

COLUMBUS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

The Honorable Board of Columbus County Commissioners met in their said office at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, NC at 7:30 P.M., March 16, 1998, for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting, it being the third Monday.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

David L. Dutton, Jr., Chairman

A. Dial Gray, III, Vice Chairman

Sammie Jacobs

Lynwood Norris

C.W. Williams

C.E. Wilson

James E. Hill, Jr., Attorney

Dempsey B. Herring
County Administrator

Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:

Spruell Randolph Britt

PUBLIC HEARING - INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS FOR THE CONFLANDEY,

INCORPORATED INDUSTRIAL PROJECT

At 7:00 P.M., Chairman Dutton called the Public Hearing to order for the purpose of receiving citizens' views and comments regarding the intent of the Columbus County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority submitting to the North Carolina Department of Commerce an application for approval of Industrial Revenue Bonds for the Conflandey, Incorporated Industrial Project.

Steve Yost, Economic Development Director, explained the process for applying for Industrial Revenue Bonds and stated that the Columbus County Industrial

Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority has approved the submittal of the application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce for the Conflandey, Incorporated Industrial Project.

Chairman Dutton advised anyone in attendance who wished to speak may do so.

There were no comments.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to close the Public Hearing at 7:05 P.M.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING COMMENCED

Chairman David L. Dutton, Jr. called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and Ed Worley, Aging Director, gave the invocation.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the February 16 and March 6, 1998, Board Meetings, as recorded.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to approve the following consent agenda items.

Tax Refunds:

Request a refund in the name of Equis Financial Group, FKA American Finance Group, 88 Broad St. Fl. 6, Boston, Mass. 02110. Paid taxes on property that is double listed in the name of American Finance Group, Inc. Amount \$3,972.55, Value \$571,590, Year 1997, Account #15-00405.

Request a refund in the name of Equis Financial Group, FKA American Finance Group, 88 Broad St. Fl. 6, Boston, Mass., 02110. Taxes paid on property that is double listed in the name of American Finance Group, Inc. Amount \$2,488.45, Value \$358,050, Year 1997, Account #04-00025.

Request a refund in the name of Eddie G. (Jr.) & Clarsie Hammonds, P.O. Box

223, Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Taxes paid on incorrect values of property. Amount \$69.52, Value \$8,800, Year 1993, Account #13-17300.

Request a refund in the name of Eddie G. (Jr.) & Clarsie Hammonds, P.O. Box 223, Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Taxes paid on property with incorrect values. Amount \$73.04, Value \$8,800, Year 1994, Account #13-17300.

Request a refund in the name of Eddie G. (Jr.) & Clarsie Hammonds, P.O. Box 223, Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Taxes paid on property with incorrect value. Amount \$74.80, Value \$8,800, Year 1995, Account #13-17300.

Request a refund in the name of Eddie G. (Jr.) & Clarsie Hammonds, P.O. Box 223, Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Taxes paid on property with incorrect value. Amount \$74.80, Value \$8,800, Year 1996, Account #13-17300.

Request a refund in the name of Eddie G. (Jr.) & Clarsie Hammonds, P.O. Box 223, Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Taxes paid on property with incorrect value. Amount \$65.79, Value \$8,600, Year 1997, Account #13-17300.

Request a refund in the name of Herman (Jr.) & Josephine Hayes, 730 Snake Island Rd., Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Paid user fee on vacant home. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-10720.

Request a refund in the name of Jerry Hyman Little, 5364 Pleasant Plains Rd., Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Paid taxes on mobile home that is double listed in the name of Anna James Kennedy. Total paid includes interest in the amount of \$.70. Amount \$9.62, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #01-53422.

Request a refund in the name of Jerry Hyman Little, 5364 Pleasant Plains Rd., Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Taxes paid on mobile home that is double listed in the name of Anna James Kennedy. Total paid includes interest in the amount of \$2.96. Amount \$110.61, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #01-53422.

Request a refund in the name of William K. & Cheryl H. Pierce, 2440 Red Hill Rd., Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Paid user fee on vacant building. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #14-07994.

Request a refund in the name of Barbara G. Redgraves, P.O. Box 1235,

Whiteville, N.C. 28472. A portion of the taxes were paid on an account that is double listed in the same name. Amount \$20.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1996, Account #01-75876.

Request a refund in the name of William Hoyle Williamson, 9257 Old 74, Evergreen, N.C. 28438. A portion of the taxes paid on an account in the name of Charles R. Williamson. Amount \$25.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #12-30081.

Request a refund in the name of George F. (Sr.) & Geraldine Becker, 1944 White Hall Rd., Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Mobile home billed as real & personal. Refund check payable to Bruce Robinson Trustee, P.O. Drawer 40, Wallace, N.C. 28466. Amount \$191.82, Value \$10,980, Year 1997, Account #11-04087.

Request a refund in the name of Marvin E. Brown (Jr.), 4343 Old Stage Rd., Riegelwood, N.C. 28456. Property double listed in the name of Milton Brown. Amount \$222.50, Value \$27,300, Year 1997, Account #15-05905.

Request a refund in the name of Lloyd D. & Jacqueline C. Jacobs, 4623 Blacksmith Rd., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Paid taxes on a mobile home that was sold in September 1995. Amount \$87.39, Value \$3,260, Year 1996, Account #08-09980.

Request a refund in the name of James Hunter (Heirs) & Alma H. Reel, P.O. Box 5, Fair Bluff, N.C. 28439. Paid user fee on vacant house. Make check payable to L.V. Reel at the same address. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-14000.

Request a refund in the name of Bobby Ray & Sheila Sellers, 318 Inman Lake Rd., Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Refund based on order from Property Tax Commission. Total refund includes \$.61 interest. Amount \$40.23, Value \$5,700, Year 1997, Account #01-80065.

Request a refund in the name of Terry J. & Cecil Weaver, 6901 S. Green Swamp Rd., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Property was billed with incorrect value. Amount \$88.14, Value \$11,300, Year 1995, Account #04-16463.

Request a refund in the name of Terry J. & Cecil Weaver, 6901 S. Green Swamp Rd., Bolton, N.C. 28423. Property billed with incorrect value. Amount \$81.59, Value \$10,460, Year 1996, Account #04-16463.

Request a refund in the name of Angelic Williams, P.O. Box 1063, Clarkton,

N.C. 28433. Property double listed in the name of Ricky & Angelic Williams. Total refund includes \$6.00 interest. Amount \$224.20, Value \$15,460, Year 1997, Account #14-17727.

Request a refund in the name of Worthington Funeral Home, P.O. Box 352, Chadbourn, N.C. 28431. Paid taxes on house that was torn down prior to 1-1-97. Amount \$149.66, Value \$12,900, Year 1997, Account #13-45639.

