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BASIC AUDIT REPORT

Hiram Energy Special Improvement District, Inc. Portage County P.O. Box 65 Hiram, Ohio 44234

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Hiram Energy Special Improvement District, Inc., Portage County, (the District) for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the District's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the District's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

The District's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance issue to report:

Current Year Observations

Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires entities to file their financial information with the Auditor of State within 60 days of the fiscal year end. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the District did not file a complete annual report within 60 days of the fiscal year end. The 2020 report was filed on September 13, 2021, and the 2019 report was filed on October 7, 2020.

The District should ensure that its annual financial reports are filed timely with the Auditor of State. Failure to file annual financial statements in a timely manner may result in the District not being eligible for reduced audit procedures in the future, such as a basic audit or agreed upon procedures. Our prior basic audit also included this issue.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

October 15, 2021

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HIRAM ENERGY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, INC.

PORTAGE COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 11/4/2021

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