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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners Bracken County Water District Brooksville, Kentucky 41004

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Bracken County Water District as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District'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.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my 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 I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the 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, I express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Bracken County Water District as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, thereof for the years 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 (MD&A) 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. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

#### Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Bracken County Water District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplemental information on page 13 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated December 16, 2015, on my consideration of the Bracken County Water District's internal control over financial reporting and on my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my 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 Bracken County Water District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Maysville, Kentucky

December 16, 2015

# BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND

December 31, 2014 and 2013

	2014	2013
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Unrestricted	\$ 735,868	\$ 630,185
Unbilled Revenue	75,391	74,714
Accounts Receivable - Customers, Net of Allowance	,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
for Uncollectible (\$17,837)	140,922	120,908
Inventory	51,316	57,210
Prepaid Insurance	17,923	18,180
Total Current Assets	1,021,420	901,197
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Noncurrent assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Restricted	228,995	217,917
KRWFC Sinking Fund	134,121	134,631
Bond Issue Costs	95,528	98,625
Nondepreciable Capital Assets:	70,020	, 0,020
Land	14,491	14,491
Construction in Progress	14,421	14,471
Depreciable Capital Assets:	•	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	16 526 002	16 270 422
Less: Accumulated depreciation	16,526,993	16,379,422
Total Noncurrent Assets	(5,019,055)	(4,711,720)
	11,981,073	12,133,366
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 13,002,493	\$ 13,034,563
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 89,447	\$ 70,069
Customer Deposits	62,200	58,950
Accrued Wages and Vacation Pay	26,425	21,447
Taxes Payable	10,375	10,941
Accrued Interest	74,978	58,323
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	233,922	225,749
Total Current Liabilities	497,347	445,479
Total Carroll Liabilities	477,347	443,473
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Notes Payable, Net of Current Portion	4,331,623	4,565,544
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,828,970	5,011,023
NET POSITION		<del></del>
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Net Investment in Capital Assets	6,956,884	6,890,900
Restricted for:	106.500	
Debt Service	196,580	195,666
Capital Projects and Replacement	100,629	92,577
Customer Deposits	65,907	64,305
Unrestricted	853,523	780,092
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 8,173,523	\$ 8,023,540

# BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND

For The Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

	2014	2013
OPERATING REVENUES:		
Water Sales	\$ 1,502,896	\$ 1,433,670
Service Charges and Other Revenue	52,478	52,631
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,555,374	1,486,301
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Water Purchased	389,452	385,384
Salaries	233,033	221,719
Employee Pensions and Benefits	37,529	32,054
Electricity	46,055	42,781
Maintenance	26,356	28,468
Materials and Supplies	84,531	68,109
Insurance	39,853	33,155
Advertising	956	609
Accounting Fees	9,210	9,400
Transportation	16,828	21,623
Water Analysis Fee	3,162	3,236
Regulatory Commission Expense	2,926	2,828
Depreciation and Amortization	310,432	297,178
Payroll Taxes	17,425	17,043
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,217,748	1,163,587
OPERATING INCOME	337,626	322,714
NONOPERATING REVENUES:		
Customer Tap Fees	26,050	17,400
Interest Income	582	511
Interest Expense	(194,295)	(196,970)
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	(167,663)	(179,059)
Net Income Before Capital Contribution	169,963	143,655
Capital Contribution		
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	169,963	143,655
NET POSITION- Beginning of year	8,023,540	7,879,885
Prior Period Adjustment	(19,980)	
NET POSITION- End of year	\$ 8,173,523	\$ 8,023,540

# BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND

For The Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

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		2014	 2013
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:  Cash Receipts from Customers  Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services  Cash Payments for Salaries and Benefits  Other Receipts (Payments)	\$	1,485,455 (597,691) (283,009) 52,478	\$ 1,451,519 (592,112) (267,964) 52,631
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		657,233	644,074
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES KRWFC Sinking Fund Interest Income		510 582	(2,937) 511
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		1,092	 (2,426)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Proceeds From Capital Debt Principal Paid on Capital Debt		(225,748)	128,155 (195,306)
Purchases of Capital Assets State Grants Received Contributed Capital - Tap Fees		(147,571) 26,050	(458,014) 17,400
Interest Paid on Capital Debt		(194,295)	 (199,873)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities		(541,564)	 (707,638)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH		116,761	(65,990)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		848,102	 914,092
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	964,863	\$ 848,102
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Operating Income (Loss) Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:	\$	337,626	\$ 322,714
Depreciation Expense Amortization Expense Change in Assets and Lightities		307,335 3,097	294,081 3,097
Change in Assets and Liabilities: Accounts Receivable Inventories Prepaid Expense Accounts Payable and Other Payables Customer Deposits Accrued Wages and Vacation		(20,691) 5,894 257 15,487 3,250 4,978	19,649 (8,106) (5,057) 16,644 (1,800) 2,852
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$	657,233	\$ 644,074

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Bracken County Water District was created and organized as a public body corporate in Bracken County, Kentucky, pursuant to Chapter 74 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, by the Bracken County Fiscal Court to operate a water distribution system. The District is regulated by the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

### The Reporting Entity

The District, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds relevant to the operations of the District. The financial statements presented herein do not include agencies which have been formed under applicable state laws or separate and distinct units of government apart from the Bracken County Water District.

