FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

October 15, 2019

To the Board of Directors Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. Kinder, LA

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), as of June 30, 2019, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

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

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

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The prior year summarized comparative information has been derived from Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc.'s 2018 financial statements and, in our report dated October 10, 2018; we expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. as of June 30, 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying supplemental information and other information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 15, 2019 on our consideration of Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards in considering Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Statement of Financial Position

June 30, 2019

	••••••••••	2019	-	2018
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash	\$	336,855	\$	359,059
Investments		427,424		408,722
Accounts receivable		271,702		215,646
Prepaid expenses		28,661		19,865
Total Current Assets		1,064,642		1,003,292
Fixed assets, at cost (net of accumulated				
depreciation of \$986,560 for 2019)		554,482		519,158
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,619,124	\$	1,522,450
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	120,490	\$	74,658
Deferred income	ψ	273,468	ψ	253,170
Vacation and sick leave payable		273,403 347,609		324,875
Total Current Liabilities		741,567		652,703
Total Current Liabilities		741,307		052,703
Net Assets				
Unrestricted		877,557		869,747
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	1,619,124	\$	1,522,450

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

Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2019

		Donor	Tot	als
	Unrestricted	restricted	2019	2018
REVENUES AND RECLASSIFICATIONS				
Grants	\$ 1,340,163	\$ -	\$1,353,807	\$1,231,821
Contributions - In-kind	21,561	-	21,561	21,561
Membership fees	303,896	-	303,896	303,333
Conference	310,532	-	310,532	312,291
Training	110,755	-	110,755	88,153
Advertising	35,108	-	35,108	40,791
Interest	13,992	-	13,992	1,269
Other - federal progams	115,820	-	115,820	84,236
Miscellaneous	86,263		72,619	31,297
Net Assets Released from Restrictions: Satisfaction of program restrictions	_	-	_	_
Total Revenues and Reclassifications	2,338,090		2,338,090	2,114,752
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EXPENSES				
General and administrative	809,548	-	809,548	727,232
Federal program subsidies	109,922	-	109,922	84,236
Program services:				
LA - WARN	(1,309)	-	(1,309)	(6,044)
E.P.A.	102,133	-	102,133	104,673
Circuit rider - National Rural Water	401,606	-	401,606	385,686
Wastewater - National Rural Water	147,654	-	147,654	138,555
Energy	497,279	-	497,279	450,686
Drinking water - USDA	134,948	-	134,948	136,469
DEQ - Homeowner sewer maintenance	60,000		60,000	67,576
Community Development Block Grant	20,000		20,000	-
Capacity Development training	48,499		48,499	45,616
Total Expenses	2,330,280		2,330,280	2,134,685
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	7,810	-	7,810	(19,933)
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	869,747		869,747	889,680
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 877,557	<u> </u>	\$ 877,557	\$ 869,747

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

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended June 30, 2019

	2019		2018	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$	7,810	\$	(19,933)
Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease)				
in net assets to net cash from operating activities:				
Depreciation		42,392		37,314
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments		(10,840)		4,503
(Increase) decrease in assets				
Accounts receivable		(56,056)		41,620
Prepaid expenses		(8,796)		3,581
Increase (decrease) in liabilities				
Accounts payable		45,832		(14,926)
Deferred income		20,298		2,426
Vacation and sick leave payable		22,734		69,466
Net cash from operating activities		63,374		124,051
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Net sale (purchase) of investments and noncash equivalents		(7,861)		50,353
Purchase of fixed assets		(77,717)		(23,093)
Net (Payments) borrowings on debt		_		(11,987)
Net cash used by investing activities		(85,578)		15,273
Net increase (decrease) in cash equivalents		(22,204)		139,324
Cash equivalents - beginning of year		359,059		219,735
Cash equivalents - end of year	\$	336,855	\$	359,059
Supplemental Disclosure: Cash paid for interest	\$		\$	39

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

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Association was formed in 1978 to provide training and technical assistance to rural water and wastewater systems throughout Louisiana.

