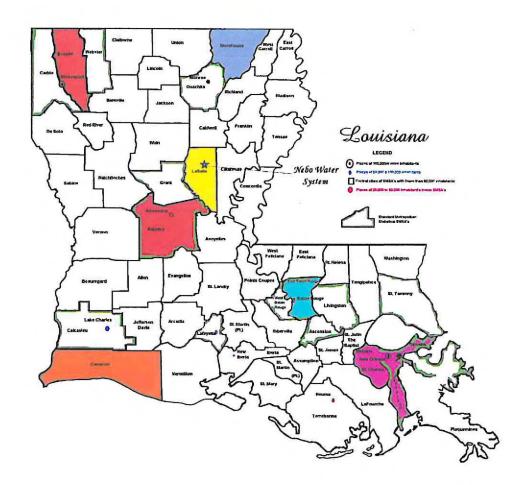
## NEBO WATER SYSTEM, INC.

## **Basic Financial Statements**

December 31, 2024



<sup>\*</sup> The Nebo Water System Inc. is a nonprofit corporation established under the laws of the State of Louisiana on January 27, 1971, to provide water to residents of the Nebo Community. The system is governed by a Board of Directors elected by the membership. The directors receive no pay or fees for their services to the system.

## CONTENTS

|  | <b>STATEMENT</b> | PAGE# |
|--|------------------|-------|
| Independent Accountant's Review Report   |                  | 1-2   |
| Statement of Financial Position  | Α                | 4     |
| Statement of Activities  | В                | 5     |
| Statement of Functional Expenses   | С                | 6     |
| Statement of Cash Flows  |                  | 7     |
| Notes to the Basic Financial Statements  |                  | 9-16  |
| Other Supplemental Schedules   |                  |       |
| Schedule of Compensation Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer |                  | 18    |
| Other Reports  |                  |       |
| Management Letter Comments   |                  | 20    |
| Management's Summary of Prior Year Findings  |                  | 21    |
| Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures                             |                  | 22-25 |
| Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire  |                  | 26-28 |

John R. Vercher C.P.A. john@verchergroup.com

Jonathan M. Vercher M.S., C.P.A.

David R. Vercher M.B.A., C.P.A., C.F.E.

jonathan@verchergroup.com

david@vechergroup.com

THE VERCHER GROUP

A Professional Corporation of Certified Public Accountants P.O. Box 1608 1737 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St. – Suite A Jena, Louisiana 71342

Tel: (318) 992-6348 Fax: (318) 992-4374 **MEMBERS** 

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

Nebo Water System, Inc. Nebo, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Nebo Water System, Inc (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2024, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of the management of the Nebo Water System, Inc. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The management of the Nebo Water System, Inc. is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 the financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

### Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion. We are required to be independent of the Nebo Water System, Inc., and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

#### Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Supplemental Information**

The Schedule of Compensation Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer has not been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements, but it has been compiled from information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on such supplementary information.

### Other Reporting Requirements

In accordance with the *Louisiana governmental Audit Guide* and the provisions of state law, we have issued a report dated June 15, 2025, on the results of our agreed-upon procedures, as listed in the table of contents.

The Vercher Group

Jena, Louisiana June 15, 2025

## **Basic Financial Statements**

## Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2024

|   |       | 2024      |
|---|-------|-----------|
| ASSETS  |       |           |
| CURRENT ASSETS                                    |       |           |
| Cash & Cash Equivalents                           | \$    | 639,702   |
| Receivables (Net of Allowances for Uncollectable) | E-100 | 54,134    |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS                              |       | 693,836   |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS                                |       |           |
| Restricted Cash                                   |       | 170,509   |
| Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)  | ****  | 4,688,184 |
| TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS                          |       | 4,858,693 |
| TOTAL ASSETS                                      |       | 5,552,529 |
| Liabilities                                       |       |           |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES                               |       |           |
| Accounts Payable                                  |       | 6,237     |
| Notes Payable-Current Portion                     | 0.000 | 54,555    |
| TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES                         |       | 60,792    |
| LONG-TERM DEBT                                    |       |           |
| Notes Payable-Current Portion                     | 4     | 3,078,233 |
| TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT                              |       | 3,078,233 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES                                 |       | 3,139,025 |
| NET ASSETS  |       |           |
| Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions             | 100   | 2,413,504 |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS                                  |       | 2,413,504 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS                    | \$ _  | 5,552,529 |

