

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT
Reeves, Louisiana

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS

Year Ended December 31, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

June 13, 2022

Board of Commissioners
West Allen Parish Water District
Reeves, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of West Allen Parish Water District, a component unit of the Allen Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Districts basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the West Allen Parish Water District as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and the cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that budgetary comparison information on page 23 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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 for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

The District has not presented management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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 the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

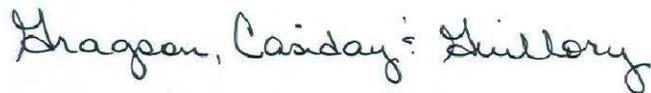
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the West Allen Parish Water District's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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The Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 13, 2022 on our consideration of West Allen Parish Water District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 639,666	\$ 583,806
Receivables		
Accounts	45,354	47,041
Interest	1,745	1,745
Prepaid insurance	3,932	3,515
Restricted assets		
Bond sinking fund		
Cash	117,534	117,224
Bond reserve fund		
Cash	45,681	38,188
Bond short lived assets		
Cash	232,098	201,438
Bond contingency fund		
Cash	86,848	79,314
Interest receivable	-	-
Customer deposits		
Cash	50,779	48,475
Total Current Assets	<u>1,223,637</u>	<u>1,120,746</u>
Property, plant and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation \$2,345,119 for 2020	<u>5,869,723</u>	<u>6,034,692</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 7,093,360</u>	 <u>\$ 7,155,438</u>
 DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	 <u>\$ -</u>	 <u>\$ -</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Statement of Net Position - Continued

December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable-operations	\$ 22,921	\$ 21,790
Payable from restricted assets		
Current portion of revenue bonds	56,197	54,538
Customer deposits	48,373	45,745
Total Current Liabilities	<u>127,491</u>	<u>122,073</u>
Long-term debt, net of current portion	3,091,400	3,147,597
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 3,218,891</u>	<u>\$ 3,269,670</u>
 DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	 <u>\$ -</u>	 <u>\$ -</u>
 NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 2,722,126	\$ 2,832,557
Net position - Restricted for debt service	482,161	436,164
Net position - Unrestricted	670,182	617,047
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 3,874,469</u>	<u>\$ 3,885,768</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Statement of Revenues, Expenses
and Changes in Net Position

Year Ended December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
OPERATING REVENUES		
Charges for services	\$ 622,543	\$ 620,504
Miscellaneous revenue	41,149	51,512
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>663,692</u>	<u>672,016</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Advertising	910	915
Bank charges	952	652
Credit card processing fees	219	180
Depreciation	179,309	181,546
Dues	7,631	4,231
Insurance - general	18,946	20,779
Insurance - health	44,508	30,497
Mileage reimbursements	2,466	977
Miscellaneous	3,338	3,494
Office	7,910	12,002
Per diem	4,380	4,560
Postage	4,832	4,708
Professional fees	8,020	9,510
Salaries	205,854	161,460
Supplies and maintenance	49,428	56,872
Taxes and licenses	16,062	12,290
Telephone	7,735	7,402
Training	726	685
Transportation	13,428	10,796
Uniforms	266	-
Utilities	26,322	26,239
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>603,242</u>	<u>549,795</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>60,450</u>	<u>122,221</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Insurance proceeds - hurricane	13,325	30,184
Interest income	7,694	6,425
Interest expense	(95,318)	(96,928)
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	<u>(74,299)</u>	<u>(60,319)</u>
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS	(13,849)	61,902
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>2,550</u>	<u>4,800</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(11,299)	66,702
NET POSITION - BEGINNING	3,885,768	3,819,066
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u>\$ 3,874,469</u>	<u>\$ 3,885,768</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash received from customers	\$ 665,379	\$ 676,846
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(214,737)	(202,160)
Cash payments to employees for services	(205,854)	(161,460)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>244,788</u>	<u>313,226</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Contributions from customers	2,550	4,800
Insurance proceeds - hurricane	13,325	30,184
Purchase of fixed assets	(14,340)	-
Principal paid on revenue bonds	(54,538)	(52,928)
Interest paid on revenue bonds	(95,318)	(96,928)
NET CASH FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>(148,321)</u>	<u>(114,872)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest on investments	7,694	6,425
Purchase of non-cash equivalents	(127,330)	(115,356)
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(119,636)</u>	<u>(108,931)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(23,169)	89,423
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>772,401</u>	<u>682,978</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 749,232</u>	<u>\$ 772,401</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:		
Cash paid for interest	<u>\$ 96,928</u>	<u>\$ 96,928</u>
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS TO TOTAL CASH:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 749,232	\$ 772,401
Non-cash equivalents	423,374	296,044
Total Cash	<u>\$ 1,172,606</u>	<u>\$ 1,068,445</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Statement of Cash Flows - Continued

