

**PITTSBURG COUNTY  
PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY  
Crowder, Oklahoma  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
June 30, 2017**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Honorable Members of the Board of Trustees  
Pittsburg County Public Works Authority  
Crowder, Oklahoma

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority, Crowder, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority's basic 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statement that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my 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. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from 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 judgement, 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 entity'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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, I express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

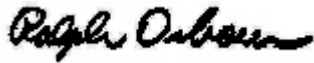
### Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority, Crowder, Oklahoma as of June 30, 2017, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

The Pittsburg County Public Works Authority has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statement. My opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated March 8, 2018, on my consideration of The Pittsburg County Public Works Authority's internal control over financial reporting and my 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 my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing 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 accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.



Ralph Osborn  
Certified Public Accountant  
Bristow, Oklahoma  
March 8, 2018

Pittsburg County Public Works Authority  
Crowder, Oklahoma

Statement of Net Position  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

ASSETS	<u>2017</u>
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 115,989
Accounts Receivable	81,424
Reserved and restricted Cash	<u>156,338</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>353,751</u>
Noncurrent Assets	
Capital assets	
Land	21,623
Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	<u>3,971,398</u>
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>3,993,021</u>
Total Assets	<u>4,346,772</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	47,637
Payroll Taxes Payable	2,864
Accrued Payroll Payable	21,431
Accrued Interest Payable	6,476
Customer Deposits	8,079
Current Portion Long-Term Debt	60,475
Current Portion Lease Purchases	<u>19,476</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>166,438</u>
Long-Term Liabilities	
Long-Term Notes Payable	2,398,760
Long-Term Lease Purchases	<u>46,314</u>
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>2,445,074</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>2,611,512</u>
NET POSITION	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,467,996
Restricted for Debt Service	106,685
Reserved for capital improvement	49,653
Unrestricted	<u>110,926</u>
Total net Position	<u>\$ 1,735,260</u>

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of this Statement.

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Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	2017
<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>	
Utility Revenue	\$ 816,709
Penalties	8,993
Reconnect Fees	4,557
Water Tap	7,694
Miscellaneous	24,524
Total Operating Revenues	862,477
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	
Wages	172,960
Payroll Tax	16,281
Employee Benefits	12,642
Chemicals	37,574
Testing	15,700
Fuel	12,065
Insurance	28,414
Legal & Professional	12,556
Contract Labor	350
Maintenance & Repairs	69,675
Miscellaneous	1,212
Office & Postage	9,902
Water Rights	3,958
Sewer & Trash	182,707
Utilities & Telephone	63,749
Bonds & Permits	135
Depreciation	151,548
Total Operating Expenses	791,428
Operating Income (Loss)	71,049
<b>NONOPERATING Revenues (Expenses)</b>	
Interest Income	344
Interest Expense	(115,148)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	(114,804)
Change in Net Position	(43,755)
Total Net Position, July 1, 2016	1,779,015
Total net Position, June 30, 2017	\$ 1,735,260

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Statement of Cash Flows  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	2017
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Cash Received from Water Sales	\$ 862,477
Cash Paid to Employees	(195,564)
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods & Services	(418,856)
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operating Activities	248,057
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Purchase of Fixed Assets	(65,500)
Principal Payment on Debt	(76,946)
Interest Payments on Debt	(115,148)
Change in Reserved and Restricted	(28,324)
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Capital & Related Financing Activities	(285,918)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Investment Income	344
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	344
<b>Net Change in Cash</b>	(37,517)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, July 1, 2016</b>	153,506
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, June 30, 2017</b>	\$ 115,989
<b>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Change in Net Position from Operating Income Noncash & Nonoperating Items	\$ 71,049
Included In Change in Net Position:	
Depreciation & Amortization	151,548
Changes in Assets & Liabilities:	
(Increase)Decrease in Accounts Receivable	12,601
Increase(Decrease)in Accounts Payable	2,855
Increase(Decrease)in Payroll Taxes Payable	1,852
Increase(Decrease)in Payroll Payable	4,467
Increase(Decrease)in Accrued Interest Payable	(208)
Increase(Decrease)in Customer Deposits	3,893
Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 248,057

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of this Statement.

