# JEFFERSON DAVIS CENTRAL WATERWORKS DISTRICT WELSH, LOUISIANA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS

Year Ended June 30, 2022

# TABLE OF CONTENTS

	PAGE
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT	3-6
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION	7-8
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION	9-10
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	11-12
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	13-20
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - BUDGET AND ACTUAL	22-23
OTHER INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	25
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	26-27
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES	28-29



COY T. VINCENT, C.P.A. MICHELLE LEE, C.P.A. BRADLEY J. CASIDAY, C.P.A., C.V.A. BRIAN MCCAIN, C.P.A.

GRAHAM A. PORTUS, E.A.

KATHRYN BLESSINGTON, C.P.A. JACKLYN BARLOW, C.P.A. BLAKE MANUEL, C.P.A.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

October 3, 2022

Board of Commissioners Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District Welsh, Louisiana

# Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District, a component unit of the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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 Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# **Responsibility of Management 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 Unites 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 misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the

145 East Street • Lake Charles, LA 70601 Mailing Address: P.O. Drawer 1847 • Lake Charles, LA 70602-1847 phone: 337.439 1986 • fax: 337.439.1366 • www.gcgcpa.com Board of Commissioners Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District October 3, 2022 Page Two

Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

# Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, is representations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Board of Commissioners Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District October 3, 2022 Page Three

# **Required Supplemental Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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 appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplemental 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 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 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**

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual financial report. The other information comprises of The Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

# **Prior Year Data**

The financial information for the year ended June 30, 2021 is presented for comparative, analytic purposes. We have previously audited the financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 and have issued our report dated September 3, 2021. The presented summarized comparative information is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Board of Commissioners Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District October 3, 2022 Page Four

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 3, 2022 on our consideration of Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, 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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

### Statement of Net Position

# June 30, 2022

	2022	2021		
ASSETS				
Current Assets	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •		
Cash	\$ 3,493,043	\$ 3,203,551		
Accounts receivable, net	73,743	57,423		
Prepaid expenses	14,278	11,090		
	3,581,064	3,272,064		
Restricted Assets				
Customer deposits				
Cash	215,014	200,034		
Total current assets	3,796,078	3,472,098		
Property, plant and equipment				
Land	28,285	28,285		
Construction in progress	6,901	-		
Distribution system	6,776,378	6,776,378		
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	69,017	69,017		
Machinery and equipment	382,935	382,935		
	7,263,516	7,256,615		
Less accumulated depreciation	4,645,716	4,476,980		
	2,617,800	2,779,635		
Other assets				
Construction period interest, net	5,771	8,159		
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u> </u>			
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED				
OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 6,419,649	\$ 6,259,892		

### Statement of Net Position - Continued

# June 30, 2022

	2022			2021		
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities						
Payable from current assets						
Accounts payable	\$	24,496		\$	26,347	
Accrued liabilities		1,620			1,626	
		26,116			27,973	
Payable from restricted assets						
Customer deposits		205,250			189,993	
Total Current Liabilities		231,366			217,966	
Long-term liabilities						
Accrued compensated absences		72,414			80,811	
		303,780			298,777	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		-			-	
NET POSITION						
Investment in capital assets, net of related debt		2,617,800			2,779,635	
Net position - Unrestricted		3,498,069			3,181,480	
Total Net Position		6,115,869			5,961,115	
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS						
OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$	6,419,649		\$	6,259,892	

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

#### Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2022	2021
OPERATING REVENUES		
Charges for services	\$ 614,213	\$ 623,087
Installations	58,816	19,250
Penalties and reconnect fees	25,985	21,886
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	699,014	664,223
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Advertising	1,007	538
Amortization	2,388	2,388
Auto mileage	685	878
Chemicals	32,016	31,026
Communications	10,206	6,104
Contract labor	200	170
Convention expense	738	355
Depreciation	168,736	167,983
Dues	6,214	7,193
Equipment rental	25,958	13,818
Fuel	11,743	10,777
Garbage service	252	372
Insurance - employees	38,398	45,255
Insurance - other	21,473	22,355
Meter reading services	23,579	25,301
Miscellaneous	5,023	4,966
Office	10,958	14,943
Per diem	9,300	8,550
Postage	7,043	3,773
Printing	3,014	929
Professional fees	30,950	8,500
Repairs and maintenance	168,524	55,031
Retirement	21,249	20,769
Salaries	224,438	220,175
Supplies	149,120	67,634
Taxes and licenses	17,811	16,256
Utilities	56,265	43,071
Water samples	1,390	1,398
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,048,678	800,508
OPERATING PROFIT (LOSS)	(349,664)	(136,285)