Tax Releases:

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Roosevelt Brown for the Town of Bolton, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$1.08, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-02020.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Walter E. Yeoman, for the Town of Bolton, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$3.70, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-17300.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Minnie Gerald for the City of Cerro Gordo. Property located outside the city limits. Amount \$33.77, Value \$14,070, Year 1996, Account #16-05088.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Minnie Gerald for the City of Cerro Gordo. Property located outside the city limits. Amount \$30.40, Value \$13,820, Year 1997, Account #16-05088.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Donnie Moore for the City of Cerro Gordo. Property located outside the city limits. Amount \$2.00, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #16-11180.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gary Ray & Terri Nance for the City of Cerro Gordo. Property located outside the city limits. Amount \$4.00, Value \$2,000, Year 1997, Account #16-11520.

Release the value of property in the name of Johnsie M. Strickland. Failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #16-14685.

Release the value of property in the name of Reuben Thurman. Failed to receive senior citizens exemption. Amount \$102.27, Value \$300.00, Year 1997, Account

#11-27740.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Geneva Todd Adcock, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$2.04, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #14-00040.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Walt E. & Charlie Faye Etheridge, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$4.61, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-05601.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Trina Floyd, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$9.27, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #11-09079.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Bobby T. & (Wife) Harwood, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$8.14, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-37922.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Mildred B. Hinson, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$1.08, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-41780.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Stacy & Carmelita Jacobs, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$25.47, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-08787.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Billy Wayne Lewis, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$6.47, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #06-22780.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Egbert M. McPherson, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$11.30, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-18440.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Damon W. & Carolyn Mitchell, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$7.12, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #06-26457.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Richard & Mary Smith, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$18.25, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-86377.

Release the user fee in the name of Joyce Long Anderson. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-00063.

Release the user fee in the name of Mary Margaret Beck. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-00930.

Release the user fee in the name of Harold D. & Piyong Lee Bellamy. Home

vacant. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1996, Account #09-01117.

Release the user fee in the name of Harold D. & Piyong Lee Bellamy. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-01117.

Release three (3) user fees in the name of Harrel Williams Byrd. All three mobile homes are vacant. Amount \$300.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-01888.

Release the user fee in the name of Wilbur Caison. Old garage not in use. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-02380.

Release the user fee in the name of Fred Connors. Camper located in campground and fee paid by owner. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-03594.

Release the user fee in the name of Gregory Anthony Hill. Home is vacant. Amount \$30.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1994, Account #01-40454.

Release the user fee in the name of William Milton Inman. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #12-12920.

Release the user fee in the name of John Lindsay. User fee applied to camper. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-50019.

Release user fee in the name of Mary D. & Wade McKenzie. Home vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #13-26065.

Release the user fee in the name of Elton Clyde Malpass (Jr.). Hunting club vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-25620.

Release the user fee in the name of Betty H. Margolis. The mobile home park she lives in provides contract hauler. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #13-26788.

Release the user fee in the name of William D. (Sr.) & Lucy V. Mitchell. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #11-17725.

Release one of the user fees in the name of David E. Sasser. One of the mobile homes is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-78860.

Release the user fee in the name of Kelly Sellers. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-25721.

Release the user fee in the name of Ralph Smith. Home is vacant. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1996, Account #07-15527.

Release the user fee in the name of Sherri Sue Stevens. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #13-38210.

Release the user fee in the name of Waccamaw Siouan Development. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-19622.

Release the user fee in the name of Dewey Waddell & Delores King. Paid user fee based on county rate. Property inside city limits. Amount \$40.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-19878.

Release the user fee in the name of Ruth Ward (Heirs). There are no buildings on this property. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-19960.

Release the user fee in the name of Wade Lenwood Williams. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-33713.

Release the user fee in the name of Vivian B. Williamson, Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #16-17940.

Release the user fee in the name of Booker T. Wilson. There are no dwellings on this property. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-39740.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of George F. (Sr.) & Geraldine Becker. Mobile home was double listed as real and personal property. Amount \$191.82, Value \$10,980, Year 1997, Account #11-04087.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Timothy Bowman. Home was repossessed in 1995. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #06-02120.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Timothy Bowman. Home repossessed in 1995. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #06-02120.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kay Britt. Home was sold in 1996. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #14-06821.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kay Britt. Home was double listed in the same name but in a different township. Amount \$89.29, Value \$3,130, Year 1996, Account #11-03919.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kay Britt. Home double listed in the same name but in a different township. Amount \$122.02, Value \$2,880, Year 1997, Account #11-03919.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gloria Jean Buffkin. Home was sold years ago. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #16-01938.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gloria Jean Buffkin. Home sold years ago. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #16-01938.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Jennifer Cain. Home double listed in the name of Timothy Cain. Amount \$230.43, Value \$17,060, Year 1997, Account #03-22588.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Phillis Cooper. Double wide double listed in the name of Donna Cooper Bowen. Amount \$328.77, Value \$30,300, Year 1997, Account #04-02860.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ethyl Troy Daniels. Home double listed in the name of Troy Daniels Amount \$95.84, Value \$3,830, Year 1997, Account #15-11433.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kenneth Daniels. Home double listed in the name of Troy Daniels. Amount \$350.20, Value \$36,000, Year 1997, Account #15-11500.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Lacy Faircloth. Boat sold prior to 1996. Amount \$2.57, Value \$300, Year 1996, Account #11-08690.

Release the value of a boat in the name of Lacy Faircloth. Boat sold prior to 1996. Amount \$2.30, Value \$300, Year 1997, Account #11-08690.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of April Faison. Home double listed in the name of Carl and Mary Faison. Amount \$154.89, Value \$7,180, Year 1997, Account #01-25641.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Genell Norris Faulk. Home repossessed in 1995. Amount \$239.71, Value \$19,200, Year 1996, Account #01-26001.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Genell Norris Faulk. Home

repossessed prior to 1996. Amount \$244.87, Value \$18,950, Year 1997, Account #01-26001.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Rodney Fowler. Billed with incorrect value on property. Amount \$36.72, Value \$44,152, Year 1997, Account #01-29451.

Release a portion of the value in the name of Betty Lou & Bertha Mae George. Billed with incorrect value on property. Amount \$76.87, Value \$8,781, Year 1997, Account #12-08980.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gregory Anthony Hill. Home is double listed in the name of Frances & Price Carpenter. Amount \$15.87, Value \$1,850, Year 1995, Account #01-40454.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gregory Anthony Hill. Home double listed in the name of Frances & Price Carpenter. Amount \$13.73, Value \$1,600, Year 1996, Account #01-40454.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gregory Anthony Hill. Home double listed in the name of Frances & Price Carpenter. Amount \$112.23, Value \$1,600, Year 1997, Account #01-40454.