The financial statements of the District would include those of separately administered organizations that are controlled by or dependent on the District. Control or dependence is determined on the basis of financial interdependency, selection of government authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, accountability of fiscal matters, scope of public service and financing relations. The entities included in the financial statements are the general operations of the District. Bracken County Water District No. 1 merged with Western Bracken County Water District effective December 27, 1995 by order of the Public Service Commission.

Based on the foregoing criteria there are no other organizations included in these financial statements.

#### **Enterprise Funds**

Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily though user charges or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The accounts of the District are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting. The District's financial statements include the operations of all entities for which the District exercises oversight responsibility. Oversight responsibility includes, but is not limited to financial interdependency, selection of the governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters.

#### **Inventory**

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost or market.

### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets purchased are capitalized at the time of purchase. Such assets are recorded at cost. Depreciation is applied on the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset, using rates determined by reference to Utility Standards Rates (NARUC). Asset lives range from 75 years for system lines and plant, to 20 years for pumping equipment, 20 years for meters, and from 5 to 20 years for vehicles and office equipment. The provisions for depreciation in 2014 reflect those standard rates by asset class. The District's capitalization threshold is \$1,000.

#### **Unbilled Revenue**

The District records revenue as billed to its customers on monthly meter reading cycle. At the end of each year, water service that has been rendered from the latest date of each meter reading to the year-end is unbilled.

#### **Power Costs**

The cost of power purchases for pumping water is charged to expense as used.

#### **Income Tax Status**

The District is a political subdivision created under Kentucky Revised Statutes 74.012, and as such, is exempt from federal and state income taxes. Accordingly, the financial statements include no provision for income taxes.

#### Cash Flows

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the District uses the direct method of reporting net cash flow from operating activities, and considers certificates of deposit with a maturity of six months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### 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 revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position are reported as restricted when there are legal limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### NOTE 2: CUSTODIAL CREDIT RISK

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's cash and cash equivalents consist of checking and savings accounts with local banks. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2014, \$272,255 of the bank balance was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and collateral held by pledging bank
Total

\$272,255 \$272,255

#### NOTE 3: LONG-TERM DEBT

In connection with two major construction projects, the District obtained new loans to pay for construction not otherwise covered by Federal or State grants or by local funds. On October 7, 2004, the District finalized a long-term loan with USDA Rural Development in the amount of \$980,000 for the Southwestern Project. On August 31, 2004, the District finalized a \$928,000 loan from KIA for the Berlin-Lenoxburg Project.

The Rural Development loan is for 40 years, 4.5%, principal payable on December 1 of each year and interest paid semi-annually. The KIA loan is for 20 years, 3.0%, principal and interest payable monthly.

The Delisle Curve and office building projects were funded by loans through the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation (KRWFC). In April 2006, the District obtained short-term financing in the amount of \$3,085,000 to begin construction on these projects. In August 2007, bonds were issued in the amount of \$3,350,000 to payoff the short-term financing and for additional construction costs. The loan is for 20 years, 4.175% to 4.550%, principal and interest payments made monthly into the sinking fund at KRWFC.

On March 1, 2012, the District obtained two loans from Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) to commence construction on two projects. The first project is a line replacement project which was funded by Loan Fund C in the amount of \$621,000. The second project was for the Short Road improvement and upgrade project which was funded by Loan Fund B in the amount of \$475,000, of which 80% of the principal was forgiven. Both loans were financed at a 3% interest rate.

# BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For The Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

# NOTE 3: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended December 31, 2014:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance
\$791,334, 02-10 KIA For construction through December 31, 2003, loan maximum \$928,000, interest at 3.00%	\$ 577,624	\$ -	\$ 45,047	\$ 532,577
\$980,000, 2004 Rural Development dated 10/07/04, due 2044, principal payable annually on Dec. 1 and interest payable semi-annually at 4.50%	888,000	*	14,000	874,000
\$3,350,000, Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corp. Series 2007 D, dated 07/30/07, principal payable annually, interest payable semi-annually at 4.175-4.55%	2,615,000	2	140,000	2,475,000
\$475,000 KIA (principal forgiven \$380,000) Loan #B10-10, dated 03/01/12 principal payable semi-annually, interest payable semi-annually at 3.00%	89,669	-	3,688	85,981
\$621,000, KIA Loan #C11-01, dated 03/01/12 payable monthly, principal in varying amounts, interest at 3.00%	621,000 4,791,293		23,013 225,748	597,987 4,565,545
Less: Current Maturities	225,749		,,,,,	233,922
Totals	\$4,565,544			\$4,331,623
The following is a schedule of long-term debt maturitie	s:		Principal	Interest
201			233,922	185,415
201			241,162	176,267
201 201			254,468 262,845	166,813 156,814
201			271,292	146,482
2020-202			1,236,864	558,184
2025-202			1,030,206	248,145
2030-203			331,786	119,869
2035-203			205,000	68,512
2040-204	13		198,000	21,443
			\$ 4,265,545	\$1,847,944

#### NOTE 4: RESERVES

The Bracken County Water District is required to comply with the KIA and Rural Development bond agreements as follows:

#### A. SINKING FUND

On or before the 20<sup>th</sup> day of each month and after the required payment to the Operation and Maintenance Fund Account, the District is required to set aside an amount into a special account known as the "Bracken County Water District Waterworks, Bond and Interest Sinking Fund". The amount to be set aside and paid into the Sinking Fund each month shall be sums equal to the following amounts:

- (1) A sum equal to one-sixth (1/6) of the interest becoming due on the next succeeding interest due date, with respect to all outstanding Bond Issues.
- (2) A sum equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the principal of all such bonds maturing on the next succeeding January 1.

The District had set aside \$196,580 at December 31, 2014 into the restricted account. Deposits were made to the sinking fund on a monthly basis as required in (1) and (2).

#### **B. DEPRECIATION FUND**

The District is required to deposit \$470 and \$310 for Rural Development and KIA each month into the Depreciation Fund account as well as the proceeds from the sale of any equipment no longer usable or needed, fees or charges collected from potential customers to aid in the financing of the cost of extensions, additions and/or improvements to the project, plus the proceeds of any property damage insurance not immediately used to replace damaged or destroyed property. Monies in the Depreciation Fund shall be available and shall be withdrawn and used, upon appropriate certification to Rural Development and KIA, for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing replacements, extensions, additions and/or improvements to the project. Whenever the balance in the Depreciation Fund shall equal \$56,400 (\$37,000 for KIA) the monthly payments may be discontinued, or by the order of the governing body of the District, may be diverted into the Sinking Fund Account to be held as a part of the Sinking Fund Reserve and may then be used to redeem Bonds; however, the payments into the Depreciation Fund must be resumed whenever necessary to restore the balance. The District is also required to deposit \$1,200 annually until the account reaches \$12,000 and \$1,600 annually until the account reaches \$16,000 for new KIA loans. The District had set aside \$100,329 at December 31, 2014 into restricted accounts.

# BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For The Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

# NOTE 5: FIXED ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
Business-Type Activities	Jan. 1, 2014	Additions	Deductions	Dec. 31, 2014
Cost:				
Land	\$ 14,491	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,491
Plant in Service	15,907,837	88,752	-	15,996,589
Other Depreciable Assets	471,585	58,819	-	530,404
Construction in Progress	-	-	-	40
Totals at historical cost	16,393,913	147,571	•	16,541,484
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Land & Land Rights	1,125	-	-	1,125
Plant in Service	4,369,595	243,640	-	4,613,235
Other Depreciable Assets	341,000	63,695	-	404,695
Total accumulated depreciation	4,711,720	307,335	-	5,019,055
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets - Net	\$ 11,682,193	\$ (159,764)	<u>s</u> -	\$ 11,522,429

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 was as follows:

Business-Type Activities	Balance Jan. 1, 2013	Additions	Deductions	Balance Dec. 31, 2013
Cost:				
Land	\$ 14,491	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,491
Plant in Service	14,371,258	1,536,579	-	15,907,837
Other Depreciable Assets	484,504	5,281	18,200	471,585
Construction in Progress	1,083,846	304,308	1,388,154	-
Totals at historical cost	15,954,099	1,846,168	1,406,354	16,393,913
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Land & Land Rights	835	290	••	1,125
Plant in Service	4,128,400	241,195	-	4,369,595
Other Depreciable Assets	306,606	52,594	18,200	341,000
Total accumulated depreciation	4,435,841	294,079	18,200	4,711,720
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets - Net	\$ 11,518,258	\$ 1,552,089	\$ 1,388,154	\$ 11,682,193

# NOTE 6: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The District purchases all of its water from the District of Augusta Water Treatment Plant, through a long-term contract at rates determined annually on the basis of operating costs of the Water Treatment Plant.

