Inez, Kentucky

Annual Financial Report

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

The Board of Directors Martin County Water District Inez, Kentucky

#### **Qualified Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Martin County Water District, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of Martin County Water District, as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Martin County Water District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

#### Matter Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion

As of the audit report date, updated Kentucky Retirement Systems reports were not available to present current pension information in the financial statements. Therefore, deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pensions, net pension liability, net position, and expenses were unable to be updated to reflect the activity during the year ended December 31, 2021. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the net pension liability be measured based either on an actuarial valuation performed no earlier than the employer's prior fiscal year end or updated procedures to roll forward amounts from an earlier actuarial valuation. The amount by which this would affect the deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pensions, net pension liability, net position, and expenses has not been determined.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

#### **Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)**

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements (Concluded)

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Martin County Water District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or
  error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining,
  on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Martin County Water District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting
  estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Martin County Water District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

# **Independent Auditor's Report (Concluded)**

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability, and schedule of contributions information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 14, 2022, on our consideration of Martin 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 solely 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 effectiveness of Martin County Water District's 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 Martin County Water District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Wade Stables P.C.
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Certified Public Accountants

March 14, 2022 Hannibal, Missouri

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMEBER 31, 2021

As management of the Martin County Water District of Inez, Kentucky (the District), we offer readers of the District's audited financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

#### OVERVIEW OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements presented in this report consist of the *statements of net position*, the *statements of revenues*, *expenses*, *and changes in net position*, and the *statements of cash flows*. The statements of net position provide information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to creditors (liabilities). It also provides the basis for assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the District. The current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. This statement reports the revenues and expenses during the period indicated and can be used to determine whether the District has successfully recovered all its costs through user fees and other charges. The primary purpose of the statements of cash flows is to provide information about the District's cash receipts and cash payments. This statement reports cash receipts, cash payments, and net changes in cash resulting from activities related to operations, capital and related financing, noncapital financing, and investing activities.

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The District's total net position in 2021 decreased by \$241,543 and ended the year at \$13,507,653.

Net position is comprised of Assets, Deferred outflows of resources, Liabilities, and Deferred inflows of resources.

Total assets decreased \$237,000 or 1.3% primarily due to decreases in capital assets of \$211,000 and current assets of \$30,000, offset by an increase in restricted assets of \$4,000. The decrease in capital assets is mainly due to depreciation expense of \$773,000 exceeding net asset additions of \$368,000. The District inventoried capital assets and removed assets no longer in service. Additional information regarding capital assets is discussed in the capital assets section. The decrease in current assets is primarily due to decreases in accounts receivable of \$34,000 and cash of \$24,000, offset by an increase in unbilled revenue of \$31,000. The District collects and deposits sewer payments for Martin County Sanitation District. The decrease in cash mainly represents a reduction in the District's payable to Martin County Sanitation. The increase in restricted assets is mainly due to increases in debt service reserves for the principal payments and customer deposits. Restricted cash is discussed in detail in the restricted assets section.

Deferred outflows consist of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments. The Kentucky Retirement report was not available at the time this audit is issued so the 2020 numbers remain unchanged. Footnote 12 (page 20) of the audited financial statements provides additional information.

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Total liabilities increased by \$5,000 or 0.01% primarily due to an increase in current liabilities of \$139,000 and decreases in long-term debt of \$134,000 related to principal payments made. Current liabilities increased mainly due to the increase in repairs and chemicals incurred by the District in 2021, an increase in customer deposits payable, and an increase in the current portion of long-term debt offset by decreases in tax liabilities and accrued interest.

Net pension liability remains unchanged because the Kentucky retirement report was unavailable. See Footnote 12 (page 20) of the audited financial statements for more information.

A summary of financial position follows:

	For The	2021			
				Percent	
	2021	2020	2019	Change	Change
Assets:					
Current assets	\$ 714,436	\$ 744,318	\$ 669,005	(29,882)	-4.0%
Restricted assets	131,434	127,206	118,005	4,228	3.3
Capital assets	17,715,134	17,926,113	18,387,049	(210,979)	-1.2
Total assets	18,561,004	18,797,637	19,174,059	(236,633)	-1.3
Deferred Outflows:					
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	\$ 134,959	\$ 134,959	\$ 286,346	-	N/A
Total deferred outflows of resources	134,959	134,959	286,346		N/A
Liabilities:					
Current liabilities	1,639,744	1,501,086	1,206,149	138,658	9.2
Long term debt, net	1,987,168	2,120,916	2,252,962	(133,748)	-6.3
Net pension liability	1,080,845	1,080,845	1,739,483	-	N/A
Total liabilities	4,707,757	4,702,847	5,198,594	4,910	0.1
Deferred Inflows:					
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	\$ 480,553	\$ 480,553	\$ 93,003	-	N/A
Total deferred inflows of resources	480,553	480,553	93,003	-	N/A
Net Position:					
Net investment in capital assets	15,594,973	15,673,916	16,009,467	(78,943)	-0.5
Restricted for debt service	105,137	99,652	85,771	5,485	5.5
Restricted for management infrastructure	6,587	1,000	12,244	5,587	558.7
Restricted for capital projects	63	93	89	(30)	-32.3
Unrestricted	(2,199,107)	(2,025,465)	(1,938,763)	(173,642)	8.6
Total net position	\$ 13,507,653	\$13,749,196	\$ 14,168,808	(241,543)	-1.8%