Release the value of a tractor in the name of Jeff Holmes. Tractor double listed in the name of Mary L. Cox. Amount \$2.30, Value \$300, Year 1997, Account #06-19400.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Cynthia Hill. A permit was purchased for the mobile home but she changed her mind and did not buy home. Amount \$308.62, Value \$25,120, Year 1997, Account #04-07461.

Release a portion of the value of a mobile home in the name of Daryll & Angie Ingle. Mobile home billed with incorrect year model. Amount \$54.07, Value \$6,180, Year 1997, Account #14-07125.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Joseph Jordan. Home is double listed in the same name but with an out of county address. Amount \$114.66, Value \$5,840, Year 1996, Account #01-49087.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Joseph Jordan. Home double listed in the same name but with an out of county address. Amount \$142.74, Value

\$5,590, Year 1997, Account #01-49087.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Patricia S. Kallmeyer. This release per order of the North Carolina Property Tax Commission. Amount \$99.39, Value \$14,300, Year 1997, Account #08-10558.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kenny Locklear. Home double listed in the name of Lois Locklear. Amount \$206.02, Value \$15,600, Year 1996, Account #13-23986.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kenny Locklear. Home double listed in the name of Lois Locklear. Amount \$217.35, Value \$15,350, Year 1997, Account #13-23986.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Anthony Kirk McCumbee. Home moved to S.C. prior to 1-1-97. Amount \$186.54, Value \$11,320, Year 1997, Account #06-24241.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Teresa Marcum. Home double listed in the name of Robert F. & Teresa Turner. Amount \$103.72, Value \$4,670, Year 1996, Account #06-25177.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Teresa Marcum. Home double listed in the name of Robert F. & Teresa Turner. Amount \$133.79, Value \$4,420, Year 1997, Account #06-25177.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Vera Moore. Home repossessed prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$105.28, Value \$11,251, Year 1996, Account #11-18122.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Vera Moore. Home repossessed prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$365.01, Value \$35,100, Year 1997, Account #11-18122.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Howard Dean Nelson. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$113.07, Value \$1,709, Year 1997, Account #11-17999.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Barbara G. Redgraves. This

home was paid with prepayment in 1996. Amount \$170.72, Value \$13,420, Year 1996, Account #01-75876.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Paul L. Register. Home burned eight (8) years ago. Amount \$10.08, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #11-22405.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of John & Helen Rhodes. Property was bill with incorrect value. Amount \$290.78, Value \$27,450, Year 1997, Account #14-12597.

Release the value of .790 acre in the name of Lacy Robinson (Heirs). Property is double listed in the name of Richard Faison. Amount \$45.24, Value \$5,200, Year 1995, Account #01-77000.

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Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kelly Sellers. Home double listed in the name of Bennie R. & Bonnie Nealy. Amount \$64.21, Value \$6,860, Year 1996, Account #09-25721.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Clarence Talbert Smith. Home double listed in the name of Talbert & Evelyn Smith. Amount \$146.49, Value \$6,080, Year 1997, Account #04-14561.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Lenwood Boyce Smith. Home double listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$126.95, Value \$3,525, Year 1997, Account #15-34890.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gregory Spaulding. Home double listed in the name of Sherman Campbell. Amount \$178.20, Value \$15,460, Year 1997, Account #08-17471.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Windell Spaulding. Home

double listed in the name of Oliver Spaulding. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #14-17920.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ted L. Spivey, Jr. Home double listed in the same name thru error. Amount \$229.35, Value \$16,920, Year 1997, Account #16-13591.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ted L. Spivey, Jr. Home double listed in the same name thru error. Amount \$222.02, Value \$17,310, Year 1996, Account #16-13591.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Jackie R. & Sarah B. Squires. Home double listed in the name of Randy & Christine Allen. Amount \$251.68, Value \$16,919, Year 1997, Account #15-35309.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Mitchell Wayne Tyler. Home is double listed in the name of Joe & Woodean Tyler. Amount \$284.40, Value \$25,500, Year 1995, Account #10-17392.

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Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Mitchell Wayne Tyler. Home is double listed in the name of Joe & Woodean Tyler. Amount \$346.45, Value \$31,000, Year 1997, Account #10-17392.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Sharilyn Cokley, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$8.21, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-15177.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Mary B. Flynn, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$6.81, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-14070.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Thomas W. & Deborah Keaton, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$2.82, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-21842.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Gregory & Debra Marlene Keith, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$20.44, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-

21905.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Raymond F. Lee, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$8.19, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-12991.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Hubert T. Patrick, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$7.12, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #08-14520.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Irvin & Betty B. Sasser, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$5.65, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-20580.

Release the August discount of 2% in the name of Larry Small, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$8.79, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-22145.

Release the August discount of 2% for the City of Bolton in the name of Janice & Billy Parker, not absorbed by computer. Amount \$7.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-12607.

Release the user fee in the name of Kelly James & Barbara B. Alford. Three (3) mobile homes are vacant. Amount \$300.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-00200.

Release the user fee in the name of Milton L. Brown. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-05950.

Release the user fee in the name of Danny W. Fowler. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #06-10825.

Release the user fee in the name Leo Freeman. Mobile home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #04-05103.

Release the user fee in the name of M. Rachel Gore. Home is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #07-06940.

Release the user fee in the name of Rodney H. & Barbara Gore. Tax payer has a private hauler. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-11700.

Release the user fee in the name of Geneva K. Little. House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #15-35256.

Release the user fee in the name of Sadie McKeithan (Etals) House is vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-15882.

Release the user fee in the name of Mary D. & Wade McKenzie. House is

vacant. Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #13-26065.

Release the user fee in the name of Betty Gail Patterson. House is vacant.
Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-68722.

Release the user fee in the name of Rita Perritt. House used for storage.
Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-23648.

Release the user fee in the name of Ellis & Elsie Register. Home is vacant.
Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #03-18920.

Release the user fee in the name of H.L. Turbeville. House is inside city limits
and was billed with county rate. Amount \$40.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #10-
17140.

Release the user fee in the name of Alice Faye Watts. House is vacant.
Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #09-32919.

Release the user fee in the name of Helen Whitaker. House is vacant. Amount
\$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #12-28820.

Release the user fee in the name of Cynthia Walters. Mobile home is vacant.
Amount \$100.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1997, Account #01-87761.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Kelly Alford. Home double
listed in the name of Kelly James & Barbara B. Alford. Amount \$364.19, Value \$7,160,
Year 1997, Account #15-00203.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Harvey Barfield. Home
listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$191.70, Value \$14,070, Year 1996, Account #07-
00091.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Harvey Barfield. Home
listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$205.66, Value \$13,820, Year 1997, Account #07-
00091.

