Cumberland County Water District Burkesville, Kentucky

Independent Auditors' Report And Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Commissioners Cumberland County Water District Burkesville, Kentucky

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Cumberland County Water District (the 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits 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 audits 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 auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes 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 opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of Cumberland 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.

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Other Matters

Management has omitted the 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 opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 31, 2015 on our consideration of Cumberland County Water District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 Cumberland County Water District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Christian Sturgeon + Associates, PSC

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March 31, 2015

Cumberland County Water District Statements of Net Position December 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,442	\$ 27,039
Receivables, less allowance for doubtful		
accounts of \$54,134 and \$49,110, respectively	78,482	75,758
Unbilled accounts receivable	35,087	34,521
Grant receivables	44,859	-
Inventories	12,738	18,121
Prepaid expenses	 6,484	 5,740
Total Current Assets	 188,092	 161,179
Noncurrent Assets		
Restricted Assets		
Customer deposits	28,111	26,151
Depreciation reserves	179,525	84,521
Debt and interest funds	257,462	251,521
Total Restricted Assets	465,098	362,193
Capital Assets		
Land and improvements	55,313	55,313
Buildings and improvements	179,437	165,511
Equipment	307,110	302,411
Other water system assets	8,203,878	7,252,820
Transportation	193,903	153,503
Office furniture and equipment	62,445	54,531
Construction in progress	=	303,445
Less: accumulated depreciation	 (2,780,995)	(2,560,564)
Net Capital Assets	6,221,091	5,726,970
Total Noncurrent Assets	 6,686,189	 6,089,163
Total Assets	\$ 6,874,281	\$ 6,250,342

Cumberland County Water District Statements of Net Position (Continued) December 31, 2014 and 2013

Liabilities		<u>2014</u>		<u>2013</u>
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	151,796	\$	66,946
Accrued interest payable	·	89,025	•	85,911
Accrued salaries and taxes payable		17,979		20,231
Current portion of long-term debt		103,600		100,000
Other current liabilities		21,580		23,839
Total Current Liabilities		383,980		296,927
Noncurrent Liabilities				
Construction loan		-		226,644
Long-term debt, less current portion				
included in current liabilties		3,581,600		3,198,201
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		3,581,600		3,424,845
Total Liabilities		3,965,580		3,721,772
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets		2,535,891		2,202,125
Restricted		465,098		362,193
Unrestricted		(92,288)		(35,748)
Total Net Position	\$	2,908,701	\$	2,528,570

Cumberland County Water District Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Operating Revenues		
Water sales	\$ 1,250,222	\$ 1,117,022
Service charges	17,050	14,952
Other revenues	 46,605	 27,749
Total Operating Revenues	1,313,877	1,159,723
Operating Expenses		
Salaries and wages	215,629	200,773
Employee benefits	78,652	80,052
Purchased water	393,800	340,986
Utilities	49,389	40,014
Materials and supplies	82,693	31,541
Contracted services	35,115	33,540
Vehicle and equipment expenses	26,001	22,792
Insurance	15,512	17,338
Office expenses	34,189	31,743
Directors fees	8,600	8,737
Bad debt expense, net of recoveries	5,024	6,089
Depreciation	220,431	214,359
Other operating expenses	 11,101	 9,948
Total Operating Expenses	1,176,136	1,037,912
Operating Income	 137,741	 121,811
Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Interest income	854	595
Grant revenue	378,697	115,700
Interest expense	 (137,161)	 (121,112)
Total Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)	 242,390	 (4,817)
Change in Net Position	380,131	116,994
Net Position, Beginning of Year	 2,528,570	 2,411,576
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 2,908,701	\$ 2,528,570

Cumberland County Water District Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