Basis of Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board in its Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities.* Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets with donor restrictions and net assets without donor restrictions.

Revenues

Revenues are derived primarily from federal and state grants and from membership fees. Grants are summarized as follows:

E.P.A. - To provide training and technical assistance to rural and small public water supply systems. Revenue of \$87,807 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through July 31, 2019.

Circuit Rider - National Rural Water Association, Inc. - To provide technical assistance to systems servicing rural areas or cities/towns with a population under 10,000. Revenue of \$357,420 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through November 30, 2019.

Wastewater - National Rural Water Association, Inc. - To provide technical assistance to "Rural Development Administration" funded and potentially funded wastewater systems. Revenue of \$120,164 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through June 30, 2019.

Energy - "Rural Water Energy Conservation Program". Revenue of \$537,973 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement ran through June 30, 2021.

Drinking Water - USDA - To provide training and technical assistance to implement federal drinking water grant. Revenue of \$115,443 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through June 30, 2019.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Very small water system - To provide training for very small water system's operators. Revenue of \$15,000 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through June 30, 2019.

DEQ homeowner sewage maintenance – To educate homeowners on the importance of inspecting and maintaining their own individual sewage treatment system. Revenue of \$60,000 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through August 31, 2019.

Capacity Development - To provide on-site technical assistance and training for public water systems. Revenue of \$40,000 was recognized in the current year. Current grant agreement runs through June 30, 2019.

Community Development Block Grant – To conduct and proved rate analysis assistance to public water systems that have been identified by the Louisiana Office of Community Development as a recipient of funding for the program. Revenue of \$20,000 was recognized in the current year. Current gran agreement runs through April 30, 2020.

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.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2019 of \$271,702 represents receivables from the federal and state grants, all deemed collectable.

Advertising Costs

The Association expenses advertising costs as incurred. Expenses incurred were \$6,887 for 2019.

Deferred Income

Grant funds received from the grantor for particular operating purposes are deemed to be earned and reported as revenues when the Association has incurred expenditures in compliance with the specific restrictions. Such amounts received but not yet earned are reported as deferred amounts. There are no such deferred amounts at June 30, 2019.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Deferred income of \$273,468 at June 30, 2019 represents July 2019 conference income received prior to June 30, 2019.

<u>Cash</u>

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits. The Association's policy is to secure required collateral to safeguard all of the financial instruments. At June 30, 2019, the Association had \$623,374 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits were secured from risk by \$250,000 of federal depository insurance, and \$373,374 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank and government securities.

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses of \$28,661 at June 30, 2019 represent mostly conference expenses paid at year end.

Vacation and Sick Leave Policies

The Association's vacation policy permits 10 days after one year of service, 15 days after five years of service and 20 days after 20 years of service. Accrued vacation must be taken within one year. Employees are paid for unused vacation days upon termination of employment. Accrued vacation payable is recorded at \$49,266 at June 30, 2019.

The Association's sick leave policy permits the accumulation of one day per month up to a maximum of 120 days. Employees are not paid for unused sick days upon termination of employment. Accrued sick leave is recorded at \$298,343 at June 30, 2019.

The Association has received permission from its federal grantor agency to accrue funded vacation and sick leave benefits. The federal programs fund the accruals to accumulate funds to pay for terminations and long-term illnesses of employees paid from those programs. The accrual cannot be more than the legal liability for those programs.

Statement of Cash Flows

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Association considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Restricted and Unrestricted Revenue and Support

Contributions received are recorded as restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in unrestricted net assets if the restriction expires in the reporting period in which the support is recognized. All other donor restricted support is reported as an increase in permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the Statement of Activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Classification of Net Assets

Net assets of the Association are classified based on the presence or absence of donorimposed restrictions. Net assets are comprised of two groups as follows:

<u>Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions</u> – Amounts that are not subject to usage restrictions based on donor-imposed requirements. This class also includes assets previously restricted where restrictions have expired or been met.

<u>Net Assets with Donor Restrictions</u> – Assets subject to usage limitations based on donor-imposed or grantor restrictions. These restrictions may be temporary or may be based on a particular use. Restrictions may be met by the passage of time or by actions of the Association. Certain restrictions may need to be maintained in perpetuity.

