AUDIT REPORT

RURAL WATER DISTRICT #13 MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

OCTOBER 31, 2016



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Rural Water District #13 McIntosh County, Oklahoma

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the Rural Water District #13, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, as of and for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2016, as listed in the table of contents and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1. This includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. 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, and in accordance with Oklahoma Statutes. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used, and the reasonableness of significant accounting

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estimates made, by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the modified cash basis financial position of the Rural Water District #13, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, as of October 31, 2016, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 20, 2017, on our consideration of the Rural Water District #13'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 to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in compliance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Rural Water District #13's internal control over financial reporting and compliance is not compliance.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements that describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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February 20, 2017

RURAL WATER DISTRICT #13 MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS OCTOBER 31, 2016

	 2016
ASSETS	
<u>Current Assets:</u> Cash and cash equivalents - Unrestricted Cash and cash equivalents - Restricted (Debt Service)	\$ 380,242 81,647
Total Current Assets	 461,889
<u>Capital Assets:</u> Other Capital Assets Less: Accumulated Depreciation	 2,932,097 (1,740,240)
Total Capital Assets	 1,191,857
<u>Other Assets:</u> ORWA Reserve Certificate	 1,000
Total Other Assets	 1,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,654,747
LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	
<u>Current Liabilities:</u> Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	\$ 55,000
Total Current Liabilities	 55,000
<u>Long-term Liabilities:</u> Note Payable Less: Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	 490,000 (55,000)
Total Long-term Liabilities	 435,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 490,000
<u>Net Position:</u> Net investment in capital assets Restricted for debt service Restricted for other purposes Unrestricted TOTAL NET POSITION	 701,857 81,647 1,000 <u>380,242</u> 1,164,747
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	\$ 1,654,747

See Accountant's Audit Report & Notes Which Accompany These Financial Statements

RURAL WATER DISTRICT #13 MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

		2016
Operating Revenue: Water charges	\$	359,104
Memberships	Ψ	2,000
Other Income		10,297
Total Operating Revenue		371,401
Operating Expenses:		
Water Purchases		14,505
Personal services		143,327
Insurance		15,487
Repairs and maintenance		49,048
Office expense Professional Fees		12,764 4,050
Telephone and utilities		28,383
Vehicles expense		7,181
Equipment		-
Miscellaneous		1,790
Depreciation		83,540
Total Operating Expenses		360,076
Operating Income (Loss)		11,325
Other Revenues and (Expenses):		
Interest Income		821
Interest Expense		(20,164)
Total Other Revenues and (Expenses)		(19,343)
Net Income (Loss) Before Contributions		(8,018)
Capital Contributions		87,686
Change in Net Position		79,668
Total Net Position, Beginning of Year		1,085,079
Total Net Position, Prior Year Adjustment		
Total Net Position, End of Year	\$	1,164,747

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RURAL WATER DISTRICT #13 MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

		2016
<u>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</u> Cash Receipts from Customers Payments to Suppliers and Laborers for Goods & Services	\$	371,401 (276,536)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		94,865
<u>Cash Flows from Capital & Related Financing Activities:</u> Additions to Capital Assets Capital Contributions Loan Proceeds		- 87,686
Principal paid on Debt Interest paid on Debt		- (55,000) (20,164)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital & Related Financing Activities		12,522
Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Interest Income		821
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		821
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		108,208
Cash & Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year		353,681
Cash & Cash Equivalents, Prior Year Adjustment		-
Cash & Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	461,889
<u>Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided</u> operating activities: Operating Income (Loss)	\$	11,325
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities Depreciation		83,540
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$	94,865
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See Accountant's Audit Report & Notes Which Accompany These Financial Statements

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES & OPERATIONS

As discussed further in Note 1.C, these financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). These modified cash-basis financial statements generally meet the presentation and disclosure requirements applicable to GAAP, in substance, but are limited to the elements presented in the financial statements and the constraints of the measurement and recognition criteria of the modified cash basis of accounting.

