CAMERON PARISH GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 9 HACKBERRY, LOUISIANA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT

Year Ended December 31, 2022

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT

June 28, 2023

Board of Directors Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9 Hackberry, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9, a component unit of the Cameron Parish Policy Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Accountants' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to review engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountants' Conclusion

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

Other Information

The accompanying schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to chief executive officer is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. 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 supplementary information has been subject to the review procedures applied in our review of the basic financial statements. We are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the supplementary information. We have not audited the supplementary information and do not express an opinion on such information.

Board of Commissioners Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9 June 28, 2023

Required Supplemental Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America required that the following supplemental information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

Budgetary Comparison Schedule
Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
Schedule of Employer Contributions
Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. The information is the responsibility of management. We have reviewed the information and, based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the information in order for it to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have not audited such required supplemental information, and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on it.

The District has not presented management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our conclusion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

In accordance with the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and the provisions of state law, we have issued a report, dated June 28, 2023, on the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2022

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 758,597
Receivables	468,284
Pension asset	31,728
Capital assets, net	67,338
Total assets	1,325,947
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	 19,389
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payables	9,734
Accrued liabilities	168
Net OPEB obligation	26,143
Total liabilities	36,045
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	 37,354
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	67,338
Unrestricted	1,204,599
	\$ 1,271,937

The accompanying notes and independent accountants' review report are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Activities	_Expenses_	Program Revenues Charges for Capital Grants Services and Contributions		<u>Chan</u>	nues (Expenses) and ges in Net Assets Covernmental Activities	
Governmental Activities: General government	\$ 411,949	\$ -	. \$		\$	(411,949)
General government	Ψ 411,343	Ψ -	Ψ	-	Ψ	(411,949)
		Gener	al Revenues:			
		Pro	perty taxes, ne	et		491,720
		Inte	rest			873
		Т	otal General F	Revenues		492,593
		Chang	e in Net Posit	ion		80,644
		Net Po	osition, beginn	ing		1,191,293
		Net Po	sition, ending		\$	1,271,937

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Balance Sheet - Governmental Fund

December 31, 2022

		2022		2021
ASSETS Cash Receivables Ad valorem taxes (net) Total assets	\$	758,597 468,284 1,226,881	\$	646,234 485,234 1,131,468
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	1,226,881	\$	1,131,468
LIABILITIES Accounts payable Total liabilities	\$	9,734 9,734	_\$	1,776 1,776
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		-		
FUND BALANCES Unassigned Total fund balances		1,217,147 1,217,147		1,129,692 1,129,692
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	_\$	1,226,881	\$	1,131,468

The accompanying notes and independent accountants' review report are an integral part of these financial statements.

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet-Governmental Fund to the Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2022

Total fund balance for governmental fund at December 31, 2022		\$ 1,217,147
Total net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position is different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Those assets consist of: Capital assets, net of \$112,841 accumulated depreciation		67,338
Deferred outflows and inflows for pension resources are not finanical resources or currently payable: Deferred inflows related to pensions Deferred outflows related to pensions	\$ (31,167) 11,481	(19,686)
Deferred outflows and inflows for OPEB resources are not finanical resources or currently payable: Deferred inflows related to OPEB Deferred outflows related to OPEB	 (6,187) 7,908	1,721
Accrued Compensated Absenses		(168)
Long-term debt which is not included as a liability in the governmental fund type balance sheet: Net OPEB obligation Net pension asset (liability)	 (26,143) 31,728	 5,585
Total net position of governmental activities at December 31, 2022		\$ 1,271,937

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund

Year Ended December 31, 2022

	2022		2021		
REVENUES Ad valorem taxes - net	\$	491,720	\$	465,854	
Interest	*	873	*	32	
TOTAL REVENUES		492,593		465,886	
EXPENDITURES					
General Government					
Advertising		330		-	
Contract Labor		68,035		83,030	
Equipment Rental		50,652		11,939	
Equipment Repair		11,511		898	
Fuel		12,775		4,268	
Insurance		3,762		4,240	
Health Insurance		19,214		19,678	
Office Expense		890		2,691	
Payroll & Related		62,148		59,336	
Pension Expense		7,049		7,152	
Per diem		8,600		7,200	
Professional fees		78,079		-	
Spraying		-		44,831	
Supplies		75,035		15,112	
Utilities		867		965	
Vehicle Expense		5,888		3,465	
Capital Outlay					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		405,138		264,805	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES		87,455		201,081	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING		1,129,692		928,611	
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$	1,217,147	\$	1,129,692	

The accompanying notes and independent accountants' review report are an integral part of these financial statements.

