

**LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT  
WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)**

**BOND RESOLUTION**

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## **LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT**

### **RESOLUTION**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC SERVICE PROPERTIES CONSISTING OF ADDITIONS, IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS TO THE EXISTING WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED THEREOF, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE DISTRICT OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,000,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE); DEFINING AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING GENERALLY FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE HOLDER OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

**BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD OF LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT:**

### **ARTICLE I STATUTORY AUTHORITY, FINDINGS AND DEFINITIONS**

Section 1.01. Authority for this Resolution. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 16, Article 13A of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (the "Act"), and other applicable provisions of law. Lavalette Public Service District (the "Issuer") is a public corporation, public service district and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Wayne County of said State, duly created pursuant to the Act by The County Commission of Wayne County.

Section 1.02. Findings and Determinations. It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

A. The Issuer currently owns and operates a public waterworks system and desires to finance and acquire, construct, operate and maintain certain additional public service properties consisting of additions, improvements and extensions to such existing waterworks facilities with all appurtenant facilities, within the boundaries of the Issuer to be owned and operated by the Issuer.

B. It is deemed essential, convenient and desirable for the health, welfare, safety, advantage and convenience of the inhabitants of the Issuer, and, accordingly, it is hereby ordered, that prior construction to the System be permanently financed, and that there be constructed and designed certain additions, improvements and extensions to the existing waterworks facilities of the Issuer, consisting of replacing waterlines in the German Ridge and Dickson areas of the Northern Distribution System to provide fire flow, reduce water loss, and reduce O&M costs associated with leak repairs,

including the installation of SCADA additions, automatic flushing equipment, tank cleaning, tank mixers and PRV upgrades and necessary appurtenances (the "Project"), particularly described in and according to the plans and specifications prepared by the Consulting Engineer and heretofore filed in the office of the Secretary of the Public Service Board (the "Governing Body") of the Issuer. The existing waterworks facilities of the Issuer, together with the Project and any further additions, improvements or extensions thereto, are herein called the "System." The Project and the financing hereby authorized and provided for are public purposes of the Issuer and are ordered for the purpose of meeting and serving public convenience and necessity.

C. The estimated revenues to be derived in each year from the operation of the System after completion of the Project will be sufficient to pay all costs of operation and maintenance of the System, the principal of and interest on the Bonds (hereinafter defined) and all funds and accounts and other payments provided for herein.

D. The Issuer intends to issue its Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), in the aggregate principal amount of \$2,000,000 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), to permanently finance the cost of such construction in the manner herein provided, and pay the costs of issuances thereof. The cost of such acquisition and construction shall be deemed to include, without being limited to, the acquisition and construction of the Project; the cost of all property rights, easements and franchises deemed necessary or convenient therefor and for the improvements and extensions thereto; interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds; engineering, fiscal agents and legal expenses; expenses for estimates of costs and revenues; expenses for plans, specifications and surveys; and other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the Project, administrative expense, and such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing herein authorized; provided, that reimbursement to the Issuer for any amounts expended by it for the repayment of indebtedness incurred for Costs of the Project by the Issuer shall be deemed Costs of the Project.

E. The period of usefulness of the System after completion of the Project is not less than 40 years.

F. The Issuer has the following Outstanding obligations which will rank on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds as to liens, pledge and source of and security for payment being the Issuer's:

(1) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 C (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated February 23, 2006, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,918,050 (the "Series 2006 C Bonds");

(2) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated May 18, 2009, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$843,000 (the "Series 2009 B Bonds");

(3) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated March 8, 2010, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$237,000 (the "Series 2010 B Bonds");

(4) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated February 4, 2011, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,534,000 (the "Series 2011 A Bonds");

(5) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated September 21, 2012, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,420,000 (the “Series 2012 A Bonds”);

(6) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,128,000 (the “Series 2020 A Bonds”);

(7) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 B Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,362,200 (the “Series 2020 B Bonds”); and

(8) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 C Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,950,750 (the “Series 2020 C Bonds”) (collectively, the “Prior Bonds”).

The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be issued on a parity with the Prior Bonds with respect to liens, pledge and source of and security for payment and in all other respects. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, the Issuer will obtain (i) the certificate of an Independent Certified Public Accountant stating that the coverage and parity tests of the Prior Bonds are met; and (ii) the written consent of the Holders of the Prior Bonds to the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds on a parity with the Prior Bonds. Other than the Prior Bonds, there are no other outstanding bonds or obligations of the Issuer which are secured by revenues or assets of the System. The Issuer is in compliance with all the covenants of the Prior Bonds and the Prior Resolutions.

G. It is in the best interest of the Issuer that the Series 2023 A Bonds be sold to the Purchaser, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Letter of Conditions, dated March 26, 2021, and all amendments thereto, if any (collectively, the “Letter of Conditions”).

H. The Issuer has complied with all requirements of law relating to the authorization of the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System, including, without limitation, the imposition of rates and charges, and the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, or will have so complied prior to issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds.

Section 1.03. Bond Legislation Constitutes Contract. In consideration of the acceptance of the Series 2023 A Bonds by those who shall be the Registered Owner of the same from time to time, this Resolution (the “Bond Legislation”) shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the Issuer and such Registered Owner, and the covenants and agreements set forth herein to be performed by the Issuer shall be for the benefit, protection and security of the Registered Owner of the Series 2023 A Bonds.

Section 1.04. Definitions. In addition to capitalized terms defined elsewhere herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings herein unless the text otherwise expressly requires:

“Act” means Chapter 16, Article 13A of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended.

“Bond Legislation” means this Resolution and all resolutions supplemental hereto and amendatory hereof.

“Bond Registrar” means the Issuer, which shall usually so act by its Secretary.

“Bonds” means, the Series 2023 A Bonds.

“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Governing Body.

“Commission” means the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission or any other agency of the State of West Virginia that succeeds to the functions of the Commission.

“Consulting Engineer” means E.L. Robinson Engineers, Charleston, West Virginia, or any qualified engineer or firm of engineers which shall at any time hereafter be retained by the Issuer as Consulting Engineer for the System.

“Costs” or “Costs of the Project” means those costs described in Section 1.02E hereof.

