolving Loan Fund of \$45,000 in each year.

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(6) Capital Assets

A schedule of changes in capital assets for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is shown below:

Capital assets activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009:

	Balance 09/30/08 Additions		Additions	 Disposal	Balance 09/30/09		
Residential units	\$	213,431	\$	-	\$ _	\$	213,431
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment		43,134		6,300	(10,652)		38,782
Vehicles		27,795		24,984	 (6,800)		45,979
		284,360		31,284	(17,452)		298,192
Accumulated depreciation		(261,936)		(14,153)	17,452		(258,637)
	\$	22,424	\$	17,131	\$ -	\$	39,555

Capital assets activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008:

	Balance 9/30/07		Additions		Disposal		Balance 9/30/08		
Residential units Furniture, fixtures, and equipment Vehicles	\$	213,431 40,620 27,795	\$	2,514	\$	- -	\$	213,431 43,134 27,795	
Accumulated depreciation		281,846 (253,671)		2,514 (8,265)				284,360 (261,936)	
	\$	28,175	\$	(5,751)	\$	-	\$	22,424	

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(6) Capital Assets, Continued

Depreciation expense for the years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 are \$14,153 and \$8,265, respectively.

The residential units are constructed on properties leased from the Trust Territory Government, which properties were transferred to Palau Public Land Authority in accordance with U.S. Department of the Interior Secretarial Order No. 2969. The properties were subsequently transferred to the Koror Municipal Public Lands Authority through quitclaim deeds dated May 14, 1980 and February 16, 1983. In July 25, 2008, the lease from the Koror Municipal Public Lands Authority has been renewed for twenty-five years.

(7) Employees Retirement Plan

The Authority contributes to the Palau Civil Service Pension Trust Fund (the Fund), a defined benefit, cost-sharing, multi-employer pension plan established and administered by the Republic of Palau. The Fund issues a stand-alone financial report which is available at its office site.

The Fund provides retirement, security and other benefits to employees, and their spouses and dependents, of the Republic of Palau State Governments and Republic of Palau agencies, funds and public corporations, which are paid monthly and are two percent (2%) of each member's average monthly salary. Normal benefits are the credited total service up to a maximum of thirty years total service. Generally, benefits vest after three years of credited service. Members, who retire at or after age 60, or with 30 years of vesting service, are entitled to retirement benefits. Republic of Palau Public Law 2-26 is the authority under which benefit provisions and contributions rates are established. Member contribution rates are established by Republic of Palau Public Law 2-26 at six percent (6%) of total payroll and are matched dollar for dollar by the employer. The Authority contributed \$3,752, \$3,666 and \$3,482 for fiscal years 2009, 2008, and 2007, respectively.

Under the provisions of the Republic of Palau Public Law 2-26, the Fund's Board of Trustees adopted a Trust Fund Operation which has the force and effect of law, and which sets forth the procedures for the administration and coverage of the Plan. Amendments to the Plan are subject to the requirements of Title 6 of the Palau National Code.

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(7) Employees Retirement Plan, Continued

The Fund utilizes the actuarial cost method termed "level aggregate cost method" with actuarial assumptions used to compute the pension benefit obligation. The following is the statement of actuarial assumptions for the year October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007 of the ROP Civil Service Pension Plan:

Actuarial Cost Method: Normal costs are calculated under the level aggregate method.

Investment Income: 8.5% per year

Expenses: : \$300,000 each year

Salary Increase: : 3% per year

Mortality : 1984 Unisex Pension Mortality Table

Disabled Mortality: PBGC Mortality Table for Disabled Persons Receiving

Social Security

Retirement Age : Earlier of age 60 or 30 Years of Total Service

The pension benefit obligation, which is the actuarial present value of credited projected benefits, is a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits, adjusted for the affects of projected salary increases and any step-rate benefits, estimated to be payable in the future as a result of employment service to date. The measure is intended to assist users to evaluate the Fund's funding status on a going-concern basis, and evaluate progress made in accumulating adequate assets to pay benefits when due.