Year Ended December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating income (loss)	\$ 60,450	\$ 122,221
Net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	179,309	181,546
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	1,687	4,830
Interest receivable	-	(712)
Prepaid insurance	(417)	79
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	1,131	4,388
Customer deposits	2,628	874
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>\$ 244,788</u>	<u>\$ 313,226</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The West Allen Parish Water District was created by the Allen Parish Police Jury under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:3811 for the purpose of providing water to the rural area of West Allen Parish. The District is governed by a board of commissioners composed of seven members, five appointed by the Allen Parish Police Jury and two appointed by the Village of Reeves, LA.

1. Reporting Entity

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Allen Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for West Allen Parish Water District. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (police jury), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Allen Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and:
 - a. The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the police jury.
2. Organizations for which the police jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the police jury.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the police jury appoints a voting majority to the board and has the ability to impose its will, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Allen Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by the governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the West Allen Parish Water District have been prepared in conformity with governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments", issued in June 1999.

The financial statements of the District are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Whereby revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The operating revenues of the District come from metered sales to residential and commercial customers as well as service connection charges and penalties from late payment of bills. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

3. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and time deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

Under state law, the District may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

4. Accounts Receivable

Uncollectible amounts due for accounts receivable are recognized as bad debts using the direct write-off method. Uncollectible amounts are recognized as bad debts at the time information becomes available which would indicate that the particular receivable is not collectible. This method does not result in a charge to bad debts that are materially different from the amount that would be charged if the reserve method were used.

There appears to be concentration of credit risk with regard to general accounts receivable and more specifically accounts receivable for water user fees. The District's ability to collect the amounts due from the users of the District water system and others (as reflected on the financial statements) may be affected by significant economic fluctuations, natural disaster or other calamity in this one concentrated geographic location.

5. Capital Assets

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed assets, as applicable.

Depreciation of each class of depreciable property is computed using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Distribution system	50 years
Office and shop building	10-15 years
Equipment	5-7 years
Software	3 years

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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

6. Compensated Absences

The District has the following policy relating to vacation and sick leave:

- Vacation
- One week after 1 year of service,
 - Two weeks after 2 years of service,
 - Three weeks after 10 years of service,
 - Four weeks after 15 years of service,

- Sick Leave - 10 days per year,
- Maximum of 30 days may be carried over to the next year.

The District's recognition and measurement criterion for compensated absences follows:

GASB Statement No. 16 provides that vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics should be accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned by the employees if both of the following conditions are met:

- a. The employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered.
- b. It is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means, such as cash payments at termination or retirement.

GASB Statement No. 16 also provides that a liability for sick leave should be accrued using one of the following termination approaches:

- a. An accrual for earned sick leave should be made only to the extent it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments, rather than be taken as absences due to illness or other contingencies, such as medical appointments and funerals.
- b. Alternatively, a governmental entity should estimate its accrued sick leave liability based on the sick leave accumulated at the balance sheet date by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments as well as other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments.

At December 31, 2021, the District did not have an accrual for compensated absences.

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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

7. Statement of Cash Flow

For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the District considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. The statement reflects ending cash and cash equivalents of \$749,232 which represents unrestricted and restricted amounts of \$216,292 and \$532,940 respectively.