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Total operating revenues increased by \$303,000 or 12.0% and totaled \$2,821,000 for the year. Water revenue and late charge fees increased \$143,000 from the prior year mainly due to a temporary rate increase in August 2021 as approved by the Public Service Commission (PSC) and

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the resumption of late charges billed which was suspended during the height of the pandemic. Additionally, there was an increase of \$167,000 in miscellaneous income and other fees for adjustments of previous accruals and penalty and interest waived by vendors on outstanding balances. This was offset by a reduction of \$7,000 from the prior year in connection fees, debt and water surcharges.

Total operating expenses increased by \$334,000 or 10.4% and totaled \$3,543,000 for the year mainly due to an increase in the repairs and chemical costs, utilities, and water purchased. The Water District experienced an ice storm and flood causing a state of emergency in the county. This disaster was very costly to the District and we are still awaiting reimbursement for a majority of these expenses from FEMA. Other costs included making hydraulic corrections to the system to help combat water loss, and an increase in pricing and availability of repair parts and chemicals. Water purchased increased due to a failure at the Otto Brown booster station. This station provides water to the Airport and Davella region where there is a tie in with Prestonsburg Utilities. Prestonsburg has been pumping to the Airport and Davella region a large portion of the year costing the District between \$10,000 to \$15,000 a month. The expenses were offset mainly by reductions in bad debts, insurance, and audit costs.

Change in net position (net operating loss) in 2021 was \$242,000, an improvement of \$204,000 or 45.7% from prior year.

Non-operating expense in 2021 increased by \$1,200 mainly due to customer deposit interest expense offset by reductions in interest expense, loss on disposal of assets, and interest income.

Capital contributions totaled \$567,000 due to grants received from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) for The Lovely Water Line Replacement Project. This project installed new water line from railroad bridge to Evans Hill as well as new service lines for customers and eighty-one radio read meters. This project was due to an extensive amount of water loss in the area from failing infrastructure.

A summary statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position follows:

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	For The Y	Years Ended Dec	2021		
					Percent
	2021	2020	2019	Change	Change
Operating Revenues:					
Water sales	\$ 2,243,478	\$ 2,146,384	\$ 2,220,203	97,094	4.5%
Connection fees	17,612	22,872	-	(5,260)	-23.0%
Late charge fees	58,575	13,416	76,437	45,159	336.6%
Debt service surcharge	107,177	107,436	152,709	(259)	-0.2%
Water surcharge (MIS)	192,369	193,180	12,244	(811)	-0.4%
Other fees	39,575	20,144	67,495	19,431	96.5%
Misc income	161,982	14,311		147,671	1031.9%
Total operating revenues	2,820,768	2,517,743	2,529,088	303,025	12.0%
Operating Expenses:					
Operating expenses	2,769,377	2,421,722	2,424,794	347,655	14.4
Depreciation	773,206	786,741	790,294	(13,535)	(1.7)
Total operating expenses	3,542,583	3,208,463	3,215,088	334,120	10.4
Net Operating Income	(721,815)	(690,720)	(686,000)	(31,095)	4.5
Non-operating Income (Expense)					
Interest expense	(78,302)	(80,217)	(93,472)	(1,915)	2.4
Customer deposit interest expense	(3,319)	-	-	3,319	N/A
Bond trustee fees	(450)	(450)	-	-	N/A
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	(4,752)	(5,237)	-	485	(9.3)
Interest income	112	386	83	(274)	(71.0)
Total Non-operating income (expenses)	(86,711)	(85,518)	(93,389)	1,193	(1.4)
Change in net position before					
contributions	(808,526)	(776,238)	(779,389)	(32,288)	4.2
Capital grants and contributions	566,983	331,046	17,000	235,937	71.3
Change in net position	(241,543)	(445,192)	(762,389)	203,649	(45.7)
Net Positon - Beginning	13,749,196	14,168,808	14,931,197	(419,612)	(3.0)
Prior Period Adjustment		25,580		(25,580)	(100.0)
Net Position - Ending	\$ 13,507,653	\$ 13,749,196	\$ 14,168,808	(241,543)	-1.80%

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

The District's rate structure is designed to collect sufficient revenues to pay debt service and recover operating and maintenance expenses. The District successfully accomplished that objective during 2021 with the help of the debt service surcharge and the management infrastructure surcharge. The net cash provided by operating activities by itself would not have been sufficient to pay debt service.