# Statement of Activities December 31, 2024

| CHANGES IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS           | 2024            |
|--|-----------------|
| REVENUES   |                 |
| Water Sales  | \$<br>304,150   |
| Penalty Income   | 6,036           |
| Reconnect Fees   | 8,280           |
| Grants   | 41,845          |
| Interest Income  | 1,952           |
| Miscellaneous Revenue                                      | 2,431           |
| TOTAL REVENUES   | 364,694         |
| EXPENSES   |                 |
| Program Services   | 443,829         |
| Supporting Services  | -0-             |
| TOTAL EXPENSES   | 443,829         |
| INCREASE/DECREASE IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS | (79,135)        |
| TOTAL NET POSITION - BEGINNING                             | 2,377,820       |
| TOTAL NET POSITION - ENDING                                | \$<br>2,413,504 |

## Statement of Functional Expenses Year Ended December 31, 2024

|                           | 2024                                  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM SERVICES:         | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| Utilities                 | 36,728                                |
| Dues & Subscriptions      | 5,075                                 |
| Contract Labor            | 20,499                                |
| Chemicals                 | 61,407                                |
| Insurance                 | 8,977                                 |
| Office Expense            | 5,017                                 |
| Supplies                  | 6,161                                 |
| Legal & Professional      | 18,298                                |
| Management Fee            | 44,089                                |
| Maintenance & Repair      | 8,565                                 |
| Other                     | 2,117                                 |
| Interest Expense          | 67,306                                |
| Depreciation Expense      | 159,590                               |
| TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES    | 443,829                               |
| SUPPORTING SERVICES:      | \$ -0-                                |
| TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES | -0-                                   |

## Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended December 31, 2024

|  |    | 2024      |
|--|----|-----------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES   | _  |           |
| Increase/Decrease in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions                               | \$ | (79,135)  |
| ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE CHANGE IN NET ASSETS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES |    |           |
| Depreciation   |    | 159,590   |
| (Increase) Decrease in Operating Activities Accounts Receivable                          |    | (28,000)  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Operating Liabilities Accounts Payable                            |    | (94,353)  |
| TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS  |    | 37,237    |
| NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES  |    | (21,898)  |
| CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES  |    |           |
| Purchase of Property, Plant, and Equipment   |    | (256,016) |
| CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES  |    |           |
| Principal Paid on Notes Payable  |    | (113,292) |
| NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS                                     |    | (411,206) |
| CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR   |    | 1,221,417 |
| CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR   | -  | 810,211   |
| Interest Paid  |    | (67,306)  |
| Interest and Dividends Received  |    | 1,952     |
| RECONCILIATION TO BALANCE SHEET  |    |           |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents  |    | 639,702   |
| Short Lived Assets   |    | 46,794    |
| Debt Service Reserve Cash  |    | 123,715   |
| TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS  | \$ | 810,211   |

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1-

#### A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nebo Water System is a nonprofit corporation established under the laws of the State of Louisiana on January 27, 1971, to provide water to residents of the Nebo Community. The system is governed by a board of directors elected by the membership. The directors receive no pay or fees for their services to the system. The corporation is exempt from federal income taxes under (section 501(c) (04)) of nonprofit tax laws.

The books of the system are maintained on the cash basis of accounting and adjusted to the accrual basis of accounting at year-end for financial reporting purposes. The accounting and reporting methods used for the water system are those used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered through user charges.

#### B. FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPRESENTATION

The water system reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: Net Assets without Donor Restrictions and Net Assets with Donor Restrictions.

The financial statements of the water system have been prepared on the accrual basis and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities. The significant accounting policies followed are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to the reader.

#### C. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statement. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The system's finances are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Its revenues are recognized when they are earned, and its expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

#### D. ALLOCATION OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Direct expenses are charged to program or support based on specific identification.

#### E. REVENUE RECOGNITION

Water sales are recorded or accrued when earned. Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### F. NET ASSETS

The net assets of the water system and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions may be temporary in nature. These restrictions will be satisfied by actions of the Water System or by the passage of time.

Net Assets without Donor Restrictions – Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the water system. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the water system's management and board of directors.