PITTSBURG COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY  
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Notes to the Financial Statements  
June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The Pittsburg County Public Works Authority (hereinafter called "The Authority") is a public trust created on June 26, 1962. The Authority was organized in accordance with Oklahoma State Statute, Title 60, Public Trust Authorities, which qualifies it for exemption from federal and state income taxes. The beneficiary of the public trust is Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. The purpose of The Authority is to provide water services to the towns of Canadian, Crowder and the surrounding vicinity.

The purposes of this trust are to institute, furnish, provide and supply to the inhabitants, owners and occupants of property, and to industrial, commercial and mercantile establishments and enterprises, located in Pittsburg County, any or all improvements, services and physical facilities for the safeguarding of public health, the protection of persons and property, and the conservation and implementation of public welfare, of such kinds and characters that the same may be an authorized or proper function of the Beneficiary of this Trust, or any component thereof, or by law made subject to the supervision of its governing body or of its officers, which said improvements, services and physical facilities may be supplementary or wholly extraneous to any such improvement, service or physical facility that presently is, or hereafter may be furnished, provided or supplied by or under the supervision of the Beneficiary, or any component thereof.

The financial statements of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

The accounting policies of The Authority conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The Proprietary fund applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, in which case, GASB prevails.

A. Reporting Entity:

In evaluating how to define the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered if it is a component unit of a primary government. The Pittsburg County Public Works Authority is considered a Joint-Venture between the Town of Canadian and Town of Crowder. There are six (6) members of the Board of Trustees of the Authority. Three (3) members are the Town of Canadian's council and three (3) members are the Town of Crowder's council.

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B. Basis of Accounting:

The accrual basis of accounting is used by the Authority. Under the accrual method of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred. Interest and other expenses paid during construction are capitalized to the extent they exceed interest earnings.

C. Property, Plant, and Equipment:

Additions to the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority are recorded at cost, if contributed property, at their estimated fair value at time of contribution. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as expenses, renewals and betterments are capitalized. The sale or disposal of fixed assets is recorded by removing cost and accumulated depreciation from the accounts and charging the resulting gain or loss to income.

Depreciation has been calculated on each class of depreciable property using the straight-line method, with one-half year's depreciation in the year of acquisition. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Water System	50 years and 40 years
Office Equipment	3 to 10 years
Equipment	5 to 10 years
Vehicles	3 to 5 years

D. Cash:

The Authority has a demand account at a depository bank, at June 30, 2017.

E. Prepaid Insurance:

For the purpose of the balance sheet, "Prepaid Insurance" reflects the amount of insurance paid in advance that will have a future economic benefit.

F. Restricted Cash:

Restricted cash consists of reserve accounts in the amount of \$156,338. These reserve accounts is a requirement of the loan resolution security agreement with Rural Development (formally FmHa).

G. Retirement/Pension Plans:

The District allows employees to participate in a SIMPLE IRA retirement plan. The employee may have up to 3% of salary withheld for the plan. The District matches up to 3%. Benefits from the plan will depend on the amount paid in plus earnings.



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H. Receivables:

Accounts Receivable consists of the utilities billed that had not been collected at June 30, 2017. Allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable are based upon the aging of accounts receivable.

I. Investments:

Statutes authorize The Authority to invest in certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, passbooks, bankers' acceptances, and other available bank investments provided that approved securities are pledged to secure those funds on deposit in an amount equal to the amount of those funds. In addition, The Authority can invest in direct debt securities of the United States unless an investment is expressly prohibited by law.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, The Authority considers all highly liquid investments (excluding restricted assets) with maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

J. Inventory of Supplies:

Inventory of Supplies is not reported on the financial statements of The Authority. The amount of inventory on hand is not material to the financial statements.

K. Vacation, Sick Leave, and Other Compensated Absences:

Vacation leave time will be credited as follows:

	Day Shift	Evening Shift
1 <sup>st</sup> PP - 35 <sup>th</sup> PP	1.54 hrs (per PP)	1.15 hrs
36 <sup>th</sup> PP - 182 <sup>nd</sup> PP	3.08 hrs (per PP)	2.31 hrs
183 <sup>rd</sup> PP and subsequent PP	4.00 hrs (per PP)	3.00 hrs

Vacation leave may be accumulated but shall not exceed 120 hours on the last day of the calendar year. Any leave in excess of 120 hours at the end of calendar year shall be paid at the lowest hourly rate for that calendar year.