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

Continued

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Positon - Continued

### Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2022	2021
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) Ad valorem taxes, net Interest income Gain on sale of asset Other income	\$ 478,162 5,066 4,351 <u>16,839</u> 504,418	\$ 472,728 9,273 - 1,274 483,275
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	154,754	346,990
NET POSITION - BEGINNING	5,961,115	5,614,125
NET POSITION - ENDING	\$ 6,115,869	\$ 5,961,115

# Statement of Cash Flows

# Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2022	2021
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING REVENUES Received from customers Payments for supplies Payments for services NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 682,694 (666,558) (224,438) (208,302)	\$ 663,683 (408,582) (220,175) 34,926
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Contributions from customers Proceeds from other income Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets Acquisition of fixed assets Ad valorem taxes NET CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	15,257 16,839 4,351 (6,901) 478,162 507,708	5,781 1,274 - (306,303) 472,728 173,480
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest on investments	5,066	9,273
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	304,472	217,679
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,403,585	3,185,906
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 3,708,057	\$ 3,403,585

### Statement of Cash Flows - Continued

## Year Ended June 30, 2022

	2022		2021
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Operating profit (loss)	\$	(349,664)	\$ (136,285)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net			
cash provided by operating activities			
Amortization		2,388	2,389
Depreciation		168,736	167,983
(Increase) decrease in:			
Accounts receivable		(16,320)	(586)
Prepaid expenses		(3,188)	(300)
Increase (decrease) in:			
Accounts payable		(1,851)	11,941
Accrued liabilities		(6)	186
Accrued compensated absences		(8,397)	9,162
NET CASH FLOWS PROVIDED FROM OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES	\$	(208,302)	\$ 54,490

# Notes to Financial Statements

## June 30, 2022

# NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. It was created under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statues 33:3811 for the purpose of providing water to the rural area of Central Jefferson Davis Parish. The District is governed by a board of commissioners composed of five members appointed by the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury.

# 1. Reporting Entity

As the governing authority, for reporting purposes, the Jeff Davis Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government, (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and (c) other organizations for which the 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 Jeff Davis 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. These criteria include:

- 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 district and has the ability to impose its will, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Jeff Davis 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.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# June 30, 2022

# NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

### 2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks 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 non-operating revenues and expenses.

### 3. Cash

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.

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 June 30, 2022, the District has \$3,725,411 in deposits (collected bank balances). All of which are secured by federal deposit insurance and pledged securities held in the District's name.

# Notes to Financial Statements

# June 30, 2022

# 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 a bad debt that is 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. Construction Period Interest

Interest costs of \$90,740 during original construction period of plant were capitalized and are being amortized over the term of the original bond issue using the straight-line method. Amortization expense was \$2,388 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

### 6. Compensated Absences

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

# Vacation - Two weeks after 1 year of service,

- Three weeks after 10 years of service,
- Four weeks after 20 years of service.
- Vacation may not be carried over to the next year and will not be paid upon termination.

Sick Leave - One day per month after 30 days of employment.

- Maximum of 150 days may be carried over to the next year.
- Unused sick days will be paid upon retirement.

## Notes to Financial Statements

# June 30, 2022

# NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

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 June 30, 2022, the District had an accrual for compensated absences of \$72,414.

### 7. Statement of Cash Flows

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 \$3,708,057 which represents unrestricted amounts of \$3,493,043 and restricted amounts of \$215,014.

# Notes to Financial Statements

# June 30, 2022

# NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

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.

## 9. Net Position

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

- a. Net invested in capital assets, net of related debt 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 "invested in capital assets, net of related debt".

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available, it shall be the policy of the District to consider restricted amounts to have been reduced first. When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, it shall be the policy of the District that the committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts and then unassigned amounts.

## Notes to Financial Statements

## June 30, 2022

# NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

### 10. 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 October 3, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

12. Comparative Data

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

### NOTE B - AD VALOREM TAXES

For the year ended June 30, 2022 taxes of 10.24 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$49,923,693 and were dedicated as follows:

General operations 10.24 mills

Total taxes levied were \$511,220.

Property tax millage rates are adopted in October for the calendar year in which the taxes are levied and recorded. All taxes are due and collectible when the assessment rolls are filed on or before November 15 of the current year, and become delinquent after December 31. Property taxes not paid by the end of February are subject to lien.

### NOTE C - FIXED ASSETS

All purchased fixed assets are valued at historical cost. The cost 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.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2022

## NOTE C - FIXED ASSETS - CONTINUED

Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straightline method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Plant & distribution system	30 - 50 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3 -10 years

A summary of changes in fixed assets for the year ended June 30, 2022 are as follows:

		eginning <u>of year</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>dditions</u>	Dele	<u>tions</u>	<u>(</u>	End of year
Land	\$	28,285	\$	-	\$	-	\$	28,285
Construction in Progress		-		6,901		-		6,901
Plant & Distribution System	6	,776,378		-		-	6	,776,378
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment		451,95 <u>2</u>		_		_		451,952
	7	,256,615	\$	6,901	\$	_	7	,263,516
Less accumulated depreciation	(4	,476,980)					(4	,645,716 <u>)</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 2</u>	,779,635					<u>\$ 2</u>	,617,800

Depreciation expense was \$168,736 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Construction in progress consists of a new well. The well is in the bid stage and as such does not have a completion date or amount at June 30, 2022.

