Financial Statements with Supplementary Information

June 30, 2021

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

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#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

Board of Commissioners Louisiana Beef Industry Council Department of Agriculture State of Louisiana Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Louisiana Beef Industry Council (the Council), a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### 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 opinions 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 from 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 auditor's 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 evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting 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 audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the Council as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and its' cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis information 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 be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Council's financial statements as a whole. The accompanying information listed as other supplementary information in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Division of Administration Annual Financial Report presented on pages 10 to 19 is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with 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 basic financial statements taken as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 27, 2021, on our consideration of Council's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

### Griffin & Furman, LLC

August 27, 2021

#### LOUISIANA BEEF INDUSTRY COUNCIL STATE OF LOUISIANA

#### **Statement of Net Position**

June 30, 2021

	<u>Assets</u>			
Curent assets:				
Cash	\$	298,190		
Certificates of deposit		202,050		
Accounts receivable		26,798		
Accrued interest on certificates of depo	sit	640		
			7.	527,678
	Liabilities			
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable & accrued expenses		12,867		
Total liabilities			9	12,867
	Net Position			
Unassigned		514,811		
Total net position			\$_	514,811

#### LOUISIANA BEEF INDUSTRY COUNCIL STATE OF LOUISIANA

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

#### For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

<b>Operating Revenues:</b>			
Federal assessment \$1.00	\$	310,327	
Less: Distribution		(155,159)	
	10		
Net federal assessment \$1.00			155,168
Grant revenue			15,000
Total operating revenues			170,168
Operating Expenses:			
Program expenses			84,850
General and adminsitrative			
Administrative		27,598	
Accounting		3,800	
Advertising		3,157	
Miscellaneous		7,638	
Total general and administrative	N <del>.</del>	.,,	42,193
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<b>Total operating expenses</b>			127,043
Non-Operating Revenues:			
Other		764	
Investment income		2,366	
<b>Total non-operating revenues</b>	k <del></del>		3,130
r			
Change in net position			46,255
Net position, beginning of year			468,556
rece position, regimning of year			100,330
Net position, end of year			\$514,811

#### LOUISIANA BEEF INDUSTRY COUNCIL STATE OF LOUISIANA

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

#### For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Cash flows from operating activities: Cash receipts from assessments and grants Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	<b>\$</b> _	322,661 (289,946)	
Net cash provided by operating activities			32,715
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on certificates of deposit		3,321	
Purchase of certificates of deposit	_	(2,050)	
Net cash provided by investing activities			1,271
Net increase in cash			33,986
Cash - beginning of year			264,204
Cash - end of year			\$ 298,190
Reconciliation of operating gain to net cash provided by operating activities:  Operating gain  Adjustments to reconcile operating gain			\$ 43,125
to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Changes in assets and liabilities:	9	00 2 2 20	
Accounts receivable	\$	(1,902)	
Prepaid expenses		408	
Accounts payable & accrued expenses	-	(8,916)	
Total adjustments			(10,410)
Net cash provided by operating activites			\$ 32,715

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

June 30, 2021

#### (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Introduction

The Louisiana Beef Industry Council (the Council) is a component unit of the State of Louisiana created within the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, as provided by Louisiana Statutes R.S. 36:629(E). The Council is composed of nine members. Members are appointed as follows: two members are appointed by the Louisiana Livestock Auction Markets Association (LAMA), three members are appointed by Louisiana Farm Bureau Association (LFBA), three members are appointed by the Louisiana Cattlemen Association (LCA), and one member is appointed by the Cattle Producers of Louisiana (CPL). The Commissioner of Agriculture serves as an ex-officio member of the Council. The members shall serve as follows: one member from both LFBA and LCA will serve a one-year term, one member from LAMA, LFBA and LCA will serve a two year term and one member from LAMA, LFBA, LCA and CPL will serve a three-year term. No member will serve more than two consecutive three year terms. The mission of the Council is to increase consumer beef demand by engaging in effective promotion, education, research, information, and communication programs while being good stewards of the checkoff monies paid by Louisiana cattle producers pursuant to the Federal 1985 Farm Bill and Louisiana Act No. 428 of 2015.

#### (b) Reporting Entity

Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards (GASB Codification) established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included in the reporting entity. In conformance with GASB Codification Section 2100, this entity is a component unit of the State of Louisiana because the Council is not legally separate and the state holds the Council's corporate powers. The accompanying basic financial statements present only the transactions of the Louisiana Beef Industry Council, a component unit of the State of Louisiana.