The Fund's October 1, 2007 actuarial valuation determined the unfunded pension benefit obligation as follows:

Present value of accrued benefits, 10/1/2007

Active participants	\$ 46,002,000
Inactive participants with vested deferred benefits	903,000
Participants in pay status	_48,968,000
Total pension benefit obligation	95,873,000
Market value of assets	48,358,000
Unfunded benefit obligation	\$ 47,515,000
Funded Ratio as of 10/1/2007 (ratio of assets to liabilities	50 440%
to manneres	50.44%

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(8) Risk Management

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions, injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Authority has elected to be self-insured for the risks of loss to which it is exposed.

(9) Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation

The Authority is subject to various claims and other legal actions in the normal course of business. Palau District Housing Authority consults their legal counsel and the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic of Palau whenever there is a potential or asserted claim, and relies on the advice of counsel for direction and for establishing reserves for potential unfavorable outcomes.

The Authority has initiated several foreclosure actions now pending in the Trial Division of the Supreme Court of Palau (the Court) against five (5) borrowers who have defaulted on rehabilitation loans whose principal and interest balance approximate \$31,722 as of September 30, 2009. The Authority intends to take the following courses of action with respect to these matters: (1) renegotiate the loan; (2) pursue the claim in Court to recover the amount through judgments for monetary awards; or (3) pursue the claim in court to recover the amount through judgments for foreclosure on mortgaged properties.

Commitments

The Authority entered a lease agreement with Koror State Government for a period of twenty-five (25) years expiring on July 2033. The Authority constructed seven low-cost housing units on the property that was funded by the U.S. Department Housing Urban Development under the Section 8 Housing Federal grant program. Also, the Authority's operations are conducted from premises under a lease agreement expiring on December 4, 2009.

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(9) Commitments and Contingencies, Continued

Future lease payments are as follows:

Years ended September 30, 2010	\$	2,224
2011		524
2012	2	524
2013	}	524
2014	ļ	524
2015	5-2019	2,620
2020)-2024	2,620
2025	5-2029	2,620
2030)-2033 _	1,572
	<u>\$</u>	13,752

At September 30, 2009 and 2008, rent expense was \$11,320 and \$11,890, respectively.

(10) National Government Contributions

The Republic of Palau appropriated and contributed the following to the Authority:

For operational costs of employees	\$ 66,645
Cost reimbursement	9,000
	\$ 75,645

(11) Economic Dependency and Contingencies

The PHA receives a substantial amount of its support from private sector and government donors. A significant reduction in the level of this support, if this were to occur, may have an adverse effect on the Authority's programs and activities. As of September 30, 2009 and 2008, the Authority received 49% and 43%, respectively, of its support from the private sector, and 51% and 57%, respectively, from government donors.

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Notes to Combined Financial Statements September 30, 2009 and 2008

(12) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year's financial statements to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on previously reported results of operations or retained earnings.

(13) Subsequent Events

The Authority has evaluated subsequent events from September 30, 2009 through January 10, 2010, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The Authority did not note any subsequent events requiring disclosure or adjustment to the accompanying financial statements.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND ON COMPLIANCE

Year Ended September 30, 2009

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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 Board of Directors Palau District Housing Authority

I have audited the financial statements of Palau District Housing Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2009, and have issued my report thereon dated January 10, 2010. I conducted my 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 my audit, I considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a 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 Authority's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Authority's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Authority's internal control.

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

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, 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 my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors, federal awarding agencies and the cognizant audit and other federal agencies. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Koror, Republic of Falau January 10, 2010

PALAU DISTRICT HOUSING AUTHORITY (A Component Unit of the Republic of Palau)

STATISTICAL SECTION

Year Ended September 30, 2009



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO AFFIRMATIVE FAIR HOUSING AND NON-DISCRIMINATION

To the Board of Directors
Palau District Housing Authority:

I have audited the financial statements of the Palau District Housing Authority ("the Authority"), a component unit of the Republic of Palau, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2009 and have issued my report thereon dated January 10, 2010.

I have applied procedures to test the Authority's compliance with the Affirmative Fair Housing and Non-Discrimination requirements applicable to its HUD assisted programs, for the year ended September 30, 2009.

My procedures were limited to the applicable compliance requirements described in the Consolidated Audit Guide for Audits of HUD Programs issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Inspector General. My procedures were substantially less in scope that an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Authority's compliance with the Affirmative Fair Housing and Non-Discrimination requirements. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance with the Affirmative Fair Housing and Non-Discrimination requirements.