## NOTE D - PER DIEM

Total per diem paid consisted of the following:

Benet Augustine	\$ 1,950
Billy Compton	2,250
Steve Lopez	2,250
John Reeves	2,100
Kevin Webb	 750
	\$ 9,300

### Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2022

# NOTE E - 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 F - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS

The District approves annually contributions to individual retirement accounts of all eligible employees. Eligible employees are all full-time employees after one year of service. Contribution rate is 10% of annual salary. Total payroll for the District was \$232,834 and total payroll for covered employees was \$212,485. Total contributions made by the District were \$21,249. Participants are immediately fully vested.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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

#### Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Budget		Actual		BudgetActual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable		
OPERATING REVENUES									
Charges for services	\$	580,000	\$	614,213	\$	34,213			
Installations	φ	16,000	φ	58,816	φ	42,816			
Penalties and reconnect fees		20,000		25,985		5,985			
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		616,000		699,014		83,014			
TOTAL OF ERATING REVENUES		010,000		099,014		05,014			
OPERATING EXPENSES									
Advertising		1,000		1,007		(7)			
Amortization		-		2,388		(2,388)			
Auto mileage		1,200		685		515			
Bad debt expense		1,000		-		1,000			
Bank charges		1,500		-		1,500			
Chemicals		40,000		32,016		7,984			
Communication		6,488		10,206		(3,718)			
Contract labor		2,500		200		2,300			
Convention		4,500		738		3,762			
Depreciation		-		168,736		(168,736)			
Dues		12,000		6,214		5,786			
Equipment rental		10,000		25,958		(15,958)			
Fuel		19,200		11,743		7,457			
Garbage service		600		252		348			
Insurance - employees		60,000		38,398		21,602			
Insurance - other		30,000		21,473		8,527			
Meter reading services		30,000		23,579		6,421			
Miscellaneous		5,000		5,023		(23)			
Office		7,500		10,958		(3,458)			
Per diem		12,000		9,300		2,700			
Postage		8,000		7,043		957			
Printing		3,000		3,014		(14)			
Professional fees		12,000		30,950		(18,950)			
Repairs and maintenance		161,000		168,524		(7,524)			
Retirement		25,000		21,249		3,751			
Salaries		275,000		224,438		50,562			
Supplies		140,000		149,120		(9,120)			
Taxes and licenses		24,000		17,811		6,189			
Utilities		58,000		56.265		1,735			
Water samples		4,000		1,390		2,610			
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		954,488		1,048,678		(94,190)			
				,,					
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		(338,488)		(349,664)		(11,176)			
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)									
Ad valorem taxes (net)		449,000		478,162		29,162			
Interest income		24,000		5,066		(18,934)			
Gain of sale of assets		27,000		4,351		4,351			
Other income		-				16,839			
		473,000		<u>16,839</u> 504,418		31,418			
		473,000		504,410		51,410			

Continued

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

#### Year Ended June 30, 2022

	<u>Budget</u> Final Actual		Fa	′ariance avorable favorable)	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$	134,512	\$ 154,754	\$	20,242
NET POSITION - BEGINNING		5,961,115	 5,961,115		
NET POSITION - ENDING	\$	6,095,627	\$ 6,115,869	\$	20,242

# OTHER INFORMATION

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

# Year Ended June 30, 2022

Chief Executive Officer: John Reeves, Board President

Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$-
Benefits-insurance	-
Benefits-retirement	-
Benefits-cell phone	-
Car allowance	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Per diem	2,100
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-



COY T. VINCENT, C.P.A. MICHELLE LEE, C.P.A. BRADLEY J. CASIDAY, C.P.A., C.V.A. BRIAN MCCAIN, C.P.A.

GRAHAM A. PORTUS, E.A.

KATHRYN BLESSINGTON, C.P.A. JACKLYN BARLOW, C.P.A. BLAKE MANUEL, C.P.A.

# 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

October 3, 2022

Board of Commissioners Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District Welsh, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District, a component unit of the Jefferson Davis Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 3, 2022.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks 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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 District'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 significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did

145 East Street • Lake Charles, LA 70601 Mailing Address: P.O. Drawer 1847 • Lake Charles, LA 70602-1847 phone: 337.439 1986 • fax: 337.439.1366 • www.gcgcpa.com Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District October 3, 2022 Page Two

identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks 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*.

# Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's Response to Findings

Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's response to the findings identified in our audit is descried in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

## 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 or 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.

Schedule of Findings and Responses

Year Ended June 30, 2022

# 1. <u>Summary of Auditors' Results</u>:

Type of auditors' report issued: unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses(es) identified? \_\_\_\_\_yes X\_ no
  Control deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? X\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_none reported
  Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? \_\_\_\_\_yes X\_ no
- 2. <u>Findings Relating to the Financial Statements Which are Required to be Reported in</u> <u>Accordance with Generally Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards</u>

## Finding #2022-001

## **Inadequate Segregation of Duties**

Condition: Because of the small size of the District's office staff, the opportunity for segregation of duties is limited. Effective internal control requires adequate segregation of duties among entity personnel. Effect: Without proper segregation of duties, misstatements in amounts may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Recommendation: To the extent cost effective, duties should be segregated and management should attempt to mitigate this weakness by supervision and review procedures. Management Response/Corrective Action Planned: Management has responded that it does not believe that it is cost effective to employ adequate personnel to achieve appropriate segregation of duties. Management has implemented supervision and review procedures such as review and approval of supporting documents related to expenditures, review listings of revenue received and review bank reconciliations on a monthly basis.

# 3. Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards

N/A

Schedule of Findings and Responses - Continued

Year Ended June 30, 2022

# 4. Prior Year Findings

# Finding #2021-001

Inadequate segregation of duties

Corrective Action Taken: None, repeat finding in 2022.



COY T. VINCENT, C.P.A. MICHELLE LEE, C.P.A. BRADLEY J. CASIDAY, C.P.A., C.V.A. BRIAN MCCAIN, C.P.A.

GRAHAM A. PORTUS, E.A.

KATHRYN BLESSINGTON, C.P.A. JACKLYN BARLOW, C.P.A. BLAKE MANUEL, C.P.A.

## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

September 30, 2022

Board of Commissioners Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District Welsh, 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 July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks 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 July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. 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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

145 East Street • Lake Charles, LA 70601 Mailing Address: P.O. Drawer 1847 • Lake Charles, LA 70602-1847 phone: 337.439 1986 • fax: 337.439.1366 • www.gcgcpa.com

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

### The District written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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

### The District written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual addresses this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual does not address this area.

# Management response: The District will update the Policies and Procedures manual to include this area.

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 written policies and procedures manual addresses this area.

### **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.

# The minutes reflected that the managing board met monthly in accordance with enabling legislation.

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.

# Monthly income statements with budgetary comparisons and variances were provided to the board at the board meetings.

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.

Not applicable, the general fund did not have a negative ending unrestricted fund balance in the prior year audit report.

### **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 on 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.

# The cash drawer is shared.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

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.

The employee responsible for collecting cash is also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits and reconciles collection documentation to the deposit.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review

# of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

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.

# The employee responsible for collecting cash is responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

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.

# The employee responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger is responsible for collecting cash.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

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 on 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.

### Purchase orders are not utilized. Purchases can be initiated by a single employee.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

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

### At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.

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. No other employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

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 mails payments after checks are signed.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

- 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 noted.

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

#### Disbursements tested included exceptions of #9 as noted above.

Management Response: The District employs only one office staff personnel who performs all accounting functions of payments, collections, deposits and recording. The District does not have the financial resources to employ more personnel to maintain adequate segregation of duties. Board review

of bank statements and disbursements on a monthly basis minimizes exposure to errors and misappropriation of funds.

### 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.

#### There was written approval of review by someone other than the authorized card holder.

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

#### Finance charges and/or late fees were assessed on the one selected statements.

# Management response: The late fee was due to the payment being applied to the wrong card. The bank was notified and the issue resolved.

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 (<u>www.gsa.gov</u>).

### 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.

## There was no documented authorization of payrates used in the personnel files.

## Management response: Payrate approval documentation will be added to each personnel file.

- 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.)

All employees tested had documentation of leave. There was no documentation of daily attendance because all employees are salaried and do not complete daily timesheets for attendance.

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.

## There was no documented authorization of payrates used in the personnel files.

### Management response: Payrate approval documentation will be added to each personnel file.

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.

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

Management response: Management will complete the required ethics training next year.

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).

## The District does not have any debt.

## 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 compete. 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. No exceptions noted.

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. No exceptions noted.

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;

# The annual sexual harassment report for 2021 was not filed as of February 1.

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

# The annual sexual harassment report for 2021 was not filed as of February 1.

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

The annual sexual harassment report for 2021 was not filed as of February 1.

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

## The annual sexual harassment report for 2021 was not filed as of February 1.

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

## The annual sexual harassment report for 2021 was not filed as of February 1.

### Management Response: Management will file the District's annual sexual harassment report.

We were engaged by Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks 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, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks 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.