8. Budgets

An enterprise fund budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

On or before the last meeting of each year, the budget is prepared by function and activity, and includes information on the past year, current year estimates and requested appropriations for the next fiscal year.

The proposed budget is presented to the government's Board of Commissioners for review. The board holds a public hearing and may add to, subtract from or change appropriations, but may not change the form of the budget.

Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level. The budget was amended once during the year.

9. Net Position

In the financial statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets – Consists of capital assets including restricted 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.
- b. Restricted net position – Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position– All other net position that does not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets”.

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December 31, 2021

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources (net assets), the District's policy is to first apply the expense toward restricted resources and then toward unrestricted resources.

10. Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

11. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 13, 2022, the date the financial statements were available for issue.

12. Comparative Data

Comparative totals for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the government's financial position and operations.

NOTE B - CASH DEPOSITS

At December 31, 2021, the District has cash balances (book balances) totaling \$1,172,606. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At December 31, 2021, the District has \$1,176,502 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$250,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$926,502 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank.

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE C – PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

A summary of changes in property, plant and equipment for the year ended December 31, 2021 are as follows:

	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Distribution system	\$ 7,750,657	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,750,657
Office and shop building	113,868	4,095	-	117,963
Equipment	311,355	10,245	-	321,600
Land	<u>24,622</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,622</u>
	8,200,502	<u>\$ 14,340</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	8,214,842
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>2,165,810</u>			<u>2,345,119</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$ 6,034,692</u>			<u>\$ 5,869,723</u>

Depreciation expense was \$179,309 for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Capital asset additions in the current year were for a fence, a tough book and Mydro upgrades.

NOTE D - LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of bond transactions of the District for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Bonds payable, Beginning	\$ 3,202,135
Bonds issued	-
Bonds retired	<u>(54,538)</u>
Bonds payable, Ending	<u>\$ 3,147,597</u>

Bonds payable at December 31, 2021 are comprised of the following individual issues:

Revenue bonds

\$3,440,000 Revenue Bonds Series 2015 with USDA
 Dated March 17, 2015 due in monthly installments of
 \$12,488, maturity date of March 17, 2055,
 Interest at 3.0% \$ 3,147,597

Less currently payable 56,197

LONG-TERM DEBT \$ 3,091,400

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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021

NOTE D - LONG-TERM DEBT - CONTINUED

The annual requirements to amortize all debts outstanding as of December 31, 2021 are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2022	\$ 56,197	\$ 93,659
2023	57,906	91,950
2024	59,667	90,189
2025	61,482	88,374
2026	63,352	86,504
2027-2031	346,863	402,417
2032-2036	402,922	346,358
2037-2041	468,041	281,239
2042-2046	543,684	205,596
2047-2051	631,552	117,728
2052-2056	455,932	22,768

The revenue bonds are to be retired from revenues derived from the operations of the District. As of December 31, 2021 the District has no unused lines of credit nor any assets pledged as collateral. The remedies for significant events of default is all installments to be immediately due and payable. In addition, the district will pay reasonable attorney fees and other such expenses.

NOTE E - COMPONENTS OF RESTRICTED NET POSITION

	<u>Revenue Bond Sinking</u>	<u>Revenue Bond Reserve</u>	<u>Revenue Bond Short Lived Asset</u>	<u>Revenue Bond Contingency</u>	<u>Customer deposit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and interest receivable	\$ 117,534	\$ 45,681	\$ 232,098	\$ 86,848	\$ 50,779	\$532,940

Certain proceeds of revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. The "bond sinking" account is used to segregate resources accumulated for debt service payments over the next twelve months. The "Bond Reserve" account is used to report resources set aside to meet unexpected shortfalls in the sinking account. The "Bond Short-Lived Asset" account is used to report resources set aside to fund capital outlay replacements. The "Bond Contingency" account is used to report resources set aside to meet unexpected contingencies or to fund asset renewals and replacements.

