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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

City of Cleveland Heights Solid Waste Transfer Facility Cuyahoga County 40 Severance Circle Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118 and The Director, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency 50 W. Town Street, Suite 700 Columbus, OH 43215

We have audited, in accordance with *Government Auditing Standard*s issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the City of Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga County, Ohio for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have separately issued our modified report thereon dated August 21, 2023. These statements present the landfill within a major enterprise fund and also within the City's business-type activities.

In a letter to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency dated August 21, 2023 (the Letter), the Finance Director of City of Cleveland Heights specified that certain amounts disclosed in that Letter were derived from the independently audited financial statements referred to in the first paragraph above.

We have performed the procedures described below on the City of Cleveland Heights Solid Waste Transfer Facility. The City of Cleveland Heights' management is responsible for the information presented in the Letter.

The City of Cleveland Heights has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of solely providing assistance to you in determining that certain amounts reported in the Letter agreed to, or can be computed from, amounts presented in the audited basic financial statements. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this 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.

As required by Ohio Admin. Code 3745-27-15(L)(5)(c) and 3745-27-16(L)(5)(c), we compared the following amounts included in the Letter to the audited financial statements:

Alternative 2, Line No.

- 5 Total assured environmental costs \$182,190
- 6 Total annual revenue \$86,131,987

The amount appearing on Line No. 5 stated at \$182,190 includes total assured environmental costs reported following Governmental Accounting Statement Number 18. The corresponding liability reported on the financial statements, however, was stated at \$201,702.

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Initially, the amount reported in the Letter for Line No. 6 was \$119,177,421, however, the City of Cleveland Heights' financial statements reported \$86,131,987. The subject matter for Line 6 was revised to \$86,131,987 as a result of initial findings from the procedures performed and there are no findings with respect to the revised subject matter. As a result, the amount on line 6 agrees to the basic fund financial statements of City of Cleveland Heights, or can be computed from amounts appearing therein. We followed the definition for line 6 included in the *State Support Document for the Local Government Financial Test*, issued November 27, 1996 by the USEPA.

We were engaged by the City of Cleveland Heights 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 letter. 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 City of Cleveland Heights 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

August 21, 2023



CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS SOLID WASTE TRANSFER FACILITY FINANCIAL ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION

CUYAHOGA 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 10/3/2023

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