LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

The Board of Directors of Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Board of Garland County, Arkansas Arkansas Natural Resources Commission Bureau of Legislative Audit

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Board and Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, and the Bureau of Legislative Audit, solely to assist you with respect to the accounting records of Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer as of September 30, 2022 and 2021. Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer's management is responsible for the entity's accounting records. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and findings are as follows:

Cash and Investments

- A. A. Perform a proof of cash for the year and reconcile year-end bank balances to book balance.
- B. Agree the proof of cash ending balances to the book balances within 5% or \$500, whichever is greater.

No exceptions noted

Receipts

- A. Agree the deposits per the proof of cash for the year with the deposits per the journal within 5% or \$500, whichever is greater.
- B. Agree ten customer payments on the accounts receivable subledger to deposit and billing documents.

No exceptions noted

Accounts Receivable

- A. Agree ten customer billings to the accounts receivable subledger.
- B. Determine that five customer adjustments were properly authorized.

No exceptions noted

Disbursements

- A. Agree the disbursements per the proof of cash for the year with the disbursements per the journal within 5% or \$500, whichever is greater.
- B. Analyze all property, plant, and equipment disbursements.
- C. Select all disbursements paid to employees other than payroll and ten other disbursements and determine if they were adequately documented. No exceptions noted

Property, Plant, and Equipment

A. Determine that additions and disposals were properly accounted for in the records. (Materiality level – 5% of total equipment or \$500, whichever is greater.) No exceptions noted

Long-Term Debt

- A. Schedule long-term debt and verify changes in all balances for the year.
- B. Determine that the appropriate debt service accounts have been established and maintained.

No exceptions noted

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the accounting records. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer, Arkansas Natural Resources Commission, and the Bureau of Legislative Audit and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS

COMPILED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Board of Garland, Arkansas annual financial report presents an analysis of the board's financial performance during the current period.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE PERIOD

- In the 2022 fiscal year, the board's total net assets increased by \$25,111. The increase was the result of operations.
- In September 2022, the Board implemented a rate increase due to the rising cost of materials and supplies. The increase aided in the increase in cash flow position.
- Depreciation of capital assets accounted for \$80,861 of the change in net assets. Net of depreciation, the total net assets increased \$105,972.
- Water and sewer service revenue increased approximately 1.0% while the cost of purchasing those utilities decreased approximately 6.5%. The gross profit percentage increased approximately 1.5% this year. Revenues related to availability and hook ups increased approximately 13.0% during the year.
- As of April 5, 2021, Arkansas passed Act 605 of 2021 which adds additional responsibilities in managing and operating retail water provider operations. Going forward, board may be required to obtain a rate study, board members will need to obtain training each year, and a new refurbishment and replacement reserve threshold has been set, 5% opposed to 3%.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The annual report consists of the management's discussion and analysis and the basic financial statement. The financial statement includes notes, which explain in detail some of the information included in the basic financial statement.

REQUIRED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statement of the board reports information utilizing the full accrual basis of accounting using the economic resources measurement focus. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred. The balance sheet (accrual basis) includes information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligation of the board's creditors (liabilities). The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets (accrual basis) identify the board's revenues and expenses for the period. The third financial statement is the

statement of cash flows (accrual basis). The reader can obtain information on the source and use of cash.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD

The balance sheet (accrual basis) and statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets (accrual basis) provides an indication of the board's financial condition. An increase in net assets over time typically indicates a positive financial condition while a decrease indicates a declining financial condition.

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET

	Se	ept 30, 2022
Current and Other Assets	\$	38,808
Restricted Assets Capital Assets-Net		77,194 2,144,024
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	2,260,026
Current Liabilities	\$	148,572
Long Term Liabilities Notes and Bonds		2,365,604
Total Liabilities		2,514,176
Net Assets		(254,150)
Total Liabilities		
And Net Assets	\$	2,260,026

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

	Sept 30, 202	
Revenue		
Operating Revenues		
Water Revenue	\$	407,298
Sewer Revenue		160,647
Other Operating Income	-	167,177
Total Operating Revenues		735,122
Non-Operating Revenue		
Miscellaneous		40,890
Total Revenue		776,012
Expenses		
Operating Expenses		
Purchased Utilities		106,197
Direct Materials		88,701
Other Operating		439,631
Total Operating Expenses		634,529
Non-Operating Expense		
Interest Expense		116,372
Total Expenses		750,901
Change in Net Assets	\$	25,111

A summary of the Board's capital assets are below.