Sick leave is available for regular, full-time employees. It will accumulate at the rate of 1.54 hours per bi-weekly pay period after the completion of the 180 day probationary period. This will provide forty (40) hours of sick leave per year.

Sick leave may be accumulated without regard to a maximum number of hours during employment by The Authority.

Any sick leave hours which are unused at the time of termination of an employee shall be paid for by The Authority at 50% of the hourly wage in effect for that employee at the time of termination.

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of failure of counterparty, the Authority will not be able to recover the value of its deposits or investments. Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are uninsured and uncollateralized. Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the Authority, and are held by counterparty or the counterparty's trust department but not in the name of the Authority. The Authority's policy requires that all deposits and investments in excess of amounts covered by federal deposit insurance be fully collateralized by the entity holding the deposits or investments. As of June 30, 2017, all of the Authority's deposits and investments were not either covered by federal deposit insurance or were not fully collateralized.

Deposits

The Authority had deposits at financial institutions with a carrying amount of approximately \$272,327 at June 30, 2017. The bank balance of the deposits at June 30, 2017 was approximately \$274,150.

Credit Risk

Fixed-income securities are subject to credit risk. However, the Authority did not have fixed income securities at June 30, 2017.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Board of Directors monitor's the investment performance on an ongoing basis to limit the Authority's interest rate risk. As of June 30, 2017, the Authority's deposits consisted of demand deposits and certificates of deposit with a maturity of 12 months or less.

NOTE 3 - RESTRICTED CASH:

The Loan Resolution Security Agreement with USDA Rural Development requires a reserve fund to be funded at ten percent of the monthly installment until the balance is equal to the annual installment amount. At June 30, 2017, the balance in the reserve account at First National Bank, McAlester, Oklahoma was \$156,338.

NOTE 4 - RETIREMENT/PENSION PLANS:

The Pittsburg County Public Works Authority does not participate in any retirement plans or other post-employment benefit plans.

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**NOTE 5 - CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS:**

	<u>7/1/2016</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>6/30/2017</u>
Land	\$ 21,623	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21,623
Building	\$ 36,431	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,431
Office Equipment	12,998	-	-	12,998
Vehicles	94,920	-	-	94,920
Equipment	311,606	65,500	-	377,106
Water System	2,848,789	-	-	2,848,789
Water System Improvements	2,876,387	-	-	2,876,387
Total Assets	<u>6,181,131</u>	<u>65,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,246,631</u>
Less Acc. Depr.	<u>(2,123,685)</u>	<u>(151,548)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,275,233)</u>
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 4,079,069</u>	<u>\$ (86,048)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,993,021</u>

**NOTE 6 - INSURANCE:**

The Authority's facilities is insured under a blanket property and general liability insurance policy. The Authority also has insurance coverage on its vehicles.

**NOTE 7 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:**

The Board of Trustees of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority is not aware of any contingent liabilities at June 30, 2017, which would materially affect The Authority's financial statements.

**NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM DEBT:**

As of June 30, 2017, the long-term debt payable from business-type activities resources consisted of the following:

	<u>Notes Payable</u>	<u>Lease Purchases</u>	<u>Total</u>
July 1, 2016	\$ 2,517,700	\$ 84,271	\$ 2,601,971
Added	-	-	-
Retired	(58,465)	(18,481)	(76,946)
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 2,459,235</u>	<u>\$ 65,790</u>	<u>\$ 2,525,025</u>

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<p>United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, loan 91-05 issued March 16, 1984, in the amount of \$250,000 with interest rate of 5% for 40 years. Monthly payments of \$1,228.</p>	<p>\$ 57,352</p> <hr/>
Current Portion	\$ 12,072
Non-Current Portion	45,280
Total Note Payable	\$ 57,352
<p>United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, loan 91-08 issued November 4, 1988, in the amount of \$367,100 with an interest rate of 4.75% for 40 years. Monthly payments of \$1,726.</p>	<p>\$ 277,292</p> <hr/>
Current Portion	\$ 7,673
Non-Current Portion	269,619
Total Note Payable	\$ 277,292
<p>United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, loan 91-10 issued November 4, 1998, in the amount of \$555,400 with interest rate of 5% for 40 years. Monthly payments of \$2,611.</p>	<p>\$ 419,636</p> <hr/>
Current Portion	\$ 11,599
Non-Current Portion	408,037
Total Note Payable	\$ 419,636
<p>United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, loan 91-11 issued September 9, 2010, in the amount of \$1,598,000 with interest rate of 4.125% for 40 years. Monthly payments of \$6,680.</p>	<p>\$ 1,414,751</p> <hr/>
Current Portion	\$ 23,616
Non-Current Portion	1,391,135
Total Note Payable	\$ 1,414,751
<p>United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, loan 91-13 issued June 10, 2010, in the amount of \$330,000 with interest rate of 3.25% for 40 years. Monthly payments of \$1,243.</p>	<p>\$ 290,204</p> <hr/>
Current Portion	\$ 5,515
Non-Current Portion	284,689
Total Note Payable	\$ 290,204
Total Note Payable	\$ 2,459,235