Earnings related to restricted net assets will be included in net assets without donorrestrictions unless otherwise specifically required to be included in donor-restricted net assets by the donor or by applicable state law.

The Association does not interpret the guidance in the standard to include amounts restricted by awarding agencies as donor-restricted. The Association believes that these amounts do not meet the spirit of the standard for such a classification or is there any industry standard indicating that others will treat these assets as donor-restricted.

All net assets of the Association at June 30, 2019 were considered to be net assets without donor restrictions.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through October 15, 2019, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE B - INVESTMENTS

Investments are composed of governmental mutual funds investing in debt and equity securities and the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP) and are carried at net asset value. The net asset value is calculated as the total value of the investment's assets minus the total value of its liabilities and is obtained from monthly investment statements. Investments as of June 30, 2019 are summarized as follows:

			Maturity						Credit Rating
				is than 1		1 to 5		o 10	(Standards
Type of Debt Investment	F	air Value		Year		Years	Ye	ars	and Poor's)
Investments at fair value									
Certificates of deposit	\$	151,841	\$	-	\$	151,841	\$	-	N/A
Subtotal		151,841		-		151,841		-	
Investments measured at									
the net asset value (NAV)									
Federated U.S. Government									
Securities CI A Mutual Fund		148,950		148,950		-		-	Unrated
Louisiana Asset Management									
Pool		126,633		126,633		-		-	AAAm
Total investments measured									
at NAV	-	275,583		275,583		-		-	
Total Investments	\$	427,424	\$	275,583	\$	151,841		-	

The Association categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Association has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2019:

Level 2 inputs – certificate of deposits totaling \$151,841 are valued using a market based approach comprised of a combination of directly observable quoted prices and a matrix pricing technique that relies on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities.

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u>: The Association's policy on investments states that safety of principal is the foremost objective, followed by liquidity and yield. Each investment transaction shall seek to first insure that capital losses are avoided no matter the sources.

<u>Credit Rate Risk</u>: The Association has investments in LAMP, an external investment pool of \$126,633 that is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's. Its policy states that investment decisions should not incur unreasonable risks in order to obtain current investment income and requires the overall quality rating to be no lower than AA- as measured by Standard & Poor's or the equivalent rating (Aa3) by Moody's Investor Service.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE B - INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u>: The Association's investment portfolio had concentration of credit risk on June 30, 2019 due to the holdings of Federated U.S. Government Securities mutual fund at 54% and LAMP at 46% both permitted by Statute and by the Association's Investment Policy.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk-Investments</u>: For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counter party, the Association will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Association's policy addresses custodial credit risk for investments by requiring that they must be held by national banks, state-chartered banks or a national or state trust company in the name of the Association.

The \$126,633 in money market investments is invested in LAMP. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LA-R.S. 33.2955. LAMP is a governmental investment pool that reports at fair value. The following facts are relevant for investment pools:

Credit risk: LAMP is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's.

<u>Custodial credit risk</u>: LAMP participants' investments in the pool are evidenced by shares of the pool. Investments in pools should be disclosed, but not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form. The public entity's investment is with the pool, not the securities that make up the pool; therefore, no disclosure is required.

<u>Concentration of credit risk</u>: Pooled investments are excluded from the 5 percent disclosure requirement.

<u>Interest rate risk</u>: LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. LAMP prepares its own interest rate disclosure using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days or 762 days for U.S. Government floating/variable rate investments.

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE B – INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following summarizes the investment return:

Interest earned	\$	3,152
Unrealized gain (loss)		10,840
Net investment return	<u>\$</u>	13,992

NOTE C - FIXED ASSETS

A summary of fixed assets follows:

Building and land Equipment	\$ 709,632 <u> 831,410</u> 1,541,042
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>986,560</u> <u>\$554,482</u>

Fixed Assets are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. Acquisitions of property and equipment in excess of \$1,000 are capitalized. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives, ranging from 5 to 31 years, of the respective assets calculated on the straight line method. Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2019 was \$42,392.