The District applied for a rate increase in December 2020. The PSC then approved an emergency rate increase effective in August 2021 and a permanent rate increase effective March 2022 to help the District meet its operational expenses.

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# RESTRICTED ASSETS

Restricted assets were \$131,434 in 2021 compared to \$127,206 in 2020. The District's debt covenants specify the way monies on deposit in the various restricted funds must be used. Restricted assets consist of various accounts for debt service and capital projects.

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation was \$17,715,134 on December 31, 2021, compared to \$17,926,113 on December 31, 2020, which represents a decrease of \$210,979 or 1.2%. Capital asset additions in 2021 were \$891,785 which consisted of the ARC Lovely line replacement. Additions were offset by the retirement of numerous items (including meters, hydraulics, hydrants, pumps, equipment, computer hardware and software, and vehicles which remained in the district records) and depreciation expense of \$773,206.

#### LONG-TERM DEBT

The District paid principal payments of \$131,281during the fiscal year. As of December 31, 2021, the District had total long-term debt outstanding of \$2,102,799 of which \$132,993 is due in the next year.

#### OVERALL ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The District's change in overall financial position in 2021 decreased by \$241,543 as compared to the 2020 overall decrease of \$419,612. This is an improvement in overall financial position between 2021 and 2020 with a net position increase of \$178,069. The District continually strives to improve its financial position as reflected in the District's passage of the rate increase effective in March 2022.

# REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

This report is designed to provide our customers, debt holders, and other interested parties with a general overview of the financial position of the District and to indicate accountability for the revenues received. Questions about this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the District Clerk (606-298-3885) at the District's office, 387 East Main Street, Inez, KY 41224.



		2021		2020
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	297,677	\$	321,330
Accounts receivable (net)		313,736		347,314
Unbilled revenue		92,562		62,058
Prepaid expenses		4,904		9,050
Inventory	_	5,557	_	4,566
Total Current Assets	\$	714,436	\$	744,318
Restricted Assets				
Cash - Debt retirement	\$	131,369	\$	127,111
Cash - Grants		63		93
Accrued interest receivable	_	2	_	2
Total Restricted Assets	\$	131,434	\$	127,206
Capital Assets				
Water supply & distribution system	\$	28,206,274	\$	27,316,475
Buildings		500,264		500,264
Equipment & Furniture		6,369,882		6,398,523
Vehicles & Trailers		138,773		307,474
Construction in progress		6,237		331,042
Land		214,714		214,714
Less: Accumulated depreciation	Φ.	(17,721,010)	Ф.	(17,142,379)
Total Capital Assets	\$	17,715,134	\$	17,926,113
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	18,561,004	\$	18,797,637
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	\$	134,959	\$	134,959
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	134,959	\$	134,959

		2021		2020
LIABILITIES				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	1,389,540	\$	1,257,086
Accrued interest		28,151		29,378
Sales tax payable		6,951		8,896
Customer deposits		82,109		74,445
Current portion of long-term debt		132,993		131,281
Total Current Liabilities	\$	1,639,744	\$	1,501,086
Long-Term Liabilities				
Long-term portion of debt (net)		1,987,168		2,120,916
Net pension liability		1,080,845		1,080,845
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	4,707,757	\$	4,702,847
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	\$	480,553	\$	480,553
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		480,553		480,553
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	\$	15,594,973	\$	15,673,916
Restricted for debt retirement	•	105,137	·	99,652
Restricted for management infrastructure		6,587		1,000
Restricted for capital projects		63		93
Unrestricted		(2,199,107)		(2,025,465)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	13,507,653	\$	13,749,196

