# HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. Cynthiana, Kentucky

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2021 and 2020

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors Harrison County Water Association, Inc. Cynthiana, Kentucky

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Harrison County Water Association, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Harrison County Water Association, Inc. as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for 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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc. 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 audit opinion.

#### 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.

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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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#### Auditors' 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 opinion. 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 judgment 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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc.'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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc.'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.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 24, 2022 on our consideration of Harrison County Water Association, Inc.'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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc.'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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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RFH, PLLC Lexington, Kentucky March 24, 2022

#### HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31,

	2021	2020
ASSETS		
Current assets	ф 4 444 F04	Ф 4.44F.0CC
Cash Cash - construction	\$ 1,111,581 125,820	\$ 1,145,866 121,136
Accounts receivable customers	125,829 251,993	121,136 279,111
Accrued interest receivable	1,692	3,110
Prepaid expenses	19,516	18,855
Inventory	57,158	57,972
Total current assets	1,567,769	1,626,050
Other assets		
Cash-debt service reserves	5,637	3,350
Certificates of deposit-debt service reserves	1,449,516	1,442,453
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Total other assets	<u>1,455,153</u>	1,445,803
Fixed assets	440.400	
Construction in progress	416,406	-
Property and equipment  Less accumulated depreciation	22,603,489	22,474,476
Less accumulated depreciation	(13,877,005)	(13,431,180)
Total fixed assets	9,142,890	9,043,296
Total assets	\$ 12,165,812	\$ 12,115,149
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 172,877	\$ 144,734
Taxes payable	30,520	11,503
Retirement payable	30,200	-
Customer deposits payable	157,707	154,029
Accrued interest payable	4,492	4,579
Accrued sick pay Current portion of loans payable	24,235 24,476	23,328
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	24,476	23,906
Total current liabilities	444,507	362,079
Long-term debt	4 400 450	4 400 000
Loans payable, net of current position	1,162,452	1,186,928
Net assets		
Without donor restrictions		
Customer contributions	2,992,340	2,899,090
Grants in aid of construction	9,199,025	9,199,025
Debt service reserves	1,455,153	1,445,803
Appropriated	240,073	309,074
Unappropriated (deficit)	(3,327,738)	(3,286,850)
Total net assets	10,558,853	10,566,142
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 12,165,812	\$ 12,115,149

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

### HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

 $for the \ years \ ended \ December \ 31, \\$ 

	2021	2020
NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS OPERATING REVENUE		
Water sales	\$ 2,829,163	\$ 2,859,050
Late charges	37,804	11,312
Other service	14,524	5,772
Other revenue	17,886	9,801
Other revenue	17,000	9,001
Total operating revenue	2,899,377	2,885,935
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Purchased water	1,462,631	1,446,862
Salaries	486,006	491,712
Payroll taxes	38,767	40,644
Employee benefits	167,663	162,875
Utilities	63,937	59,683
Material and supplies	12,879	162,771
Office supplies	51,554	43,287
Transportation	61,336	34,594
Repairs	39,097	60,819
Insurance	39,357	38,214
Billing	-	31,427
Accounting	50,936	19,500
Legal	9,424	8,250
Other contractual services	10,526	11,175
Bad debt expense	18,306	10,434
Telephone	6,348	5,008
Miscellaneous	1,652	19
Regulatory assessment fee	11,786	5,529
Total operating expense	2,532,205	2,632,803
Operating income before depreciation	367,172	253,132
Depreciation expense	(445,825)	(411,445)
OPERATING (LOSS)	(78,653)	(158,313)
Non-operating income (expenses)		
Grants in aid of construction	_	84,827
Customer contributions, tap fees	93,250	107,750
Interest income	12,154	27,017
Interest expense	(34,040)	(38,473)
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	(7,289)	22,808
Net assets, beginning of year	10,566,142	10,543,334
NET ASSETS, ENDING	\$ 10,558,853	\$ 10,566,142

# HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES for the year ended December 31, 2021

	System Operations	General and Administrative	Total
Purchased water	\$ 1,462,631	\$ -	\$ 1,462,631
Salaries	312,095	173,911	486,006
Payroll taxes	17,165	21,602	38,767
Employee benefits	74,235	93,428	167,663
Utilities	63,937	-	63,937
Material and supplies	12,879	-	12,879
Office supplies	-	51,554	51,554
Transportation	61,336	-	61,336
Repairs	39,097	-	39,097
Insurance	39,357	-	39,357
Accounting	-	50,936	50,936
Legal	-	9,424	9,424
Other contractual services	10,526	-	10,526
Bad debt expense	-	18,306	18,306
Telephone	-	6,348	6,348
Miscellaneous	-	1,652	1,652
Regulatory assessment fee	-	11,786	11,786
Depreciation	445,825	<del>-</del>	445,825
Total operating expenses	\$ 2,539,083	\$ 438,947	\$ 2,978,030

# HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES for the year ended December 31, 2020

	System Operations	General and Administrative	Total
Purchased water	\$ 1,446,862	\$ -	\$ 1,446,862
Salaries	320,773	170,939	491,712
Payroll taxes	18,985	21,659	40,644
Employee benefits	76,079	86,796	162,875
Utilities	59,683	-	59,683
Material and supplies	162,771	-	162,771
Office supplies	-	43,287	43,287
Transportation	34,594	-	34,594
Repairs	58,147	2,672	60,819
Insurance	38,214	-	38,214
Billing	-	31,427	31,427
Accounting	-	19,500	19,500
Legal	-	8,250	8,250
Other contractual services	11,175	-	11,175
Bad debt expense	-	10,434	10,434
Telephone	-	5,008	5,008
Miscellaneous	-	19	19
Regulatory assessment fee	-	5,529	5,529
Depreciation	411,445	<del>-</del>	411,445
Total operating expenses	\$ 2,638,728	\$ 405,520	\$ 3,044,248

# HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	Customer Contributions	Grants in Aid of Construction	Debt Service Reserves	Appropriated	Unappropriated	Total
Balances, December 31, 2019	\$ 2,791,340	\$ 9,114,198	\$ 1,792,321	\$ 291,011	\$ (3,445,536)	\$ 10,543,334
Change in net assets	107,750	84,827	-	-	(169,769)	22,808
Transfer to (from) reserves			(346,518)	18,063	328,455	
Change in net assets without donor restrictions	107,750	84,827	(346,518)	18,063	158,686	22,808
Balances, December 31, 2020	2,899,090	9,199,025	1,445,803	309,074	(3,286,850)	10,566,142
Change in net assets	93,250	-	-	-	(100,539)	(7,289)
Transfer to (from) reserves			9,350	(69,001)	59,651	
Change in net assets without donor restrictions	93,250		9,350	(69,001)	(40,888)	(7,289)
Balances, December 31, 2021	\$ 2,992,340	\$ 9,199,025	\$ 1,455,153	\$ 240,073	\$ (3,327,738)	\$ 10,558,853

#### HARRISON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS for the years ended December 31,

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	2021	2020
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<b>A</b> 0.007.040	<b>A</b> 0.070.000
Receipts from customers	\$ 2,927,913	\$ 2,873,230
Payments to suppliers	(1,807,795)	(1,913,047)
Payments for employee services and benefits	(642,312)	(706,010)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	477,806	254,173
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Retirement of note principal	(23,906)	(23,249)
Interest paid	(34,127)	(38,557)
Purchase of capital assets	(545,419)	(154,835)
Customer contributions, tap fees	93,250	107,750
Proceeds from grantor		84,827
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	(510,202)	(24,064)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Redemption (purchase) of certificates of deposit	(7,063)	340,526
Interest income	12,154	27,017
Net cash provided by (used in) by investing activities	5,091	367,543
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(27,305)	597,652
Cash, beginning of year	1,270,352	672,700
CASH, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,243,047	\$ 1,270,352
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash		
provided by operating activities:	<b>4</b> (70.050)	<b>.</b> (450.040)
Operating income (loss)	\$ (78,653)	\$ (158,313)
Non-cash items included in operating income (loss)	445 005	444 445
Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities	445,825	411,445
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivables	27,118	(13,931)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivables  (Increase) decrease in interest receivable	1,418	1,226
(Increase) decrease in inventory	814	(6,542)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(661)	(2,218)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	28,143	18,535
Increase (decrease) in other payables	50,124	(10,779)
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	3,678	14,750
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 477,806	\$ 254,173