Cook Floure From Operating Activities	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to employees Payments to suppliers Payments for other activities	\$ 1,303,304 (217,881) (636,963) (8,600)	\$ 1,145,507 (193,803) (614,757) (8,737)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	 439,860	328,210
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment Principal payments on debt	(714,552) (118,326)	(285,440) (167,290)
Interest payments on debt	(110,320)	(107,290)
Proceeds from debt	278,681	226,644
Grants	 333,838	 115,700
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(354,406)	(235,090)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities Interest income	 854	 595
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	 854	 595
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	86,308	93,715
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	 389,232	 295,517
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 475,540	\$ 389,232
Reconciliation of cash per Statement of Net Assets to cash per Statement of Cash Flows:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,442	\$ 27,039
Customer deposits	28,111	26,151
Depreciation reserves	179,525	84,521
Debt and interest funds	 257,462	 251,521
Cash and cash equivalents per Statement of Cash Flows	\$ 475,540	\$ 389,232

Cumberland County Water District Statements of Cash Flows (Continued) For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

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Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:			
Operating Income	\$ 137,741	\$	121,811
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net			
cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation	220,431		214,359
(Increase) Decrease in operating assets			
Accounts receivable	(2,724)		(13,821)
Unbilled receivables	(566)		(6,484)
Inventory	5,383		4,850
Prepaid expenses	(744)		2,222
Increase (Decrease) in operating liabilities			
Accounts payable	84,850		(4,851)
Accrued salaries and taxes payable	(2,252)		6,970
Other current liabilities	(2,259)		3,154
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Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 439,860	<u>\$</u>	328,210

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

Cumberland County Water District (the District) was organized on November 29, 1995, from the merger of Marrowbone Water District and South Cumberland Water District. The merger was carried out in accordance with a Merger Agreement authorized by respective Resolutions of the Board of Water Commissioners of South Cumberland and Marrowbone, approved by Order of the Public Service Commission of Kentucky entered on February 24, 1995 under the provisions of Section 74.363 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes ("KRS") and approved by an Ordinance passed and adopted by the Fiscal Court of Cumberland County, Kentucky on May 9, 1995, and is exempt from federal income tax under 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code. The District is governed by a five person board of Commissioners appointed by the Cumberland County Fiscal Court. The District is regulated by the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

The District is a rural water utility system whose purpose is to establish, develop and operate a water supply and distribution system for its members and customers in Cumberland County, Kentucky. The District's primary source of revenue is from water sales to its customers, including public bodies and local businesses in its service area.

Basis of Accounting, Financial Presentation and Measurement Focus

The basic financial statements of the District have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units.

The District applies all relevant Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails. In addition, the District applies all applicable FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, except those that conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position display information about the District as a whole. These statements include all funds of the District.

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Operating income reported by the District includes revenues and expenses related to the continuing operation of water service for its customers. Principal operating revenues are charges to customers for services. Principal operating expenses are the costs of providing the services and include administrative expenses and depreciation of capital assets. Other revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating in the financial statements.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District considers demand deposits and certificates of deposit to be cash equivalents.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Accounts Receivable

Receivables include amounts due from customers for water services. These receivables are due at the time the services are billed and are considered past due on the first day of the following month. Accounts receivable are presented net of uncollectible accounts. The allowance amount is estimated using a percentage of accounts past due more than 30 days. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the allowance for doubtful accounts was \$54,134 and \$49,110, respectively.

Unbilled Accounts Receivable

Estimated unbilled revenues from water sales are recognized at the end of each fiscal year on a pro rata basis. The estimated amount is based on billing during the month following the close of the fiscal year.

Inventories and Prepaid Expenses

Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption stated on a first-in, first-out basis. They are reported at cost and are recorded as an expense at the time individual items are used. Prepaid expenses represent payments to vendors that benefit future reporting periods and are reported on the consumption basis.

Capital Assets

The District's property, plant and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations.

Estimated useful lives for depreciable assets are as follows:

Asset Classification	Range of Lives
Water and sewer system utility plants	20-40 years
Buildings and improvements	10-40 years
Trucks and equipment	3-10 years
Office equipment	3-10 years

Customer Deposits

The District collects and holds in escrow a \$50 deposit from customers to ensure collection of its water charges. Interest at an annual rate of 0.4% is paid on these deposits.