A. Organization & Reporting Entity

Rural Water District No. 13 (the "District") was created September 23, 2002 by the Board of County Commissioners of McIntosh County, Oklahoma under the provisions of the Rural Water District Act (Title 82 Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 1324.1 et. seq). The District was previously known as Salem Rural Water Corporation. The District is managed by a five member Board of Directors. Members of the board are elected by the membership of the District at its annual meeting. Membership in the District is attained by paying membership dues and receiving services from the District. The activities of the District constitute the entire reporting entity. There are no component or oversight units. The District is a political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma.

B. <u>Basis of Presentation</u>

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of proprietary fund type, specifically an enterprise fund. The activities of this fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise the District's assets, liabilities, net position, revenues and expenses. Enterprise Funds account for activities (1) that are financed with debt that is secured solely by a pledge of the net revenues from fees and charges of the activity; or (2) that are required by laws or regulations that the activity's costs of providing services, including capital costs (such as depreciation or debt service), be recovered with fees and charges, rather than with taxes or similar revenues; or (3) that the pricing policies of the activity establish fees and

charges designed to recover its costs, including capital costs (such as depreciation or debt service).

C. <u>Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting</u>

Measurement Focus

The District utilizes an economic resources measurement focus within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), net financial position, and cash flows. All assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows (whether current or noncurrent or financial nonfinancial) associated with their activities or are generally reported within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than GAAP as established by GASB. This basis of accounting involves modifications to the cash basis of accounting to report in the statements of net position cash transactions or events that provide a benefit or result in an obligation that covers a period greater than the period in which the cash transaction or event occurred. Such reported balances include investments, capital assets and related depreciation, and short-term and long-term liabilities arising from cash transactions or events.

This modified cash basis of accounting differs from GAAP primarily because certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue billed or provided services not yet collected and other accrued revenue and and certain liabilities receivables) and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received buy not yet paid and other accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements. In addition, other economic assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows that do not arise from a cash transaction or event are not reported, and the measurement of reported assets and liabilities does not involve adjustment to fair value.

If the District utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted in the United States, the fund financial statements for proprietary fund types would use the accrual basis of accounting.

D. Financial Position

<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>

For the purpose of financial reporting, cash and cash equivalents includes all demand and savings accounts and certificates of deposit or short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

<u>Capital Assets (Property, Plant & Equipment)</u>

Property and equipment are recorded at cost as of the date of acquisition. Depreciation expense is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Buildings	5–60 years
Improvements, other than buildings	2–50 years
Mobile equipment	3–40 years
Furniture, machinery and equipment	3–30 years
Utility system	5–60 years

Purchases of capital items in excess of \$2,500.00 that increase the capacity or operation efficiency or extend the useful life of any asset are capitalized. Repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Compensated Absences

Full-time, permanent employees are granted personal eave in varying amounts to specified maximums depending on tenure with the District. The District does not record a liability for accrued compensated absences. Using the modified cash basis the amount paid for compensated absences is expensed as paid.

<u>Pension</u>

The District allows employees the option to participate in a SIMPLE IRA retirement plan. None of the District employees are participating at the present time.

Income Taxes

The District is conducting its affairs as a local government and has no provisions for income tax.

Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt is reported at face value, net of applicable discounts and deferred loss on refunding. Costs related to the issuance of debt are deferred and amortized over the lives of various debt issues.

Net Position Classifications

Net Position is classified and displayed in three components:

- 1. Net investment in capital assets. Consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets and adjusted for any deferred inflows and outflows of resources attributable to capital assets and related debt.
- 2. Restricted. Consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows or resources related to those assets, with restriction constraints placed on the use either by (a) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (b) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3. Unrestricted. Net amount of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

It is the District's policy to first use restricted net resources prior to the use of unrestricted net resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net resources are available.

Revenues, expenditures & expenses

Operating revenues and expenses for proprietary funds result from providing services and producing and delivering goods and/or services. They also include all revenues and expenses not related to capital and related financing, noncapital financing, or investing activities.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting used by the District requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures; accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

As a local government unit, the District is subject to various federal, state, and local laws and contractual regulations. In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, the auditor has issued a report on his consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in compliance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of the audit.

