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We have audited the financial statements of Heartland Communications Facility Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated December 8, 2021. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

Our Responsibility in Relation to the Financial Statement Audit

As communicated in our engagement letter dated May 14, 2021, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express an opinion about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing 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 over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Authority solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, and our firm have complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence.



Significant Risks Identified

We have identified the possibility of the following significant risks:

Management's override of internal controls over financial reporting: Management override of internal controls is the intervention by management in handling financial information and making decisions contrary to internal control policy.

Revenue recognition: Management's failure to recognize revenue in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

These significant risks are presumptive in most audits and merit attention by the auditors due to the direct impact over financial reporting and internal control processes. Although identified as significant risks, we noted no matters of management override of controls or deviations from generally accepted accounting principles which caused us to modify our audit procedures or any related matters which are required to be communicated to those charged with governance due to these identified risks.

Qualitative Aspects of the Entity's Significant Accounting Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Authority is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. There have been no initial selection of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during 2021. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments.

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements are:

Management's estimate of the fair value of investments is based on information provided by financial institutions. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the fair value of investments in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's estimate of capital asset depreciation is based on historical estimates of each capitalized item's useful life. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimated useful lives in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's estimate of the net OPEB liability, related deferred inflows and outflows and OPEB expense are based on actuarial reports provided by independent actuaries. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's estimate of the net pension liability, related deferred inflows and outflows and pension expense are based on actuarial reports provided by independent actuaries. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Financial Statement Disclosures

Certain financial statement disclosures involve significant judgment and are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the Authority's financial statements relate to:

The disclosure of fair value of investments in the notes to the financial statements represents amounts susceptible to market fluctuations.

The disclosure of accumulated depreciation in the notes to the financial statements is based on estimated useful lives which could differ from actual useful lives of each capitalized item.

The disclosure of net OPEB liability, deferred inflows and outflows and OPEB expense in the notes to the financial statements are based on actuarial assumptions. Actual future liabilities, deferred inflows and outflows and pension expense may vary from disclosed estimates.

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The disclosure related to the possible effects of the Covid-19 pandemic in the notes.

Significant Difficulties Encountered during the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Further, professional standards require us to also communicate the effect of uncorrected misstatements related to prior periods on the relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures, and the financial statements as a whole and each applicable opinion unit.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to the Authority's financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management, which are included in the attached letter dated December 8, 2021.

Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

Other Significant Matters, Findings, or Issues

In the normal course of our professional association with the Authority, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, operating and regulatory conditions affecting the entity, and operational plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as the Authority's auditors.

Other Information included in Annual Reports

Pursuant to professional standards, our responsibility as auditors for other information in documents containing the Authority's audited financial statements does not extend beyond the financial information identified in the audit report, and we are not required to perform any procedures to corroborate such other information. However, in accordance with such standards, we have:

Applied certain limited procedures to the Schedule of the Authority's Proportionate Share of the Plan's Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios as of the Measurement Date, the Schedule of Pension Plan Contributions, the Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios and the Schedule of OPEB Contributions. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the Required Supplementary Information (RSI) and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

Our responsibility also includes communicating to you any information which we believe is a material misstatement of fact. Nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that such information, or its manner of presentation, is materially inconsistent with the information, or manner of its presentation, appearing in the financial statements.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Authority Board and management of the Authority and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

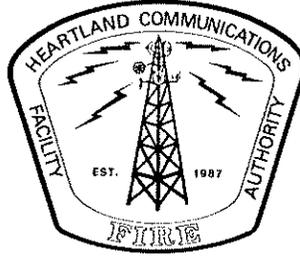
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San Bernardino, California
December 8, 2021

HEARTLAND COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AUTHORITY

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BONITA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
EL CAJON FIRE DEPARTMENT
LA MESA FIRE DEPARTMENT
LAKESIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
LEMON GROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT
SAN MIGUEL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
SANTEE FIRE DEPARTMENT
VIEJAS FIRE DEPARTMENT



ALSO SERVING:

BARONA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
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HCFA DIRECTOR CARLOS CASTILLO

December 13, 2021

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This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of Heartland Communications Facility Authority (Authority) as of June 30, 2021 and for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the basic financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted for governments in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in the light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

We confirm that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, having made such inquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves as of November 8, 2021:

Financial Statements

- We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement dated April 30, 2021 for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the various opinion units referred to above in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for compliance with the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and grant agreements.