Release the property value in the name of Dulcie G. Bunn, Dorothy C., Hanna
B. & Sarah G. Stephens. Property double listed in the name of Wanda Lynch. Amount
\$20.85, Value \$2,673, Year 1997, Account #06-03600.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ronald Eugene & Angela

D. Butcher. Mobile home should not have been listed until 1998. Amount \$520.54, Value \$51,600, Year 1997, Account #15-06007.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gloria Jean Buffkin. Home sold prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #16-01938.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gloria Jean Buffkin. Home sold prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #16-01938.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Elizabeth Campbell. Home double listed in the name of John T. Pridgen. Amount \$205.66, Value \$13,820, Year 1997, Account #05-01316.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Paul Ray & Judy F. Carroll. Home double listed in the name of Paul Carroll. Amount \$133.64, Value \$4,840, Year 1997, Account #01-12955.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Zaddie Bryant. Home double listed in the name of Jerome Flowers. Amount \$263.25, Value \$32,300, Year 1997, Account #15-07155.

Release the user fee in the name of Jack Lavern Coleman, Sr. House billed as two (2) single wides, should be double wide. Amount \$60.00, Value \$N/A, Year 1996, Account #15-09612.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of John Conner. Home double listed in the name of Heath & Kellie Conner. Amount \$214.44, Value \$16,500, Year 1996, Account #12-05839.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of John Conner. Home double listed in the name of Heath & Kellie Conner. Amount \$224.23, Value \$16,250, Year 1997, Account #12-05839.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Phillip Elbert & Carolyn B. Creech. Billed with a double wide home they do not own. Amount \$450.30, Value \$41,300, Year 1997, Account #01-18125.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Wendy Douglas. Home double listed in the name of Betty Wennette Douglas. Amount \$126.55, Value \$7,110, Year

1996, Account #12-06591.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Wendy Douglas. Home double listed in the name of Betty Wennette Douglas. Amount \$152.45, Value \$6,860, Year 1997, Account #12-06591.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Rachel Driggers. Home double listed in the name of Paul & Annette Eissens. Amount \$149.58, Value \$9,570, Year 1996, Account #13-10609.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Rachel Driggers. Home double listed in the name of Paul & Annette Eissens. Amount \$171.25, Value \$9,320, Year 1997, Account #13-10609.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Marvor Susenetta Evans. Home double listed as real and personal property. Amount \$259.46, Value \$21,310, Year 1996, Account #12-07266.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Marvor Susenetta Evans. Home listed as real and personal property. Amount \$261.01, Value \$21,060, Year 1997, Account #12-07266.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gail Annette Faulk. Home listed in Bladen Co. Amount \$222.02, Value \$17,310, Year 1996, Account #13-12619.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Gail Annette Faulk. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$230.43, Value \$17,060, Year 1997, Account #13-12619.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ronnie D. Fowler. Home double listed in the name of Patricia S. Fowler. Amount \$251.88, Value \$20,500, Year 1996, Account #06-12511.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Lavern Gamble. Home double listed in the name of L.V. & Lavern Gamble. Amount \$323.79, Value \$32,200, Year 1997, Account #09-09270.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Norma Gamble. Home double listed in the name of Lavern Gamble. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #09-09301.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Anthony Kevin Godwin. Home burned prior to 1-1-97. Amount \$149.58, Value \$10,741, Year 1997, Account #07-05402.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Eddie Godwin. Home burned prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$129.97, Value \$6,860, Year 1996, Account #01-32333.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Eddie Godwin. Home burned prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$155.63, Value \$6,610, Year 1997, Account #01-32333.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of James E. Gore. Home listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$10.80, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #15-15744.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of James E. Gore. Home listed in Brunswick County. Amount \$108.97, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #15-15744.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Barry L. Graham. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #15-16054.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Barry L. Graham. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #15-16054.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Lula Arnold Meares Graham. Home double listed in the name of Thomas Arnold. Amount \$10.56, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #14-06120.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Lula Arnold Meares Graham. Home double listed in the name of Thomas Arnold. Amount \$108.75, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #14-06120.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Michael Eugene Graham. Home sold prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #04-06099.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Michael Eugene Graham. Home sold prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #04-06099.

Release the property value in the name of Melba Gurkin. Amount \$1.49, Value \$209.00, Year 1997, Account #01-35737.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Tom & Doris Hammond.

Home double listed in the name of Brenda H. Hewitt. Amount \$205.90, Value \$30,280, Year 1990, Account #01-36663.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Tom & Doris Hammonds.

Home double listed in the name of Brenda H. Hewitt. Amount \$71.07, Value \$10,300, Year 1991, Account #01-36663.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Tom & Doris Hammonds.

Home double listed in the name of Brenda H. Hewitt. Amount \$169.50, Value \$24,565, Year 1992, Account #01-36663.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Tom & Doris Hammonds.

Home double listed in the name of Brenda H. Hewitt. Amount \$79.92, Value \$11,100, Year 1993, Account #01-36663.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Tom & Doris Hammonds.

Home double listed in the name of Brenda H. Hewitt. Amount \$78.28, Value \$10,300, Year 1994, Account #01-36663.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Tom & Doris Hammonds.

Home double listed in the name of Brenda H. Hewitt. Amount \$80.34, Value \$10,300, Year 1995, Account #01-36663.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Donald Ray Hardie. Home double listed in the name of Donald Hardie on late list. Amount \$189.02, Value \$11,320, Year 1997, Account #01-37041.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ricky Lee Helms. Home sold in 1995. Amount \$231.38, Value \$18,310, Year 1996, Account #03-10932.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Ricky Lee Helms. Home sold in 1995. Amount \$238.07, Value \$18,060, Year 1997, Account #03-10932.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Helen Hobbs. Two mobile homes destroyed by storms. Amount \$20.00, Value \$2,000, Year 1996, Account #13-19444.