“Depository Bank” means WesBanco Bank, Inc., Huntington, West Virginia, a bank or trust company which is a member of FDIC (herein defined), and its successors and assigns.

“Facilities” or “waterworks facilities” means all the tangible properties of the System and also any tangible properties which may hereafter be added to the System by additions, betterments, extensions and improvements thereto and properties, furniture, fixtures or equipment therefor, hereafter at any time constructed or acquired.

“FDIC” means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

“Fiscal Year” means each 12-month period beginning on July 1 and ending on the succeeding June 30.

“Governing Body” means the Public Service Board of the Issuer.

“Government Obligations” means direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by, the United States of America.

“Grants” means, collectively, all grants committed for the Project.

“Herein” or “herein” means in this Bond Legislation.

“Issuer,” “Borrower” or “District” means Lavalette Public Service District, a public service district, a public corporation and a political subdivision of the State of West Virginia, in Wayne County, West Virginia, and includes the Governing Body.

“Letter of Conditions” means, collectively, the Letter of Conditions of the Purchaser dated March 26, 2021, and all amendments thereto, if any.

“Minimum Reserve” means, as of any date of calculation, the maximum amount of principal and interest which will become due on the Series 2023 A Bonds in the then current or any succeeding fiscal year.

“Net Revenues” means the balance of the Gross Revenues, as defined below, remaining after deduction of Operating Expenses, as defined below.

“Operating Expenses” means the current expenses, paid or accrued, of operation and maintenance of the Project and the System and its facilities, and includes, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, insurance premiums, salaries, wages and administrative expenses of the Issuer relating and chargeable solely to the Project and the System, the accumulation of appropriate reserves for charges not annually recurrent but which are such as may reasonably be expected to be incurred, and such other reasonable operating costs as are normally and regularly included under recognized accounting principles and retention of a sum not to exceed one-sixth of the budgeted Operating Expenses stated above for the current year as working capital, and language herein requiring payment of Operating Expenses means also retention of not to exceed such sum as working capital; provided, that all monthly amortization payments upon the Bonds and into all funds and accounts have been made to the last monthly payment date prior to the date of such retention.

“Prior Bonds” means, collectively, the Series 2006 C Bonds, Series 2009 B Bonds, Series 2010 B Bonds, the Series 2011 A Bonds, the Series 2012 A Bonds, the Series 2020 A Bonds, the Series 2020 B Bonds and Series 2020 C Bonds.

“Prior Resolutions” means, collectively, the Resolutions of the Issuer authorizing the Prior Bonds.

“Project” shall have the meaning stated in Section 1.02B above.

“Purchaser” or “Government” means United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, and any successor thereof, acting for and on behalf of the United States of America.

“Qualified Investments” means and includes any investment permitted to be made by a municipality, public service district or public corporation of the State pursuant to State Law, specifically including but not limited to Chapter 8, Article 13, Section 22 of the Code of West Virginia and the West Virginia “consolidated fund” managed by the West Virginia Board of Treasury Investments pursuant to Chapter 12, Article 6C of the Code of West Virginia.

“Registered Owners,” “Bondholders,” “Holders of the Bonds” or any similar term means any person who shall be the registered owner of the Bonds.

“Renewal and Replacement Fund” means the Renewal and Replacement Fund established by the Prior Resolutions and continued by Section 5.01 hereof.

“Reserve Accounts” means, collectively, the respective reserve accounts established for the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior Bonds.

“Reserve Requirement” means, collectively, the respective amounts required to be on deposit in the Reserve Accounts of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior Bonds.

“Revenue Fund” means the Revenue Fund established by the Prior Resolutions and continued by Section 5.01 hereof.

“Revenues” or “Gross Revenues” means all rates, rents, fees, charges or other income received by the Issuer, or accrued to the Issuer, or any department, board, agency or instrumentality thereof in control of the management and operation of the System, from the operation of the System, and all parts thereof, all as calculated in accordance with sound accounting practices.

“RUS Bonds” means, collectively, the Series 2009 B Bonds, Series 2010 B Bonds, Series 2011 A Bonds and Series 2012 A Bonds.

“Secretary” means the Secretary of the Governing Body.

“Series 2006 C Bonds” means the Issuer’s Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 C (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated February 23, 2006, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,918,050.

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“Series 2023 A Bonds” means the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), of the Issuer, authorized by this Resolution.

“Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account” means the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account established by Section 5.02 hereof.

“Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement” means, as of any date of calculation, the maximum amount of principal and interest which will become due on the Series 2023 A Bonds in the then current or any succeeding year.

“System” means the complete public waterworks system of the Issuer, presently existing in its entirety or any integral part thereof, and shall include the Project and any improvements and extensions thereto hereafter acquired or constructed for the System from any sources whatsoever.

“Tap Fees” means the fees, if any, paid by prospective customers of the System in order to connect thereto.

Words importing singular number shall include the plural number in each case and vice versa; words importing persons shall include firms and corporations; and words importing the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall include any other gender; and any requirement for execution or attestation of the Bonds or any certificate or other document by the Chairman or the Secretary shall mean that such Bonds, certificate or other document may be executed or attested by an Acting Chairman or Acting Secretary.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT OF ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT**

Section 2.01. Authorization of Payment of Acquisition and Construction of the Project. There is hereby authorized and ordered the acquisition and construction of the Project, at an estimated cost of \$3,616,000, in accordance with the plans and specifications which have been prepared by the Consulting Engineers, heretofore filed in the office of the Governing Body.

The project is estimated to cost \$3,616,000 of which \$2,000,000 will be received from the proceeds of the Series 2023 A Bonds and \$1,616,000 will be received as a grant from the Purchaser.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **AUTHORIZATION, TERMS, EXECUTION, REGISTRATION AND ISSUE OF BONDS**

Section 3.01. Authorization of Bonds. Subject and pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Legislation, the Series 2023 A Bonds of the Issuer, to be known as “Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture)”, are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$2,000,000, for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the acquisition and construction of the Project and paying costs of issuance.