Compensated Absences

Full-time employees receive vacation leave based on their years of continuous service. The District allows employees to accumulate and carry over a maximum of 40 hours of vacation time. Unused vacation time earned in excess of 40 hours will generally be lost at the end of the calendar year. Full-time employees receive 6 days of sick leave per year. Up to 20 days of sick leave may be accrued. Upon termination, accumulated vacation leave will be paid to the employee. Sick leave is not paid upon termination, but will be paid only upon illness while in the employment of the District.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Net Position

Net position is comprised of the various net earnings from operating income, non-operating revenues and expenses, and capital contributions. Net position is classified in the following three components:

Net investment in capital assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, 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.

Restricted – This component of net position consists of restricted assets less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Restricted assets are those with limits on their use that are externally imposed constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted – This component of net position consists of net amounts of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of the net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available, the Commission would typically use restricted assets first, but reserves the right to selectively spend unrestricted assets first.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 2 – Restricted Assets

Under the terms of all loan resolutions, the District is required to maintain certain accounts and funds for the benefit and protection of the creditors. The balance of these accounts at December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$257,462 and \$251,521, respectively. In addition, the District is also required to collect reasonable and sufficient rates and charges for services rendered, prohibited from selling, leasing or mortgaging any part of the system without prior approval, required to maintain the operating system in good condition and to carry adequate insurance on all properties to protect against loss or damage.

The resolutions require the District to establish a depreciation fund or reserve to be used to finance the cost of unusual repairs, renewals and replacements not included in the annual budget and to pay for future system extensions. The balance of these accounts at December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$179,525 and \$84,521, respectively.

The balances of customer deposits held at December 31, 2014 and 2013 were \$28,111 and \$26,151, respectively.

Note 3 - Kentucky Revised Statute

In accordance with Kentucky Revised Statute (KRS) 91A.060, the deposits are to be insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized to the extent uninsured by any obligations permitted by KRS 41.240(4). According to KRS 41.240(4), the financial institution shall either pledge or provide as collateral securities or other obligations having an aggregate current face value or current quoted market value at least equal to the deposits. According to KRS 66.480, the District is allowed to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. agencies, repurchase agreements, obligations of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its agencies, interest bearing deposits of insured savings and loans, or interest bearing deposits of insured national or state banks. For additional cash descriptive information, see Note 1.

Note 4 – Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

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 does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, the District's total deposits at banks of \$517,864 and \$390,114, respectively, were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ 35,116	\$ -
Uninsured and collateral held by pledging bank	160,395	86,374
Uninsured and collateral held by pledging bank's trust		
department not in the District's name		 -
Total	\$ 195,511	\$ 86,374

Note 5 – Capital Assets

The following is a summary of capital asset transactions for the year ended December 31, 2014:

	Balance						Balance			
	Dec. 31, 2013		Additions		Dispositions		De	c. 31, 2014		
Land and improvements	\$	55,313	\$	-	\$	-	\$	55,313		
Building and improvements		165,511		13,926		-		179,437		
Equipment		302,411		4,699		-		307,110		
Other water system assets		7,252,820		951,058		-		8,203,878		
Transportation		153,503		40,400		-		193,903		
Office furniture and equipment		54,531		7,914		-		62,445		
Construction in process		303,445		-		303,445		-		
Totals at historical cost		8,287,534		1,017,997		303,445		9,002,086		
Less accumulated depreciation for:										
Building and improvements		65,125		12,311		-		77,436		
Equipment		234,767		13,781		-		248,548		
Other water system assets		2,093,314		180,220		-		2,273,534		
Transportation		112,827		12,771		-		125,598		
Office furniture and equipment		54,531		1,348		-		55,879		
Total accumulated depreciation		2,560,564		220,431		-		2,780,995		
Capital assets - net	\$	5,726,970	\$	797,566	\$	303,445	\$	6,221,091		

Note 5 - Capital Assets (Continued)

The following is a summary of capital asset transactions for the year ended December 31, 2013:

		Balance					Balance			
	De	c. 31, 2012	Additions		Dispo	ositions	De	ec. 31, 2013		
Land and improvements	\$	55,313	\$	-	\$	-	\$	55,313		
Building and improvements		165,511		-		-		165,511		
Equipment		302,411		-		-		302,411		
Other water system assets		7,252,820		-		-		7,252,820		
Transportation		153,503		-		-		153,503		
Office furniture and equipment		54,531		-		-		54,531		
Construction in process		-		303,445		-		303,445		
Totals at historical cost	7,984,089			303,445 -		-		8,287,534		
Less accumulated depreciation for:										
Building and improvements		52,852		12,273		-		65,125		
Equipment		220,740		14,027		-		234,767		
Other water system assets		1,916,202		177,112		-		2,093,314		
Transportation		102,266		10,561		-		112,827		
Office furniture and equipment		54,145		386		-		54,531		
Total accumulated depreciation		2,346,205		214,359				2,560,564		
Capital assets - net	\$	5,637,884	\$	89,086	\$	-	\$	5,726,970		

Note 6 – Long-Term Debt

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

	Balance Dec. 31, 2013					yments	Balance c. 31, 2014	Due Within One Year		
Loan payable to Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, principal and interest, at the rate of 4% to 4.5%, payable on a semi- annual basis, with final payment due January 1, 2031	\$	86,000	\$	-	\$	3,000	\$ 83,000	\$	3,000	
Loan payable to First & Farmers Bank, principal and interest, at a rate of 2.75%, payable at maturity on September 23, 2014		-		18,325		18,325	-		-	
Various bond issues payable to United States Department of Agriculture, principal and interest payable annually in varying amounts, interest rates ranging from 2.25% to 5.0%, with final payment due in 2053, secured by water distribution system		3,212,201	48	37,000		97,001	3,602,200	1	100,600	
,	\$	3,298,201		05,325		18,326	\$ 3,685,200		103,600	

Note 6 - Long-Term Debt (Continued)

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions for the year ended December 31, 2013:

Loan payable to Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation, principal and interest, at the rate of 4% to 4.5%, payable on a semi- annual basis, with final payment due January 1,	-	Balance ec. 31, 2012	litions		yments	Dec	3alance . 31, 2013	<u>Or</u>	e Within ne Year
2031 Loan payable to First &	\$	89,000	\$ -	\$	3,000	\$	86,000	\$	3,000
Farmers Bank, principal and interest, at a rate of 2.75%, payable at maturity on September 23, 2013		34,190	-		34,190		-		-
Loan payable to First & Farmers Bank, principal and interest, at a rate of 2.55%, payable at maturity on June 17, 2013, secured									
by certificate of deposit		53,000	-		53,000		-		-
Various bond issues payable to United States Department of Agriculture, principal and interest payable annually in varying amounts, interest rates ranging from 2.25% to 5.0%, with final payment due in 2051, secured by utility plant and water distribution system		3,289,301	_		77,100		3,212,201		97,000
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	\$	3,465,491	\$ -	<u>\$</u>	167,290	\$:	3,298,201	\$ 1	00,000

During 2013, the District entered into a loan agreement with Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation for interim financing for construction of a water tank. The total amount of the loan was \$487,000 with an interest rate of 2.5%. At December 31, 2013 draws against the loan totaled \$226,644. The loan matured on August 1, 2014, at such time the loan was refinanced on a long-term basis with a loan from United States Department of Agriculture.

Note 6 - Long-Term Debt (Continued)

The aggregate annual principal repayments on long-term debt are summarized as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Princip	<u>al</u>	Interest		<u>Total</u>	
2015	\$ 103	,600 \$	135,333	\$	238,933	
2016	100	,100	131,017		231,117	
2017	103	,600	127,241		230,841	
2018	108	,200	123,303		231,503	
2019	106	,800	119,183		225,983	
2020-2024	602	,100	531,888		1,133,988	
2025-2029	561	,900	418,897		980,797	
2030-2034	521	,500	332,301		853,801	
2035-2039	472	,400	254,849		727,249	
2040-2044	461	,500	189,311		650,811	
2045-2049	389	,000	137,950		526,950	
2050-2053	154	,500	46,618		201,118	
	\$ 3,685	200 \$	2,547,891	\$	6,233,091	

Note 7 - Retirement Plan

The District participates in a retirement plan through Kentucky Public Employees & Deferred Compensation Authority. During the first year of employment, the District contributes 1% adding 1% each year up to a maximum of 5%. Retirement plan expense for 2014, 2013 and 2012 was \$10,482, \$9,996, and \$10,547, respectively.