	2021	 2020
Operating Revenues  Water sales Connection fees Late charge fees Debt service surcharge MIS Water surcharge Other fees Miscellaneous income	\$ 2,243,478 17,612 58,575 107,177 192,369 39,575 161,982	\$ 2,146,384 22,872 13,416 107,436 193,180 20,144 14,311
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 2,820,768	\$ 2,517,743
Operating Expenses  Management & operations contract Water purchased Employee benefits Utilities Insurance Repairs and maintenance Outside services Legal Accounting Bad debt Dues & subscriptions Office Expense Rental Regulatory assessment fees KY 811 Services Taxes Depreciation Miscellaneous Total Operating Expenses	\$ 2,220,673 65,763 - 362,424 35,717 13,181 755 19,612 7,725 16,733 4,884 2,804 8,849 - 2,451 5,035 773,206 2,771 3,542,583	\$ 1,985,039 - (119,701) 320,969 48,400 6,511 6,831 6,975 25,000 118,530 3,700 3,339 9,053 5,983 786,741 1,093 3,208,463
Operating Income (Expense)	\$ (721,815)	\$ (690,720)
Non-operating Income (Expenses) Interest expense Customer deposit interest expense Bond trustee fees Gain (loss) on disposal of assets Interest income Total Non-operating Income (Expenses)	\$ (78,302) (3,319) (450) (4,752) 112 (86,711)	\$ (80,217) - (450) (5,237) 386 (85,518)
Change in Net Position Before Contributions	\$ (808,526)	\$ (776,238)
Capital grants and contributions	 566,983	 331,046
Change in Net Position	\$ (241,543)	\$ (445,192)
Net Position - Beginning	13,749,196	14,168,808
Prior Period Adjustment	 	 25,580
Net Position - Ending	\$ 13,507,653	\$ 13,749,196

		2021		2020
Cash Flows From Operating Activities				
Cash received from customers	\$	2,831,506	\$	2,561,255
Cash payments for goods and services		(2,635,713)		(2,129,876)
Cash payments for employees and benefits		- 405 700	_	(97,689)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	195,793	\$	333,690
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities				
Payments for capital assets	\$	(566,980)	\$	(331,042)
Principal repayments		(131,281)		(124,620)
Interest and other charges paid		(84,052)		(86,523)
Capital grants  Not Cook Provided (Used) By Capital and Related Financing Activities	Φ.	566,983	Ф.	331,046
Net Cash Provided (Used) By Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>ф</u>	(215,330)	\$	(211,139)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities				
Interest received	\$	112	\$	386
Net Cash Provided By Investing Activities	\$	112	\$	386
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	(19,425)	\$	122,937
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		448,534		325,597
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$	429,109	\$	448,534
Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents				
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$	297,677	\$	321,330
Cash - Debt retirement		131,369		127,111
Cash - Grants		63		93
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	429,109	\$	448,534
Reconciliation Of Operating Income To Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities Operating income Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by	\$	(721,815)	\$	(690,720)
operating activities: Depreciation expense		773,206		786,741
Change in assets and liabilities:		00.570		(005 007)
Accounts receivable Unbilled receivables		33,578		(225,607)
Inventory		(30,504) (991)		255,491 3,811
Prepaid expenses		4,146		4,730
Accounts payable		132,454		406,905
Customer deposits		7,664		13,628
Payroll liabilities		-		(97,689)
Sales tax payable		(1,945)		1,101
Other accrued liabilities		-		(5,000)
Net pension obligation		-		(119,701)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	\$	195,793	\$	333,690

# Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### 1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Martin County Water District (the District) was authorized by action of the Martin County Fiscal Court. The Martin County Water District Side A was formed December 1, 1962. On August 31, 1996, the Fiscal Court, with approval of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, merged Section A and B. The District is a Special Purpose Government Entity (SPGE) recognized by the Kentucky department of Local Government. The District is governed by the Martin County Utility Board, which is comprised of Commissioners appointed by the Martin County Fiscal Court. The District provides potable water directly to residential and commercial customers in the Martin County area.

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. The District has no component units.

The District's annual financial report includes all accounts of the Martin County Water District. The accounting policies of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles. The following is a summary of such significant policies:

#### A) Fund Accounting

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of the District constitute the equivalent of an enterprise fund, and therefore, only this fund is presented. This fund consists of a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, net position, revenues, and expenses.

### B) Capital Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date donated.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activity are included on their statements of net position. Their reported fund equity (total net position) is segregated into net investment in capital assets, restricted for customer deposits, restricted for debt retirement, restricted for capital projects, and unrestricted components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net position.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method.

#### 1) Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

As of the year ended December 31, 2021, the District uses the midpoint of the depreciable life ranges recommended by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Cost of water/sewer system 5 - 50 years
Building 5 - 50 years
Office furniture and equipment 5 - 10 years
Vehicles 5 years

# C) Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

#### D) Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The District's Board of Commissioners receives and approves an annual budget from management each calendar year fulfilling the requirement to prepare an annual budget as required by all SPGE's for the Kentucky Department of Local Government.

#### E) Restricted Net Position

Net position is reported as restricted when limitations on use changes the normal understanding of the availability of the related asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments or imposed by enabling legislation. It is the District's policy to expend restricted resources first if the restrictions are met. All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" is reported as unrestricted net position.

#### F) Inventory

Inventory is priced at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis or market value.