Section 3.02. Description of Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be issued in single form, numbered AR-1, only as a fully registered Bond, and shall be dated the date of delivery thereof. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall bear interest from the date of delivery, payable monthly at the rate of 1.75% per annum, and shall be sold for the par value thereof. The said principal and interest shall be paid in the following installments on the following dates: Annual installments of interest only, commencing 30 days following delivery of the Bond and continuing on the corresponding day of each year for the first 24 months after the date hereof, and thereafter \$6,020, covering principal and interest, thereafter on said corresponding day of each month, except that the final installment shall be paid at the end of 40 years from the date of this Bond.

The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be subject to prepayment of scheduled monthly installments, or any portion thereof, at the option of the Issuer, and shall be payable as provided in the respective Bond forms hereinafter set forth.

Section 3.03. Negotiability, Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be and have all the qualities and incidents of a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, but the Series 2023 A Bonds, and the right to principal of and stated interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds, may only be transferred by transfer of the registration thereof upon the books required to be kept pursuant to Section 3.04 hereof, by the party in whose name it is registered, in person or by attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender of the Series 2023 A Bonds for cancellation, accompanied by delivery of a written instrument of transfer, duly executed in a form acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

Whenever the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be surrendered for registration of transfer, the Issuer shall execute and deliver a new Bond or Bonds in authorized denominations, for a like aggregate principal amount. The Bond Registrar shall require the payment by the new owner requesting such transfer of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer, but the Issuer shall pay any other expenses incurred by the Bond Registrar with respect to such transfer.

No registration of transfer of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be permitted to be made after the 15th day next preceding any installment payment date on the Series 2023 A Bonds.

Section 3.04. Bond Registrar. The Issuer shall be the Bond Registrar and will keep, or cause to be kept by its agent, at its office, sufficient books for the registration and transfer of the Series 2023 A Bonds, and, upon presentation for such purpose, the Bond Registrar shall, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, register the Series 2023 A Bonds initially issued pursuant hereto and register the transfer, or cause to be registered by its agent, on such books, the transfer of the Series 2023 A Bonds as hereinbefore provided.

The Bond Registrar shall accept the Series 2023 A Bonds for registration or transfer only if ownership thereof is to be registered in the name of the Purchaser, an individual (including joint ownership), a corporation, a partnership or a trust, and only upon receipt of the social security number of each individual, the federal employer identification number of each corporation or partnership or the social security numbers of the settlor and beneficiaries of each trust and the federal employer identification number and date of each trust and the name of the trustee of each trust and/or such other identifying number and information as may be required by law. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall initially be fully registered as to both principal and interest in the name of the United States of America. So long as the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be registered in the name of the United States of America, the address of

the United States of America for registration purposes shall be National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or such other address as shall be stated in writing to the Issuer by the United States of America.

Section 3.05. Execution of Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Issuer by the Chairman and its corporate seal shall be affixed thereto and attested by the Secretary. In case any one or more of the officers who shall have signed or sealed the Series 2023 A Bonds shall cease to be such officer of the Issuer before the Series 2023 A Bonds so signed and sealed have been actually sold and delivered, such Bonds may nevertheless be sold and delivered as herein provided and may be issued as if the person who signed or sealed such Bonds had not ceased to hold such office. The Series 2023 A Bonds may be signed and sealed on behalf of the Issuer by such person as at the actual time of the execution of such Bonds shall hold the proper office in the Issuer, although at the date of such Bonds such person may not have held such office or may not have been so authorized.

Section 3.06. Bonds Mutilated, Destroyed, Stolen or Lost. In case the Series 2023 A Bonds shall become mutilated or be destroyed, stolen or lost, the Issuer may in its discretion issue and deliver a new Bond of like tenor as the Bonds so mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost, in exchange and substitution for such mutilated Bonds or in lieu of and substitution for the Bonds destroyed, stolen or lost, and upon the Holder's furnishing the Issuer proof of his ownership thereof and complying with such other reasonable regulations and conditions as the Issuer may require. The Series 2023 A Bonds so surrendered shall be canceled and held for the account of the Issuer. If the Series 2023 A Bonds shall have matured or be about to mature, instead of issuing a substitute Bond the Issuer may pay the same, and, if such Bond be destroyed, stolen or lost, without surrender thereof.

Section 3.07. Bonds Secured by Pledge of Net Revenues. The payment of the debt service of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be secured forthwith by a first lien on the Net Revenues derived from the System. The Net Revenues derived from the System in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds, and to make the payments as hereinafter provided, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds as the same become due.

Section 3.08. Form of Bonds. Subject to the provisions hereof, the text of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the other details thereof shall be of substantially the following tenor, with such omissions, insertions and variations as may be authorized or permitted hereby or by any resolution adopted after the date of adoption hereof and prior to the issuance thereof:

(FORM OF BOND)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT  
WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

No. AR-1

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT (herein called "Borrower") promises to pay to the order of the United States of America (the "Government"), or its registered assigns, at its National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or at such other place as the Government may hereafter designate in writing, the principal sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), plus interest on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_% per annum. The said principal and interest shall be paid in the following installments on the following dates: Annual installments of interest only, on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ (the first 24 months after the date hereof), and thereafter monthly installments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, covering principal and interest, beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, to and including \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ (40 years from the date of this Bond). The final payment shall be on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ equal to the sum of the unpaid principal and interest due on the date thereof, and except that prepayments may be made as provided hereinbelow. The consideration herefor shall support any agreement modifying the foregoing schedule of payments.

If the total amount of the loan is not advanced at the time of loan closing, the loan shall be advanced to Borrower as requested by Borrower and approved by the Government and interest shall accrue on the amount of each advance from its actual date as shown on the Record of Advances attached hereto as a part hereof.

Every payment made on any indebtedness evidenced by this Bond shall be applied first to interest computed to the effective date of the payment and then to principal.

Prepayments of scheduled installments, or any portion thereof, may be made at any time at the option of Borrower. Refunds and extra payments, as defined in the regulations of the Government according to the source of funds involved, shall, after payment of interest, be applied to the installments last to become due under this Bond and shall not affect the obligation of Borrower to pay the remaining installments as scheduled herein.

If the Government at any time assigns this Bond and insures the payment thereof, Borrower shall continue to make payments to the Government as collection agent for the holder.