NOTE D - FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

The cost of providing the various programs and other activities has been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

NOTE E - CONTINGENCIES

The Association receives a substantial amount of its support from federal and state government grants. A significant reduction in the level of this support, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the programs and activities.

NOTE F - INCOME TAXES

The Association is exempt from federal income taxes under the provision of Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE G – RETIREMENT PLAN

The Association has a defined contribution salary deferral plan covering substantially all employees. Under the plan, the Association contributes seven percent of each eligible employee's salary. Employees may contribute up to fifteen percent, but must contribute at least three percent, of each eligible employee's salary. Plan expenses incurred by the Association for the year ended June 30, 2019 was \$57,692.

NOTE H – COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

The financial statements include certain prior-year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Association's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2018, from which the summarized information was derived.

NOTE I – LIQUIDITY

At June 30, 2019, the Association has \$1,035,981 cash and investments available to meet needs for general expenditures consisting of cash of \$336,855, accounts receivable of \$271,702 and investments of \$427,424. None of the financial assets are subject to donor or other contractual restrictions that make them unavailable for general expenditure within one year of the statement of financial position date.

The Association manages its liquidity by developing and adopting annual operating budgets that provide sufficient funds for general expenditures in meeting its liabilities and other obligations as they become due. Cash needs of the Association are expected to be met on a monthly basis from grant income. In general, the Association maintains sufficient financial assets on hand to meet thirty days' worth of normal operating expenses.

NOTE J - ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT

In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities. ASU 2016-14 requires significant changes to the financial reporting model of organizations who follow the not-for-profit reporting model. The changes include reducing the classes of net assets from three classes to two classes of net assets including net assets with donor restrictions and net assets without donor restrictions. The ASU will also require changes in the way certain information is aggregated and reported by the

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Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2019

NOTE J – ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT (CONTINUED)

Association, including required disclosures about liquidity and availability of resources and increased disclosures on functional expenses. The new standard is effective for the Association's year ending June 30, 2019 and thereafter and must be applied on a retrospective basis. The Association adopted the ASU effective July 1, 2018. Adoption of the ASU did not result in any reclassifications or restatements to net assets or changes in net assets.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Schedule of General and Administrative Expenses

	2019	2018
Advertising	\$ 6,887	\$ 7,860
Conference - other	10,476	5,740
Conference - LRWA	173,253	144,005
Dues	22,205	21,088
Employee benefits	13,606	13,629
Fringe and Benefits	15,280	51,398
Indirect expenses - Internal	190,981	155,914
Indirect expenses - unallocated excess	160,221	118,594
Miscellaneous	17,104	10,512
Newsletter	27,165	25,422
Office expense	15	15
Public relations	12,349	8,585
Retirement	3,151	3,348
Rural water rally	16,075	25,266
Salaries	58,393	48,919
Scholarship	6,000	4,500
Service charges	-	1,505
Taxes - payroll	4,358	3,659
Training	51,021	49,605
Travel - administrative	4,291	5,419
Travel - board	16,717	22,249
	\$ 809,548	\$ 727,232

Schedule of Indirect Expenses

	2019	2018
Board members	\$ 1,036	\$ 1,747
Depreciation	19,137	17,655
Employee benefits	97,012	81,751
Equipment lease	8,308	7,907
Insurance	17,271	11,208
Office supplies	20,330	17,155
Postage	1,005	3,216
Professional fees	14,750	14,955
Repairs and maintenance	56,249	4,591
Retirement	20,518	20,061
Salaries	293,112	286,587
Taxes - payroll	22,268	21,805
Telephone	28,906	27,264
Travel - Administrative	24,723	32,717
Travel - Board	30,609	24,152
Utilities	5,240	5,399
	\$ 660,474	\$ 578,170

