

**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH
WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA**

Annual Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors
Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District
Mansura, Louisiana

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities of Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District (the District), a component unit of the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, 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 accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the District, as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the respective changes in its financial position, and where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and for 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 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.

Auditor's 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 GAAS and *Government 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, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment 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.
- Obtain 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 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 judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the 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.

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis information that U.S. GAAP 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 Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with the *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 21, 2025 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA
May 21, 2025

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Statements of Net Position
December 31, 2024 and 2023

Statement A

	2024	2023
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 325,878	\$ 216,060
Investments	364,530	355,526
Accounts Receivable, Net	96,143	57,240
Prepaid Insurance	21,904	18,252
Inventories	37,126	22,140
Total Current Assets	845,581	669,218
Restricted Assets		
Note Payment - Cash and Cash Equivalents	80,210	80,210
Depreciation and Contingency Fund		
Accounts - Cash and Cash Equivalents	68,441	58,752
Meter Deposits - Cash	96,194	93,730
Reserve - Cash and Cash Equivalents	211,428	181,494
Total Restricted Assets	456,273	414,186
Capital Assets		
Depreciable Capital Assets, Net of		
Accumulated Depreciation	2,406,047	2,493,648
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets	11,645	11,645
Total Capital Assets	2,417,692	2,505,293
Total Assets	3,719,546	3,588,697

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

WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Statements of Net Position (Continued)
December 31, 2024 and 2023

Statement A

	2024	2023
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities (Payable from Current Assets)		
Accounts Payable	33,054	31,398
Compensated Absences	5,709	-
Accrued Expenses	5,756	10,010
Note Payable, Current Portion	10,976	-
Total Current Liabilities (Payable from Current Assets)	55,495	41,408
Current Liabilities (Payable from Restricted Assets)		
Customer Deposits	96,055	95,845
Accrued Interest Payable	5,188	5,188
Water Revenue Bonds Payable, Current Portion	39,502	38,432
Total Current Liabilities (Payable from Restricted Assets)	140,745	139,465
Long-Term Liabilities		
Water Revenue Bonds Payable	2,042,135	2,081,635
Long-Term Note Payable	41,710	-
Total Long-Term Liabilities	2,083,845	2,081,635
Total Liabilities	2,280,085	2,262,508
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	322,871	423,658
Restricted	315,528	274,721
Unrestricted	801,062	627,810
Total Net Position	\$ 1,439,461	\$ 1,326,189

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

WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

Statement B

	2024	2023
Operating Revenue		
Water Sales and Fees	\$ 1,063,061	\$ 755,006
Other Revenues	24,307	6,934
Total Operating Revenues	1,087,368	761,940
Operating Expenses		
Cost of Water Sold	377,467	371,777
Depreciation	147,280	139,323
Salaries and Wages	111,985	113,732
Bad Debt	79,330	-
Supplies	39,754	2,023
Other	56,712	25,667
Insurance	25,023	22,116
Commissioner Fees	2,880	2,700
Utilities	17,908	21,511
Repairs and Maintenance	15,400	40,680
Auditing Fees	15,000	14,500
Payroll Taxes	8,672	9,291
Telephone	7,440	6,979
Postage	6,497	5,378
Dues	6,085	6,514
Fuels	5,375	4,022
Contract Services	1,722	1,566
Total Operating Expenses	924,530	787,779
Net Operating Income (Loss)	162,838	(25,839)
Nonoperating Revenue (Expense)		
Interest Income	10,488	4,670
Interest Expense	(60,054)	(58,864)
Total Nonoperating Expense, Net	(49,566)	(54,194)
Change in Net Position	113,272	(80,033)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	1,326,189	1,406,222
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 1,439,461	\$ 1,326,189

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**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Statements of Cash Flows
For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

Statement C

	2024	2023
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash from Operating Revenues	\$ 1,048,675	\$ 767,952
Cash Paid to Employees	(119,202)	(126,175)
Cash Paid for Operating Expenses	(673,575)	(542,452)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	255,898	99,325
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(59,679)	(10,304)
Proceeds of Note Payable	59,679	-
Principal Paid on Note Payable	(6,993)	-
Principal Paid on Water Revenue Bonds	(38,430)	(37,388)
Interest Payments on Water Revenue Bonds	(60,054)	(58,864)
Net Cash Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities	(105,477)	(106,556)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest on Investments	10,488	4,670
Increase in Investments	(9,004)	(3,379)
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	1,484	1,291
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	151,905	(5,940)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	630,246	636,186
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 782,151	\$ 630,246
Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents to the Statements of Net Position		
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Unrestricted	\$ 325,878	\$ 216,060
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Restricted	456,273	414,186
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 782,151	\$ 630,246