#### (c) Basis of Presentation

The accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Council have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States as applied to governmental units. Application of GAAP often requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Government Accounting Standards Board is the accepted standard-setting body for the establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

#### (d) Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with general accepting accounting principles (GAAP) generally accepted in the United States of America

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

June 30, 2021

using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned, and expenses are recognized with the expense occurs.

#### (e) Use of 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 revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### (f) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, and time deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits that mature within 90 days or less when purchased. Under state law, the Council may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or under the laws of the United States.

Under state law, the districts may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days. However, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

#### (g) Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased in excess of \$5,000 are recorded at historical cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives (excluding salvage value). Estimated useful life is management's estimate of how long the asset is estimated to meet service demands. Straight line depreciation is used based on the following estimated useful lives:

Furniture 5-7 years Equipment 5-10 years

#### (h) Revenues and Expenses

Revenues and expense are recorded on the accrual basis of accounting, Operating revenues and expenses include income and expenditures related to the continuing operation of the Council. Principal operating revenues are federal assessments established in accordance with the Federal Beef Promotion and Research Act of 2009 and authorized expenditures of the \$1.00 assessment (check off) come exclusively from the Federal Act and Order. The \$1.00 will be assessed on all Louisiana cattle purchased or sold within or outside of Louisiana The Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board receives \$.50 of the federal assessments. These distributions are deducted from the federal assessments on the Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position. Principal operating expenses are the costs of providing services and include administrative expenses. Other

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

June 30, 2021

revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating in the financial statements. Using the accrual method of accounting, the revenues for assessments are recorded in the Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position as earned. Expenses are recorded as they occur.

#### (i) General and Administrative Expenses

The Council has entered into agreements with outside individuals who provide administrative and accounting services to the Council. During the year ended June 30, 2021 administrative and accounting services amounted to \$15,600 and \$12,000, respectively.

#### (j) Statement of Cash Flows

This statement is prepared using the direct method. For purposes of this statement, this entity considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased as a cash equivalent.

#### (k) Net Position

In the statement of net position, the difference between a government's assets and liabilities is recorded as net position. The Council has one component of net position as follows:

Unrestricted - This category represents net assets not appropriable for expenditures or legally segregated for a specific future use.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Council's policy to use externally restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources – committed, assigned, and unassigned – in order as needed.

#### (2) Receivables

At June 30, 2020 the balance of receivables was \$26,798. These receivables consist primarily of assessments on the sale of cattle through June 30, 2021 that were not collected until after June 30, 2021. The Council uses the direct write off method for allowance for bad debts. Although this is not an acceptable method under generally accepted accounting principles, the Council does not think there is any material difference between this and the allowance method used for GAAP. All receivables at June 30, 2021 were collected after year end.

#### (3) Deposits with Financial Institutions

Deposits in bank accounts are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law these deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance at all times equals the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These pledged securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank in the form of safekeeping receipts.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

June 30, 2021

The deposits at June 30, 2021 consist of the following:

•	Cash Certificates of Deposit		<b>Total</b>	
Book balances	\$ 298,190	202,050	500,240	
Bank balances	\$ 309,374	202,050	511,424	

The Council's deposits were not exposed to custodial credit risk as all balances were either covered by deposit insurance or pledged securities.

#### (4) Accounts Payable - Trade

At June 30, 2021 the balance of the accounts payable was \$12,867. This entire amount consisted of federal assessments of the \$1 check off money that was due for June revenue.

#### (5) Ligations

There is no pending ligation or claims against the Council at year end.

#### (6) Council Members Per Diem

The Council members do not receive a per-diem for attending board meetings.

#### (7) Subsequent Events

The Council has evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition of disclosure in the financial statements through August 27, 2021, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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	STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	298,190.00
RESTRICTED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	0.00
INVESTMENTS	202,050.00
RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS	0.00
DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	26,798.00
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
LEASES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
AMOUNTS DUE FROM PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	0.00
DUE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00
INVENTORIES	0.00
PREPAYMENTS	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	640.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$527,678.00
NONCURRENT ASSETS:	
RESTRICTED ASSETS:	
CASH	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
OTHER	0.00
INVESTMENTS	0.00
RECEIVABLES (NET)	0.00
NOTES RECEIVABLE	0.00
PLEDGES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
LEASES RECEIVABLE (NET)	0.00
CAPITAL ASSETS (NET OF DEPRECIATION & AMORTIZATIO	5)
LAND	0.00
BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS	0.00
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	0.00 0.00
INFRASTRUCTURE	
INTANGIBLE ASSETS CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS	0.00 0.00
OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS	0.00
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	\$0.00
TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL ASSETS	\$527,678.00
TOTAL ASSETS	3527,070.00
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
ACCUMULATED DECREASE IN FAIR VALUE OF HEDGING D	DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS 0.00
DEFERRED AMOUNTS ON DEBT REFUNDING	0.00
ADJUSTMENT OF CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS	0.00
GRANTS PAID PRIOR TO MEETING TIME REQUIREMENTS	0.00
INTRA-ENTITY TRANSFER OF FUTURE REVENUES (TRANSF	
LOSSES FROM SALE-LEASEBACK TRANSACTIONS	0.00
DIRECT LOAN ORIGINATION COSTS FOR MORTGAGE LOAN	NS HELD FOR SALE 0.00
ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS	0.00
OPEB-RELATED DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	0.00
PENSION-RELATED DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	10 0.00