While this Bond is held by an insured lender, prepayments as above authorized made by Borrower may, at the option of the Government, be remitted by the Government to the holder promptly or, except for final payment, be retained by the Government and remitted to the holder on either a calendar quarter basis or an annual installment due date basis. The effective date of every payment made

by Borrower, except payments retained and remitted by the Government on an annual installment due date basis, shall be the date of the United States Treasury check by which the Government remits the payment to the holder. The effective date of any prepayment retained and remitted by the Government to the holder on an annual installment due date basis shall be the date of the prepayment by Borrower and the Government will pay the interest to which the holder is entitled accruing between the effective date of any such prepayment and the date of the Treasury check to the holder.

Any amount advanced or expended by the Government for the collection hereof or to preserve or protect any security herefor, or otherwise under the terms of any security or other instrument executed in connection with the loan evidenced hereby, at the option of the Government shall become a part of and bear interest at the same rate as the principal of the debt evidenced hereby and be immediately due and payable by Borrower to the Government without demand. Borrower agrees to use the loan evidenced hereby solely for purposes authorized by the Government.

Borrower hereby certifies that it is unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance its actual needs at reasonable rates and terms, taking into consideration prevailing private and cooperative rates and terms in or near its community for loans for similar purposes and periods of time.

This Bond, together with any additional bonds ranking on a parity herewith which may be issued and outstanding for the purpose of (i) providing funds for financing costs of additions, extensions and improvements to the waterworks system (the "System") of the Borrower; and (ii) paying costs of issuance of the Bonds and related costs, is payable solely from the revenues to be derived from the operation of the System after there have been first paid from such revenues the reasonable current costs of operation and maintenance of the System. This Bond does not in any manner constitute an indebtedness of the Borrower within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or limitation.

Registration of this Bond is transferable by the Registered Owner hereof in person or by his, her or its attorney duly authorized in writing, at the office of the Borrower, as Bond Registrar, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges, if any, provided in the herein defined Resolution and upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond. Upon such transfer a new Bond or Bonds, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the like principal amount, will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor.

This Bond, under the provisions of the Act, is and has all the qualities and incidents of a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, but may only be transferred by transfer of registration hereof with the Bond Registrar.

This Bond has been issued under and in full compliance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including, among others, Chapter 16, Article 13A of the West Virginia Code, as amended (the "Act"), and a Resolution of the Borrower duly adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, authorizing issuance of this Bond (the "Resolution").

If at any time it shall appear to the Government that Borrower may be able to obtain a loan from a responsible cooperative or private credit source at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, Borrower will, at the Government's request, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay the Government.

This Bond is given as evidence of a loan to Borrower made or insured by the Government pursuant to the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1965, as amended. This Bond shall be subject to the present regulations of the Government and to its future regulations not inconsistent with the express provisions hereof.

THIS BOND IS ISSUED ON A PARITY WITH RESPECT TO LIENS, PLEDGE AND SOURCE OF AND SECURITY FOR PAYMENT, WITH THE BORROWER'S:

1. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2006 C (WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND), DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2006, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,918,050 (THE "SERIES 2006 C BONDS");
2. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2009 B (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED MAY 18, 2009, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$843,000 (THE "SERIES 2009 B BONDS");
3. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2010 B (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED MARCH 8, 2010, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$237,000 (THE "SERIES 2010 B BONDS");
4. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2011 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED FEBRUARY 4, 2011, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,534,000 (THE "SERIES 2011 A BONDS");
5. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2012 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2012, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,420,000 (THE "SERIES 2012 A BONDS");
6. WATER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A BONDS (BANK QUALIFIED), DATED DECEMBER 29, 2020, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,128,000 (THE "SERIES 2020 A BONDS");
7. WATER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 B BONDS (BANK QUALIFIED), DATED DECEMBER 29, 2020, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,362,200 (THE "SERIES 2020 B BONDS"); AND
8. WATER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 C BONDS (BANK QUALIFIED), DATED DECEMBER 29, 2020, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,950,750 (THE "SERIES 2020 C BONDS") (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PRIOR BONDS").

In accordance with the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Bonds will be in default should any proceeds of the Bonds be used for a purpose that will contribute to excessive erosion of highly erodible land or to the conversion of wetlands to produce an agricultural commodity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT has caused this Bond to be executed by its Chairman and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed or imprinted hereon and attested by its Secretary, all as of the date hereinabove written.

LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

[CORPORATE SEAL]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, Public Service Board

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary, Public Service Board

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$        |             | (19)          |             |
| (2)           |             | (20)          |             |
| (3)           |             | (21)          |             |
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| (17)          |             | (35)          |             |
| (18)          |             | (36)          |             |

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Form of Assignment)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto  
the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint  
\_\_\_\_\_, Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for  
registration of the within Bond of the said Issuer with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
In the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_

**ARTICLE IV**  
**SYSTEM REVENUES AND APPLICATION THEREOF;**  
**DISPOSITION OF BOND PROCEEDS; FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS**

Section 4.01.    A.     Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Depository Bank.  
The following special funds or accounts are created (or continued if previously established by the Prior Resolutions) with and shall be held by the Depository Bank, separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Depository Bank and from each other:

- (1)     Revenue Fund (established by the Prior Resolutions);
- (2)     Renewal and Replacement Fund (established by the Prior Resolutions); and
- (3)     Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account.

          B.     Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Commission.    The following special funds or accounts are with and shall be held by the Commission, separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Commission and from each other:

- (1)     Series 2006 C Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (2)     Series 2006 C Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (3)     Series 2009 B Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (4)     Series 2010 B Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (5)     Series 2011 A Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (6)     Series 2012 A Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (7)     Series 2020 A Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (8)     Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (9)     Series 2020 B Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (10)    Series 2020 B Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (11)    Series 2020 C Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Resolutions);
- (12)    Series 2020 C Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Resolutions); and
- (13)    Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

Section 4.02. Bond Proceeds; Project Construction Account. The proceeds of the sale of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be deposited upon receipt by the Issuer in the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account. The monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account in excess of the amount insured by FDIC shall be secured at all times by the Depository Bank by securities or in a manner lawful for the securing of deposits of State and municipal funds under West Virginia law. Monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account shall be expended by the Issuer solely for the purposes provided herein.

Monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account shall be used solely to pay the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project upon vouchers and other documentation approved by the Purchaser.