This report is intended for the information of the Board of Directors, management, and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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January 10, 2010

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STATISTICAL SECTION

The Palau District Housing Authority (the Authority) implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No.44, *Economic Condition Reporting: The Statistical Section*.

This section of the Palau District Housing Authority audit report presents detailed information as a context for further understanding of the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and supplementary information.

Financial Trends

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the Authority's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity

These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the Authority's most significant revenue sources.

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NET ASSETS Last Five Fiscal Years Ending September 30

		2009		2008		2007	2006		2005														
Invested in capital assets	\$	39,555	\$	22,424	\$	28,175	\$	35,481	\$ 48,713														
Restricted		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,374,498		2,344,123		2,312,086		2,312,086	2,312,086
Unrestricted		393,629		345,529	and the second second second	278,135		195,475	138,455														
Total Net Assets	\$	2,807,682	\$	2,712,076	\$	2,618,396	\$	2,543,042	\$ 2,499,254														

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CHANGES IN NET ASSETS Last Five Fiscal Years Ending September 30

		2009		2008		2007		2006		2005	
Operating revenues	1	***************************************	1		1		†		†		
Republic of Palau appropriation	\$	66,645	\$	67,000	\$	67,000	\$	67,000	\$	67,000	
Interest on loans	1	74,975		63,740	l	61,479		45,341		38,266	
Section 8 income		16,200		16,400	1	15,300		13,812		11,928	
National treasury income		9,000		8,500	l	8,500		8,000	l	8,000	
Other operating revenues		11,856		6,387		16,469		7,581		7,546	
Federal contributions		_		-		4,050		-		19,516	
Total operating revenues		178,676		162,027		172,798		141,734		152,256	
Operating expenses						·					
Salaries and wages		64,122		63,552		59,907		54,929		50,437	
Depreciation		14,153		8,265	1	9,606		10,198		20,870	
Rent expense		11,320		11,890		11,320		10,200		9,350	
Professional fees		9,000		9,000		9,380		8,500		10,723	
Employee benefits		6,549		6,373		5,748		5,309		4,962	
Communication		5,312		3,446		2,925		2,919		2,883	
Repairs and maintenance		2,610		2,699		2,666		3,888		2,228	
Travel		2,559		2,887		7,823		9,040		2,930	
Other operating expenses		14,424		11,490		12,928		12,208		9,701	
Total operating expenses		130,049		119,602		122,303		117,191		114,084	
Operating income		48,627		42,425		50,495		24,543		38,172	
Non-operating revenues	1										
Investment income earned		16,604		19,218		24,859		22,279		12.002	
Total non-operating revenues		16,604		19,218		24,859		22,279		12,903	
Toma non-operating revenues		10,004		19,210		24,039		22,219		12,903	
Change in net assets	\$	65,231	\$	61,643	\$	75,354	\$	46,822	\$	51,075	

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REVENUES BY SOURCE Last Five Fiscal Years Ending September 30

Function	2009		2009		2007		2006		2005	
ROP Appropriations	\$	66,645	\$	67,000	\$	67,000	\$	67,000	\$	67,000
Interest on loans		74,975		63,740		61,479		45,341		38,266
Section 8 income		16,200		16,400		15,300		13,812		11,928
National treasury income		9,000		8,500		8,500		8,000		8,000
Other operating revenues		11,856		6,387		16,469		7,581		7,546
Federal contributions		-		-		4,050		-		19,516
Total Revenues	\$	178,676	\$	162,027	\$	172,798	\$	141,734	\$	152,256

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES

Last Five Fiscal Years Ending September 30

Function	2009	2	2008	2007	2006	2005
Salaries and wages	\$ 64,122	\$	63,552	\$ 59,907	\$ 54,929	\$ 50,437
Depreciation	14,153		8,265	9,606	10,198	20,870
Rent expense	11,320		11,890	11,320	10,200	9,350
Professional fees	9,000		9,000	9,380	8,500	10,723
Employee benefits	6,549		6,373	5,748	5,309	4,962
Communication	5,312		3,446	2,925	2,919	2,883
Repairs and maintenance	2,610		2,699	2,666	3,888	2,228
Travel	2,559		2,887	7,823	9,040	2,930
Other operating expenses	14,424		11,490	 12,928	12,208	9,701
Total Expenses	\$ 130,049	\$	119,602	\$ 122,303	\$ 117,191	\$ 114,084