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The annual requirements to amortize all note payables at June 30, 2017, follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Totals
2018	\$ 60,475	\$ 101,381	\$ 161,856
2019	63,172	98,684	161,856
2020	65,991	95,865	161,856
2121	68,939	92,917	161,856
2022	62,581	90,679	153,260
2023-2027	325,638	409,962	735,600
2028-2032	402,307	333,293	735,600
2033-2037	497,318	238,282	735,600
2038-2042	410,763	138,346	549,109
2043-2047	413,944	61,436	475,380
2048-2049	88,107	14,892	102,999
Totals	<u>\$ 2,459,235</u>	<u>\$ 1,675,737</u>	<u>\$ 4,134,972</u>

**NOTE 9 - LEASES:**

The Company has entered into lease agreements as lessee for financing the acquisition of equipment. The lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes since title transfers at the end of the lease term and it has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments. The lease contains a clause, which gives the Company the ability to terminate the lease agreement at the end of each fiscal year.

The Company has recorded the liability for future lease payments in the general long-term debt account group for the equipment. The schedule of the future minimum lease payments under the capital lease and the present value of the net minimum lease payments at June 30, is as follows:

<u>Year ending June 30</u>	<u>Ford F150</u>	<u>Backhoe</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 6,103	\$ 16,336	\$ 22,439
2019	6,103	16,336	22,439
2020	3,560	16,336	19,896
2021	-	6,807	6,807
Total minimum lease payments	<u>15,766</u>	<u>55,815</u>	<u>71,581</u>
Less: Amount representing interest	<u>1,184</u>	<u>4,607</u>	<u>5,791</u>
Present value of future minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 14,582</u>	<u>\$ 51,208</u>	<u>\$ 65,790</u>

**NOTE 10 - WORKING CAPITAL:**

The net working capital (current assets less current liabilities) was \$187,313 at June 30, 2017.

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NOTE 11 - LEASE AGREEMENT:

On November 15, 1963, The Authority entered into lease agreements with the towns of Canadian, Oklahoma, and Crowder, Oklahoma, wherein the two existing water systems and related facilities were leased to The Authority. Each lease covers a primary term of fifty (50) years and is renewable for an additional fifty (50) year period at the option of The Authority. Annual rental for each lease in the amount of \$100 became effective as of December 1, 1963. However, both municipalities waived payment; and, as a result, no payments of rental have ever been paid.

NOTE 12 - LAND USED BY THE AUTHORITY:

Legal title to 20.72 acres of land used in conjunction with the Crowder Water Supply Lake has not been obtained by the Authority.

NOTE 13 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

The Authority performs the accounts receivable function for the towns of Canadian and Crowder for sewer and trash in conjunction with the water billings. Charges for these services have been included in the computer billings for water services. Amounts collected for sewer and trash have been forwarded to the respective town treasurers. The Authority charges no fee for this bookkeeping service.

Note 14 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 8, 2018, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued. The Authority does not believe there are any events requiring disclosure.

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 Trustees  
Pittsburg County Public Works Authority  
Crowder, Oklahoma

I have audited, 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, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority, Crowder, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated March 8, 2018 which did not include Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements, I considered the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion of the effectiveness of the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority'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. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a 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 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.

My 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. Given these limitations, during my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

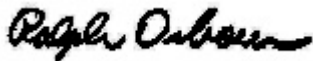
Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Pittsburg County Public Works Authority, Crowder, Oklahoma's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its 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 my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my 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 is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Sincerely,



Ralph Osborn  
Certified Public Accountant  
Bristow, Oklahoma  
March 8, 2018