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TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$0.00
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$527,678.00
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUALS	12,867.00
ACCRUED INTEREST	0.00
DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
AMOUNTS DUE TO PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	0.00
DUE TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00
AMOUNTS HELD IN CUSTODY FOR OTHERS	0.00
UNEARNED REVENUES	0.00
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	0.00
CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:	
CONTRACTS PAYABLE	0.00
COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE	0.00
CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS	0.00
ESTIMATED LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS	0.00
NOTES PAYABLE	0.00
BONDS PAYABLE	0.00
OPEB LIABILITY	0.00
POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS	0.00
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	0.00
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$12,867.00
NONCURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:	
CONTRACTS PAYABLE	0.00
COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE	0.00
CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS	0.00
ESTIMATED LIABILITY FOR CLAIMS	0.00
NOTES PAYABLE	0.00
BONDS PAYABLE	0.00
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY	0.00
NET PENSION LIABILITY	0.00
POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS	0.00
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	0.00
UNEARNED REVENUE	0.00
TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	\$0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$12,867.00
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
ACCUMULATED INCREASE IN FAIR VALUE OF HEDGING DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	0.00
DEFERRED AMOUNTS ON DEBT REFUNDING	0.00
ADJUSTMENT OF CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS	0.00
GRANTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO MEETING TIME REQUIREMENTS	0.00
SALES/INTRA-ENTITY TRANSFER OF FUTURE REVENUES (TRANSFEROR)	0.00
GAINS FROM SALE-LEASEBACK TRANSACTIONS	0.00
SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS	0.00
POINTS RECEIVED ON LOAN ORIGINATION	0.00
LOAN ORIGINATION FEES RECEIVED FOR MORTGAGE LOANS HELD FOR SALE	0.00
OPEB-RELATED DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	0.00
PENSION_RELATED DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	0.00
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES  11	\$0.00
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#### NET POSITION:

NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	0.00
RESTRICTED FOR:	
CAPITAL PROJECTS	0.00
DEBT SERVICE	0.00
NONEXPENDABLE	0.00
EXPENDABLE	0.00
OTHER PURPOSES	0.00
UNRESTRICTED	\$514,811.00
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$514,811.00

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NET POSITION - ENDING

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#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

\$514,811.00

		PROGRAM REVENUES		
EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE
282,202.00	0.00	15,000.00	0.00	\$(267,202.00)
GENERAL I	REVENUES			
PAYMENTS	FROM PRIMARY GOVERNM	ENT		0.00
OTHER				313,457.00
ADDITIONS	TO PERMANENT ENDOWME	ENTS		0.00
CHANGE IN	N NET POSITION			\$46,255.00
NET POSITION	ON - BEGINNING			\$468,556.00
NET POSITION	ON - RESTATEMENT			0.00

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#### DUES AND TRANSFERS

Account Type Amounts due from Primary Government	Intercompany (Fund)		Amount	
		Total		\$0.00
Account Type Amounts due to Primary				
Government	Intercompany (Fund)		Amount	
		Total		\$0.00

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#### SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE

Series Issue	Date of Issue	Original Issue Amount	Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	Interest Outstanding CFY
		0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Series - Unamortiz	zed Premiums:					
Series Issue	Date of Issue		Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	
			0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Series - Unamortiz	zed Discounts:					
Series Issue	Date of Issue		Principal Outstanding PFY	Issue (Redeemed)	Principal Outstanding CFY	
			0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	
		Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

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#### SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE AMORTIZATION

