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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Gallia, Jackson, Meigs, Vinton Solid Waste Management District Jackson County 1056 South New Hampshire Avenue Wellston, Ohio 45692

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Gallia, Jackson, Meigs, Vinton Solid Waste Management District's, Jackson County, Ohio (the District), receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District.

The Board of Directors and the management of the District have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of providing assistance in the evaluation of the District's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. No other party acknowledged the appropriateness of the procedures. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of the report and may not meet the needs of all users of the report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

For the purposes of performing these procedures, this report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

Cash and Investments

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2020 beginning fund balances recorded in the Account List Detail to the December 31, 2019 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2021 beginning fund balances recorded in the Account List Detail to the December 31, 2020 balances in the Account List Detail. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the 2021 and 2020 Bank Reconciliation totals as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 to the total fund cash balance reported in the Accounts List Detail Report and the financial statements filed by the District in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed.

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Cash and Investments (Continued)

- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2021 bank account balances with the District's financial institutions. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2021 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected the four reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2021 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. There were no exceptions.
- 6. We traced interbank account transfers occurring in December of 2021 and 2020 to the accounting records and bank statements to determine if they were properly recorded. We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inspected investments held at December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020 to determine that they:
 - c. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions
 - d. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code § 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

Tipping Fees and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

1. We confirmed the amounts paid from Rumpke and Gallia Landfill to the District during 2021 and 2020. They confirmed payment of the following amounts to the District:

Company	2021 Payments	2020 Payments
Rumpke	\$366,528	\$386,862
Gallia Landfill	\$15,707	\$15,067

- a. We compared the amount confirmed with the amount the District recorded in its receipt records. We found no exceptions.
- b. We inspected the Receipt Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
- c. We inspected the Receipt Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We obtained the January of 2020 and January of 2021 total tonnage reports from the landfills in procedure 1.
 - a. We recalculated the dollar amount sent to the District based on the rates in force during the period and agreed to the amounts posted to the District's ledgers. We found no exceptions.

Debt

1. The prior agreed-upon procedures documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2019.

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Debt (Continued)

We inquired of management, and inspected the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register
Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2021 or 2020 or debt payment activity during 2021
or 2020. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2021 or 2020.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We selected one payroll check for the only employee from 2021 and one payroll check for the only employee from 2020 from the Payroll Account Register and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary amount recorded in the Payroll Account Register to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary).
 - i. We inspected the signed withholdings authorization form for the Retirement system, Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization.
 - ii. We agreed these items to the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We recomputed gross and net pay and agreed it to the amount recorded in the payroll register. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was allowable based on the employee's duties as documented in the employee's personnel files.
 - d. We confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2021 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding, period of 2021. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare	January 31, 2022	December 27, 2021	\$758	\$758
State income taxes	January 15, 2022	December 27, 2021	\$371	\$371
Local income tax	January 30, 2022	December 27, 2021	\$136	\$136
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2022	December 27, 2021	\$1,395	\$1,395

We found no exceptions.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. From the Account Transaction Ledger, we re-footed checks recorded as General Fund disbursements for *supplies and materials* and checks recorded as utilities in the General Fund for 2020. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected 10 disbursements from the Account Transaction Ledger for the year ended December 31, 2021 and 10 from the year ended 2020 and determined whether:
 - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
 - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Account Transaction Ledger and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.

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Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

- c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
- d. The Fiscal Officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.28(B)(2) and 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.
- e. The disbursement was allowable under Ohio Rev. Code § 3734.57(G), and the Districts policies and procedures. We found no exceptions.

Compliance - Budgetary

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.28(B)(2) and 5705.41(B) prohibit expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 for the General Fund. Expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 2. We inspected the Account List Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10 (I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. We observed no funds having negative cash fund balances.

Sunshine Law Compliance

- 1. We obtained and inspected the District's Public Records Policy to determine the policy was in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(2) and 149.43(B)(7)(c) and did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected five public records requests from the engagement period and inspected each request to determine the following:
 - a. The District was compliant and responded to the request in accordance with their adopted policy as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(1). We found no exceptions.

Date			
Request	Date Request	Policy Response Time	Actual Response Time
Received	Fulfilled	(in Business days)	(in Business days)
6/15/2020	6/16/2020	n/a	1
9/15/2020	9/16/2020	n/a	1
12/25/2020	12/28/2020	n/a	1
3/28/2021	3/29/2021	n/a	1
6/27/2021	6/28/2021	n/a	1

- b. The District did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
- c. The District did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.

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Sunshine Law Compliance (Continued)

- 3. We inquired whether the District has a records retention schedule, and observed that it is readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 4. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inspected the District's policy manual and determined the public records policy was included as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 6. We observed that the District's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the District's as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- We inquired with District's management and determined that the District did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 8. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the District notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period are to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.
- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
 - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
 - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
 - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
 - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

- 11. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) and determined the following:
 - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
 - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G).
 - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

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Other Compliance

1. Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires these districts to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the District filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 in the Hinkle system. We found no exceptions.

We were engaged by the District to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with the attestation standards established by the AICPA and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the District's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the ethical requirements established by the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* related to our agreed upon procedures engagement.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

April 4, 2022



GALLIA, JACKSON, MEIGS, VINTON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT JACKSON 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.



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