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Harrison County Water Association, Inc. (the Association) distributes and sells water to approximately 6,000 members. The Association serves primarily Harrison County outside the City of Cynthiana and parts of the adjacent counties. Its suppliers of water are the City of Cynthiana, Kentucky American Water, the City of Paris, and the Nicholas County Water District.

#### Reporting Entity

Harrison County Water Association, Inc. was created and organized as a non-profit association under Section 501(c)12 of the Internal Revenue Code. No income tax is applicable due to the Association's tax exempt status.

The Association files an income tax return in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and the state of Kentucky. The Association is generally no longer subject to income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2018. The Association believes there are no tax positions that meet the more likely than not threshold for disclosure in these financial statements.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The Association maintains its accounting records on the cash basis during the year. Adjustments are made to the accrual basis from memorandum records at year end.

The Board makes a determination whether to first apply restricted or unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted funds are available.

Interest income, interest expense and capital contributions are considered non-operating. Generally, all other income and expense is considered operating.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The Association is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the two classes of net assets; net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Association considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of 90 days or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents for purposes of the statement of cash flows include restricted and unrestricted accounts.

#### Investments

The Association's investments are certificates of deposit that are valued at cost, which approximates fair value.

#### **Accounts Receivable**

The Association charges all uncollected accounts directly against current earnings when the determination is made the account is uncollectible. Therefore, there is no allowance for doubtful accounts.

#### Inventory

The Association's inventory is stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Fixed assets are recorded at cost when purchased, or fair value when contributed. Depreciation has been provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of an asset, which ranges from 5 to 50 years. Land and construction in progress are not subject to depreciation. Interest costs during construction of fixed assets are capitalized as a part of the cost.

#### 1. ORGANIZATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **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 period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Management's Review of Subsequent Events**

The Association has evaluated and considered the need to recognize or disclose subsequent events through March 24, 2022 which represents the date that these financial statements were available to be issued. Subsequent events past this date, as they pertain to the year ended December 31, 2021, have not been evaluated by the Association.

#### 2. REVENUE RECOGNITION

The Association's sales are delivered daily as customers use water at which time ownership, risks, and rewards transfer. Revenue is recognized at the end of the month when the customers usage is measured and billed. Control of water transfers to the customer as they consume it. In 2021 and 2020, the Association recognized revenue from sales to customers totaling \$2,829,163 and \$2,859,050, respectively.

Water tap-on fees for new services and various grants are recognized as revenue as various conditions are met, and then reflected as contributed capital in the statement of financial position.

#### **Contract Balances**

The timing of revenue recognition, billings and cash collections results in billed accounts receivable on the statements of financial position. Amounts are billed on the 15th of every month based on customer usage. Total usage determines the rate at which a customer is billed per unit. Payment is due within 10 days, but penalties are not imposed until 10 additional days past the due date. The association receives bill payments, on average, every 34 days.

The beginning and ending contract balances were as follows as of December 31,:

	2021	2020	2019
Accounts receivable	<u>\$ 251,993</u>	<u>\$ 279,111</u>	\$ 265,180

Customers have the right to claim adjustments for leaks, once per year, or to correct errors from meter reading. The Association recognized revenue sales in the amount it expected to be entitled, that is, net of estimated adjustments. Based on past experience, the Association does not anticipate a significant amount of adjustments and therefore has not accrued an adjustment liability.

#### 3. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Association will not be able to recover the value of the investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. In order to anticipate market changes and provide a level of security for all funds, the collateralization level should be one hundred percent of the market value of the principal, plus accrued interest.