Schedule of Functional Allocation of Expenses

		June 30, 2019		June 30, 2018			
	Program Services	Supporting Activities - Management and General	Total	Program Services	Supporting Activities - Management and General	Total	
Advertising	\$-	\$ 6,887	\$ 6,887	\$ -	\$ 7,860	\$ 7,860	
Board member expenses	-	1,036	1,036	-	1,747	1,747	
Conference-other	-	10,476	10,476	-	5,740	5,740	
Conference-LRWA	-	173,253	173,253	-	144,005	144,005	
Depreciation	23,255	19,137	42,392	20,279	17,655	37,934	
Dues	-	22,205	22,205	-	21,088	21,088	
Employee benefits	155,008	110,618	265,626	138,059	95,381	233,440	
Equipment lease	-	8,308	8,308	-	7,907	7,907	
Federal program subsidies	-	109,922	109,922	-	84,236	84,236	
Fringe and taxes	-	15,280	15,280	-	51,398	51,398	
Indirect expenses	308,643	190,981	499,624	304,081	155,914	459,995	
Indirect expenses-unallocated	-	(500,628)	(500,628)	-	(459,957)	(459,957)	
Insurance	-	17,271	17,271	-	11,208	11,20 8	
LA Warn expenses	(1,309)	-	(1,309)	(6,044)	-	(6,044)	
Miscellaneous	19,134	17,483	36,617	21,561	12,396	33,957	
Newsletter	-	27,165	27,165	-	25,422	25,422	
Office expense	-	15	15	-	15	15	
Office supplies	-	63,112	63,112	-	17,155	17,155	
Postage	-	1,005	1,005	-	3,216	3,216	
Professional fees	-	14,750	14,750	-	14,955	14,955	
Public relations	-	12,349	12,349	-	8,585	8,585	
Repairs and maintenance	21,208	13,467	34,675	6,840	4,591	11,431	
Retirement	34,023	23,669	57,692	31,040	23,410	54,450	
Rural water rally	-	16,075	16,075	-	25,266	25,266	
Salaries	532,608	351,505	884,113	509,790	335,505	845,295	
Scholarship	-	6,000	6,000	-	4,500	4,500	
Taxes-payroll	40,891	26,626	67,517	39,195	25,464	64,659	
Telephone	· -	28,906	28,906	-	27,264	27,264	
Training	21,189	51,021	72,210	20,217	49,605	69,822	
Travel-administrative	-	29,014	29,014	-	38,136	38,136	
Travel-board	256,157	47,325	303,482	238,200	46,401	284,601	
Utilities		5,240	5,240		5,399	5,399	
Total	\$ 1,410,807	\$ 919,473	\$ 2,330,280	\$ 1,323,218	\$ 811,467	\$ 2,134,685	

OTHER INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Year Ended June 30, 2019

Chief Executive Officer: Patrick Credeur, Executive Director

Purpose	<u>Amount</u>
Selen	¢ 100 007
Salary	\$122,027
Benefits - insurance	23,947
Benefits - retirement	8,542
Benefits - cell phone	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Per diem	3,529
Reimbursements	-
Travel-mileage	3,945
Registration fees	1,235
Conference travel	6,277
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing-lodging	6,129
Unvouchered expenses	-
Meal reimbursements	760
Dues	-



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

October 15, 2019

To the Board of Directors Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. Kinder, LA

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2019, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 15, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association'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, 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 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 may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization'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 organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Schedule of Findings and Responses

Year Ended June 30, 2019

I - Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued: unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses(es) identified? _____ yes ____ no
 - Control deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? ____ yes _X_ none reported Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? ____ yes _X_ no
- II Financial Statement Findings
 - None

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- III Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs
 - Not applicable
- IV Prior Year Findings

None



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Board of Directors Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. Kinder, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Louisiana Rural Water Association, Inc. and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA) on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the LLA's Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The District's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

This agreed upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation 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 this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

Written Policies and Procedures

- 1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe that they address each of the following categories and subcategories (if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations
 - a) *Budgeting*, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

d) *Receipt/Collections,* including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g. periodic confirmations with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequence, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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e) *Payroll/Personnel*, including (1) payroll processing, and (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked.

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

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

The Association does have a complete written policies and procedures manual.