#### G) Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District considers all cash and cash equivalents to include all demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity of less than three months from the date acquired by the District.

### H) Operating and Non-Operating Income

Operating revenues and expenses result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the fund's principal ongoing operations. All income and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating income and expenses.

#### 1) Significant Accounting Policies (Concluded)

#### I) Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the County Employees' Retirement System (CERS) and additions to/deductions from CERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by CERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments, if any, are reported at fair value.

#### 2) Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

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.

#### 3) Cash and Investments

As of December 31, 2021, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$429,108 and the bank balances totaled \$441,947. As of December 31, 2021, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance, \$91,963 was collateralized with a letter of credit in First State Bank's name for the coverage of the District's deposit balances, and \$99,984 was deposited in institutional liquidity funds.

The institutional liquidity funds are invested in U.S. Government Agency money market funds. Due to the nature and liquidity of the government agency money market funds, they are considered cash on the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Cash Flows.

#### 4) Accounts Receivable

The receivables are reported on the accompanying Statements of Net Position, net of an allowance for doubtful accounts, which amounted to \$28,000 and \$84,000 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. Estimated unbilled revenues are recognized at the end of each year on a pro rata basis. The estimated amount is based on billings during the month following the close of the fiscal year.

#### 5) Long-Term Debt

#### **KIA**

The District obtained a loan in the amount of \$1,329,826 from the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) to provide water to customers in the Martin County area. Payments accrue monthly, with a maturity date of June 2027 and interest rate of 3.00%. The collateral for the loan is service revenue.

#### **KACO**

The District purchased vehicles and equipment by obtaining \$200,000 of funding from the Kentucky Association of Counties (KACO). Payments accrue monthly, with a maturity date of 2025 and variable rate. The base rental interest rate is 4.25%.

#### **KRW Bond Refunding**

The District initiated improvements of its water system by obtaining funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Division of Rural Development (RD). The RD loans were refunded on May 12, 2015 from the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation Public Projects.

#### 5) Long-Term Debt (Continued)

#### Series 2015E Current Refunding

RD loans of \$2,008,100 were refunded on May 12, 2015 by \$2,010,000 par amount public project fund bond from the Kentucky Rural Water Finance Corporation. The new debt bears interest ranging from 2.10% – 4.10% maturing on February 1, 2045. The premium on the refunding, totaling \$22,363 is presented as an increase in the face amount of the long-term debt payable and is being amortized using the straight-line method over the term of the debt. Amortization for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 amounted to \$755 and \$765, respectively.

The District is obligated to make payments in amounts sufficient to satisfy the new debt service. The collateral for the loan is service revenue.

The following is a summary of outstanding debt as of December 31:

	2021	2020
Series 2015 E Revenue Bonds \$2,010,000 Revenue Bonds due in yearly installments of \$30,000 to \$55,000 from January 2016 through June 2045, interest rates at 2.10% to 4.10%.	\$ 1,705,000	\$ 1,765,000
Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Loan \$1,329,826.43 loan due in monthly installments of \$5,620.58 from 1991 through June 2027, interest rate is 3.00%.	341,577	397,858
Kentucky Association of Counties Equipment Lease \$200,000 variable rate lease due in annual installments of \$5,000 to \$15,000 from March 20, 2006 through 2025, base rental interest of 4,25%.	56,222	71,222
Total Debt Payable	2,102,799	2,234,080
Add: Unamortized Premium Less: Current Portion	17,362 (132,993)	18,117 (131,281)
Long-Term Portion of Debt Payable	\$ 1,987,168	\$ 2,120,916

The following is a summary of long-term debt requirements as of December 31:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 132,993	\$ 76,244	\$ 209,237
2023	134,757	71,190	205,947
2024	141,574	65,990	207,564
2025	139,669	60,939	200,608
2026	135,377	56,709	192,086
2027-2031	413,429	236,549	649,978
2032-2036	445,000	159,612	604,612
2037-2041	345,000	78,207	423,207
2042-2046	215,000	17,935	232,935
Totals	\$ 2,102,799	\$ 823,375	\$ 2,926,174

#### 5) Long-Term Debt (Concluded)

The changes in long-term debt for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

	2021	2020
Balance, Beginning Additions Retirements	\$ 2,234,080 - (131,281)	\$ 2,358,700 - (124,620)
Remements	(131,201)	(124,020)
Balance, Ending	\$ 2,102,799	\$ 2,234,080

### 6) Litigation

At December 31, 2021, there were no claims or lawsuits pending against the District.

#### 7) Concentration of Credit Risk

The District provides virtually all of its services to the residents of Martin County Water District and derives the majority of its revenues from water service to those residents. Further, the District is subject to regulation by state statutes and the Environmental Protection Agency.