The water system's board of directors has designated, from net assets without donor restrictions for the following purpose:

|                                 | 2024      | 2023      |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Designated for Reserve Accounts | \$<br>-0- | \$<br>-0- |  |

#### G. INCOME TAXES

The water system is a nonprofit organization exempt from Federal and State income taxes. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to evaluate tax positions taken by the water system and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the water system has undertaken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. Management has analyzed the tax positions taken by the water system, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The water system is subject to routine audit by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

#### H. BAD DEBTS

Generally accepted accounting principles require the accrual of uncollectible receivables through an allowance account. Uncollectible amounts due from water system customers are written-off using the direct charge-off method. An allowance amount would be immaterial at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

#### I. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

The water system considers all highly liquid investment with a maturity of three months or less at the date of acquisition to be cash equivalents.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### J. CASH & INVESTMENTS (CDS IN EXCESS OF 90 DAYS)

#### Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the government will not be able to recover its deposits. 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.

Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the Entity that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposit funds upon demand. Further, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the Entity's name.

#### Deposits

It is the entity's policy for deposits to be 100% secured by collateral at market or par, whichever is lower, less the amount of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance. The entity's deposits are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity at year end. The categories are described as follows:

- Category I Insured or collateralized with securities held by the entity or by its agent in the
  entity's name.
- Category 2 Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the entity's name.
- Category 3 Uncollateralized.

Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of interest-bearing deposits which are stated at cost, which approximates market. All short-term investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, and at the date of purchase. For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, "Cash and Cash Equivalents" include all demand and savings accounts, and certificates of deposit under 90 days.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Amounts on deposit are secured by the following pledges:

| Description             | Southern<br>Heritage<br>Market Value |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| FDIC (Category 1)       | \$<br>808,022                        |
| Securities (Category 2) | -0-                                  |
| Total                   | \$<br>808,022                        |

All deposits were fully secured as of December 31, 2024.

The water system maintains bank accounts at one institution. Accounts at the institution are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000 for demand accounts and up to \$250,000 for time accounts.

#### K. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable columns in the basic financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost. The entity maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

All fixed assets are recorded at cost and are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

| Water System & Building | 40-50 Yrs. |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Equipment & Workover    | 5-15 rs.   |

#### NOTE 2- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE & ALLOWANCES FOR BAD DEBTS

Accounts receivables are reported net of allowance for bad debts. The allowance account has been established at approximately 5% of accounts receivable. Detail accounts receivables follow:

| Accounts Receivable | <b>5</b> | 54,134 |
|---------------------|----------|--------|
| Total Receivables   | \$       | 54,134 |

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### **NOTE 3 – RESTRICTED ASSETS**

Restricted assets as presented on the balance sheet are set aside as follows:

Debt Service Reserve - The system is required to transfer a percentage each month from its operating account to a debt service fund until a balance of \$113,292 is obtained. These funds are to be used to service debt service payments in case of a cash shortage in the operating account.

Short Lived Assets Reserve - The system transfers a monthly percentage from its operating account to short lived assets reserve. These funds are restricted to repairs of the system when funds are not available in the operating account.

## NOTE 4 – PLANT, PROPERTY, & EQUIPMENT

Changes in plant, property, and equipment are as follows:

A summary of property, plant and equipment at December 31, 2024:

|                                 | Beginning<br>Balance | Additions     | Deletions |     | Ending<br>Balance |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------|-----|-------------------|
| Water System                    | \$<br>5,083,314      | \$<br>256,016 | \$<br>-0- | \$  | 5,339,330         |
| Less Allowance for Depreciation | (491,556)            | (159,590)     | -0-       |     | (651,146)         |
| Net Plant                       | \$<br>4,591,758      | \$<br>96,426  | \$<br>-0- | \$_ | 4,688,184         |

The system's assets are pledged as security for the system's long-term debt.

#### NOTE 5- ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The payables of \$6,237 at December 31, 2024, were as follows:

| Legal Fees | \$<br>430   |
|------------|-------------|
| Materials  | 1,832       |
| Utilities  | 3,975       |
| Total      | \$<br>6,237 |

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### **NOTE 6- BOARD MEMBERS**

The following is a list of board members for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Chance Willis-President
Curt Ainsworth-Vice President
Jessica Marks
Landon LeMay
Steve Sanders

Board members are each paid \$-0- per meeting when present.