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NOTE E - COMPONENTS OF RESTRICTED NET POSITION - CONTINUED

The amount of net position reserved for debt service is detailed as follows:

Restricted assets: revenue bond sinking, reserve, Short-lived asset and contingency funds	\$ 482,161
Less:	
Accrued interest, payable from restricted assets	_____ -
Net position reserved for debt service	<u>\$ 482,161</u>

NOTE F - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE G – BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 33:3819, per diem is allowed not to exceed \$60 per meeting attended, up to twenty-four regular meetings and twelve special meetings. The Board has approved per diem at \$60.

Per diem paid commissioners for the year ended December 31, 2021 were as follows:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Term Ends</u>
Cowart, Randal	\$ 240	December 31, 2023
Reeves, Jr. William	660	May 2, 2027
Ritter, Carl	720	May 3, 2026
Firth, Chancy	840	December 15, 2025
Savoie, Thomas	780	April 8, 2024
Schultz, Kurt	720	January 5, 2025
Fontenot, Sullivan	420	April 2, 2023
	<u>\$ 4,380</u>	

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE H – AGING OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Aging of Accounts Receivable – proprietary fund as of December 31, 2021 are as follows:

0-30 <u>Days</u>	31-60 <u>Days</u>	61-90 <u>Days</u>	over 90 <u>Days</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 28,334	\$ 17,020	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,354

NOTE I – SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

The schedule of insurance coverage as of December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	<u>Limits</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Automobile liability	\$1,000,000 bodily injury and physical damage	March 18, 2022
Real Property & Business Property	\$1,868,080 per occurrence-bodily injury and physical damage	March 18, 2022
Commercial general liability	\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate	March 18, 2022
Commercial Crime	\$500,000/250,000/100,000 Employee theft, Forgery, Fraud	March 18, 2022
Public officials & Management Liability	\$1,000,000/1,000,000/1,000,000 Wrongful acts, employee practices, Employee benefit plans	March 18, 2022
Commercial Excess Liability	\$1,000,000/1,000,000	March 18, 2022

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2021

NOTE J – SCHEDULE OF RATES AND NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS

At December 31, 2021 the number of customers were as follows:

Residential	1,099
Commercial	31
Tax exempt/Govt.	12

The schedule of rates:

Residential:	\$27.00/per month first 2,000 gallons \$6.00 per 1,000 gallon thereafter
Commercial:	\$45.00/per month first 5,000 gallons \$6.00 per 1,000 gallon thereafter
Sewer:	\$20.00/per month first 3,000 gallons \$2.00 per 1,000 gallon thereafter
Church sewer:	\$40.00/per month first 13,000 gallons \$2.00 per 1,000 gallon thereafter

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in
Net Position - Budget and Actual

Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Budget		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final		Favorable (Unfavorable)
OPERATING REVENUES				
Charges for services	\$ 630,000	\$ 625,000	\$ 622,543	\$ (2,457)
Miscellaneous revenue	60,000	42,000	41,149	(851)
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	690,000	667,000	663,692	(3,308)
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Advertising	1,000	1,000	910	90
Bank charges	1,000	1,000	952	48
Credit card processing fees	200	200	219	(19)
Depreciation	182,000	182,000	179,309	2,691
Dues	4,500	11,000	7,631	3,369
Insurance - general	22,000	21,000	18,946	2,054
Insurance - health	31,000	44,000	44,508	(508)
Mileage reimbursements	1,200	2,400	2,466	(66)
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	3,338	(2,338)
Office	7,500	7,000	7,910	(910)
Per diem	5,000	5,000	4,380	620
Postage	5,000	5,000	4,832	168
Professional fees	11,000	9,000	8,020	980
Salaries	175,000	205,000	205,854	(854)
Supplies and maintenance	60,000	55,000	49,428	5,572
Taxes and licenses	14,000	16,000	16,062	(62)
Telephone	8,000	8,000	7,735	265
Training	2,500	1,000	726	274
Transportation	12,000	15,000	13,428	1,572
Uniforms	1,000	1,000	266	734
Utilities	28,000	27,000	26,322	678
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	572,900	617,600	603,242	14,358
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	117,100	49,400	60,450	11,050
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Insurance proceeds - hurricane	-	-	13,325	13,325
Interest income	4,000	7,600	7,694	94
Interest expense	(95,318)	(95,318)	(95,318)	-
Capital contributions	-	-	2,550	2,550
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	(91,318)	(87,718)	(71,749)	15,969
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	25,782	(38,318)	(11,299)	27,019
NET POSITION - BEGINNING	3,885,768	3,885,768	3,885,768	-
NET POSITION - ENDING	\$3,911,550	\$3,847,450	\$3,874,469	\$ 27,019