#### 8) Restricted Assets and Net Position

Restricted Assets consist of cash accounts required to be held in separate accounts in accordance with the District's debt covenants. Balances in the restricted cash accounts and accrued interest receivable total \$131,434 and \$127,206 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

As of December 31, 2021, the District's Restricted Net Position consists of net investments in capital assets, restrictions on debt retirement, restrictions on management infrastructure, and restrictions on capital projects.

# **Net Investment in Capital Assets**

	2021	2020
Total Capital Assets	\$17,715,134	\$17,926,113
Less:		
Long-term portion of debt (net)	(1,987,168)	(2,120,916)
Current portion of long-term debt	(132,993)	(131,281)
Total Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$15,594,973	\$15,673,916
Total Net Investment in Capital Assets	Ψ13,394,913	ψ 13,073,910

# 8) Restricted Assets and Net Position (Concluded)

The bond issues contain covenants relative to the maintenance of specific funds and the making of monthly payments to certain funds. The status of the various accounts was as follows as of December 31:

	2021	2020
Sinking funds	\$ 130,347	\$ 126,089
Surcharge fund	1,917	1,917
Depreciation fund	1,022	1,022
Restricted cash and investments -		
Debt retirement	133,286	129,028
Add: Accrued interest receivable	2	2
Less: Payable from restricted assets		
Accrued interest	 (28,151)	(29,378)
Restricted for debt retirement	\$ 105,137	\$ 99,652

A management infrastructure surcharge was authorized by the Kentucky Public Service Commission to fund payments to the District's management company. The status of the account was as follows as of December 31:

#### **Management Infrastructure**

	 2021	 2020
Management infrastructure surcharge fund	\$ 6,587	\$ 1,000
	\$ 6,587	\$ 1,000

Grant proceeds from the Appalachian Regional Commission are deposited into a grant fund to pay for improvements to the Martin County Water System. The status of the account was as follows for the year ended December 31:

# **Capital Projects**

	2021		2020	
Restricted cash - Capital projects	\$	63	\$	93
Restricted for Capital Projects	\$	63	\$	93

#### 9) Capital Assets

Capital assets during the year ended December 31, 2021 consisted of the following:

	Balance at January 1	Additions	Additions Deductions		
Water Supply & Distribution System	\$27,316,475	\$ 891,785	\$ (1,986)	\$ 28,206,274	
Buildings	500,264	-	-	500,264	
Equipment & Furniture	6,398,523	-	(28,641)	6,369,882	
Vehicles & Trailers	307,474		(168,701)	138,773	
	34,522,736	891,785	(199,328)	35,215,193	
Accumulated Depreciation	(17,142,379)	(773,206)	194,575	(17,721,010)	
Construction in Progress	331,042	566,980	(891,785)	6,237	
Land	214,714	<u> </u>		214,714	
Total Capital Assets	\$17,926,113	\$ 685,559	\$(896,538)	\$ 17,715,134	

Capital assets during the year ended December 31, 2020 consisted of the following:

	Balance at January 1	Additions	Deductions	Balance at December 31
Water Supply & Distribution System	\$27,328,169	\$ -	\$ (11,694)	\$ 27,316,475
Buildings	500,264	-	-	500,264
Equipment & Furniture	6,563,220	-	(164,697)	6,398,523
Vehicles & Trailers	346,665	-	(39,191)	307,474
•	34,738,318		(215,582)	34,522,736
Accumulated Depreciation	(16,565,983)	(786,741)	210,345	(17,142,379)
Construction in Progress	-	331,042	-	331,042
Land	214,714			214,714
Total Capital Assets	\$18,387,049	\$ (455,699)	\$ (5,237)	\$ 17,926,113

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 amounted to \$773,206 and \$786,741, respectively.

# 10) Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year ended December 31, 2021.

# 11) Grants

In August 2018, the District received a grant from the Appalachian Regional Commissioner (ARC) in the amount of \$1,200,000. The District intends to use the proceeds from this grant to improve the Martin County Water System. As of December 31, 2021, the District has used \$991,379 of these funds.

#### 12) Pension Plan:

An updated CERS report from the Kentucky General Assembly is not available, therefore the following notes are relevant for December 31, 2020.

#### Plan Description:

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky General Assembly. The plan covers substantially all regular full-time members employed in non-hazardous duty positions of each county and school board, and any additional eligible local agencies electing to participate in the plan. The plan provides for retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members. CERS issues a publicly available financial report included in Kentucky Retirement Systems Annual Report that includes financial statements and the required supplementary information for CERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Kentucky Retirement Systems, Perimeter Park West, 1260 Louisville Road, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, or by calling (502) 564-4646 or at https://kyret.ky.gov.