Until completion of acquisition and construction of the Project, the Issuer will additionally transfer from the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account and pay to the Purchaser on or before the due date, such sums as shall be from time to time required to make the monthly installments on the Series 2023 A Bonds if there are not sufficient Net Revenues to make such monthly payment.

Pending application as provided in this Section 4.02, money and funds in the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account shall be invested and reinvested at the direction of the Issuer, to the extent possible in accordance with applicable law, in Qualified Investments.

When acquisition and construction of the Project has been completed and all costs thereof have been paid or provision for such payment has been made, any balance remaining in the Series 2023 A Bonds Project Construction Account shall be disposed of in accordance with the regulations of the Purchaser.

Section 4.03. Covenants of the Issuer as to System Revenues and Funds. So long as any of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be outstanding and unpaid, or until there shall have been set apart in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account a sum sufficient to pay, when due or at the earliest practical prepayment date, the entire principal of the Series 2023 A Bonds remaining unpaid, together with interest accrued and to accrue thereon, the Issuer further covenants with the Holders of the Series 2023 A Bonds as follows:

A. REVENUE FUND. The entire Gross Revenues derived from the operation of the System, and all parts thereof, and all Tap Fees received, shall be deposited as collected by the Issuer in the Revenue Fund. The Revenue Fund shall constitute a trust fund for the purposes provided in this Resolution and shall be kept separate and distinct from all other funds of the Issuer and the Depository Bank and used only for the purposes and in the manner provided in this Resolution.

B. DISPOSITION OF REVENUES. All Revenues at any time on deposit in the Revenue Fund shall be disposed of only in the following order and priority:

(1) The Issuer shall first, each month, pay from the Revenue Fund the Operating Expenses of the System.

(2) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund (i) to the National Finance Office the amount

required by the Prior Resolutions to make the interest payments on the RUS Bonds; (ii) to the Commission the amount required by Prior Resolutions to pay interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds, Series 2020 B Bonds and Series 2020 C Bonds; and (iii) to the National Finance Office the amounts required to pay interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds.

(3) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit (i) to the National Finance Office the amount required by Prior Resolutions to pay the principal on the RUS Bonds; (ii) to the Commission the amount required by Prior Resolutions to pay principal of the Series 2006 C Bonds, Series 2020 A Bonds, Series 2020 B Bonds, and Series 2020 C Bonds; and (iii) to the National Finance Office the amounts required to pay principal on the Series 2023 A Bonds.

(4) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit (i) to the Commission the amounts required by the Prior Resolutions to be deposited in the Reserve Accounts for the Prior Bonds; and (ii) to the Commission the amounts required to be deposited in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

(5) The Issuer shall next, each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit to the Depository Bank for deposit in the Renewal and Replacement Fund, an amount equal to 2.5% of the Gross Revenues each month, exclusive of any payments for account of any Reserve Accounts. All funds in the Renewal and Replacement Fund shall be kept apart from all other funds of the Issuer or of the Depository Bank and shall be invested and reinvested in accordance with Article VIII hereof. Withdrawals and disbursements may be made from the Renewal and Replacement Fund for replacements, repairs, improvements or extensions to the System; provided, that any deficiencies in any Reserve Accounts (except to the extent such deficiency exists because the required payments into such account have not, as of the date of determination of a deficiency, funded such account to the maximum extent required hereof) shall be promptly eliminated with monies from the Renewal and Replacement Fund.

Whenever the money in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account shall be sufficient to prepay the Series 2023 A Bonds in full, it shall be the mandatory duty of the Issuer, anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, to prepay the Series 2023 A Bonds at the earliest practical date and in accordance with applicable provisions hereof.

The Commission is hereby designated as the Fiscal Agent for the administration of the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account. All amounts required for the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account will be deposited therein by the Issuer upon transfers of funds from the Revenue Fund at the times provided herein, together with written advice stating the amount remitted for deposit into each such fund.

The Revenue Fund shall constitute a Trust Fund and shall be used only for the purposes and in the order provided herein, and until so used, the Purchaser shall have a lien thereon for further securing payment of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the interest thereon.

The Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account shall constitute a Trust Fund and shall be used only for the purposes and in the order provided herein, and until so used, the Purchaser shall have a lien thereon for further securing payment of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the interest thereon.

If on any payment date the Revenues are insufficient to make the payments and transfers as hereinabove provided, the deficiency shall be made up in the subsequent payments and transfers in addition to those which would otherwise be required to be made on the subsequent payment dates.

The Commission shall keep the monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account invested and reinvested to the fullest extent possible in accordance with applicable law, and to the extent practicable, in Qualified Investments having maturities consonant with the required use thereof. Investments in any fund or account under this Bond Legislation shall, unless otherwise provided herein or required by law, be valued at the lower of cost or the then current market value, or at the redemption price thereof if then redeemable at the option of the Holder, including value of accrued interest and giving effect to the amortization of discount, or at par if such investment is held by the "consolidated fund" managed by the West Virginia Board of Treasury Investments. Any investment shall be held in and at all times deemed a part of the fund or account in which such monies were originally held, and interest accruing thereon and any profit or loss realized from such investment shall be credited or charged to the appropriate fund or account. Earnings from monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account, so long as the Minimum Reserve is on deposit and maintained therein, shall be paid annually by the Commission to the Issuer and deposited in the Revenue Fund.

C. CHANGE OF DEPOSITORY BANK. The Issuer may designate another bank or trust company insured by FDIC as Depository Bank if the Depository Bank should cease for any reason to serve or if the Governing Body determines by resolution that the Depository Bank or its successor should no longer serve as Depository Bank. Upon any such change, the Governing Body will cause notice of the change to be sent by registered or certified mail to the Purchaser.

D. USER CONTRACTS. The Issuer shall, prior to delivery of the Series 2023 A Bonds, provide evidence that there will be bona fide users upon the System on completion, in full compliance with the requirements and conditions of the Purchaser.

E. CHARGES AND FEES. The Issuer shall remit from the Revenue Fund to the Depository Bank and the Commission such additional sums as shall be necessary to pay the charges and fees of the Depository Bank or the Commission then due.