CAPITAL ASSETS

	S	ept 30, 2022
Water Utilities	\$	1,205,236
Sewer Utilities		1,690,430
Work in Process		0
Total Capital Assets		2,895,666
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(751, 642)
Net Capital Assets	\$	2,144,024

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

The Board of Directors Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Board of Garland County, Arkansas Hot Springs, Arkansas

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Board of Garland County, Arkansas which comprise the balance sheet as of September 30, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and change in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statements, nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

Supplementary information

The supplementary information contained in Schedules 1 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. The information was subject to our compilation engagement; however, we have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on such supplementary information.

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<u>ASSETS</u>

	2022	2021	
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and Equivalents Accounts Receivable Other Current Assets	\$ 35,132 3,676	\$ 49,904 - 4,543	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	38,808	54,447	
RESTRICTED ASSETS Cash in Investments - Depreciation Reserve	77,194	91,402	
CAPITAL ASSETS Water Utility Equipment Sewer Utility Equipment Work in Process Less Accumulated Depreciation	1,205,236 1,690,430 (751,642)	1,158,390 1,669,801 - (670,781)	
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	2,144,024	2,157,410	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,260,026	\$ 2,303,259	

LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	2022	2021
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts Payable Accrued Expenses Note Payable - Current Bond Payable - Current PPP Loan Payable Other Current Liabilities	\$ - 35,402 11,312 69,573 - 32,285	\$- 32,664 10,769 65,676 - 27,910
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	148,572	137,019
LONG TERM LIABILITIES Note Payable Bonds Payable	93,080 2,272,524	104,392 2,341,109
TOTAL LONG TERM LIABILITIES	2,365,604	2,445,501
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,514,176	2,582,520
NET ASSETS Unrestricted Restricted	(331,344) 77,194	(370,663) 91,402
TOTAL NET ASSETS	(254,150)	(279,261)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 2,260,026	\$ 2,303,259

LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

EXHIBIT "B" PAGE 4

	2022	2021
OPERATING REVENUES Water Service Sewer Service Sewer Assessment Other Fees	\$ 407,298 160,647 86,879 80,298	\$ 404,291 157,245 82,928 63,234
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	735,122	707,698
OPERATING EXPENSES Purchased Utilities Direct Materials Other Operating Expenses (Schedule No. 1)	106,197 88,701 439,631	113,933 42,816 427,281
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	634,529	584,030
OPERATING INCOME	100,593	123,668
NON OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) Miscellaneous Income PPP Loan Forgiveness Interest Expense	40,890 - (116,372)	16,941 28,100 (119,494)
NET NON OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	(75,482)	(74,453)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	25,111	49,215
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	(279,261)	(328,476)
NET ASSETS AT END OF PERIOD	\$ (254,150)	\$ (279,261)

LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

	 2022	 2021
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Change in Net Assets Add (Deduct) Items to Reconcile Cash:	\$ 25,111	\$ 49,215
Depreciation Increase (Decrease) in Other Assets	80,861 867	73,945 (1,000)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Expenses	2,738	(1,517) 4,268
Increase (Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities	 4,375	 4,126
NET FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	113,952	129,037
CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES Net (Increase) Decrease in Restricted Assets Net Increase (Decrease) in Work in Process Purchase of Capital Assets	 14,208 (4,755) (62,719)	 (24,531) - (48,413)
NET CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(53,266)	(72,944)
CASH FLOWS USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES Net Borrowing (Repayments)	 (75,458)	 (50,115)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(14,772)	5,978
CASH AT BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD	 49,904	 43,926
CASH AT END OF THE PERIOD	\$ 35,132	\$ 49,904