#### NOTE 7: RISK MANAGEMENT

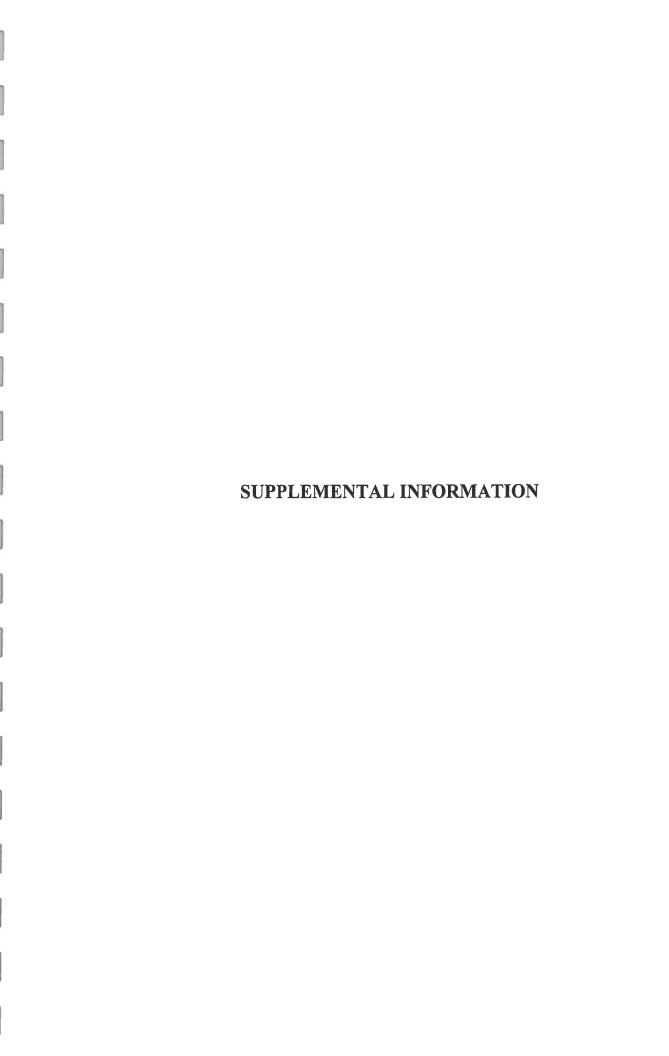
The District is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts - theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. The District carries commercial insurance coverage for the risks to the extent deemed prudent by the District's managements.

#### **NOTE 8: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events were considered through December 16, 2015, which represents the release date of this report.

#### NOTE 9: PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

A prior period adjustment in the amount of \$19,980 was made to correct the understatement of accrued interest during 2013.



# BRACKEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY RURAL DEVELOPMENT December 31, 2014

#### Schedule of Insurance in Force

		Expiration
Insurance Coverage	Amount of Coverage	Date of Policy
General Liability	\$3,000,000	07-01-15
Property - Building & Contents	\$4,762,281	07-01-15
Equipment & Vehicles	\$395,392	07-01-15
Treasurer and Commissioners	\$300,000 and \$10,000	04-25-15
Workers Compensation	Statutory	07-01-15
Encroachment Permit	\$25,000	Indefinite

# Aged Accounts Receivable

A detailed schedule of aged accounts receivable is prepared on a monthly basis. At December 31, 2014, accounts receivable were aged as follows:

	Number	
	Of Accounts	Amount
Current	2,471	\$118,726
Over 30 Days	418	17,714
Over 60 Days	41	12,194
Over 90 Days	184	10,125
Total	3,114	\$158,759

During 2014, the District carried a reserve for possible uncollectible accounts of \$17,837. Accounts in arrears have been collected or are covered by deposits.

The District had a total of 2,448 customers at December 31, 2014. Of these customers, 2,426 were residential, 20 were commercial, and 2 were resale.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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

Board of Commissioners Bracken County Water District Brooksville, Kentucky 41004

I 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 Bracken County Water District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Bracken County Water District's basic financial statements, and have issued my report thereon dated December 16, 2015.

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

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered Bracken County Water District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bracken County Water District's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Bracken County Water District's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a 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.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Bracken County Water District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I 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 my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my 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 my 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 *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

PENNY R. STANFIELD, CPA & CO., PLLC

Maysville, Kentucky

December 16, 2015