Deficit Fund Balance or Retained Earnings

As indicated in the financial statements, there are no fund balance or retained earnings deficits for the District for this fiscal year.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Custodial Credit Risk

At October 31, 2016, the District held deposits of approximately \$461,889 at financial institutions. The District's cash deposits, including interest-bearing certificates of deposit are covered by Federal Depository Insurance (FDIC) or direct obligation of the U.S. Government insured or collateralized with securities held by the District or by its agent in the District's name.

Investment Interest Rate Risk

The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Investment Credit Risk

The District has no policy that limits its investment choices other than the limitation of state law as follows:

- a. Direct obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities to which the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government is pledged, or obligations to the payment of which the full faith and credit of the State is pledged.
- b. Certificates of deposits or savings accounts that are either insured or secured with acceptable collateral with in-state financial institutions, and fully insured certificates of deposit or savings accounts in out-of-state financial institutions.
- c. With certain limitation, negotiable certificates of deposit, prime bankers' acceptances, prime commercial paper and repurchase agreements with certain limitations.
- d. County, municipal or school district tax supported debt obligations, bond or revenue anticipation notes, money judgments, or bond or revenue anticipation notes of public trusts whose beneficiary is a county, municipality or school district.
- e. Notes or bonds secured by mortgage or trust deed insured by the Federal Housing Administrator and debentures issued by the Federal Housing Administrator, and in obligations of the National Mortgage Association.
- f. Money market funds regulated by the SEC and in which investments consist of the investments mentioned in the previous paragraphs (a.-d.).

NOTE 4 - RESERVE CERTIFICATES

The District has purchased reserve certificates totaling \$1,000 from the Oklahoma Rural Water Association Assurance Group (the Group). These certificates are on deposit in the self-insurance reserves of the Group under the Agreement Establishing the Oklahoma Rural Water Association Assurance Group entered into pursuant to the Oklahoma Interlocal Cooperation Act. The District has insurance coverage other than the self-insurance of the group. Reserve certificates may be surrendered and the deposit refunded subject to certain time and

notice requirements. The certificates accrue interest at a fluctuating rate on the basis of a 360-day year at the Treasury rate plus two percent per annum. The balance in the self-insurance reserve certificates is considered reserved net assets.

NOTE 5 - RESTRICTED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District reports restricted cash and cash equivalents for use as a debt reserve. These monies are held as a reserve for the Oklahoma Water Resources Board loan.

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity, for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2016, was as follows:

	Balance at			Balance at
	Oct. 31, 2015	Additions	Deductions	Oct. 31, 2016
Building	\$ 58,080	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58,080
Water System	2,727,809	-	-	2,727,809
Equipment	146,209		-	146,209
Subtotal	2,932,097	-	-	2,932,097
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Building	38,982	1,181	-	40,163
Water System	1,532,963	67,350	-	1,600,312
Equipment	84,755	15,010	-	99,765
Total Accum. Depreciation	1,656,700	83,540	-	1,740,240
Total Capital Assets				
(Net of Depreciation)	\$ 1,275,398	\$ (83,540)	\$ -	\$ 1,191,857

NOTE 7 - LONG TERM DEBT

On November 24, 2009, the District borrowed \$835,000 from Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) for loan FAP-09-0002-L to refinance existing debt and complete a system upgrade. The loan was refinanced from a variable FAP loan to a fixed rate of 1.145%.

Changes in Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended October 31, 2016:

	Ba	lance at					Ba	lance at
	0ct	tober 31,					0c1	tober 31,
		2015	Addi	tions	Dec	ductions		2016
Note Payable – OWRB	\$	545,000	\$	-	\$	55,000	\$	490,000
Total Long-Term Debt	\$	545,000	\$	-	\$	55,000	\$	490,000

Year Ended			Annual
October 31,	Principal	Interest	Payment
2017	\$ 55,000	\$ 18,434	\$ 73,434
2018	55,000	16,567	71,567
2019	60,000	14,631	74,631
2020	60,000	12,504	72,504
2021	60,000	26,529	86,529
2022-2024	200,000	16,212	216,212
Total	\$ 490,000	\$ 104,878	\$ 594,878