Note 8 - Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to limited torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the District carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage for the year and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

Note 9 - Subsequent Events

Date of Management Evaluation

Management of the District has evaluated subsequent events through March 31, 2015, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.



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 Commissioners Cumberland County Water District Burkesville, Kentucky

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the 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 Cumberland County Water District, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Cumberland County Water District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Cumberland County Water District'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be material weaknesses. (See items 2014-1, 2014-2, and 2014-3)

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Cumberland County Water District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 one instance of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2014-4.

<u>Cumberland County Water District's Response to Findings</u>

Cumberland County Water District's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Cumberland County Water District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 result 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.

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London, Kentucky

March 31, 2015

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2014-1

Criteria:

As discussed in *Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government* published by the General Accounting Office of the United States, internal control is an integral component of an organization's management that provides reasonable assurance that an objective of reliable financial reporting is being achieved. Organizations should implement procedures to ensure this objective is achieved.

Condition:

During the audit procedures performed, instances of this objective not being completely achieved were noted.

Cause:

The District's limited internal resources prevents the preparation of financial statements and related note disclosures in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Effect:

The District was unable to prepare their financial statements and related note disclosures in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions:

The District feels that it would not be cost beneficial to hire the personnel required to complete these tasks.

2014-2

Criteria:

As discussed in *Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government* published by the General Accounting Office of the United States, internal control is an integral component of an organization's management that provides reasonable assurance that an objective of reliable financial reporting is being achieved. Organizations should implement procedures to ensure this objective is achieved.

Condition:

During the audit procedures performed, instances of this objective not being completely achieved were noted.

Cause:

The size of the Water District's office staff does not allow proper segregation of duties in the areas of cash receipts, billing, accounts receivable, and payroll.

Effect:

This condition creates a weakness in internal controls which could result in unauthorized transactions being processed.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions:

The District feels that it would not be cost beneficial to hire the personnel required to complete these tasks.

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2014-3

Criteria:

As discussed in *Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government* published by the General Accounting Office of the United States, internal control is an integral component of an organization's management that provides reasonable assurance that an objective of reliable financial reporting is being achieved. Organizations should implement procedures to ensure this objective is achieved.

Condition:

During the audit procedures performed, instances of this objective not being completely achieved were noted.

Cause:

Due to limited internal resources, the District's general ledger accounts are not being reviewed and adjusted to supporting detail on a regular monthly basis to ensure that all transactions are being recorded and account balances are accurate.

Effect:

This condition prevents management and the Board from having accurate, reliable financial information on an ongoing basis in order to make informed decisions about the financial affairs of the District.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions:

The District agrees that improvements need to be made in financial accounting and reporting and will hire someone to review the general ledger balances on a quarterly basis and provide training to the current staff until they can maintain the general ledger accurately on their own.

2014-4

Criteria:

As discussed in KRS 66.480, public funds must be insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized to the extent uninsured by any obligations permitted by KRS 41.240(4). According to KRS 41.240(4), the financial institution shall either pledge or provide as collateral securities or other obligations having an aggregate current face value or current quoted market value of at least equal to the deposits. Organizations should implement procedures to ensure this objective is achieved.

Condition:

During the audit procedures performed, instances of this objective not being completely achieved were noted.

Cause:

The District's cash balances were not sufficiently insured and/or collateralized in accordance with KRS 66.480.

Effect:

This condition creates a risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions:

The District agrees with this finding and will contact their financial representative as soon as possible.