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance-Governmental Fund to the Statement of Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Total net changes in fund balance at December 31, 2022 per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance		\$ 87,455
The change in net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Capital outlay which is considered expenditures on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2022	\$ - (15,009)	(15,009)
Compensated absences not paid from current year resources are not reported as expenditures of the current year. In the Statement of Activities, these costs represent current year expenditures.		332
Net pension expense is reported in the governmental funds as expenditures as they are paid, however, in the statement of activities the net position expense is reported according to estimates required by GASB 68: Pension expense paid Pension expense per GASB 68	7,049 3,725	10,774
In the Statement of Activities, post employment benefits are measured by the amounts incurred during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for this item are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially the amount actually paid).		(2,908)
Total changes in net position at December 31, 2022 per Statement of Activities		\$ 80,644

The accompanying notes and independent accountants' review report are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9 was created by the Cameron Parish Police Jury. The District is governed by a board of five commissioners who are appointed by the Cameron Parish Police Jury. The District constructs, maintains, and improves the system of gravity drainage in the District.

The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

1. Reporting Entity

GASB Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. For financial reporting purposes, in conformance with GASB Statement No. 64, the Recreation District No. 6 of Cameron Parish includes all funds, account groups, et cetera, that are within the oversight responsibility of the District.

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

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Cameron Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

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

Based upon the application of these criteria, Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9 is a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury's reporting entity.

2. Basis of Presentation

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

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, concessions, usage fees, and other nonexchange revenues.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each of the functions of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function.

Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of services offered by the District; and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirement of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain District functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

The District has one fund, the general fund, which is therefore considered its major fund.

3. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Measurement Focus

On the government-wide statement of net position and the statement of activities, the activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide statement of net position and statement of activities, the activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred, or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

4. Cash

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and time deposits 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.

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. At December 31, 2022, the District had \$763,782 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$250,000 by federal deposit insurance and \$513,782 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank.

5. Budgets

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

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

The proposed budget is presented to the government's Board of Commissioners for review. The board holds a public hearing and may add to, subtract from or change appropriations, but may not change the form of the budget. Any changes in the budget must be within the revenues and reserves estimated.

Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the activity level.

The budget was not amended during 2022.

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December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Accounts Receivable

Uncollectible amounts due for ad valorem taxes and other receivables of governmental funds are recognized as bad debts at the time information becomes available which would indicate that the particular receivable is not collectible. At December 31, 2022, an allowance for bad debt was \$41,512.

7. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost is historical is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

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. Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the statement of activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the statement of net assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Buildings and improvements 15-40 years Equipment and vehicles

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the government fund upon acquisition.

5-10 years

Compensated Absences

Vested or accumulated vacation leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental fund that will pay it. Amounts of vested or accumulated vacation leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts. In accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 43, Accounting for Compensated Absences, no liability is

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

recorded for nonvesting accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits. However, a liability is recognized for that portion of accumulating sick leave benefits that it is estimated will be taken as "terminal leave" prior to retirement. At December 31, 2022 the District's liability for compensated absences is \$168.

9. 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.

10. Equity Classification

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

- a. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of a cumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets
- b. Restricted net position Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

In the fund statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as restricted, assigned and unassigned.

- a. Restricted fund balance Includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes based on generally outside actions.
- b. Assigned fund balance Includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes based on internal (Board) actions.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

c. Unassigned fund balance - Includes positive fund balance within the general fund which has not been classified within the above mentioned categories.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) amounts are available, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first and then unrestricted. Expenditures incurred in the unrestricted fund balances shall be reduced first from the committed fund balance, then from the assigned fund balance and finally, the assigned fund balance.

11. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through June 28, 2023, the date the financial statements are available for issue.

