

CALDWELL WATER DEPARTMENT  
CALDWELL, ARKANSAS  
INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON  
APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

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To the Mayor and Members of the City Council  
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Caldwell, Arkansas 72322

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PROCEDURES

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on compliance with AR Code Ann. 14-234-119 to 122, of the City of Caldwell Water Department as of December 31, 2022 and for the year then ended. The City of Caldwell Water Department's management is responsible for the Department's accounting records.

The City of Caldwell Water Department has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended compliance with AR Code Ann., 14-234-119 to 122. Additionally, the Mayor, City Council, and management of the City of Caldwell, Arkansas have agreed to and acknowledge that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purpose. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest as a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report, and as such users are responsible for determining whether the procedures are appropriate for their purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

Cash and Investments

1. We performed a proof of cash for the year and reconciled year end bank balances to book balances.
2. We obtained confirmation of the cash on deposit for the Caldwell Water Department:

First National Bank of Eastern Arkansas

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Cash - Operating    | \$ 14,924        |
| Cash - Savings      | 3,843            |
| Cash - Construction | 5,531            |
|                     | <u>\$ 24,298</u> |

3. We agreed the proof of cash ending balances to the book balances.

We found no exceptions as a result of these procedures.

### **Receipts**

1. All customer billing, collections, disputes and adjustments are handled by the Forrest City Water and Sewer Department. A monthly check is remitted to the Caldwell Water Department for their share of the collections. We agreed all amounts per the monthly Forrest City Water and Sewer Department remittance reports to the cash receipts journal and to deposits made to the Caldwell Water Department bank account.

We found no exceptions as a result of these procedures.

### **Accounts Receivable**

1. All accounts receivable were billed, and adjustments made, by the Forrest City Water and Sewer Department. All collections are sent to the Caldwell Water Department monthly along with monthly remittance reports. We agreed all collections posted to the monthly remittance reports, and amounts deposited.

We found no exceptions as a result of these procedures.

### **Cash Disbursements**

1. Agreed the disbursements per the proof of cash for the year with the disbursements per the journal within 5 %.

2. Analyzed all property, plant and equipment disbursements.

3. Selected 10 disbursements and determined that they were adequately documented.

We found no exceptions as a result of these procedures.

### **Property, Plant, and Equipment**

We determined that all additions and disposals were properly accounted for in the records.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

### **Long-Term Debt**

Long-Term debt was confirmed with lenders; balances are as summarized below:

|  | <u>12/31/2021</u> | <u>Additions</u> | <u>Reductions</u> | <u>12/31/2022</u> |
|--|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 5% ANRC Notes Payable in annual installments of \$2,975 through 2031 | \$ 22,980         | \$ -             | \$ 1,826          | \$ 21,154         |
|  | <u>\$ 22,980</u>  | <u>\$ -</u>      | <u>\$ 1,826</u>   | <u>\$ 21,154</u>  |

Terms of the loan agreements require that transfers be made to debt service reserve accounts, and depreciation reserve accounts. We noted that the appropriate reserve accounts have been established and maintained.

We were engaged by the City of Caldwell Water Department to perform this agreed upon procedure engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the specified elements, accounts or items. 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.

We are required to be independent of the City of Caldwell Water Department and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedure engagement.

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March 28, 2023

CALDWELL WATER DEPARTMENT  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CASH BASIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022  
AND  
INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

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**CALDWELL WATER DEPARTMENT  
CALDWELL, ARKANSAS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

To the Members of the City Council  
Caldwell Water Department  
Caldwell, Arkansas 72322

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Caldwell Water Department, which comprise the statement of assets, liabilities and net position – cash basis and the related statement of receipts and disbursements- cash basis for the year then ended in accordance with the cash basis of accounting and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable financial reporting framework. 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.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that the cash basis of accounting requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting and for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by the cash basis of accounting. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Department's financial position and results of operations. Accordingly, the financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

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Wynne, AR 72396  
March 28, 2023

**CALDWELL WATER DEPARTMENT  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION - CASH BASIS  
DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**ASSETS**

**CURRENT ASSETS**

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Cash - Operating     | \$ 14,924     |
| Cash - Savings       | <u>3,843</u>  |
| Total Current Assets | <u>18,767</u> |

**RESTRICTED ASSETS**

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Cash - Construction     | <u>5,531</u> |
| Total Restricted Assets | <u>5,531</u> |

**PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT**

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Water Lines and System        | 720,615          |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation | <u>(169,296)</u> |
| Net Fixed Assets              | <u>551,319</u>   |

**TOTAL ASSETS**

\$ 575,617

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**CALDWELL WATER DEPARTMENT  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION - CASH BASIS  
DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION**

**CURRENT LIABILITIES**

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Current Portion of notes payable | \$ 1,917     |
| Total Current Liabilities        | <u>1,917</u> |

**LONG TERM LIABILITIES**

|                                       |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Notes payable, net of current portion | <u>19,237</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b> | <u>21,154</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------|

**NET POSITION**

|                                  |                |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Net investment in capital assets | 530,165        |
| Unrestricted                     | <u>24,298</u>  |
| Total Net Position               | <u>554,463</u> |

|   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b> | <u><u>\$ 575,617</u></u> |
|---|--------------------------|

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**CALDWELL WATER DEPARTMENT  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS-CASH BASIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Operating Receipts

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Water Fees               | \$ 172,310     |
| Total Operating Receipts | <u>172,310</u> |

Operating Disbursement

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Billing Fees and water purchased          | 162,426        |
| Salaries, Payroll taxes and fringe        | 7,488          |
| Utilities                                 | 473            |
| Depreciation                              | 16,901         |
| Licenses, fees, and miscellaneous         | 3,610          |
| Repairs and Maintenance                   | 37,107         |
| Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment | 47,296         |
| Total Operating Disbursements             | <u>275,301</u> |

Non-Operating Receipts (disbursements):

|                             |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Interest Income             | 4             |
| Interest Expense            | (1,149)       |
| Transfers from City         | 85,000        |
| Non-Operating Income (Loss) | <u>83,855</u> |

Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts  
Over Disbursements

\$ (19,136)

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