OTHER INFORMATION

WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments
To Chief Executive Officer

Year Ended December 31, 2021

Chief Executive Officer: William Reeves, Jr., Board President

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ -
Benefits-insurance	-
Benefits-retirement	-
Benefits-cell phone	-
Car allowance	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Per diem	660
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON
AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

June 13, 2022

Board of Commissioners
West Allen Parish Water District
Reeves, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of West Allen Parish Water District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise West Allen Parish Water District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 13, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered West Allen Parish Water District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of West Allen Parish Water District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of West Allen Parish Water District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be

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material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether West Allen Parish Water District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

June 10, 2022

Board of Commissioners
West Allen Parish Water District
Reeves, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The West Allen Parish Water District's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

West Allen Parish Water District has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to 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 performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

Written Policies and Procedures

1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe that they address each of the following categories and subcategories (if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations

a) *Budgeting*, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses budgeting.

b) *Purchasing*, including (1) how purchases are initiated; (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list; (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders; (4) controls to ensure compliance with the public bid law; and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses purchasing.

c) *Disbursements*, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses disbursements.

d) *Receipt/Collections*, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g. periodic confirmations with outside parties,

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reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequence, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses receipt/collections.

- e) *Payroll/Personnel*, including (1) payroll processing, and (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses payroll/personnel.

- f) *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses contracting.

- g) *Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, P-Cards, if applicable)*, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses credit cards.

- h) *Travel and expense reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses travel and expense reimbursement.

- i) *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) requirement that all employees, including elected officials, annually attest through signature verification that they have read the entity's ethics policy.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses ethics.

- j) *Debt Service*, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses debt.

- k) *Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity*, includes (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses information technology disaster recovery/business continuity.

- 1) *Sexual Harassment*, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

The District's policies and procedures manual addresses sexual harassment.

Board or Finance Committee

2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
 - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.

No exceptions noted.

- b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on special revenue funds.

No exceptions noted.

- c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unrestricted fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unrestricted fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unrestricted fund balance in the general fund.

No exceptions noted.

Bank Reconciliations

3. Obtain a listing of the entity's bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account and observe that:
 - a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically longed);

No exceptions noted.

- b) Bank reconciliations include evidence that a member of management/board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and

No exceptions noted.

- c) Management has documentation reflecting that it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

No exceptions noted.

Collections

- 4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/check/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).

The listing was provided by management.

- 5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (i.e. 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if no written policies or procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe the job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:

- a) Employees that are responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.

No exceptions noted.

- b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g. pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit.

No exceptions noted.

- c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledger, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.

No exceptions noted.

- d) The employee responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions are not responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee verifies the reconciliation.

No exceptions noted.

- 6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe the bond or insurance policy for theft was enforced during the fiscal period.

No exceptions noted.

- 7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3 under "Bank Reconciliations" above (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made no the same day). Obtain supported documentation for each of the deposits and:

- a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.

No exceptions noted.

- b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.

No exceptions noted.

- c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

No exceptions noted.

- d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).

No exceptions noted.

- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

No exceptions noted.

Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases/payments, travel reimbursements and petty cash purchases)

- 8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).

The listing was provided by management.

9. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain a list of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:

- a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.

At least two employees were involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making a purchase.

- b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.

No exceptions noted.

- c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.

The employee responsible for processing payments is not prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files. However, another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.