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

**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
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Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)
For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

Statement C

	2024	2023
Reconciliation of Net Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 162,838	\$ (25,839)
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Depreciation	147,280	139,323
(Increase) Decrease in:		
Accounts Receivable	(38,903)	6,012
Prepaid Insurance	(3,652)	(2,432)
Inventory	(14,986)	(3,104)
Increase (Decrease) in:		
Accounts Payable	1,656	(16,692)
Accrued Expenses	1,455	2,057
Customer Deposits	210	-
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 255,898	\$ 99,325

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

WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT MANSURA, LOUISIANA

Notes to Financial Statements

Introduction

Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District (the District) was incorporated on July 10, 1973 as a non-profit corporation as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 33:3811 to construct, maintain, and improve the system of water supply within the District not served by municipal systems. A five-member board (the Board) appointed by the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury governs the District; therefore, the District is considered a component unit of the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury.

The accounting and reporting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to enterprise funds of a governmental entity.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The District's financial statements are prepared on the full accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The District applies all Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements as described in the following paragraphs.

These financial statements are presented in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, as amended by GASB Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position*. These Statements established standards for financial reporting, with presentation requirements including a statement of net position (or balance sheet), a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and a statement of cash flows. The District has also adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*, that require capital contributions to the District be presented as a change in net position.

GASB Statement No. 63, effective for financial statement periods ending after December 15, 2012, provides guidance for reporting deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and net position in a statement of financial position and related disclosures. GASB Concepts Statement No. 4, *Elements of Financial Statements*, introduced and defined deferred outflows of resources as a consumption of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period, and deferred inflows of resources as an acquisition of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. Previous financial reporting standards do not include guidance for reporting those financial statement elements, which are distinct from assets and liabilities.

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MANSURA, LOUISIANA**

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

GASB Concepts Statement No. 4 identifies net position as the residual of all other elements presented in a statement of financial position. This Statement amends the net asset reporting requirements in GASB Statement No. 34 and other pronouncements by incorporating deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources into the definitions of the required components of the residual measure, and by renaming that measure as net position, rather than net assets. The definition and reporting of net position are further described in Note 1, Net Position. As required by the GASB, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 63 during the year ended December 31, 2012. The District did not have any deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources at December 31, 2024 or 2023.

The District has also previously adopted GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities, and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. The application of this standard to long-term debt offerings of the District is more fully described in Note 1, Long-Term Debt Obligations.

All activities of the District are accounted for in a single proprietary (enterprise) fund. Proprietary funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise, where the intent of the governing authority is that the cost (expenses, including depreciation) of providing services on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The Enterprise Fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all of the assets and liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statements of net position. The statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position include all costs of providing goods and services during the period.

The Enterprise Fund uses the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating 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 principal operating revenues of the proprietary fund are water revenue and recurring customer user charges for the services provided by the Enterprise Fund. Re-connect and installation fees are recorded in the month service is rendered and collected. Operating expenses for the Enterprise Fund include the cost of water purchased, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash includes unrestricted amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and investments in bank certificates with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

Investments are limited by R.S. 33:2955 and the District's investment policy. If the original maturities of investments exceed 90 days, they are classified as investments; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

The following disclosures are required by GASB Statement No. 31:

- The District uses the quoted market prices to estimate the fair value of the investments.
- None of the investments are reported at amortized cost.
- There is no involuntary participation in an external investment pool.

The District's investments consisted of certificates of deposit at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at lower of cost or market and are expensed using the first-in, first-out method.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors that will benefit periods beyond the end of the current calendar year are recorded as prepaid items.

Restricted Assets

Restricted assets consist of meter deposits held in a bank account and monies set aside in accordance with the District's water revenue bonds.

Capital Assets

Capital assets of the District are defined by the District as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$2,500, and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at either historical cost or estimated historical cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date donated. Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets is charged as an expense against operations.