Release the value of two mobile homes in the name of Helen Hobbs. Both homes destroyed by storms. Amount \$216.56, Value \$2,000, Year 1997, Account #13-19444.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of James & Teresa J. Huggins. Home repossessed by dealer. Amount \$357.15, Value \$37,000, Year 1997, Account #11-13721.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Teresa Mitchell Huggins. Single wide traded in on double wide and listed to James and Teresa Huggins. Amount \$186.54, Value \$11,319, Year 1997, Account #04-07714.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Nancy Hunt. Home double listed in the name of Nancy J. Hunt. Amount \$124.00, Value \$6,060, Year 1996, Account #09-15262.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Nancy Hunt. Home double listed in the name of Nancy J. Hunt. Amount \$150.81, Value \$5,810, Year 1997, Account #09-15262.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Don Inman. Home double listed in the name of Yvonne Woody. Amount \$187.70, Value \$12,520, Year 1996, Account #01-45788.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Don Inman. Home double listed in the name of Yvonne Woody. Amount \$195.68, Value \$11,370, Year 1997, Account #01-45788.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Connie Jacobs. Home double listed in the name of Connie Faye Jacobs. Amount \$239.71, Value \$19,200, Year 1996, Account #08-09766.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Connie Jacobs. Home double listed in the name of Connie Faye Jacobs. Amount \$244.87, Value \$18,950, Year 1997, Account #08-09766.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Lloyd D. & Jacqueline C. Jacobs. Home sold prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$124.62, Value \$3,260, Year 1996, Account #08-09980.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Johnny Jernigan. Home double listed in the name of Johnnie A. & Brenda Jernigan. Amount \$216.90, Value \$15,291,

Year 1997, Account #12-13341.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Troy M. Johnson. Home was listed in the same name thru error. Amount \$141.75, Value \$4,867, Year 1997, Account #10-09645.

Release value of a mobile home in the name of James Allen King. Home double listed in the name of Margaret Malpass. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #15-22428.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of William Edward King. Home listed as real and personal property. Amount \$222.02, Value \$17,310, Year 1996, Account #10-10112.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of William Edward King. Home listed as real and personal property. Amount \$230.43, Value \$17,060, Year 1997, Account #10-10112.

Release the value of fifty (50) acres in the name of George Clayton Miller. Property double listed in the name of Paul Weatherford. Amount \$128.00, Value \$16,100, Year 1997, Account #10-12240.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Theresa Jane Mitchell. Home burned prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #04-11755.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Theresa Jane Mitchell. Home burned prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #04-11755.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Peggy L. Patrick. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$135.35, Value \$8,050, Year 1996, Account #08-14617.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Peggy L. Patrick. Home listed in Bladen County. Amount \$159.63, Value \$7,800, Year 1997, Account #08-14617.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Franklin Perritte. Home double listed in the name of Rita Perritte. Amount \$9.36, Value \$1,000, Year 1996, Account #09-23678.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Franklin Perritte. Home

double listed in the name of Rita Long Perritte. Amount \$107.65, Value \$1,000, Year 1997, Account #09-23678.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of John Gibson Register. Home burned prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$79.22, Value \$3,330, Year 1996, Account #03-19257.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Stephanie Smith. Home sold in 1985. Amount \$179.62, Value \$12,780, Year 1996, Account #01-86617.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Stephanie Smith. Home sold in 1985. Amount \$195.79, Value \$12,530, Year 1997, Account #01-86617.

Release the value of farm equipment in the name of Ernest Roosevelt Spaulding. Property listed in the same name but on a different account number. Amount \$38.23, Value \$5,000, Year 1997, Account #14-15120.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of William Douglas Stevenson. Home destroyed by fire prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$105.20, Value \$4,829, Year 1996, Account #01-90111.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of William Douglas Stevenson. Home destroyed by fire prior to 1-1-96. Amount \$235.01, Value \$4,580, Year 1997, Account #01-90111.

Release the value of a mobile home in the name of Melanie Ward. Home traded for double wide and listed by Christopher & Melanie Hinson. Amount \$150.53, Value \$6,610, Year 1997, Account #16-16988.

Release the remaining property value in the name of Ernest Wells (Jr.). Failed to receive full exemption. Amount \$106.04, Value \$800, Year 1997, Account #08-20423.

Release a portion of the property value in the name of Mark L. Woodburn. Home billed with incorrect year model and grade. Amount \$60.31, Value \$7,400, Year 1997, Account #15-39941.

Amendments to February 16, 1998 Tax Refunds and Releases:

1. Refund for O'Neal Cartrett. Total should be \$67.95.
2. Refund for Rubin Elliot Dowe, Jr. Account number should be 10-03359.
3. Refund for Corbett Lee Garrell, for the year 1996 should be \$9.36; for year

- 1997, should be \$107.65.
4. Refund for Geraldine Jenkins, total should be \$103.27.
 5. Refund for Geraldine Jenkins, for the City of Bolton, total should be \$31.53.
 6. Refund for Alfred Lee and Barbara Ann Smith, total should be \$130.59.
 7. Release 2% discount in the name of Lula B. Brown. Amount should be \$.33.
 8. Release 2% discount in the name of Wesley C. Jones. Bill number is 76154.
 9. Release special district in the name of Mary Pat Garrell. This was paid and a refund given.
 10. Release 2% discount in the name of Curlie Bradshaw (Mrs.). Account number should be 01-08240.
 11. Release 2% discount in the name of Janice Millsap. Account number should be 03-16744.
 12. Release 2% discount in the name of Sufronia Thomas. Bill number should be 65767.
 13. Release user fee in the name of Herbert T. Reaves (Heirs). Bill number should be 59654.
 14. Release user fee in the name of Betty Buffkin. Account number should be 16-01870.
 15. Release user fee in the name of Florene Ellis Gause. Total amount should be \$208.39.
 16. Release mobile home value in the name of Rubin Elliot Dowe, Jr. Total amount should be \$164.83.
 17. Release mobile home value in the name of Wilbert Leroy Hufton, Jr. Account number should be 01-44485.
 18. Release mobile home value in the name of Tina Jacobs. District amount should be \$31.38.
 19. Release mobile home value in the name of Anthony Kirk McCumbee. Late list (L.L.) amount should be \$18.05.
 20. Release mobile home value in the name of Thomas Edison Nance. Late list amount should be \$2.49.
 21. Release property value in the name of R.B. Vann, bill number 66997. \$39.75 is listed in district amount, should be in total amount.
 22. Release value of a mobile home in the name of Ann Marie White. Total amount should be \$222.02.
 23. Release the mobile home value in the name of Marion Trent Williams. Bill number should be 81651.
 24. Release mobile home value in the name of George Jeffery Young. Bill number should be 70933.