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Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest
2022	0.00	0.00
2023	0.00	0.00
2024	0.00	0.00
2025	0.00	0.00
2026	0.00	0.00
2027	0.00	0.00
2028	0.00	0.00
2029	0.00	0.00
2030	0.00	0.00
2031	0.00	0.00
2032	0.00	0.00
2033	0.00	0.00
2034	0.00	0.00
2035	0.00	0.00
2036	0.00	0.00
2037	0.00	0.00
2038	0.00	0.00
2039	0.00	0.00
2040	0.00	0.00
2041	0.00	0.00
2042	0.00	0.00
2043	0.00	0.00
2044	0.00	0.00
2045	0.00	0.00
2046	0.00	0.00
2047	0.00	0.00
2048	0.00	0.00
2049	0.00	0.00
2050	0.00	0.00
2051	0.00	0.00
2052	0.00	0.00
2053	0.00	0.00
2054	0.00	0.00
2055	0.00	0.00
2056	0.00	0.00
Premiums and Discounts	\$0.00	
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00

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#### Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

If your agency has active or retired employees who are members of the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) Health Plan, please provide the following information: (Note: OGB has a 6/30/2020 measurement date for their OPEB valuation)

Benefit payments made subsequent to the measurement date of the **OGB** Actuarial Valuation Report until the employer's fiscal year end. (Benefit payments are defined as the employer payments for retirees' health and life insurance premiums). For agencies with a 6/30 year end this covers the current fiscal year being reported. For calendar year end agencies, it covers the period 7/1 to 12/31 for the current year being reported.

Covered Employee Payroll for the **PRIOR** fiscal year (not including related benefits) 0.00

For calendar year-end agencies only: Benefit payments or employer payments for retirees' health and life insurance premiums made for the next year's valuation reporting period (7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021). This information will be provided to the actuary for the valuation report early next year.

For agencies that have employees that participate in the **LSU Health Plan**, provide the following information: (Note: The LSU Health Plan has a measurement date of 6/30/2021 for their OPEB valuation report.)

Covered Employee Payroll for the CURRENT fiscal year (not including related benefits) 0.00

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#### FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION RESTATEMENT

Account Name/Description		Restatement Amount
	Total	\$0.00

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#### SUBMISSION

Before submitting, ensure that all data (statements, notes, schedules) have been entered for the agency.

Once submitted no changes can be made to any of the agency data for the specified year.

By clicking 'Submit' below you certify that the financial statements herewith given present fairly the financial position and the results of operations for the year ended in accordance with policies and practices established by the Division of Administration or in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

Reminder: You must send Louisiana Legislative Auditors an electronic copy of the AFR report in a pdf, tiff, or some other electronic format to the following e-mail address: <u>LLAFileron@lla.la.gov.</u>



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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

To the Board of Commissioners Louisiana Beef Industry Council Department of Agriculture State of Louisiana Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Louisiana Beef Industry Council (the Council), as of and for the year then ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 27, 2021.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Council's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for their purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect 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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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August 27, 2021



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL BEEF PROMOTION AND RESEARCH ACT OF 1985, THE BEEF PROMOTION AND RESEARCH ORDER AND THE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICES INVESTMENT POLICYBASED ON AN AUDIT PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners Louisiana Beef Industry Council Department of Agriculture State of Louisiana Baton Rouge, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the Louisiana Beef Industry Council (the Council), a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30,2021, and have issued our report thereon dated August 27, 2021. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements.

Compliance with the Federal Beef Promotion and Research Act of 1985, and the Beef Promotion and Research Order (the "Order") and the agriculture marketing services investment policy is the responsibility of the Council's management. As part of our audit, we assessed the risk that noncompliance with the Act and the Order as explained above, could cause the financial statements to be materially misstated.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention, that caused us to believe that (i) the Council was not in compliance with the provisions of the Beef Promotion and Research Act of 1985 (the "Act") and the Beef Promotion and Research Order (the "Order") relative to the use of funds collected by the Council insofar as they relate to accounting matters, or (ii) that the Council failed to accurately allocate expenses that it shared with any other entity or funding source in a manner that complies with the Act and Order. Further, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe the Council was not in compliance with the provisions of the Beef Board Investment Policy for Qualified State Beef Councils dated March 14, 2016, which describes the type of instruments in which the Council may invest. Our audit was not, however, directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance.

This report is intended for the information of the Council and Legislative Auditor's Office and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, under Louisiana Revised Statue 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Griffin & Furman, LLC

August 27, 2021

#### Schedule of Findings and Management Corrective Action

June 30, 2021

#### **Summary of Audit Results:**

- 1. Type of Report Issued Unqualified
- 2. Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
  - a. Significant Deficiencies No
  - b. Material Weaknesses No
- 3. Compliance and Other Matters No
- 4. Management Letter No

**Status of Prior Year Findings** 

June 30, 2021

Not Applicable.