All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated Useful Lives
Buildings and Improvements	7 - 30 Years
Equipment	5 - 10 Years
Distribution System	30 Years

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Long-Term Debt Obligations

Long-term liabilities are recognized within the Enterprise Fund. Bond premiums and discounts are amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

With the implementation of GASB Statement No. 65, the recognition of bond-related costs, including the costs related to issuance and refunding of debt, are revised. This standard was intended to complement GASB Statement No. 63. Bond issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are now expensed in the period incurred under GASB Statement No. 65. The District did not have any bond-related costs in the years ended December 31, 2024 or 2023.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Net Position

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, as amended by GASB Statement No. 63, net position is classified into three components: net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

Net Investment in Capital Assets - This component of net position consists of the historical cost of capital assets, including any 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, plus deferred outflows of resources, less deferred inflows of resources, related to those assets.

Restricted - This component of net position consists of assets that have constraints that are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted - All other net position is reported in this category.

GASB Statement No. 63 revised the terminology by incorporating deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources into the definitions of the required components of the residual measure and by renaming the measure as net position, rather than net assets.

New Accounting Pronouncements - Adopted

The District adopted the following accounting pronouncements during the year ended December 31, 2024:

GASB Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections

The primary objective of the Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections. The adoption of the Statement did not have an effect on the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences

The Statement updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. The District adopted the Statement which increased compensated absences liability due to including salary related costs.

New Accounting Pronouncements - Not Yet Adopted

GASB Statement No. 102, Certain Risk Disclosures

The objective of the Statement is to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about risks related to government's vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations or constraints. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

New Accounting Pronouncements - Not Yet Adopted (Continued)

GASB Statement No. 103, Financial Reporting Model Improvements

The objective of the Statement is to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision making and assessing a government's accountability. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025.

GASB Statement No. 104, Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets

The objective of the Statement is to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about certain types of capital assets. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025.

Management is currently evaluating the effects of the new GASB pronouncements scheduled for implementation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the District had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) as follows:

	2024	2023
Unrestricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 325,878	\$ 216,060
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	456,273	414,186
Total	\$ 782,151	\$ 630,246
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 364,530	\$ 355,526

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be recovered. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. Under state law, deposits 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. The custodial bank must advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments (Continued)

At December 31, 2024, the District had \$1,149,569 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits were secured from risk by \$656,553 in federal deposit insurance and \$493,016 of pledged securities held in the name of the fiscal agent bank by a custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At December 31, 2023, the District had \$987,381 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits were secured from risk by \$656,296 in federal deposit insurance and \$331,085 of pledged securities held in the name of the fiscal agent bank by a custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

The following is a summary of restricted assets at December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Note Payment Fund	\$ 80,210	\$ 80,210
Depreciation and Contingency Fund	68,441	58,752
Meter Deposits	96,194	93,730
Reserve Fund	211,428	181,494
Total Restricted Assets	\$ 456,273	\$ 414,186

Note 3. Receivables

The following is a summary of receivables at December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	Year Ended December 31, 2024		Year Ended December 31, 2023		(Decrease) Increase in Percent
Accounts Receivable					
Billed					
Current	\$ 96,142	45%	\$ 57,239	60%	-15%
31 - 60 Days Past Due	35,646	17%	10,356	11%	6%
61 - 90 Days Past Due	40,746	19%	9,126	10%	10%
Over 90 Days Past Due	39,794	19%	18,034	19%	0%
Subtotal	212,328		94,755		
Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	(116,185)		(37,515)		
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 96,143		\$ 57,240		

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 3. Receivables (Continued)

All customer receivables are reported at gross value and reduced by the portion that is expected to be uncollectible. Periodically, the Board reviews the aging of receivables and determines the actual amount uncollectible. Per board approval, uncollectible amounts are normally written off against accounts receivable, and the allowance for doubtful accounts is adjusted to a reasonable estimate of uncollectibility. Bad debt expense of \$79,330 and \$-0- was recorded for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and the allowance for uncollectible accounts was \$116,185 and \$37,515, respectively, as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Note 4. Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024 is as follows:

December 31, 2024	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Non-Depreciable Assets				
Land	\$ 11,645	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,645
Total Non-Depreciable Assets	11,645	-	-	11,645
Depreciable Assets				
Buildings	76,975	-	-	76,975
Equipment	167,112	59,679	-	226,791
Distribution System	3,474,438	-	-	3,474,438
Total Capital Assets	3,718,525	59,679	-	3,778,204
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(1,224,877)	(147,280)	-	(1,372,157)
Total Depreciable Assets, Net	2,493,648	(87,601)	-	2,406,047
Total Capital Assets	\$ 2,505,293	\$ (87,601)	\$ -	\$ 2,417,692