Budget Amendments:

Increase 20-399-0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	\$11,871
Decrease 20-397-1500	Contribution - Water District	(11,871)
Accept 10-349-0100	EWP Grant - USDA NRCS	35,275
Accept 10-348-0000	NCCCPS-State Aid Emergency Mgt.	6,225
Expend 10-410-6000	Special Projects	41,500
Accept 10-348-0000	NCCCPS-State Aid Emergency Mgt.	6,179
Expend 10-410-6000	Special Projects	6,179
Accept 10-348-1001	GED High School Educational Fund	1,000
Expend 10-582-3300	Departmental Supplies	1,000
Appropriate 10-399-0000	Fund Balance (Carry over funds FY 96-97)	1,751,148

Expend as follows:

10-593-0200	Salaries	100,000
10-593-0201	Longevity	2,700
10-593-0500	FICA	5,500
10-593-0600	Insurance	14,000
10-593-0700	Retirement	5,000
10-593-1100	Telephone	5,000
10-593-1101	Postage	2,000
10-593-1400	Travel	6,000
10-593-3200	Office Supplies	5,000
10-593-3300	Departmental Supplies	5,000
10-593-5300	Dues and Subscriptions	2,000
10-593-7300	Improvements	1,598,948
Decrease 10-348-1100	Hypertension - States Funds	(1,433)
Decrease 10-594-0200	Salaries	(1,433)
Decrease 10-399-0000	Fund Balance Appropriation	(120,148)
Decrease 10-900-2000	Transfer to Debt Service	(120,148)
Decrease 10-335-0700	GIS (Mapping)	(710)
Decrease 10-450-1400	Travel	(710)

AGING - ANNUAL HOME COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK GRANT MEETING**SCHEDULED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve scheduling the Department of Aging Annual Home Community Care Block Grant Meeting for March 31, 1998 at 2:00 P.M. at the Columbus County Department of Aging.

AGING - TITLE III-F HEALTH PROMOTION/DISEASE PREVENTION FUNDING**APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve an additional allocation of funding from the Cape Fear Council of Governments for the Title III-F Health Promotion/Disease Prevention Programs as carry over from Fiscal Year 1996-97 in the amount of \$761.00 with a fifteen percent (15%) local match of \$90.00 to be absorbed within the Department of Aging Budget.

AGING - ANNUAL IN-HOME SERVICE REPORT ADOPTED

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adopt the Department of Aging Annual In-Home Service

Report as submitted by Ed Worley, Aging Director.

SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE - APPROVAL OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT NEEDS

Dr. Steve Scott, Southeastern Community College President, advised the Board the College has an opportunity to request \$2.5 million dollars from the North Carolina Community College State Building funds with no County matching funds for the Capital Improvements. The only stipulation is for the County to provide funds for operation and maintenance, if the project is funded by the state. If Southeastern Community College is funded, it will be two (2) to three (3) years before the Board will need to appropriate approximately \$25,000 - \$35,000 annually for operation and maintenance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve Dr. Steve Scott's request as presented.

CONTRACT - INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS APPLICATION APPROVAL FOR CONFLANDEY, INC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to approve the Industrial Revenue Bonds Application for Conflandey, Incorporated as follows:

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, North Carolina (the "Board"), met in regular session at 111 Washington Street, Whiteville, North Carolina, the regular place of meeting, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. on March 16, 1998, with Chairman David L. Dutton, Jr., presiding. The following Commissioners were:

PRESENT: A Dial Gray, III, Sammie Jacobs, Lynwood Norris, C.W. Williams and C. E. Wilson.

OTHER STAFF MEMBERS: James E. Hill, Jr., County Attorney, Dempsey B. Herring, County Administrator, Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board.

ABSENT: Commissioner Spruell R. Britt.

ALSO PRESENT: Lionel Lemaire, Bertrand Bougenot, Michael Antropius, Steve Yost and Chuck Wedemeyer.

James E. Hill, Jr. stated that pursuant to Chapter 159C of the General Statutes

of North Carolina and the regulations thereunder he had been advised that The Columbus County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority intended to file an application with the Secretary of the Department of Commerce for approval of an industrial and manufacturing project in Columbus County, North Carolina for Conflandey, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), consisting of the construction of a manufacturing facility on approximately 20 acres of land located off North Carolina Highway 130 in the Southeast Regional Industrial Park in Columbus County, North Carolina and the acquisition and installation of machinery and equipment therein for the production of steel wire (the "Project"). All or a portion of the cost of the Project is to be financed by the issuance of not exceeding \$10,000,000 aggregate principal amount of qualified small issue industrial revenue bonds of the Authority. Such application for approval cannot, under regulations of the Department of Commerce, be officially received until, among other things, the Board has, by resolution after having held a public hearing, approved the issue of bonds for the proposed Project and approved the Project in principle.

Steve Yost, a representative of the Finance Authority, advised the Board of Commissioners that at present the company may be unable to meet the manufacturing wage test contained in North Carolina General Statutes Section 159C-7 and Section 1E.0303 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, that it intended to apply for a waiver of such wage test, and that it was requesting that the County Commissioners approve the Project notwithstanding the fact that the Company may be unable to pay an average weekly manufacturing wage which is above the average weekly manufacturing wage paid in Columbus County or 10% in excess of the average weekly manufacturing wage for North Carolina. The wage waiver is being requested because of "especially severe unemployment".

Steve Yost advised the Commissioners that "especially severe unemployment" is defined by Section 1E.0303(d) of the North Carolina Administrative Code as follows:

- (A) *unemployment which the Employment Security Commission statistics indicate to be at least five percent for the most recent month, and for the six month period ending with that month, have averaged either:*
- (i) *at least ten percent, or*

- (ii) *at least 125 percent of the average unemployment rate for the State of North Carolina, and is at least five percent, or*
- (B) *where the department can determine that there has been within the past 12 months, or will be in the immediate future, a permanent closing by any employer in the county which resulted, or will result in the loss of employment by at least 300 workers, or at least a number of workers equal to or greater than five percent of the current labor force for the county, as published in the most recent "North Carolina Labor Force Estimate by County". The purpose of this provision is to assist in the creation of employment opportunities for individuals displaced by industrial plant closings. This provision may not be used as justification for a finding of especially severe unemployment if approvals granted on the basis of a particular plant closing have created more jobs that were lost in the closing.*

Steve Yost reported that the North Carolina Department of Commerce had indicated that, based on the above standards, "especially severe unemployment" existed in Columbus County. The Commissioners concluded that unemployment in Columbus County was especially severe and that the proposed project would benefit employment in Columbus County by creating jobs in Columbus County.

James E. Hill, Jr. presented to the Board copies of the Authority's resolution approving the Project and the inducement agreement between the Authority and the Company. James E. Hill, Jr., then stated that a notice had been published by the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners on February 26, 1998 stating that the Board would hold a public hearing on March 16, 1998 on the proposed revenue bond issue and the Project (the "Notice").

Commissioner Norris moved that the Board ratify the publication of the Notice and designate this meeting as a public hearing on the revenue bond issue and the Project. The motion was unanimously adopted.

At 7:00 o'clock P.M., Chairman Dutton announced that the Board would hear anyone who wished to be heard on the advisability of issuing the revenue bonds and the Project.