See Independent Accountants Compilation Report and Notes to Financials

LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Operations - Lake Catherine Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Board was formed as a public facilities board of Garland County, AR, pursuant to Arkansas code of 1987 Annotated, Title 14, Chapter 137, Subchapter 1. On May 23, 2012, the public facilities board purchased the water and sewer operations from the previous owner, Riviera Utilities of Arkansas, Inc. The purpose of the board is to provide potable water and to collect and treat sewage for the residents of the Diamondhead community and surrounding areas as needed in Garland and Hot Springs Counties, Arkansas. The primary sources of operating revenues are charges from the sale of water and collection of sewage and the related services to its members. The primary operating expenses are the costs of providing those services, administrative expenses and the depreciation of capital assets.

<u>Basis of Presentation</u> - The financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The Board's reporting entity applies all relevant governmental accounting standards board (GASB) pronouncements and applicable financial accounting standards board (FASB) pronouncements.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u> - The financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting using the economic resources measurement focus. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

<u>Receivables</u> - Accounts receivable consists of charges currently billed for usage or for assessments that have yet to be remitted. A provision for uncollectible accounts has not been established as historical information for the current board was not available when they took over the operations from Riveria, who did not have a provision. Write off of receivables from assessments occur when the state takes over a lot for auction. Procedures for service denial for delinquent accounts will follow the Board's shut-off policy.

<u>Capital Assets and Depreciation</u> - Water and sewer equipment are valued at acquisition cost as well as new additions and improvements which extend the lives of existing assets. Retirements will be removed from book valuations based on original cost. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as they are incurred. Annual depreciation is primarily computed using the straight-line method with lives between 7 years to 40 years, depending on the classification of asset.

Depreciation for the period totalled \$80,861.

<u>Net Assets</u> - The Board must report its net assets as either restricted, unrestricted or invested in capital assets, net of related debt. These components of net assets are defined below:

<u>Net Assets (Cont)</u> - Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt - This component of net assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets, net of any funds that have been restricted for the payment of those borrowings, any funds set aside for the purchase of capital assets, or any unamortized assets originating from the issuance of debt.

Restricted - This component of net assets consists of constraints imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The restriction reflected on the balance sheet is a depreciation reserve, required by the bond, for repairs to the system or other purposes approved by the bond holder.

Unrestricted - This component of net assets consists of net assets that do not meet the definition of restricted or invested in capital assets, net of related debt.

<u>Subsequent Events</u> - The Subsequent Events Topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification establishes general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. The Board has evaluated all subsequent events for potential recognition and disclosure through January 26, 2023, the date these financial statements were available to be issued. The below has been disclosed but not recognized.

NOTE 2: CASH AND EQUIVALENTS

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the corporation considers all highly liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. All cash deposits are insured or collateralized with securities held by the financial institution.

NOTE 2: CASH AND EQUIVALENTS (CONT'D)

The following is a summary of cash and equivalents as of September 30:

		2022		2021	
Non Restricted Cash and Equivalents Revenue & Operations Accounts	\$	35,132	\$	49,904	
Restricted Cash and Equivalents Cash in Investments - Depreciation Reserve	\$	77,194	\$	91,402	

See Note 6, Bond Payable, for additional notes referencing the Depreciation Reserve.

NOTE 3: WORK IN PROCESS

During the year, the Board has made improvements to the utilities. As monies were expended for major repairs, The Board accumulated the costs in Work in Process. Once improvements are complete, the Board capitalizes the cost into their respective water or sewer capital asset account.

During the years 2022 and 2021, \$4,755 and \$0, respectively, was moved from Work in Process into capital asset accounts.

NOTE 4: USE OF ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

In preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 5: PROVISION FOR INCOME TAX

The board is exempt from income taxes as a public water and sewer authority. Therefore, no income tax provisions have been made.

NOTE 6: BONDS PAYABLE

The Board has an outstanding revenue bond payable with the state of Arkansas. The bond was approved on May 9, 2012 for the amount of \$1,900,000. The bond is reflected on the balance sheet as:

	 Total	Current		Long - Term	
Bond Payable	\$ 1,567,941	\$	48,831	\$	1,519,110

Interest expense related to the bond totalled \$77,078 and \$79,375 in 2022 and 2021, respectively. Principle payments on the bond began during 2014. The bond carries an interest rate of 4.75% with an expected maturity date of June 1, 2042.