F. INVESTMENT OF EXCESS BALANCES. The monies in excess of the sum insured by FDIC in any of such funds or accounts shall at all times be secured, to the full extent thereof in excess of such insured sum, by Qualified Investments as shall be eligible as security for deposits of state and municipal funds under the laws of the State of West Virginia.

G. REMITTANCES. All remittances made by the Issuer to the Commission shall clearly identify the fund or account into which each amount is to be deposited.

H. GROSS REVENUES. The Gross Revenues of the System shall only be used for purposes of the System.

## **ARTICLE V** **GENERAL COVENANTS, ETC.**

Section 5.01. General Statement. So long as the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be outstanding and unpaid, or until there shall have been set apart in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account, sums sufficient to prepay the entire principal of the Series 2023 A Bonds remaining unpaid, together with interest accrued and to accrue thereon to the date of prepayment, the covenants and agreements contained herein shall be and constitute valid and legally binding covenants between the Issuer and the Holder of the Series 2023 A Bonds.

Section 5.02. Rates. So long as the Prior Bonds are outstanding, the Issuer will maintain rates and coverage as required in the Prior Resolutions. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, equitable rates or charges for the use of and service rendered by the System shall be established all in the manner and form required by law, and copies of such rates and charges so established will be continuously on file with the Secretary, which copies will be open to inspection by all interested parties. Such schedule of rates and charges shall be changed and readjusted whenever necessary so that the aggregate of the rates and charges will be sufficient for such purposes.

When the Prior Bonds are no longer Outstanding, the Issuer will, in the manner provided in the Act, fix and collect such rates, fees or other charges for the services and facilities of the System, and revise the same from time to time whenever necessary, as will always provide Revenues in each Fiscal Year sufficient to produce Net Revenues equal to not less than 110% of the annual debt service on the Series 2023 A Bonds and sufficient to make the payments required herein into all funds and accounts and all the necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System during such Fiscal Year and such rates, fees and other charges shall not be reduced so as to be insufficient to provide adequate Revenues for such purposes.

Section 5.03. Sale of the System. So long as the Prior Bonds are outstanding, the provisions governing the sale of the System, or any part thereof, shall be as set forth and described in the Prior Resolutions. So long as the Series 2023 A Bonds are outstanding the Issuer shall not sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of the system, or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the Purchaser. Such consent will provide for the disposition of the proceeds of any such sale.

Section 5.04. Issuance of Additional Parity Bonds or Obligations. So long as the Prior Bonds are outstanding, the limitations on the issuance of parity obligations set forth in the Prior Resolutions shall be applicable. In addition, no additional Parity Bonds or obligations payable out of any of the Revenues of the System shall be issued, except with the prior written consent of the Purchaser. No Parity Bonds shall be issued after issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds unless the provisions contained in this Resolution respecting issuance of Parity Bonds have been satisfied.

All Parity Bonds issued hereunder shall be on a parity in all respects with the Series 2023 A Bonds.

No such Parity Bonds shall be issued except for the purpose of financing the costs of the acquisition or construction of additions, extensions, improvements or betterments to the System or refunding any outstanding Bonds, or both such purposes.

So long as the Series 2023 A Bonds and RUS Bonds are Outstanding, no Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, however, unless there has been procured and filed with the Secretary a written statement by the Independent Certified Public Accountants, reciting the conclusion that the Net Revenues for the Fiscal Year following the year in which such Parity Bonds are to be issued shall be at least 120% of the average annual debt service requirements on the following:

- (1) The Bonds Outstanding;
- (2) Any Parity Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to the provisions contained in this Resolution then Outstanding; and
- (3) The Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued.

The foregoing limitation may be waived or modified by the written consent of the Holders of the Series 2023 A Bonds representing 75% of the then-outstanding principal indebtedness. In the event the foregoing limitation is waived or when the Series 2023 A Bonds are no longer outstanding, the following parity requirement shall be met:

So long as the Series 2006 C Bonds, Series 2020 A Bonds, Series 2020 B Bonds or Series 2020 C Bonds, are outstanding, no Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, unless there has been procured and filed with the Secretary a written statement by the Independent Certified Public Accountants, reciting the conclusion that the Net Revenues actually derived, subject to the adjustments hereinafter provided for, from the System during any 12 consecutive months, within the 18 months immediately preceding the date of the actual issuance of such Parity Bonds, plus the estimated average increased annual Net Revenues expected to be received in each of the 3 succeeding years after the completion of the improvements to be financed by such Parity Bonds, if any, shall not be less than 115% of the largest aggregate amount that will mature and become due in any succeeding Fiscal Year for principal of and interest, if any, on the following:

- (1) The Bonds then Outstanding;
- (2) Any Parity Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to the provisions contained in this Resolution then Outstanding; and
- (3) The Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued.

The "estimated average increased annual Net Revenues expected to be received in each of the 3 succeeding years," as that term is used in the computation provided in the above paragraph, shall refer only to the increased Net Revenues estimated to be derived from the improvements to be financed by such Parity Bonds and any increase in rates adopted by the Issuer, the time for appeal of which shall have expired prior to the issuance of such Parity Bonds, and shall not exceed the amount to be stated in a certificate of the Independent Certified Public Accountants, which shall be filed in the office of the Secretary prior to the issuance of such Parity Bonds.

The Net Revenues actually derived from the System during the 12-consecutive-month period herein above referred to may be adjusted by adding to such Net Revenues such additional Net Revenues which would have been received, in the opinion of the Independent Certified Public Accountants, on account of increased rates, rentals, fees and charges for the System adopted by the Issuer, the time for appeal of which shall have expired prior to issuance of such Parity Bonds.

All covenants and other provisions of this Bond Legislation (except as to details of such Parity Bonds inconsistent herewith) shall be for the equal benefit, protection and security of the Holders of the Bonds and the Holders of any Parity Bonds subsequently issued from time to time within the limitations of and in compliance with this section. All Bonds, regardless of the time or times of their issuance, shall rank equally with respect to their lien on the revenues of the System and their source of and security for payment from said revenues, without preference of any Bond over any other. The Issuer shall comply fully with all the increased payments into the various funds and accounts created in this Bond Legislation required for and on account of such Parity Bonds, in addition to the payments required for Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to this Bond Legislation.