12. Comparative Data

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

NOTE B - AD VALOREM TAXES

For the year ended December 31, 2022, taxes were levied on property with taxable assessed valuations as follows:

General

	<u>-</u>	Purposes
Assessed valuation Mileage	\$	120,947,291 4.44
Total taxes levied	\$	537,007

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

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE C - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2022 follows:

	E	Beginning					End of
		<u>of Year</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>dditions</u>	<u>Del</u>	<u>letions</u>	<u>Year</u>
Governmental activities:							
Buildings	\$	40,363	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 40,363
Vehicles		36,462		-		-	36,462
Equipment		103,354		_		-	103,354
Totals at historical cost		180,179		-			180,179
Less accumulated depreciation Governmental activities capital	_	97,832		<u> 15,009</u>		<u>-</u>	 112,841
assets, net	\$	82,347	\$	(15,009)	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ 67,338

NOTE D - PER DIEM

As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 33:4504, the board members received \$100 per diem for each regular and special meeting attended, but shall not be paid for more than twelve meetings in each year.

Hardin, Wesley	\$ 2,000
Stansel, Bobby	1,600
Gremillion, Gordon	1,900
Aucoin, Will	1,600
Desormeaux, Jared	<u>1,500</u>
	<u>\$8,600</u>

NOTE E - RISK MANAGEMENT

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

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE F - TAX ABATEMENTS

Louisiana's State Constitution Chapter VII Section 21 authorizes the State Board of Commerce and Industry to create a ten (10) year ad valorem tax abatement program for new manufacturing establishments in the State. Under the terms of this program, qualified businesses may apply for an exemption of local ad valorem taxes on capital improvements and equipment related to manufacturing for the first ten years of its operation; after which the property will be added to the local tax roll and taxed at the value and millages in force at the time. The future value of this exempt property could be subject to significant fluctuation from today's value; however, the District could receive a substantial increase in ad valorem tax revenues once the exemption on this property expires. All applicable agreements have been entered into by the Cameron Parish Police Jury and directly affect the District's ad valorem assessments. Because these taxes are not assessed or due, no adjustments have been made to the District's financial statements to record a receivable. As of December 31, 2022. \$2,137,548,423 of assessed property in the District's taxing jurisdiction is receiving this exemption, which amounts to \$9,490,715 in ad valorem taxes.

NOTE G - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

None

NOTE H - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS

The District participates in a state-administered cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement systems, which together cover substantially all of the District's full-time employees. Although separately administered by their respective boards of trustees, these systems are established and regulated by acts of the Louisiana Legislature with respect to membership and contribution requirements, plan benefits, and actuarial determination of funding requirements as provided by the state constitution. Additional disclosures with respect to the District's participation in these systems are provided below.

Parochial Employees' Retirement System

The System is composed of two district plans, Plan A and Plan B with separate assets and benefit provisions. Employees of the District are members of Plan A. Membership is

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE H - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS - CONTINUED

mandatory as a condition of employment beginning on the date employed if the employee is on a permanent basis working at least twenty-eight hours per week and not participating in another public funded retirement system. Those individuals paid jointly by a participating employer and the parish are not eligible for membership in the system. Under Plan A, employees hired prior to January 1, 2007 can retire at any age with 30 or more years of creditable service, age 55 with 25 years of creditable service, age 60 with 10 years of creditable service, or age 65 with 7 years of creditable service. Employees hired after January 1, 2007 can retire at age 55 with 30 or more years of creditable service, age 62 with 10 years of creditable service, or age 67 with 7 years of creditable service. Retirees are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final compensation multiplied by the employee's years of credited service. Final compensation is the employee's monthly earnings during the 36 consecutive or jointed months that produce the highest average. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

The Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplemental information. That report may be obtained by writing to Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, P.O. Box 14619, Baton Rouge, LA 70898.

Plan members are required to contribute 9.5% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 11.50% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the District are established and may be amended by the System's Board of Trustees. The District's contributions to the System for the year ended December 31, 2022 totaled \$7,049.

At December 31, 2022, the District reported an asset of \$31,728 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to their pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2022, the District's proportion was .0067357%.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the District recognized pension benefit of \$10,775 including employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions, \$211. At December 31, 2022, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE H - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS - CONTINUED

inflows of resources related to pension from the following sources:

	Out	Deferred Outflows of Resources		eferred flows of sources
Difference between expected and actual	\$	1,917	¢	2,301
experience Difference between expected and actual	Φ	1,917	\$	2,301
investment		-		27,444
Difference between expected and actual				
assumption		1,655		-
Changes in proportion and differences				
between:				
Contributions and proportionate share of contributions		806		1,422
Contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		7,049		
Total	\$	11,481	\$	31,167

\$7,049 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2023. Other accounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	Amount
2023	\$ (5,137)
2024	(10,806)
2025	(7,640)
2026	(3,152)
2027	-
Thereafter	-

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NOTE H - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS - CONTINUED

Actuarial methods and assumption. The total pension liability in the December 30, 2022, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Valuation Date December 31, 2021

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal

Investment Rate of Return 6.40% (Net of investment expense)

Expected Remaining

Service Lives

4 years

Projected Salary Increases Plan A – 4.75

Cost of Living Adjustments The present values of future retirement benefits is

based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living

increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet

amortized by the Board of Trustees.