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Notes to Financial Statements

Note 4. Capital Assets (Continued)

A summary of changes in capital assets during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 is as follows:

December 31, 2023	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Non-Depreciable Assets				
Land	\$ 11,645	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,645
Total Non-Depreciable Assets	11,645	-	-	11,645
Depreciable Assets				
Buildings	76,975	-	-	76,975
Equipment	156,808	10,304	-	167,112
Distribution System	3,474,438	-	-	3,474,438
Total Capital Assets	3,708,221	10,304	-	3,718,525
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(1,085,554)	(139,323)	-	(1,224,877)
Total Depreciable Assets, Net	2,622,667	(129,019)	-	2,493,648
Total Capital Assets	\$ 2,634,312	\$ (129,019)	\$ -	\$ 2,505,293

Depreciation expense totaling \$147,280 and \$139,323 was computed on a straight-line basis for financial statement purposes for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Note 5. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of long-term obligation transactions for the year ended December 31, 2024:

December 31, 2024	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Long-Term Debt					
Water Revenue Bonds Payable	\$ 2,120,067	\$ -	\$ (38,430)	\$ 2,081,637	\$ 39,502
Truck Note	-	59,679	(6,993)	52,686	10,976
Total Long-Term Debt	\$ 2,120,067	\$ 59,679	\$ (45,423)	\$ 2,134,323	\$ 50,478

**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA**

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 5. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

The following is a summary of long-term obligation transactions for the year ended December 31, 2023:

December 31, 2023	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Long-Term Debt					
Water Revenue Bonds Payable	\$ 2,157,455	\$ -	\$ (37,388)	\$ 2,120,067	\$ 38,432
Total Long-Term Debt	\$ 2,157,455	\$ -	\$ (37,388)	\$ 2,120,067	\$ 38,432

Bonds payable at December 31, 2024 and 2023 were composed of the following:

	2024	2023
\$2,998,000 Water Revenue Bonds dated June 9, 2009, bearing interest at 2.75% per annum, due in monthly payments of \$8,021, principal payments commencing December 2019, final payment due December 2056.	\$ 2,081,637	\$ 2,157,455
\$59,679 Truck Note dated April 19, 2024, bearing interest at 6% per annum, due in monthly principal and interest payments of \$1,153, with final payment due April 2029.	52,686	-
Total	\$ 2,134,323	\$ 2,157,455

As part of the District's bond indenture, the District is to make monthly payments to a Reserve Fund of \$2,478, and to a Contingency Fund of \$802, commencing upon the date of completion and acceptance of the extension project.

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

The annual requirements to amortize all the Water Revenue Bonds, including interest payments, at December 31, 2024 were as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 50,478	\$ 59,612	\$ 110,090
2026	52,256	57,835	110,091
2027	54,104	55,985	110,089
2028	56,028	54,062	110,090
2029	48,645	52,219	100,864
2030 - 2034	239,567	241,693	481,260
2035 - 2039	274,836	206,424	481,260
2040 - 2044	315,298	165,962	481,260
2045 - 2049	361,717	119,543	481,260
2050 - 2054	414,969	66,291	481,260
2055 - 2059	266,425	11,006	277,431
Total	\$ 2,134,323	\$ 1,090,632	\$ 3,224,955

Note 6. Restricted Net Position

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the District had \$315,528 and \$274,721, respectively, in restricted net position. Restricted net position (restricted for capital activity and debt service) represents the District's funds restricted by revenue bond debt covenants, contracts with customers for meter deposits, and the unspent portion of capital debt related to amounts restricted for capital projects, less liabilities related to those restricted funds. A liability relates to restricted assets if the asset results from incurring the liability or if the liability will be liquidated with the restricted assets.

Note 7. Water Rates

The District charged the following water rates to its customers based on volume for each of the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

Residential	2024	2023
First 1,000 gallons	\$ 20.00	\$ 18.50
Over 1,000 gallons	\$ 15.00	\$ 6.00 per 1,000 gallons
Commercial		
First 2,000 gallons	\$ 53.50	\$ 50.00
Over 2,000 gallons	\$ 12.25	\$ 6.00 per 1,000 gallons

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Note 7. Water Rates (Continued)

At December 31, 2024, the number of customers served by the District was 940.