Parity Bonds shall not be deemed to include bonds, notes, certificates or other obligations subsequently issued, the lien of which on the revenues of the System is subject to the prior and superior liens of the Series 2023 A Bonds on such revenues. The Issuer shall not issue any obligations whatsoever payable from revenues of the System, or any part thereof, which rank prior to or, except in the manner and under the conditions provided in this section, equally, as to lien on and source of and security for payment from such revenues, with the Series 2023 A Bonds.

No Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, however, unless all of the payments into the respective funds and accounts provided for in this Bond Legislation with respect to the Bonds then Outstanding, and any other payments provided for in this Bond Legislation, shall have been made in full as required to the date of delivery of the Parity Bonds, and the Issuer then be in full compliance with all the covenants, agreements and terms of this Bond Legislation.

Section 5.05. Insurance and Bonds. The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that it will, as an expense of construction, operation and maintenance of the System, procure, carry and maintain, so long as the Series 2023 A Bonds remain outstanding, insurance with a reputable insurance carrier or carriers covering the following risks and in the following amounts:

(a) FIRE, LIGHTNING, VANDALISM, MALICIOUS MISCHIEF AND EXTENDED COVERAGE INSURANCE, to be procured upon acceptance of any part of the Project from the contractor, and immediately upon any portion of the System now in use, on all above-ground structures of the System and mechanical and electrical equipment in place or stored on the site in an amount equal to the full insurable value thereof. In the event of any damage to or destruction of any portion of the System, the Issuer will promptly arrange for the application of the insurance proceeds for the repair or reconstruction of such damaged or destroyed portion. The Issuer will itself, or will require each contractor and subcontractor to, obtain and maintain builder's risk insurance to protect the interests of the Issuer during construction of the Project in the full insurable value thereof.

(b) PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE, with limits of not less than \$500,000 for one or more persons injured or killed in one accident to protect the Issuer from claims for bodily injury and/or death, and not less than \$200,000 to protect the Issuer from claims for damage to property of

others which may arise from the operation of the System, such insurance to be procured not later than the date of delivery of the Series 2023 A Bonds.

(c) VEHICULAR PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE, in the event the Issuer owns or operates any vehicle in the operation of the System, or in the event that any vehicle not owned by the Issuer is operated at any time or times for the benefit of the Issuer, with limits of not less than \$500,000 for one or more persons injured or killed in one accident to protect the Issuer from claims for bodily injury and/or death, and not less than \$200,000 to protect the Issuer from claims for damage to property of others which may arise from such operation of vehicles, such insurance to be procured prior to acquisition or commencement of operation of any such vehicle for the Issuer.

(d) WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE DISTRICT ELIGIBLE THEREFOR AND PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS, such bonds to be in the amounts of 100% of the construction contract, will be required of each prime contractor, and such payment bonds have been or will be filed with the Clerk of the County Commission of said County prior to commencement of construction of the Project in compliance with West Virginia Code Section 38-2-39. Workers' compensation coverage shall be maintained as required by the laws of the State of West Virginia.

(e) FLOOD INSURANCE to be procured, to the extent available at reasonable cost to the Issuer; however, if the System is located in a community which has been notified as having special flood or mudslide prone areas, flood insurance must be obtained.

(f) FIDELITY BONDS will be provided as to every member of the Governing Body and as to every officer and employee thereof having custody of the Revenue Fund or of any revenues or other funds of the Issuer in such amount as may be requested by the Purchaser from time to time.

(g) Provided, however, and in lieu of and notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, during construction of the Project and so long as the Series 2023 A Bonds are outstanding, the Issuer will carry insurance and bonds or cause insurance and bonds to be carried for the protection of the Issuer, and during such construction will require each contractor and subcontractor to carry insurance, of such types and in such amounts as the Purchaser may specify, with insurance carriers or bonding companies acceptable to the Purchaser.

Section 5.06. Statutory Mortgage Lien. For the further protection of the Holder of the Series 2023 A Bonds, a statutory mortgage lien upon the System is granted and created by the Act, which statutory mortgage lien is hereby recognized and declared to be valid and binding and shall take effect immediately upon the delivery of the Series 2023 A Bonds.

Section 5.07. Events of Default. Each of the following events is hereby declared an "Event of Default":

(a) Failure to make payment of any monthly amortization installment upon the Series 2023 A Bonds at the date specified for payment thereof;

(b) Failure to duly and punctually observe or perform any of the covenants, conditions and agreements on the part of the Issuer contained

in the Series 2023 A Bonds or herein, or violation of or failure to observe any provision of any pertinent law.

Section 5.08. Enforcement. Upon the happening of any Event of Default specified above, then, and in every such case, the Purchaser may proceed to protect and enforce its rights by an appropriate action in any court of competent jurisdiction, either for the specific performance of any covenant or agreement, or execution of any power, or for the enforcement of any proper legal or equitable remedy as shall be deemed most effectual to protect and enforce such rights.

Upon application by the Purchaser, such court may, upon proof of such default, appoint a receiver for the affairs of the Issuer and the System. The receiver so appointed shall administer the System on behalf of the Issuer, shall exercise all the rights and powers of the Issuer with respect to the System, shall proceed under the direction of the court to obtain authorization to increase rates and charges of the System, and shall have the power to collect and receive all revenues and apply the same in such manner as the court may direct.

Section 5.09. Fiscal Year; Budget. While the Series 2023 A Bonds are outstanding and unpaid and to the extent not now prohibited by law, the System shall be operated and maintained on a Fiscal Year basis commencing on July 1 of each year and ending on the following June 30, which period shall also constitute the budget year for the operation and maintenance of the System. Not later than 30 days prior to the beginning of each Fiscal Year, the Issuer agrees to adopt the Annual Budget for the ensuing year, and no expenditures for operation and maintenance expenses of the System in excess of the Annual Budget shall be made during such Fiscal Year unless unanimously authorized and directed by the Governing Body. Copies of each Annual Budget shall be delivered to the Purchaser by the beginning of each Fiscal Year.