- We have reviewed, approved, and taken responsibility for the financial statements and related notes.
- We have identified and communicated to you all previous audits, attestation engagements, and other studies related to the audit objectives and whether related recommendations have been implemented.
- Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
- All related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
- All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
- The effects of all known actual or possible litigation and claims have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- All funds and activities are properly classified.
- All components of net position are properly classified and, if applicable, approved.
- All revenues and expenses within the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position have been properly classified.
- Capital assets, including infrastructure assets, are properly capitalized, reported, and if applicable, depreciated.
- There are no subsequent events that require adjustments to the fair value measurements and disclosures included in the financial statements
- With respect to the financial statement preparation, we have performed the following:
 - Made all management decisions and performed all management functions;
 - Assigned a competent individual to oversee the services;
 - Evaluated the adequacy of the services performed;
 - Evaluated and accepted responsibility for the result of the service performed; and
 - Established and maintained internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.

Information Provided

- We have provided you with:
 - Access to all information, of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the business-type activities, such as records, documentation, meeting minutes, and other matters;

- Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit; and
 - Unrestricted access to persons within the Authority from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
 - We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
 - All electronic copies of documents provided to you were copies of the true, unaltered originals.

We have no knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud that affects the Authority and involves:

- Management;
 - Employees who have significant roles in internal control; or
 - Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the Authority's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, vendors, regulators, or others.
 - We have disclosed to you all known actual or possible litigation, claims, and assessments whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
 - We have disclosed to you the identity of the Authority's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
 - There have been no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with or deficiencies in accounting, internal control, or financial reporting practices.
 - The Authority has no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities.
 - We have identified and disclosed to you the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and grant agreements that could have a direct and material effect on financial statement amounts, including legal and contractual provisions for reporting specific activities in separate funds.
 - There are no violations or possible violations of laws or regulations, or provisions of contracts or grant agreements whose effects should be considered for disclosure in the financial statements or as a basis for recording a loss contingency, including applicable budget laws and regulations.
 - The Authority has satisfactory title to all owned assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset or future revenue been pledged as collateral, except as disclosed to you.

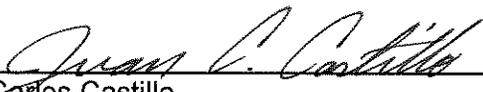
- We have complied with all aspects of grant agreements and other contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance.
- The financial statements include all component units as well as joint ventures with an equity interest, and properly disclose all other joint ventures and other related organizations.
- The financial statements properly classify all funds and activities, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34.
- All funds that meet the quantitative criteria in GASBS Nos. 34 and 37 for presentation as major are identified and presented as such and all other funds that are presented as major are particularly important to financial statement users.
- Components of net position (net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted), and classifications of fund balance (non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned) are properly classified and, if applicable, approved.
- Investments are properly valued.
- Provisions for uncollectible receivables have been properly identified and recorded.
- Expenses have been appropriately classified in or allocated to functions and programs in the statement of activities, and allocations have been made on a reasonable basis.
- Revenues are appropriately classified in the statement of activities within program revenues and general revenues.
- Interfund, internal, and intra-entity activity and balances have been appropriately classified and reported.
- Deposits and investment securities and derivative instruments are properly classified as to risk and are properly disclosed.
- We have appropriately disclosed the Authority's policy regarding whether to first apply restricted or unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available and have determined that net position is properly recognized under the policy.
- We are following our established accounting policy regarding which resources (that is, restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned) are considered to be spent first for expenditures for which more than one resource classification is available. That policy determines the fund balance classifications for financial reporting purposes.
- We acknowledge our responsibility for the required supplementary information (RSI). The RSI is measured and presented within prescribed guidelines and the methods of measurement and presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period. We have disclosed to you any significant assumptions and interpretations underlying the measurement and presentation of the RSI.

Use of a Specialist

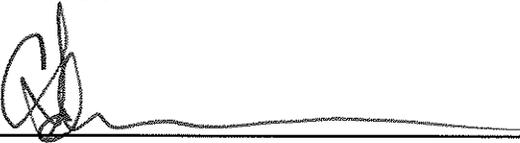
We agree with the findings of specialists in evaluating the net pension and net other post-employment benefit liabilities and have adequately considered the qualifications of the specialist in determining the amounts and disclosures used in the financial statements and underlying accounting records. We did not give or cause any instructions to be given to specialists with respect to the values or amounts derived in an attempt to bias their work, and we are not otherwise aware of any matters that have had an impact on the independence or objectivity of the specialists.

Pension and Postretirement Benefits

An actuary has been used to measure pension liabilities and costs. We believe that the actuarial assumptions and methods used to measure pension and other postemployment benefit liabilities and costs for financial accounting purposes are appropriate in the circumstances.



Juan Carlos Castillo
HCFA Director



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HCFA Treasurer/Controller