Bertrand Bougenot, a representative of Conflandey, Inc., gave a brief description of the proposed Project. The presiding officer then recognized such persons, if any, who appeared either in person or by attorney, to be heard on the question of the advisability of the proposed Project or the issuance of said bonds. The Clerk of the Board of Commissioners reported that no written comment about the proposed Project or the related bond issue had been received. The names and addresses of the persons who were present and summaries of their comments are as follows:

There were no comments.

After the Board had heard all persons who requested to be heard, Commissioner Norris moved that the public hearing be closed. The motion was unanimously adopted.

James E. Hill, Jr. stated that under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the Board must approve the issuance of the Authority's qualified small issue industrial revenue bonds if the interest thereon is not to be includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation.

Commissioner Williams introduced the following resolution which was read out loud:

Resolution No. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE COLUMBUS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES AND POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY OF NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ITS QUALIFIED SMALL ISSUE INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS TO FINANCE AN INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING PROJECT IN COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA FOR CONFLANDEY, INC. AND APPROVING SUCH PROJECT IN PRINCIPLE, AND REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE APPROVE THE PROJECT, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FAILURE OF THE COMPANY TO PAY ABOVE AVERAGE WEEKLY MANUFACTURING WAGES IN COLUMBUS COUNTY OR WEEKLY MANUFACTURING WAGES 10% IN EXCESS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA AVERAGE WEEKLY MANUFACTURING WAGE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus has created a political subdivision and body corporate and politic of the State of North Carolina known as “The Columbus County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority” (the “Authority”); and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized under the Industrial and Pollution Control Facilities Financing Act, Chapter 159C of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended (the “Act”), to issue industrial revenue bonds for the purpose, among others, of paying all or any part of the cost of any industrial or pollution control project for industry; to acquire, construct, improve and equip any such project; and to make and execute financing agreements, security documents and other contracts and instruments necessary or convenient in the exercise of such powers; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined to issue not exceeding \$10,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its qualified small issue industrial revenue bonds to pay all or a portion of the costs of the Project to be located off North Carolina Highway 130 in the Southeast Regional Industrial Park in Columbus County, to be owned and operated by Conflandey, Inc., a Delaware corporation, the interest on said bonds to be excludable from gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation by virtue of the provisions of Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any successor thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Authority intends to file an application for approval of the Project with the Secretary of the Department of Commerce (the “DOC”), as required by the Act; and

WHEREAS, the DOC has, by regulation, provided that no application for approval of a project will be officially received until the governing body of the County from which the application is made has, by resolution after having held a public hearing, approved the issue of revenue bonds and approved in principle the proposed project and a certified copy of such resolution has been provided to the DOC; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be located wholly within Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to public notice duly given, has held a public hearing on the proposed qualified small issue industrial revenue bond issue and Project and has considered the comments of persons who requested to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to approve the issuance of the qualified small issue industrial revenue bonds and approve the Project in principle, notwithstanding the failure of the Company to pay above average weekly manufacturing wages in Columbus county or 10% in excess of the North Carolina average weekly manufacturing wages;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus:

Section 1. The Board of Commissioners has determined and does hereby declare as follows:

(a) The Board of Commissioners has been advised that, according to information supplied by the company, the Company may not pay an average weekly wage which is above the average weekly manufacturing wage paid in Columbus County or 10% above the average weekly manufacturing wage paid in the State and that the North Carolina Department of Commerce may approve the issuance of industrial bonds for the Company only if requested to do so by the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, notwithstanding failure of the Company to pay such above average manufacturing wage.

(b) In order to facilitate the issuance of the above-described industrial revenue bonds of the Authority, the Board of Commissioners has been requested to file with the Secretary of the Department to Commerce its resolution requesting that the proposed Project to be financed with the proceeds of said bonds be approved notwithstanding that the Company will not pay an average weekly manufacturing wage above the average weekly manufacturing wage in Columbus County or 10% above the average weekly manufacturing wage paid in North Carolina.

Section 2. Pursuant to and in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 159C-7 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Columbus hereby requests that the Secretary of the Department of Commerce of the State of North Carolina approve the Project to be financed with the proceeds of the above-described industrial revenue bonds of the Authority notwithstanding that the Company will not pay an average weekly manufacturing wage in Columbus County or 10% above the average weekly manufacturing wage paid in North Carolina.

Section 3. The Chairman of the Board of Commissioners be, and is, authorized and directed to deliver this resolution to the Secretary of the Department of Commerce in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 159C-7 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and to execute such other and further documents and instruments, and to take such other action, as may be requested by the said Secretary in order to effectuate the purposes of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Columbus as follows:

(1) The issuance of qualified small issue industrial revenue bonds by the Authority in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$10,000,000 to finance the Project is hereby approved.

(2) The Project is hereby approved in principle.

(3) The Clerk of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to provide a certified copy of this resolution to the DOC.

(4) The Board of County Commissioners hereby requests that the State of North Carolina, pursuant to Chapter 588 of the 1987 North Carolina General Session Laws, or any other executive order or legislation relating to volume limitations on tax-exempt financing, allocate to the above-described qualified small issue industrial revenue bonds and Project \$10,000,000 of "unified volume limitation" (as described in said Session Laws or in any such other executive order or legislation), and acknowledges that any such allocation shall be only for purposes of said Project and that any portion of such allocation not utilized in connection with such bonds and

Project or which terminates or expires as provided in said Session Laws will, without further action, revert to the State of North Carolina, and there is hereby approved the application by the Authority for such an allocation.

(5) This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Commissioner Norris moved the passage of the foregoing resolution and the resolution was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners David L. Dutton, Jr., A. Dial Gray, III, Sammie Jacobs, Lynwood Norris, C.W. Williams and C.E. Wilson.

NAYS: None.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
)
 COUNTY OF COLUMBUS)

I, Ida Smith, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, as follows:

1. A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, (the "Board"), a county of the State of North Carolina, was duly held on March 16, 1998, proper notice of such meeting having been given as required by North Carolina statutes, and minutes of such meeting have been duly recorded in the Minute Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the minutes of the Board.

2. I have caused proper Notice of the Public Hearing portion of such meeting to be published at least fourteen days prior to such meeting and to be delivered to the Secretary of the Department of Commerce at least three working days prior to such meeting, each as required by Department of Commerce Rule Section 1E-0204.

3. I have compared the attached extract with the minutes so recorded and the extract is a true copy of the minutes and of the whole thereof insofar as the minutes relate to matters referred to in such extract.

4. The minutes correctly state the time when the meeting was convened and the place where such meeting was held and the members of the Board who attended the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have hereunto

affixed the corporate seal of the County, this 16th day of March, 1998.