#### Benefits Provided:

Benefits under the plan will vary based on final compensation, years of service and other factors as fully described in the plan documents.

#### Contributions:

Funding for CERS is provided by members, who contribute 5.00% (6.00% for employees hired after September 1, 2008) of their salary through payroll deductions, and by employers of members. For the year ending December 31, 2020 employers were required to contribute 19.30% of the member's salary. During the year ended December 31, 2020, the District contributed \$69,664 to the CERS pension plan. The contribution requirements of CERS are established and may be amended by the CERS Board of Trustees.

# Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At December 31, 2020, the District reported a \$1,080,845 liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019. An expected total pension liability as of June 30, 2019 was determined using standard roll-forward techniques. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on contributions to CERS during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. At December 31, 2020 the District's proportion was .014092%.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the District recognized pension expense of \$(50,037) related to CERS. At December 31, 2020, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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	L	Deferred	L	Deferred
	(	Dutflows		Inflows
	of I	Resources	of I	Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	26,953	\$	
Changes in assumptions		42,205		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings				
on pension plan investments		46,851		19,804
Changes in proportion and differences between District				
contributions and proportionate share of contributions		18,950		460,749
Total	\$	134,959	\$	480,553
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#### 12) Pension Plan (Continued)

Deferred outflows and inflows related to differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments are netted and amortized over a closed five year period. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are amortized over the average service life of all members. These will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended	
2021	\$ (161,805)
2022	(178,039)
2023	(16,613)
2024	10,863
2025	
	\$ (345,594)

#### Actuarial Methods and Assumptions for Determining the Total Pension Liability and Net Pension Liability

The total pension liability, net pension liability, and sensitivity information as of June 30, 2020 were based on an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2019. The total pension liability was rolled-forward from the valuation date (June 30, 2019) to the plan's fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, using generally accepted actuarial principles. There have been no changes in actuarial assumptions since June 30, 2019.

The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the actuarially determined contributions effective for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020:

Valuation Date June 30, 2018

Experience Study July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2018

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal
Amortization Method Level percent of pay
Remaining Amortization Period 25 years, Closed

Payroll Growth Rate 2.00%

Asset Valuation Method 20% of the difference between the market value of assets and

the expected actuarial value of assets is recognized

Inflation 2.30%

Salary Increase 3.30% to 11.55%

Investment Rate of Return 6.25%

The mortality table used for active members is RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (multiplied by 50% for males and 30% for females). For healthy retired members and beneficiaries, the mortality table used is the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set-back for one year for females). For disabled members, the RP-2000 Combined Disables Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set-back four years for males) is used for the period after disability retirement.

#### 12) Pension Plan (Concluded)

#### Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return was determined by using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rate of returns are developed for each asset class. The ranges are combined by weighting the expected future real rate of return by the target asset allocation percentage. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rate of return for each major asset class are summarized in the tables below.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Growth	62.50%	
US Equity	18.75%	4.50%
Non-US Equity	18.75%	5.25%
Private Equity	10.00%	6.65%
Specialty Credit/High Yield	15.00%	3.90%
Liquidity	14.50%	
Core Bonds	13.50%	-0.25%
Cash	1.00%	-0.75%
Diversifying Strategies	23.00%	
Real Estate	5.00%	5.30%
Opportunistic	3.00%	2.25%
Real Return	15.00%	3.95%
Expected Real Return	100.00%	3.96%
Long Term Inflation Assump	2.30%	
Expected Nominal Return fo	6.26%	

#### Discount Rate:

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and employers will be made at statutory contribution rates. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return of 7.50%. The long-term assumed investment rate of return was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate:

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.25%, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.25%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.25%) than the current rate:

		Current	
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
CERS	5.25%	6.25%	7.25%
District's proportionate share			
of net pension liability	\$ 1,332,917	\$ 1,080,845	\$ 872,120

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position:

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued CERS financial report which is publicly available at https://kyret.ky.gov.

#### Pavables to the Pension Plan:

There are no payables to CERS at December 31, 2020.

Notes to the Financial Statements December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### 14) Commitments

The District has a full service operating agreement with Alliance Water Resources, Inc. through December 31, 2024, which provides for the operation of the water system. The amount to be paid under the basic agreement for operating the water system is \$2,022,084 for the year ending December 31, 2022 with the compensation for the balance of the contract to be negotiated on an annual basis.

#### 15) Prior Period Financial Statements

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year financial statement presentation to correspond with the current year's format. Net position and changes in net position are unchanged due to these reclassifications.