- d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments.

The employee responsible for processing payments does not mail the signed checks.

10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction and:

- a) Observe that the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.

No exceptions.

- b) Observe that the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g. initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9 as applicable.

All transactions tested were authorized, approved and processed by different employees.

Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards

11. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-cards (cards), including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

The listing was provided by management.

12. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement), obtain supporting documentation, and:
- a) Observe that there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excess fuel card usage) was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the authorized card holder.

On the months tested, supporting documentation was reviewed and approved in writing by someone other than the authorized card holder.

- b) Observe that finance charges and/or late fees were assessed on the selected statements.

An overlimit late fee was assessed on one of the three cards selected.

Management response: The fee was due to a timing issue of payments and charges. In the future, management will issue payments timely so as not to exceed card limits.

13. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #12 above, excluding fuel cards, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e. each card should have 10 transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observed that it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only).

All transactions tested had original itemized receipts attached to the statement with written documentation of the business/public purpose. No charges for meals were selected.

Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (Excluding card transactions)

14. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements, obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:

- a) If reimbursed using a per diem, agree the reimbursement rate to those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov).

No exceptions noted.

- b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.

No exceptions noted.

- c) Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by written policy (procedure #1h).

No exceptions noted.

- d) Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

No exceptions noted.

Contracts

- 15. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Obtain management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and:

- a) Observe that the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law.

No exceptions noted.

- b) Observe that the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g. Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter).

No exceptions noted.

- c) If the contract was amended (e.g. change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, was approval documented).

No exceptions noted.

- d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

No exceptions noted.

Payroll and Personnel

16. Obtain a listing of employees/elected officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select five employees/officials, obtain their paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to the authorized pay rates in the personnel files.

No exceptions noted.

17. Randomly select on pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees/officials selected under #16 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:

- a) Observe that all selected employees/officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, an elected official is not eligible to earn leave and does not document his/her attendance and leave. However, if the elected official is earning leave according to policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.)

No exceptions noted.

- b) Observe that supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees/officials.

No exceptions noted.

- c) Observe that any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records.

No exceptions noted.

- d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agree to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.

No exceptions noted.

18. Obtain a listing of those employees/officials that received termination pay during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees/officials, obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations, agree the hours to the employee/officials' cumulate leave records, and agree the payrates to the employee/officials' authorized pay rates in the employee/officials' personnel files, and agree the termination payment to the entity policy.

No exceptions noted.

19. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

No exceptions noted.

Ethics

20. Using the five randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain ethics documentation from management and:
 - a) Observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.

All employees tested had documentation of one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.

- b) Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

No exceptions noted.

Debt Service

21. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued.

The District did not issue any debt.

22. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

No exceptions.

Fraud Notice

23. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled.

The District was not aware of any misappropriation of public funds or assets during the fiscal year.

24. Observe the entity has posted on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1. concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

The District has the required notice posted in a conspicuous place upon its premises or its website.

Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

25. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."

- a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe that such backup occurred within the past week. If backups are stored on a physical medium (e.g., tapes, CDs), observe evidence that backups are encrypted before being transported.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management. Backups occur nightly however, documentation for the backup is not provided weekly.

Management response: Management will ask for weekly backup documentation.

- b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management. Testing documentation is provided annually and not within the past 2 months.

Management response: Management will ask for quarterly testing documentation.

- c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management. No exceptions noted.

Sexual Harassment

26. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under “Payroll and Personnel” above, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year.

No exceptions noted.

27. Observe the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity’s premises if the entity does not have a website).

No exceptions noted.

28. Obtain the entity’s annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:

- a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

No exceptions noted.

- b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;

No complaints were received by the District in the fiscal period.

- c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;

No complaints were received by the District in the fiscal period.

- d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and

No complaints were received by the District in the fiscal period.

- e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

No complaints were received by the District in the fiscal period.

We were engaged by West Allen Parish Water District to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. 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 those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures,

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other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of West Allen Parish Water District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

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