#### 3. CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Association's deposits and investments at December 31, 2021 and 2020, were covered by Federal Depository Insurance or by collateral held by the custodial banks in the Association's name. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the bank balances of the Association's deposits totaled \$2,706,069 and \$2,777,278 respectively. At December 31, 2021, cash balances were covered by the following:

FDIC insurance	\$ 1,639,471
Collateralized by securities held by	
the pledging financial institution	1,340,984
Over insured and overcollateralized	(274,386)
Total	\$ 2,706,06 <u>9</u>

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Association includes the following cash accounts:

	2021	2020
Cash - unrestricted	\$ 1,111,581	\$ 1,145,866
Cash - construction	125,829	121,136
Cash - restricted	5,637	3,350
Total	<u>\$ 1,243,047</u>	<u>\$ 1,270,352</u>

#### 4. LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

The Association has not adopted a formal liquidity management plan. The Association continually reviews its financial assets and assesses if these financial assets are sufficient to meet cash needs for general expenditures. Financial assets generally are current or liquid assets such as cash and cash equivalents, certificates of deposit and accounts receivable. As of December 31, 2021, the Association's financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year are as follows:

Financial assets, at December 31, 2021	\$ 2,944,556
Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year, due to:	
Board designations:	
Debt service reserves	(1,455,153)
Appropriated	(240,073)
Amounts set aside for use on construction projects	 (125,829)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general	
expenditures within one year	\$ 1,123,501

As of December 31, 2020, the Association's financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures within one year are as follows:

Financial assets, at December 31, 2020 Less those unavailable for general expenditures within one year, due to:	\$	2,991,916
Board designations: Debt service reserves Appropriated Amounts set aside for use on construction projects Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general		(1,445,803) (309,074) (121,136)
expenditures within one year	<u>\$</u>	1,115,903

#### 5. FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets activity for the year ended December 31, 2021 is as follows:

	Balance 12/31/2020	Additions	Disposals	Balance 12/31/2021
Assets not depreciated: Land Construction in progress	\$ 132,759 	\$ - 416,406	•	\$ 132,759 416,406
Total assets not depreciated	132,759			549,165
Assets being depreciated: Property and equipment Less: accumulated depreciation	22,341,717 (13,431,180)	129,013 (445,825)	<u>-</u>	22,470,730 (13,877,005)
Net depreciable assets	8,910,537	(316,812)		8,593,725
Total fixed assets, net	\$ 9,043,296	\$ 99,594	<u>\$</u> _	\$ 9,142,890

Fixed assets activity for the year ended December 31, 2020 is as follows:

	Balance 12/31/2019	Additions	Disposals	Balance 12/31/2020
Assets not depreciated: Land Construction in progress	\$ 32,709 	\$ 100,050 	\$ - -	\$ 132,759 
Total assets not depreciated	32,709	100,050		132,759
Assets being depreciated: Property and equipment Less: accumulated depreciation	22,298,517 (13,031,320)	54,785 (411,445)	(11,585) 11,585	22,341,717 (13,431,180)
Net depreciable assets	9,267,197	(356,660)		8,910,537
Total fixed assets, net	<u>\$ 9,299,906</u>	<u>\$ (256,610)</u>	<u>\$</u> _	\$ 9,043,296

Depreciation expense totaled \$445,825 and \$411,445 for the years ended December 2021 and 2020, respectively.

#### 6. LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of the loans outstanding for the Association for the years ended December 31,:

Loans - U.S. Department of Agriculture	2021	2020
Loan - \$469,000 Dated 3/16/16, due in annual installments of \$18,685 starting in 2017 through 2056. Bearing interest at a rate of 2.50%.	\$ 432,057	\$ 439,748
Loan - \$885,000  Dated 12/02/10, due in annual installments of \$39,348 starting in 2014 through 2050.		
Bearing interest at a rate of 3.00%.	<u>754,871</u>	771,086
Less: current portion	1,186,928 (24,476)	1,210,834 (23,906)
Long-term portion of loans payable	<u>\$ 1,162,452</u>	<u>\$1,186,928</u>