Mortality Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for

Health Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for

disabled annuitants.

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.40% for Plan A. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers and non-employer contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates, which are calculated in accordance with relevant statutes and approved by the Board of Trustees and the Public Retirement

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December 31, 2022

NOTE H - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS - CONTINUED

Systems' Actuarial Committee. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the CAPM pricing model (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations and projected on a forward looking basis in equilibrium, in which best-estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.00% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.00% for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2021 are summarized in the following table:

	Target Asset	Long-Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of
Asset Class	Allocation	Return
Fixed income	33%	0.858%
Equity	51%	3.23%
Alternatives	14%	0.71%
Real assets	2%	0.11%
Total	100%	4.90%
Inflation		2.10%
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return		7.00%

The mortality rate assumption used was set based upon an experience study performed on plan data for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017. The data was then assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. This mortality was then projected forward to a period equivalent of the estimated duration of the System's liabilities. Annuity values calculated based on this mortality were compared to those produced by suing a set back of

Notes to Basic Financial Statements

December 31, 2022

NOTE H - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS - CONTINUED

standard tables. The result of the procedure indicated that the tables used would produce liability values approximating the appropriate generational mortality tables.

Sensitivity to changes in discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the District calculated using the discount rate of 6.40%, as well as what the employers' net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower 5.40% or one percentage point higher 7.40% than the current rate.

	Changes in Discount Rate 2022									
		1%		Current		1%				
	Decrease 5.40%		Dis	count Rate	1	ncrease				
				6.40%	7.40%					
Net Pension Liability										
(Asset)	\$	5,657	\$	(31,728)	\$	(63,045)				

NOTE I – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description – Gravity Drainage provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. Gravity Drainage's OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by Gravity Drainage. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with Gravity Drainage. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Section P52 Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions—Reporting For Benefits Not Provided Through Trusts That Meet Specified Criteria—Defined Benefit

Benefits Provided – Medical and life insurance benefits are provided through comprehensive plans and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Employees retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: Employees are covered by the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age; age 55 and 25 years of service; age 60 and 10 years of service; or, age 65 and 7 years of service. For employees hired on and after January 1, 2007 retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: age 55 and 30 years of service; age 62 and 10 years of service; or, age 67 and 7 years of service.

Life insurance coverage is provided to retirees and 100% of the blended rate (active and retired) is paid by the employer. A level \$20,000 amount of insurance coverage while active is continued after retirement.

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NOTE I - POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS - CONTINUED

Employees covered by benefit terms – At December 31, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit	
Payments	-
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	1
	1

Total OPEB Liability

Gravity Drainage's total OPEB liability of \$26,143 was measured as of December 31, 2022 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial cost method Individual Entry Age Normal

Amortization method Level dollar, open

Amortization period 30 years
Asset valuation method Market value

Inflation 3.0%

Salary increases 3.0%, including inflation

Discount rate 2.06% annually (Begging of Year to Determine ADC)

3.72% annually (As of End of Year Measurement Date)

Healthcare cost trend rates 5.5% annually for 5 years, decreasing to 4.14% after 52

vears

Mortality Pub-2010/2021

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of December 31, 2022, the end of the applicable measurement period.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2022.

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December 31, 2022

NOTE I - POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS - CONTINUED

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at December 31, 2021	\$ 28,749
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	2,113
Interest	604
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,040
Changes in assumptions	(6,363)
Benefit payments and net transfers	 -
Net changes	 (2,606)
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ <u> 26,143</u>

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of Gravity Drainage, as well as what Gravity Drainage's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.72%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.72%) than the current discount rate:

	Current								
	1.0% Decrease	Discount Rate	1.0% Increase						
	(2.72%)	(3.72%)	(4.72%)						
Total OPEB liability	\$ 29,911	\$ 26,143	\$ 23,041						

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of Gravity Drainage, as well as what Gravity Drainage's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

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NOTE I - POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS - CONTINUED