Current maturities of the principle on the bond payable are as follows:

2023	48,831
2024	51,177
2025	53,637
2026	56,215
2027	58,917
and later	1,299,164
	b.
	\$ 1,567,941

The General Obligation Bond Program with ANRC set forth a Depreciation Reserve Fund, reflected on the balance sheet, that should be funded at a rate equal to 3% of monthly gross revenue. Expenditures from the reserve fund are permitted.

In December 2015, the board approved and secured additional bond funding of \$875,500 through ANRC to make necessary investments to the waste water utilities. The additional utility investment requirements were outlined in a Consent Administrative Order from Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) in 2015. The bond is to be repaid over 30 years, due December 2045, with an annual interest rate of 4.25%.

During the previous years, the Board has borrowed money as mandated projects to the utilities are completed. As of September 30, 2017, the projects were complete. The balance of the bond payable as of current year end is \$774,156. Interest expense related to the bond totalled \$33,809 and \$34,617 in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Also see note 3 for additional notes regarding the mandated projects.

NOTE 6: BONDS PAYABLE (CONT'D)

The 2 bonds are reflected on the balance sheet as current and long term bonds payable. See below for the balance of each respective bond:

	Total		Total Current		Long-Term	
2012 ANRC Bond	\$	1,567,941	\$	48,831	\$ 1,519,110	
2015 ANRC Bond		774,156		20,742	753,414	
Total Bonds Payable	\$	2,342,097	\$	69,573	\$ 2,272,524	

NOTE 7: NOTES PAYABLE

During 2017, the Board borrowed \$82,500 from ANRC to cover the bid overruns associated with the wastewater treatment plant improvement, for which the 2015 ANRC Bond funds were originally borrowed. The note carries an interest rate of 4.25% with an expected maturity date of June 2047.

During 2020, the Board borrowed \$48,413 from Bank OZK to purchase a new dump truck. The note carries an interest rate of 5.00% with 60 expected monthly payments. The note has an expected maturity date of November 4, 2025.

The Board received a loan under the Paycheck Protection Program established by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The loan was fully forgiven in February of 2021.

The Notes above are reflected on the balance sheet as seen below:

	Total		Current		Long - Term	
Notes Payable - 2017 ANRC	\$	72,331	\$	1,735	\$	70,596
Notes Payable - OZK - Truck Loan	-	32,061		9,577		22,484
Total Notes Payable	\$	104,392	\$	11,312	\$	93,080

NOTE 7: NOTES PAYABLE (CONT'D)

Current maturities of the principle on the notes payable are as follows:

	20	17 ANRC	OZ	K - Truck	Total	
2023		1,735		9,577	\$	11,312
2024		1,809		10,072		11,881
2025		1,886		10,597		12,483
2026		1,966		1,815		3,781
2027		2,049		20 - 1		2,049
and later	0	62,886				62,886
	\$	72,331	\$	32,061	\$	104,392

NOTE 8: FAIR VALUE

Accounting standards define fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. They also establish a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. Following are the three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

- Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities

The boards only asset, required to be marked to fair value, at year end was cash which is stated at it's fair value (level 1).

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

LAKE CATHERINE WATERWORKS AND SEWER FACILITIES BOARD OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021

	2022	2021
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Bank Fees	804	718
Depreciation	80,861	73,945
Equipment Rental	2,893	913
Independent Contractors	59,806	57,446
Insurance	45,111	43,200
Legal and Professional	5,235	4,500
Licenses and Fees	8,948	9,285
Office Expense	4,468	6,334
Postage and Shipping	7,484	6,009
Rent	16,123	16,039
Repairs and Maintenance	33,852	39,425
Salaries and Wages	152,916	146,800
Telephone	7,667	7,874
Travel	11,730	13,237
Utilities	1,733	1,556
TOTAL	\$ 439,631	\$ 427,281