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	December 31, 2020	Additions	Retirements	December 31, 2021	Due Within One Year
Loans payable	<u>\$ 1,210,834</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ (23,906)	<u>\$ 1,186,928</u>	<u>\$ 24,476</u>

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended December 31, 2020:

	December 31, 2019	Additions	Retirements	December 31, 2020	Due Within One Year
Loans payable	<u>\$ 1,234,083</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ (23,249)</u>	<u>\$ 1,210,834</u>	\$ 23,906

The annual requirements to amortize all loans outstanding as of December 31, 2021 are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 24,476	\$ 33,557	\$ 58,033
2023	25,174	32,859	58,033
2024	25,893	32,140	58,033
2025	26,541	31,492	58,033
2026	27,391	30,642	58,033
2027-2031	149,170	140,995	290,165
2032-2036	172,164	118,001	290,165
2037-2041	198,126	92,039	290,165
2042-2046	228,058	62,107	290,165
2047-2051	223,124	27,693	250,817
2052-2056	86,811	6,506	93,317
	\$ 1,186,928	\$ 608,031	<u>\$ 1,794,959</u>

#### 7. COMPLIANCE WITH LOAN AGREEMENT

The loan agreement between Rural Development (U.S. Department of Agriculture) concerning the various loans requires certain reserves be created and maintained as follows:

**Principal and interest reserve** – This account is required to accumulate a balance sufficient to retire the next installment payment on the loans. The required balance at December 31, 2021 totaled \$58,033. The Association maintained investment balances to fully satisfy this reserve as of December 31, 2021 and 2020.

**Depreciation reserve** – This account is required to maintain a reserve for unusual repairs. The required balance at December 31, 2021 totaled \$54,276. The Association maintained investment balances to fully satisfy this reserve as of December 31, 2021 and 2020.

#### 8. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

The Association has contributed to the employees' IRA accounts, a defined contribution plan, annually for all full-time employees. The plan is funded by contributions from employees of up to \$3,500 per employee and the Association matches these contributions. For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, employee contributions totaled \$30,200 and \$31,133, and employer contributions totaled \$30,200 and \$31,133, respectively.

#### 9. COST ALLOCATION

Certain categories of expenses are attributable to more than one program or supporting function and are allocated on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. The expenses that are allocated are salaries, payroll taxes and benefits, which are allocated on the basis of estimates of time and effort.

#### 10. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Association is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. In addition to its general liability insurance, the Association also carries commercial insurance for all other risks of loss such as worker's compensation and employee health and accident coverage. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### 11. APPROPRIATIONS OF NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS

The Association has appropriated \$240,073 and \$309,074 at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, of net assets without donor restrictions to cover security deposits and meet current debt service requirements.

#### 12. DEFICIT UNAPPROPRIATED NET ASSETS

The Association carried a deficit in unappropriated net assets at December 31, 2021 and 2020 of \$3,327,738 and \$3,286,850, respectively. The deficit is primarily a result of user charges insufficient to provide for depreciation on contributed assets. Accumulated depreciation on contributed assets totaled \$7,788,137 and \$7,543,291 at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

#### 13. COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Since early 2020, various restrictions were placed on utilities in the state of Kentucky in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. These restrictions included the cessation of utility shutoffs and the charging of penalties due to nonpayment of bills until early 2021. Starting March 2021, the District was able to resume performing shutoffs. As a result of these orders and the impact of COVID-19 on the Association's customers, there has been an increase in delinquent billings as of December 31, 2021. The Association is working to establish payment plans with customers who have delinquent bills in an attempt to ensure continuous service and the collection of past due balances.



# 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

The Board of Directors Harrison County Water Association, Inc. Cynthiana, 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 Harrison County Water Association, Inc. (the Association), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Association's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 24, 2022.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Association'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 Association's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association'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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Association'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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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#### **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.

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RFH, PLLC Lexington, Kentucky March 24, 2022