<u>Debt Services Requirements to Maturity</u>

NOTE 8 - RATE COVENANT

Under the terms of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board loan, the District is required to maintain a schedule of rates or charges for services sufficient to provide funds which together with other revenues pledged under the Local Act, will provide net revenues available for debt service equal to at least 125% of the maximum annual debt service requirement. The ratio for the current year is calculated as follows:

Revenues	\$ 371,401
Expenses	276,536
Revenues available for debt service	\$ 94,865
Debt service requirement	\$ 75,502
Ratio	1.26

NOTE 9 - NET POSITION

As described in Note 1 above, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- 1. Net investment in capital assets
- 2. Restricted
- 3. Unrestricted

Note 4 & 5 above describe the restricted amounts.

NOTE 10 - CONTINGENCIES

<u>Litigation</u>

According to management there were no known contingent liabilities at October 31, 2016, which would have a material effect on the financial statements.

Grant Program Involvement

In the normal course of operations, the District participates in various Federal or State grant or loan programs from year to year. The grant/loan programs are often subject to additional audits by agents of the granting or loaning agency, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with the specific conditions of the grant or loan. Any liability of reimbursement that may arise as a result of these audits cannot be reasonably determined at this time, although it is believed the amount, if any, would not be material.

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District 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. The District carries for of including commercial insurance risk loss. workers' compensation. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 12 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The District did not have any subsequent events through February 20, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were issued, for events requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements for the year ending October 31, 2016.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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

To the Board of Directors Rural Water District #13 McIntosh County, Oklahoma

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, and in accordance with Oklahoma Statutes, the modified cash basis financial statements of Rural Water District #13, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended October 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles and have issued our report thereon dated February 20, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Rural Water District #13'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 Rural Water District #13's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Rural Water District #13'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. material weakness is a deficiency, or combination A of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is а 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

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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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. 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. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings that we consider to be significant deficiencies. Those deficiencies are listed as Items 16-01 and 16-02.

<u>Compliance and Other Matters</u>

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Rural Water District #13's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of 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*.

Rural Water District #13's Response to Findings

Rural Water District #13's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Rural Water District #13's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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

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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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February 20, 2017

RURAL WATER DISTRICT #13 MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OCTOBER 31, 2016

INTERNAL CONTROL FINDINGS:

Item 16-01: Segregation of Duties

<u>Criteria:</u> A good system of internal control requires a proper segregation of duties to prevent one person from being in a position to authorize, execute, and record the same transaction.

<u>Condition:</u> Due to the size of the District's major areas of internal control, that would be prevalent in a larger District, such segregation of duties is not available for this size operation. Duties are concentrated in the hands of a few individuals, who are responsible for all phases of the accounting functions. Because of this lack of division of responsibility, internal control is determined to be weak, and in some instances, non-existent.

<u>Cause/Effect:</u> Due to the limited number of personnel, a breach of internal controls could occur and not be detected in the normal course of operations.

<u>Recommendation:</u> The Board should continue to be actively involved in the operations of the District.

<u>Response:</u> The Board continues to be actively involved in the operations of the District.

Item 16-02: Bank Reconciliations

<u>Criteria:</u> Internal control refers to the methods and procedures used to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of objectives in the following categories: Safeguarding assets, Ensuring validity of financial records and reports, Promoting adherence to policies, procedures, regulations and laws, and Promoting effectiveness and efficiency of operations. Internal control also refers to how an entity processes, summarizes and records the financial transactions. In general terms, internal controls are simply good business practices.

<u>Condition:</u> The software program allows the bank reconciliation to appear to be balanced when it does not match the general ledger.

RURAL WATER DISTRICT #13 MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OCTOBER 31, 2016

<u>Cause/Effect:</u> The financial statements contain misstatements and omit financial information.

<u>Recommendation:</u> Monthly bank reconciliations need to be performed on each bank account and the balance agree with that reflected in the financial statements.

<u>Response:</u> The District is aware of the problem.

COMPLIANCE FINDINGS:

None