Note 8. Board Members' Per Diem Payments

The following is a schedule of fees paid to Board Members during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Gaston Rabalais	\$ 720	600
Arlene Schexnyder	720	660
Chris Burke	720	720
Donald Sampson	720	720
Total	\$ 2,880	\$ 2,700

Note 9. Insurance

The following is a schedule of insurance coverages at December 31, 2024:

Coverage	Amount	Period
Commercial General Liability		11/6/2024 to 11/6/2025
Each Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000	
Damage of Rental Premises	1,000,000	
Medical Expense	10,000	
Personal Injury	1,000,000	
General Accident	3,000,000	
Products Comp. and Aggregate	3,000,000	
Auto Insurance		
Combined Single Limit (CSL)	\$ 1,000,000	11/6/2024 to 11/6/2025
Worker's Compensation at Statutory Limitations		7/6/2024 to 7/6/2025
Each Accident	\$ 1,000,000	
Disease Expense - Employee	1,000,000	
Disease - Policy Limit	1,000,000	

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments
to Agency Head
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Agency Head

Joan Decuir, Director

Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$3,600
Benefits - Insurance	\$0
Benefits - Retirement	\$0
Benefits - Other	\$0
Car Allowance	\$0
Vehicle Provided by Government	\$0
Per Diem	\$0
Reimbursements - Telephone	\$0
Reimbursements - Supplies	\$0
Registration Fees	\$0
Conference Travel	\$0
Continuing Professional Education Fees	\$0
Housing	\$0
Unvouchered Expenses	\$0
Special Meals	\$0

See independent auditor's report.

**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**

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors
Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District
Mansura, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the accompanying financial statements of Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District (the District), a component unit of the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 21, 2025.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from 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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA
May 21, 2025

**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Schedule of Findings and Responses
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

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| 1. | Type of auditor's report issued: | Unmodified |
| 2. | Internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters: | |
| | a. Material weaknesses identified? | No |
| | b. Significant deficiencies identified? | No |
| | c. Noncompliance material to the financial statements? | No |
| | d. Other matters identified? | No |
| 3. | Management letter comment provided? | None |

Part II - Findings Related to the Financial Statements

None.

Part III - Compliance and Other Matters

Compliance

None.

Other Matters

None.

**WARD 3, AVOYELLES PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT
MANSURA, LOUISIANA
Schedule of Prior Audit Findings
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

There were no prior year audit findings.

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT

Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District

Independent Accountant's Report
On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

For the Period January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024

To the Board Members of the
Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District
and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures 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 period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. The District is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The 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 the LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Additionally, the 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 the 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 results are as follows:

1) Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- A. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/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).

Results: No exceptions were found as a result of performing these procedures.

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

- i. Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers;
- ii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit;
- iii. Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not also responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit; and
- iv. The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, is (are) not also responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.

Results: Due to the small nature of the District, it has only one office employee who performs each of the above functions. We noted that procedures i, ii, iii, and iv are exceptions since one employee collects cash, makes deposits, and operates the cash drawer. We noted that the exceptions are partially mitigated as a Board member reviews daily collection reconciliations prior to the deposit being made and the same Board member reviews the monthly bank reconciliation.

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

Results: No exceptions were found as a result of performing these procedures.

- D. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A (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). *Alternatively, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc.* Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits, and:

- i. Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
- ii. Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
- iii. Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.

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

Results: No exceptions were found as a result of performing these procedures.

2) Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- A. 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 and 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:
 - i. If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
 - ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
 - iii. 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 Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and
 - iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Results: Upon performing the procedures above, we noted that there were no travel related reimbursements made to employees during 2024.

We were engaged by the 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, 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 the District and to meet our 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 on those C/C areas identified in Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures, and the results 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 Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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A Professional Accounting Corporation

Baton Rouge, LA
May 21, 2025

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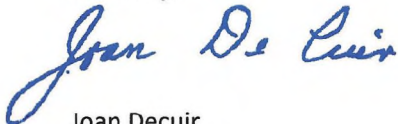
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RE: Statewide Agreed-upon Procedures

The management of the Ward 3, Avoyelles Parish Waterworks District wishes to provide the following responses relative to the results of the 2024 statewide agreed-upon procedures engagement:

1. Collections: - Due to the small nature of the District, one employee performs each of the functions. To mitigate this exception, the System Manager reviews and initials daily collection reconciliation prior to deposit. The System Manager also reviews the monthly bank reconciliation.

Sincerely,



Joan Decuir
Board President



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