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BASIC AUDIT REPORT

Mason Port Authority Warren County 6000 Mason-Montgomery Rd. Mason, Ohio 45040

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Mason Port Authority, Warren County, (the Port Authority) for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

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 Port Authority's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Port Authority's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The Port Authority'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 or accounting issues to report.

Current Year Observations

1. **Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2)** requires all public offices take certain actions with regard to their public record policy. Public offices must distribute their Public Records Policy to the employee who is the records custodian/manager or otherwise has custody of the records of that office and have that employee acknowledge receipt of the Public Records Policy; and, if the public office has a manual or handbook of its general policies and procedures for all employees, include the public records policy in that manual or handbook.

The Township did not distribute their Public Records Policy to the records custodian/manager and did not include the public records policy in its manual or handbook.

Current Status of Matters Reported in our Prior Engagement

2. In addition to the public records matter reported in item 2 above, our prior audit for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 included the following matter:

The Port Authority did not formally adopt a Public Records Policy. The Port Authority adopted a Public Records Policy for 2023 and 2022.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 20, 2024



MASON PORT AUTHORITY

WARREN 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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