#### 16) Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been considered through March 14, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Required Suppleme	entary Information	

Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability December 31, 2020

	·	orting Fiscal Year easurement Date) 2020 (2019)	orting Fiscal Year easurement Date) 2019 (2018)	•	orting Fiscal Year easurement Date) 2018 (2017)	•	year leasurement Date) 2017 (2016)	•	orting Fiscal Year easurement Date) 2016 (2015)	·	Porting Fiscal Year easurement Date) 2015 (2014)
County Employee's Retirement System:											
District's proportion of the net pension liability		0.01%	0.02%		0.02%		0.03%		0.02%		0.02%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	1,080,845	\$ 1,739,483	\$	1,459,298	\$	1,255,723	\$	1,065,280	\$	750,000
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability ass with the District	ociate	ed -	-		-		-		-		-
Total	\$	1,080,845	\$ 1,739,483	\$	1,459,298	\$	1,255,723	\$	1,065,280	\$	750,000
District's covered-employee payroll	\$	-	\$ 599,725	\$	588,225	\$	693,688	\$	593,711	\$	559,494
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		311.44%	290.05%		248.08%		181.02%		179.26%		134.05%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		47.81%	50.45%		53.54%		59.00%		59.97%		66.80%

**Note:** Schedule is intended to show information for the last 10 fiscal years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

Required Supplementary Information Schedule of Contributions December 31, 2020

County Employee's Retirement System:	2	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Contractually required contribution	\$	69,664	\$ 101,193	\$ 85,993	\$ 82,452	\$ 84,846	\$ 104,892	\$ 97,385
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		69,664	101,193	85,993	82,452	84,846	104,892	97,385
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$	-	\$ 599,725	\$ 588,225	\$ 574,250	\$ 693,688	\$ 593,711	\$ 559,494
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		N/A	16.23%	14.58%	14.36%	12.23%	17.67%	17.41%

Note: Schedule is intended to show information for the last 10 fiscal years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.





# 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

To the Board of Directors Martin County Water District Inez, Kentucky

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 Martin County Water District (District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2022.

#### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Martin County Water District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Martin County Water District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

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.

#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Martin 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 financial statements. 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 instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2021-001, 2021-002, and 2021-003.

# 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* (Concluded)

#### **District's Response to Findings**

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Martin County Water District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Martin County Water District's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

#### **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 *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Wade Stables P.C.

Wade Stables P.C.
Certified Public Accountants

March 14, 2022 Hannibal, Missouri

#### **Compliance Findings**

#### 2021-001 - Payments Remitted in Accordance with State Statutes

#### Criteria:

Per KRS Statute 65.140, purchases must be paid within 30 days of receipt of an invoice for cities, counties and special purpose government entities.

#### Condition:

The District was not paying bills according to KRS 65.140.

#### Cause.

The District did not have the funds available to meet their financial obligations.

#### Effect:

The District's ability to do business with vendors including those who provide parts and services for maintenance and repairs on the water system has been affected and could greatly impact the public who depend on the District's ability to provide a clean and safe water supply.

#### Recommendation:

Procedures should be implemented to ensure financial obligations are fulfilled timely.

#### Views of Responsible Officials:

Management will work with vendors to make payment plans where necessary and work toward making payments within 30 days as required.

#### 2021-002 - Debt Service Requirements

#### Criteria:

Per loan agreement, the District has covenanted to maintain a depreciation and replacement reserve special account and to fund it until such account is equal to five percent (5%) of the original principal amount of the loan, \$66,491, in order to ensure loan obligations can be paid.

#### Condition:

The District is not in compliance with loan covenants.

#### Cause:

The District did not deposit the required amounts into a depreciation and replacement reserve special account during 2021.

#### Effect:

The District could be deemed in default due to failure of compliance.

#### Recommendation:

Procedures should be put in place to immediately fund the full reserve requirement of \$66,491.

#### Views of Responsible Officials:

Management will make a plan to fully fund depreciation and replacement reserve account per loan covenant.

Schedule of Findings and Responses Year Ended December 31, 2021

# **Compliance Findings (Concluded)**

#### 2021-003 - Debt Service Requirements

#### Criteria:

Per loan agreement, the District has covenanted to deposit in the Revenue Fund, promptly as received from time to time, all revenues of the system.

#### **Condition:**

The District is not in compliance with loan covenants.

#### Cause:

Although all revenues of the system were deposited into District bank accounts, the District did not deposit all revenues into the specified Revenue Fund.

#### Effect:

The District could be deemed in default due to failure of compliance.

#### Recommendation:

Procedures should be put in place immediately to ensure all revenues of the system are first deposited into the Revenue Fund. The District should then transfer monthly from the Revenue Fund and deposit into the Operation and Maintenance Fund sums sufficient to meet the current expenses of operating and maintaining the system.

#### Views of Responsible Officials:

Management will make a plan to deposit all revenues of the system into the specified Revenue Fund per loan covenant.