## NOTE 7 – USDA NOTE ACTIVITY IN 2024

|   | _    | 2024      |
|---|------|-----------|
| Note payable to the USDA, in the original amount of \$2,997,000, payable in monthly installments of \$9,441, including interest at 2.12%. |      |           |
|   | \$ _ | 2,887,135 |
| Note payable to the USDA, in the original amount of \$260,000, payable in monthly installments of \$806, including interest at 2.12%.     |      |           |
| ,   |      | 245,653   |
| Total   | \$   | 3,132,788 |

| NOTE NO                |     | 91-01      |     | 91-02      | Totals    |
|------------------------|-----|------------|-----|------------|-----------|
| Date of Loan           |     | 10/05/2021 |     | 10/05/2021 | N/A       |
| Interest Rate          |     | 2.12%      |     | 2.12%      |           |
| Original Balance       | \$_ | 2,997,000  | \$_ | 260,000    | 3,257,000 |
| 2023 Beginning Balance | \$  | 2,938,484  | \$  | 250,054    | 3,188,538 |
| 2024 Principle         |     | (51,349)   |     | (4,401)    | (55,750)  |
| 2024 Additions         |     | -0-        | -   | -0-        | -0-       |
| 2024 Ending Balance    | \$_ | 2,887,135  | \$_ | 245,653    | 3,132,788 |
| 2024 Interest          | \$  | 61,943     | \$  | 5,271      | 67,214    |
| Monthly Payments       | \$  | 9,441      | \$  | 806        | 10,247    |

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following is the system's five-year debt requirement, including interest:

| Year      | 91-01        | 91-02      | Totals    |
|-----------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| 2025      | 114,725      | 10,646     | 125,371   |
| 2026      | 114,725      | 10,646     | 125,371   |
| 2027      | 114,725      | 10,646     | 125,371   |
| 2028      | 114,725      | 10,646     | 125,371   |
| 2029      | 114,725      | 10,646     | 125,371   |
| 2030-2034 | 350,001      | 53,230     | 403,231   |
| 2035-2039 | 350,001      | 53,230     | 403,231   |
| 2040-2044 | 350,001      | 53,230     | 403,231   |
| 2045-2049 | 350,001      | 53,230     | 403,231   |
| 2050-2054 | 350,001      | -0-        | 350,001   |
| 2055-2059 | 350,001      | -0-        | 350,001   |
| 2060-2064 | 350,001      | -0-        | 350,001   |
| 2065-2066 | 187,127      | -0-        | 187,127   |
| Totals    | \$ 2,987,135 | \$ 266,150 | 3,253,285 |

#### NOTE 8- USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **NOTE 9- SEWER RATES**

The Entity's current water rates are as follows:

| Residential Flat | \$ 59.00 per month up to 2,000 gallons of water |  |  |
|------------------|---|--|--|
| Residential Bulk | \$4.00/1,000 gallons per month                  |  |  |
| Commercial Flat  | \$ 64.00 per month up to 2,000 gallons of water |  |  |
| Commercial Bulk  | \$\$4.00/1,000 gallons per month                |  |  |
| Membership Fee   | \$ 25.00 (Non-Refundable)                       |  |  |
| New Meter Tap    | \$775.00  |  |  |

### NOTE 10- RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT

In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-9, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606). This guidance is a comprehensive new revenue recognition standard that will supersede substantially all existing revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company expects to be more entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In doing so, companies will need to use more judgement and make more estimates than under existing guidance. These may include identifying performance obligations in the contract, estimating the amount of variable consideration to include in the transaction price and allocating the transaction price to each separate performance obligation. On July 9, 2015, the FASB agreed to delay the effective date of the standard by one year. Therefore, the new standard will be effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018 and is not expected to have a significant impact on the Water System's financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards update No. 2016-18, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230). The amendments in this update require that a statement of cash flow explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. Therefore, amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning-of-period and end-of-period total amounts shown in the Statement of Cash Flows. The amendment is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. The water system is evaluating the potential impact of the amendment on the water system's financial statements.