	1.0% Decrease	Current Trend	1.0% Increase
	(4.5%)	(5.5%)	(6.5%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 24,661	\$ 26,143	\$ 27,936

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended December 31, 2022, Gravity Drainage recognized OPEB expense of \$2,870. At December 31, 2021, Gravity Drainage reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

		eferred tflows of	 erred Inflows Resources
	Res	sources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	5,749	\$ -
Changes in assumptions		2,159	(6,187)
Total	\$	7,908	\$ (6,187)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Years ending December 31:	
2023	102
2024	102
2025	102
2026	102
2027	102
Thereafter	1,211

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Budgetary Comparison Schedule

Year Ended December 31, 2022

	E	BUDGET	 ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)		
REVENUES						
Ad valorem taxes - net	\$	235,000	\$ 491,720	\$	256,720	
Interest		100	873		773	
Intergovernmental - FEMA		-	-		-	
TOTAL REVENUES		235,100	 492,593		257,493	
EXPENDITURES						
General Government						
Advertising		400	330		70	
Contract Labor		12,000	68,035		(56,035)	
Drainage Costs		50,000	-		50,000	
Equipment Repair		1,000	11,511		(10,511)	
Equipment Rental		25,000	50,652		(25,652)	
Fuel		5,000	12,775		(7,775)	
Insurance		5,100	3,762		1,338	
Health Insurance		-	19,214		(19,214)	
Office Expense		500	890		(390)	
Payroll and Related Expenses		88,000	62,148		25,852	
Pension Expense		-	7,049		(7,049)	
Per diem		9,000	8,600		400	
Professional and Legal		5,000	78,079		(73,079)	
Supplies		4,000	75,035		(71,035)	
Utilities		100	867		(767)	
Vehicle Expense		-	5,888		(5,888)	
Capital Outlay		100,000	 		100,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		305,100	 405,138		(100,038)	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES		(70,000)	87,455		157,455	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING		1,129,692	 1,129,692			
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	_\$_	1,059,692	\$ 1,217,147	\$	157,455	

Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Parochical Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	
Employer's portion of the net pension liablility (asset)	0.00674%	0.00728%	0.00660%	0.00686%	0.00617%	
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ (31,728)	\$ (12,768)	\$ (11,580)	\$ 30,440	\$ (8,120)	
Employer's covered payroll	\$ 61,294	\$ 58,837	\$ 62,107	\$ 63,851	\$ 54,988	
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	-51.76%	-21.70%	-18.65%	47.67%	-14.77%	
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	110.46%	104.00%	104.00%	88.86%	101.98%	

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

^{*}The amounts presented have a measurement date of December 31, 2021.

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Date	R	Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required Required Contribution		Contribution Deficiency (Excess)		(E	mployer's Covered mployee Payroll	Contributions as a % of Covered Employee Payroll		
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana										
2018	\$	6,593	\$	6,593	\$	-	\$	54,988	12.0%	
2019	\$	7,037	\$	7,037	\$	-	\$	63,851	11.0%	
2020	\$	7,490	\$	7,490	\$	-	\$	62,107	12.1%	
2021	\$	7,152	\$	7,152	\$	-	\$	58,837	12.2%	
2022	\$	7,049	\$	7,049	\$	-	\$	61,294	11.5%	

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Year Ended December 31, 2022

	2022		2021	2020	<u>2019</u>		2018
Total OPEB Liability							
Service cost	\$	2,113	\$ 2,059	\$ 1,757	\$	2,554	\$ 1,367
Interest		604	555	540		623	455
Changes of benefit terms							-
Differences between expected and acutal experience		1,040	(870)	3,155		1,342	32
Changes of assumptions		(6,363)	226	457		3,048	(1,103)
Benefit payments		-	-	-		-	-
Net change in total OPEB Liability		(2,606)	1,970	5,909		7,567	751
Total OPEB liability - beginnning		28,749	 26,779	 20,870		13,303	 12,552
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$	26,143	\$ 28,749	\$ 26,779	\$	20,870	\$ 13,303
Covered-employee payroll	\$	55,999	\$ 58,837	\$ 62,107	\$	63,851	\$ 54,988
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of							
covered-employee payroll		46.68%	48.86%	43.12%		32.69%	24.19%
Notes to Schedule:							
Benefit change							
Changes of assumptions:		None	None	None		None	None
Discount rate:		3.72%	2.06%	2.12%		2.74%	4.10%
Mortality:	Pub-	2010/2021	RP-2014	RP-2014		RP-2000	RP-2000
Trend:	Gef	tzen model	Variable	5.5%		5.5%	Variable