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk, Board of Commissioners
of Columbus County, North Carolina

**COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER - RURAL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CENTER WATER FEASIBILITY GRANT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to approve an Agreement with the Rural Economic Development Center, Inc. to provide Columbus County the sum of \$10,000 to conduct the Columbus County Water Feasibility Study with the County to provide matching funds in the amount of \$10,000. The Contract is on file at the office of the Clerk to the Board. The following are Exhibits of the Contract:

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF SERVICES

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER FEASIBILITY STUDY

CONTRACT NO. 02-98-47

Columbus County will carry out the terms of this Contract as follows:

1. General Project Description:

Columbus County will use funds to help defray costs associated with an engineering study to review potential areas of the County in which water service can be economically extended. Report will be prepared in the PER format for possible use with applications for future funding by the County.

2. Quantifiable Project Benefits:

This project will enable the County to have information at its disposal regarding the expansion of water service into rural areas of the County. Two water districts have already been created in Columbus County. The study's primary purpose would be to determine which areas of the County would be organized into the next district.

3. Project Cost and Financing:

Revenues

Local Funds	\$10,000
Rural Center	<u>\$10,000</u>
TOTAL	\$20,000

Expenses

Engineering Study	<u>\$20,000</u>
TOTAL	\$20,000

4. Project Reporting:

Columbus County will file reports on the dates set forth in Exhibit C of this Contract.

**EXHIBIT B
PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

The Rural Economic Development Center, Inc. shall make payable to the Columbus County the sum of \$10,000 as follows:

- initial payment not to exceed \$4,750
- one (1) progress payment not to exceed \$4,750
- a final payment not to exceed \$500 (5% of the grant award) subject to the completion of all work activities and the submission and approval of the final summary and financial reports.

All payments are made subject to the submission of a financial reporting form detailing project expenditures in the format provided by the Center.

Request for final payment and financial reports must be submitted within thirty (30) days after the end of the Contract period.

All payments will be made subject at the availability of appropriated funds.

**EXHIBIT C
REPORTING SCHEDULE**

In accordance with the Contractual Agreement between Columbus County and the Rural Economic Development Center, Incorporated, progress and final reports should be submitted according to the following schedule:

PROGRESS REPORTS

Reporting Period	Date Due
02-01-98 to 07-31-98	08-31-98 (Final Report)

Final Report: Due 30 days after closure of project and submitted with final payment request.

Audit Report Due	10-31-98
	10-31-99

Also, the following budget amendment was approved for the project.

Accept 10-348-3300	N.C. Rural Center Funds (Water Feasibility Study)	\$10,000
Transfer 10-425-0200	Planning - Salaries	5,000
Transfer 10-425-7400	Planning - Capital Outlay	5,000
Expend 10-470-0402	Legal & Professional (Water Feasibility Study)	20,000

RESOLUTION - YEAR OF THE VOLUNTEER

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Wilson and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING

THE YEAR OF THE VOLUNTEER

WHEREAS, Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. has declared 1998 as the Year of the Volunteer throughout North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the key goals of this celebration are to:

1. Recognize the value and importance of connecting communities through volunteerism and community service;
2. Increase volunteer involvement and diversity as a solution to community problems;
3. Create and demonstrate the effectiveness of communities that partner with government and work cooperatively to solve the societal problems in communities throughout the country;
4. Celebrate the success and impact of volunteer involvement in improving the quality of life of North Carolinians; and
5. Link North Carolina with the Points of Light Foundation's Connect America, the goals of the President's Summit for America's Future and Governor's Summit.

WHEREAS, Columbus County recognizes the value of volunteers who assist in providing county government services and related programs, resulting in savings to our taxpayers and unique opportunities to involve citizens in vital community programs; and

WHEREAS, Columbus County also recognizes the crucial role of volunteers

in non-county organizations within our communities for they help make a difference in people's lives through their work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners proclaims 1998 to be the Year of the Volunteer and recognizes April as North Carolina Volunteer Month; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Columbus County commits to further supporting and enhancing the networks and partnerships related to volunteer programs throughout our county, especially those programs targeting children and youth at risk.

ADOPTED this the 16th day of March, 1998.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ DAVID L. DUTTON, JR., Chairman

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ IDA L. SMITH, Clerk to Board

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION POLICY - TABLED

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to table action on the Personnel Administration Policy until the April 6, 1998, Board Meeting.

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT - COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT I

A motion was made by Commissioner Jacobs, seconded by Commissioner Williams and passed unanimously to adopt the following Capital Project Ordinance Amendment.

COLUMBUS COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT I

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

ORIGINAL ADOPTION: December 19, 1994

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Columbus, North Carolina, that pursuant to Section 159-13.2 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following Capital Project Ordinance Amendment is **HEREBY**

ADOPTED:

SECTION 1. The project authorized is the Columbus County Water & Sewer District I.

SECTION 2. The project director is hereby directed to proceed with the construction of the project within the terms of the grant agreement with Farmers Home Administration and in accordance with the limitations of the Bond Anticipation Notes.

SECTION 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the County to complete the project:

Increase 63-329-0000	Interest	\$10,745.00
Increase 63-335-0000	Miscellaneous Revenue (Sales Tax)	569.00
Decrease 63-335-0100	Advance from General Fund	(179,000.00)
Increase 63-385-0000	Bond Anticipation Note	<u>179,000.00</u>
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 11,314.00

SECTION 4. the following amounts are appropriated for the project:

Increase 63-690-0400	Professional Services	\$ 49,549.00
Decrease 63-690-5700	Miscellaneous Express	(19,267.00)
Decrease 63-690-7400	Equipment	(25,000.00)
Increase 63-690-7500	Construction	136,458.00
Increase 63-690-9100	Transfer to District	3,974.00
Decrease 63-690-9999	Contingency	<u>(134,400.00)</u>
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 11,314.00

SECTION 5. The Finance Officer is directed to report quarterly on the financial status of this project. She shall also keep the Governing Body informed at each regular meeting of any unusual occurrences.

SECTION 6. Copies of the Capital Project Ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for directions in carrying out the project.

ADOPTED this 16th day of March 1998.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

/s/ David L. Dutton, Jr., Chairman

ATTESTED BY:

/s/ Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board

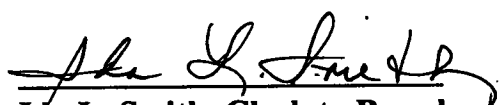
APPOINTMENT - TABOR CITY ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Gray and passed unanimously to appointment Jimmy Hewett as the extra-territorial member of the Tabor City Zoning Board of Adjustments for a three (3) year term, expiring April 2001.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs and passed unanimously to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:10 P.M.

APPROVED:


Ida L. Smith, Clerk to Board


David L. Dutton, Jr., Chairman