## **NOTE 11- SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management has evaluated events and transactions subsequent to the Statement of Net Position date though, June 15, 2025, of the independent accountant's review report for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

Other Supplemental Schedules

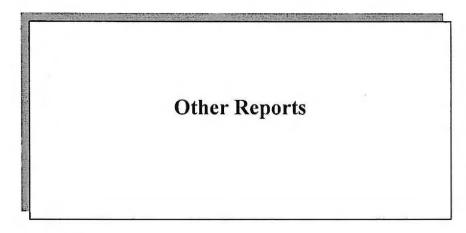
## Schedule of Compensation Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Nebo Water System, Inc. Chance Willis-President

| Purpose                  |                   | An | Amount |  |  |
|--------------------------|-------------------|----|--------|--|--|
| Salary                   |                   | \$ | -0-    |  |  |
| Benefits-Insurance       |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Benefits-Retirement      |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Benefits (List any other | er here)          |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Car Allowance            |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Vehicle Provided by C    | Sovernment        |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Per Diem                 |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Reimbursements           |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Travel                   |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Registration Fees        |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Conference Travel        |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Continuing Profession    | al Education Fees |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Housing                  |                   |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Un-vouchered Expens      | es*               |    | -0-    |  |  |
| Special Meals            |                   | \$ | -0-    |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup>An example of an un-vouchered expense would be a travel advance.

See independent accountant's report



## MANAGEMENT LETTER COMMENTS

During the course of our review, we observed conditions and circumstances that may be improved. Below are findings noted for improvement and our recommendation for improvement.

## CURRENT YEAR MANAGEMENT LETTER COMMENTS

No comments.

# MANAGEMENT'S SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

Legislative Auditor State of Louisiana Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9397

The management of the Nebo Water System, Inc. has provided the following action summaries relating to audit findings brought to their attention as a result of their financial review for the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

## 2023-1 Annual Filing of Financial Statements (Resolved)

Condition: The Entity did not file their financial statements with the Legislative Auditor on a timely basis.

Criteria: LSA-RS 24:514, LSA-RS 33:463, and/or LSA-RS 39:92, as applicable, require that governmental units file their financial statements annually with the Legislative Auditor's Office within six months of the entity's year end closing.

Cause of Condition: Not having the financial statements completed on time.

Potential Effect of Condition: Potential compliance violation and a freeze on grant funding.

**Recommendation:** The Entity should have their audit completed in time to file with the Legislative Auditor's Office within six months of the Entity's year end closing.

Client Response and Corrective Action: The Entity will have their audit completed in time to file with the Legislative Auditor's Office within six months of the Entity's year end closing.

John R. Vercher C.P.A. john@verchergroup.com

THE VERCHER GROUP

A Professional Corporation of Certified Public Accountants P.O. Box 1608 1737 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St. – Suite A

> Jena, Louisiana 71342 Tel: (318) 992-6348 Fax: (318) 992-4374

**MEMBERS** 

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

# David R. Vercher M.B.A., C.P.A., C.F.E. david@verchergroup.com

Jonathan M. Vercher M.S., C.P.A.

jonathan@verchergroup.com

### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Nebo Water System:

We have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of the Nebo Water System and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the Nebo Water System's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2024, included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below whether for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

#### Public Bid Law

1. Obtain documentation for all expenditures made during the year for materials and supplies exceeding \$30,000, and public works exceeding \$250,000. Compare the documentation for these expenditures to Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 39:1551-39:1775 (the state procurement code) or R.S. 38:2211-2296 (the public bid law), whichever is applicable; and report whether the expenditures were made in accordance with these laws.

\*During our review of expenditures, we found no such expenditures.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

- 2. Obtain a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by R.S. 42:1101-1124 (the ethics law).
  - \*Management provided us with the requested information.
- 3. Obtain a list of all employees paid during the fiscal year.
  - \*Management provided us with the requested information.
- 4. Report whether any employees' names appear on both lists obtained in Procedures 2 and 3.
  - \*None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management [agreed-upon

- procedure (3)] appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure (2).
- 5. Obtain a list of all disbursements made during the year; and a list of outside business interests of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families. Report whether any vendors appear on both lists.
  - \*Management provided the requested information. None of the businesses of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families appeared as vendors on the list of disbursements.

### Budgeting

- 6. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.
  - \*We obtained a copy of the budget and any amended budget.
- 7. Trace documentation for the adoption of the budget and approval of any amendments to the minute book, and report whether there are any exceptions.
  - \*Not applicable.
- 8. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Report whether actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, and whether actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 5% or more. (For agencies that must comply with the Licensing Agency Budget Act only, compare the expenditures of the final budget to actual expenditures, and report whether actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 10% or more per category or 5% or more in total).
  - \*Not applicable.