This schedule is intended to show information for 10-years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

OTHER INFORMATION

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

Year Ended December 31, 2022

Chief Executive Officer: Wesley Hardin, Board President

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ -
Benefits-insurance	-
Benefits-retirement	-
Benefits-cell phone	-
Car allowance	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Per diem	2,000
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

June 28, 2023

Board of Directors Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9 Hackberry, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, as required by Louisiana Revised Statue 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. The District's management is responsible for its financial records and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

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 District's compliance with the laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022. Additionally, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

Public Bid Law

Select all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$30,000, and public works exceeding \$250,000. Compare the documentation for these expenditures to the Louisiana Revised Status (R.S.) 39:1551-39:1755 (the state procurement code); R.S. 38:2211-2296 (the public bid law), or the regulations of the Division of Administration and the State Purchasing Office, whichever is applicable; and report whether the expenditures were made in accordance with these laws.

The expenditures made during the year for materials and supplies exceeding \$30,000, and for public works exceeding \$250,000 were made in accordance to public bid law.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics).

Management provided us with the required list including the noted information.

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 Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

Management provided us with a list of all employees paid during the period.

4. Determine whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (2) as immediate family members.

None were immediate family members of board members.

5. Obtain a list of all disbursements made during the year; and a list of outside business interests of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families. Report whether any vendors appear on both lists.

Management provided the requested information. None of the businesses of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families appeared as vendors on the list of disbursements.

Budgeting

6. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided us with the original budget for 2022. The budget was not amendment during the year.

7. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.

We traced the adopted budget to approval in the minutes.

 Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more or if actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 5% of more.

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual revenues exceeded budgeted revenues. Actual expenditures for the year exceeded budgeted amounts by more than 5%.

Accounting and Reporting

- 9. Randomly select 6 disbursements made during the period under examination and:
 - (a) trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee;
 - We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.
 - (b) determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

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The payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

 determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

The payments received proper approvals.

Meetings

10. Examine evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law).

The District is only required to post a notice of each meeting and the accompanying agenda on the door of the meeting place, a public place. We found no evidence of noncompliance.

Debt

11. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

We inspected copies of bank deposit slips for the period under examination and noted no deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

Advances and Bonuses

12. Examine payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to employees which may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

A reading of the minutes of the District and a review of payroll records indicated no payments for any bonuses, advances or gifts.

State Audit Law

13. Report whether the District provided for a timely filed report in accordance with R. S. 24:513.

The District's report was time filed.

14. Inquire of management and report whether the District entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the District was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

The District did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds.

15. Prior Year Comments and Recommendations.

Obtain and report management's representation as to whether any prior-year suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, and/or comments have been resolved.

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The prior year report did not include any suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, or comments.

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 the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the District's compliance with the foregoing matters. 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 other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 9 and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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CAMERON PARISH GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT No. 9 PO Box 344, Hackberry, Louisiana 70645

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

June 28, 2023

Gragson, Casiday & Guillory P.O. Drawer 1847 Lake Charles, LA 70602

In connection with your engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures to the control and compliance matters identified below, as of December 31, 2022 and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, we make the following representations to you.

Public Bid Law

It is true that we have complied with the public bid law, LSA-RS Title 38:2212-2296, and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office.

Yes [X] No []

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

Budgeting

We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (LSA-RS 39:1301-14), R.S. 39:33, or the budget requirements of LSA-RS 39:34.

Yes [] No [X]

Accounting and Reporting

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

Yes [X] No []

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with LSA-RS 24:514, and 33:463, and/or 39:92 where applicable.

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

Meetings

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

Yes [X] No []

Debt

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

Yes [X] No []

Advances and Bonuses

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

Yes [X] No []

Prior-Year Comments

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

Yes [X] No []

General

We are responsible for our compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations

Yes [X] No []

Gragson, Casiday & Guillory June 28, 2023 Page Three

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

We have made available to you all records that we believe are relevant to the foregoing agreedupon procedures.

Yes [X] No []

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants or the other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of your report.

Yes [X] No []

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

Yes [X] No []

The previous responses have been made to the best of our belief and knowledge.

Secretary/Treasurer