Board or Finance Committee

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

The minutes reflected that the managing board met quarterly.

b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund and major special revenue funds, as well as monthly financial statements (or budget-to-actual comparisons, if budgeted) for major proprietary funds.

The board reviewed the budget to actual comparisons as well as other appropriate financial reporting at each meeting.

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

The Association did not have a negative fund balance in the general fund in the prior year.

Bank Reconciliations

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

Bank reconciliations were prepared within 2 months of the statement closing date.

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

Bank reconciliations included evidence that a member of management/board member reviewed each reconciliation.

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

As of June 30, 2019, there appears to be no outstanding checks for more than twelve months.

Collections

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

The listing was provided by management.

- 5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select on collection location for each deposit site (i.e. 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if no written policies or procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe the job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:
 - a) Employees that are responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.

The Association does not have a cash drawer and does not collect cash.

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

The Association does not collect cash.

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

The Association does not collect cash.

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

The Association does not collect cash.

6. Inquire of management that all employees who have access to cash are covered by a bond or insurance policy for theft.

All employees are covered by an insurance policy for theft.

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

The District uses prenumber receipts.

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

All deposited items were accompanied by a receipts or system report and traced to the deposit slip.

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

All selected deposits cleared the bank account timely and intact.

d) Observe that the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100).

All selected deposits were made within one business day of receipt.

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

All selected deposits were traced to the general ledger. No exceptions.

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

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

The listing was provided by management.

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

Purchase orders are not utilized. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making a purchase by initialing the invoice.

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

The Executive Director reviews and approves payments to vendors. The Office Manager processes the payments.

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

The employee responsible for processing payments is not prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, however, the Executive Director periodically reviews changes to the vendor files.

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

The employee who process payments does not have signing authority. Two signatures are required for checks. A signature stamp is used and is under the control of someone other than the check signer. Check signers mail all payments.

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

All transactions tested where paid by and matched the original invoice.

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

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

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

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

The listing was provided by management.

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

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

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

No finance charges and/or late fees were assessed on the months tested.

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

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

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

- 14. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements, obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:
 - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, agree the reimbursement rate to those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov).

Travel reimbursements were calculated using the U.S. General Services Administration mileage reimbursement rate.

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

Travel reimbursements tested where supported by an original itemized receipt.

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

Reimbursement was supported by documentation of the business/public purpose of the travel.

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

Reimbursements were reviewed and approved in writing by someone other than the person receiving the reimbursement.

Contracts

- 15. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Obtain management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and:
 - a) Observe that the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law.

The Association did not have any contract renewed or initiated during the fiscal period.

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

The Association did not have any contract renewed or initiated during the fiscal period.

c) If the contract was amended (e.g. change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment.

No amendments or change orders to any agreements were noted.

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

The Association did not have any contract renewed or initiated during the fiscal period.

Payroll and Personnel

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

The listing was provided by management. All salaries where paid in accordance to authorized payrates.

- 17. Randomly select on pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees/officials selected under #16 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
 - a) Observe that all selected employees/officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, an elected official is not eligible to earn leave and

does not document his/her attendance and leave. However, if the elected official is earning leave according to policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.)

The Association uses daily attendance records which are approved by a supervisor.

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

All employees tested had proper approved documentation of leave.

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

All employees tested had documentation of cumulative leave.

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

No employees where terminated during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

19. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, and workers' compensation premiums have been paid, and associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Documentation reflected that payroll tax return/reports, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums and workers' compensation premiums were timely paid, and associated forms filed, by required deadlines.

Ethics

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

The Association is a not-for-profit entity and ethics training is not required.

b) Observe that the documentation demonstrates each employee/official attested though signature verification that he or she has read the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period.

The Association is a not-for-profit entity and ethics training is not required.

Debt Service

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

No debt was issued during the fiscal year.

22. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select on bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants.

The Association had no outstanding debt during the fiscal year.

Other

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

Management informed us that the Association did not have any misappropriation of public funds or assets during the fiscal year.

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

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

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

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

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