## Accounting and Reporting

- 9. Obtain the list of all disbursements made during the fiscal year. Randomly select six disbursements and obtain documentation from management for these disbursements. Compare the selected disbursements to the supporting documentation, and:
- (a) Report whether the six disbursements agree to the amount and the payee in the supporting documentation.
  - \*We examined supporting documentation for the six selected documents, and they all agreed.
- (b) Report whether the six disbursements were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.
  - \*All of the payments were properly coded to the correct fund and correct general ledger account.
- (c) Report whether the six disbursements were approved in accordance with management's policies and procedures.
- \*All disbursements were approved in accordance with management's policies and procedures. Meetings

- 10. Obtain evidence from management to support that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by R.S. 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law); and report whether there are any exceptions.
  - \*Discussions with the clerk and our review of the minutes found that the agendas for the meetings were posted.

#### Debt

- 11. Obtain bank deposit slips for the fiscal year and scan the deposit slips in order to identify and report whether there are any deposits that appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness. If any such proceeds are identified, obtain from management evidence of approval by the State Bond Commission, and report any exceptions.
  - \*The Entity did not enter into any long-term debt this fiscal year.

#### Advances and Bonuses

- 12. Obtain the list of payroll disbursements and meeting minutes of the governing board, if applicable. Scan these documents to identify and report whether there are any payments or approval of payments to employees that may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.
  - \*We inspected payroll records and minutes for the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to employees that constitute bonuses, advances, and gifts.

#### State Audit Law

- 13. Report whether the agency provided for a timely report in accordance with R.S. 24:513.
  - \*The Entity's report is due on June 30, 2025, and was submitted in a timely manner.
- 14. Inquire of management and report whether the agency entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).
  - \*The Entity did not enter into any new contracts this fiscal year.

#### Prior-Year Comments

- 15. Obtain and report management's representation as to whether any prior-year suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, and/or comments have been resolved.
  - \*Our report dated August 12, 2024 did have one prior-year suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, and/or comments.

We were not engaged to, and did not perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we

performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Nebo Water System and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

The Vercher Group

Jena, Louisiana June 15, 2025

## Nebo Water System, Inc. LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

## The Vercher Group

A Professional Group of Certified Public Accountants P.O. Box 1608 Jena, Louisiana 71342

Tel: (318) 992-6348 Fax: (318) 992-4374

In connection with your review of our financial statements as of December 31, 2024, and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

These representations are based on the information available to us as of June 15, 2025, (date of completion/representations).

#### Public Bid Law

It is true that we have complied with the state procurement code (R.S. 39:1551 - 39:1755); the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211-2296), and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration and the State Purchasing Office.

Yes [x] No []

#### Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1101-1124.

Yes[x] No[]

It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of LSA-RS 42:1119.

Yes [x] No []

#### Budgeting

We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (R.S. 39:1301-15), R.S. 39:33, or the budget requirements of R.S. 39:1331-1342, as applicable.

Yes [x] No []

#### Accounting and Reporting

All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by LSA-RS 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

Yes [x] No []

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with LSA-RS 24:514, and 33:463, as applicable.

Yes[x]No[]

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with RS 24:513.

Yes [x] No []

We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes [ X] No [ ]

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief financial officer.

Yes [x] No []

We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines, and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.

Yes [x] No []

### Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in RS 42:11 through 42:28.

Yes [x] No []

#### Debt

It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and LSA-RS 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes [x] No []

#### **Prior-Year Comments**

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

Yes [x] No []

#### **Advances and Bonuses**

It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, LSA-RS 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes [x] No []

#### General

We acknowledge that we are responsible for the Agency's compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes [x] No []

We acknowledge that we are responsible for determining that the procedures performed are appropriate for the purposes of this engagement.

Yes [x ] No []

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes [x ] No []

We have provided you with all relevant information and access under the terms of our agreement.

Yes [x] No []

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations.

Yes [x ] No []

We are not aware of any material misstatements in the information we have provided to you.

Yes [x ] No []

We have disclosed to you any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants, and others concerning noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including communications received during the period under examination; and will disclose to you any such communication received between the end of the period under examination and the date of your report.

Yes [x] No []

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies all known noncompliance and other events subsequent to the date of this representation and the date of your report that could have a material effect on our compliance with laws and regulations and the internal controls with such laws and regulations or would require adjustment or modification to the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

Yes [x ] No []

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We acknowledge our responsibility to disclose to you any known noncompliance which may occur subsequent to the issuance of your report.

Signed: My UM

Title: President