If for any reason the Issuer shall not have adopted the Annual Budget before the 1st day of any Fiscal Year, it shall adopt a Budget of Current Expenses from month to month until the adoption of the Annual Budget; provided, however, that no such monthly budget shall exceed the budget for the corresponding month in the next year preceding by more than 10%; and provided further, that adoption of a Budget of Current Expenses shall not constitute compliance with the covenant to adopt an Annual Budget unless failure to adopt an Annual Budget be for a reason beyond the control of the Issuer. Each such Budget of Current Expenses shall be mailed immediately to the Purchaser.

Section 5.10. Compensation of Members of Governing Body. The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that no compensation for policy direction shall be paid to the members of the Governing Body in excess of the amount permitted by the Act. Payment of any compensation to any such member for policy direction shall not be made if such payment would cause the Net Revenues to fall below the amount required to meet all payments provided for herein, nor when there is default in the performance of or compliance with any covenant or provision hereof.

Section 5.11. Covenant to Proceed and Complete. The Issuer hereby covenants to proceed as promptly as possible with the acquisition and construction of the Project to completion thereof in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the Consulting Engineer on file with the Secretary on the date of adoption hereof, subject to permitted changes.

Section 5.12. Books and Records; Audits. The Issuer will keep books and records of the System, which shall be separate and apart from all other books, records and accounts of the Issuer, in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the System, and the Purchaser shall have the right at all reasonable times to inspect the System and all records, accounts and data of the Issuer relating thereto.

The Issuer shall, at least once a year, cause said books, records and accounts of the System to be properly audited by an independent competent firm of certified public accountants and shall mail a copy of such audit report to the Purchaser. The Issuer shall further comply with the Act with respect to such books, records and accounts.

Section 5.13. Maintenance of System. The Issuer covenants that it will continuously operate, in an economical and efficient manner, and maintain the System as a revenue-producing utility as herein provided so long as the Series 2023 A Bonds are outstanding.

Section 5.14. No Competition. To the extent legally allowable, the Issuer will not permit competition with the System within its boundaries or within the territory served by it and will not grant or cause, consent to or allow the granting of any franchise, permit or other authorization for any person, firm, corporation, public or private body, agency or instrumentality whatsoever to provide any of the services supplied by the System within the boundaries of the Issuer or within the territory served by the System.

## **ARTICLE VI** **RATES, ETC.**

Section 6.01. Initial Schedule of Rates and Charges; Rules. A. The initial schedule of rates and charges for the services and facilities of the System, subject to change consonant with the provisions hereof, shall be as set forth in the Recommended Decision dated October 18, 2022, which became a Final Order on November 7, 2022 in Case No. 22-0595-PWD-CN-42A of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (the "PSC") which are incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof.

B. There shall not be any discrimination or differential in rates between customers in similar circumstances.

C. All delinquent fees, rates and charges for services or facilities of the System shall be liens on the premises served of equal degree, rank and priority with the lien on such premises of state, county, school and municipal taxes, as provided in the Act. The Issuer shall have all remedies and powers provided under the Act and other applicable provisions of law with regard to the collection and enforcement of such fees, rates and charges.

D. The Issuer will not render or cause to be rendered any free services of any nature by the System nor any of the facilities; and in the event that the Issuer or any department, agency, officer or employee thereof should avail itself or themselves of the services or facilities of the System, the same fees, rates and charges applicable to other customers receiving like services under similar circumstances shall be charged, such charges shall be paid as they accrue, and revenues so received shall be deposited and accounted for in the same manner as other Revenues of the System.

E. The Issuer may require any applicant for any service by the System to deposit a reasonable and equitable amount to insure payment of all charges for the services rendered by the System, which deposit shall be handled and disposed of under the applicable rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia.

F. The Issuer, to the extent permitted by law, will not accept payment of any water bill from a customer served with water and sewer services by the Issuer without payment at the same time of a sewer bill owed by such customer for the same premises.

## **ARTICLE VII** **MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 7.01. Payment of Bonds. If the Issuer shall pay or there shall otherwise be paid, to the Holder of the Series 2023 A Bonds, the principal of and interest due or to become due thereon, at the times and in the manner stipulated therein and in this Bond Legislation, then with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds, the pledge of Net Revenues and other monies and securities pledged under this Bond Legislation and all covenants, agreements and other obligations of the Issuer to the Registered Owner of the Series 2023 A Bonds, shall thereupon cease, terminate and become void and be discharged and satisfied.

Except through such direct payment to the Holder of the Series 2023 A Bonds, the Issuer may not defease the Series 2023 A Bonds or otherwise provide for payment thereof by escrow or like manner.

Section 7.02. Modification or Amendment. The Bond Legislation may not be modified or amended after final passage without the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

Section 7.03. Delivery of Bonds. The Chairman and Secretary of the Governing Body are hereby authorized and directed to cause the Series 2023 A Bonds, hereby awarded to the Purchaser pursuant to prior agreement, to be delivered to the Purchaser as soon as the Purchaser will accept such delivery.

Section 7.04. Severability of Invalid Provisions. If any one or more of the covenants, agreements or provisions hereof should be held contrary to any express provision of law or contrary to the policy of express law, although not expressly prohibited, or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed severable from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions hereof, and shall in no way affect the validity of all the other provisions hereof or the Series 2023 A Bonds.

Section 7.05. Conflicting Provisions Repealed. All orders or resolutions and or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed; provided that, this Section shall not be applicable to the Loan Agreement or the Loan Resolution (Form FmHA 442-47); and provided that in the event of any conflict between this Resolution and the Prior Resolutions, the Prior Resolutions shall control (unless less restrictive), so long as the Prior Bonds or any portion thereof are Outstanding.

Section 7.06. Table of Contents and Headings. The Table of Contents and headings of the articles, sections and subsections hereof are for convenience only and shall neither control nor affect in any way the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

Section 7.07. Covenant of Due Procedure, Etc. The Issuer covenants that all acts, conditions, things and procedures required to exist, to happen, to be performed or to be taken precedent to and in the adoption of this Resolution do exist, have happened, have been performed and have been taken in regular and due time, form and manner as required by and in full compliance with the laws and Constitution of the State of West Virginia applicable thereto; and that the Chairman, Secretary and members of the Governing Body were at all times when any actions in connection with this Resolution occurred and are duly in office and duly qualified for such office.

adoption. Section 7.08. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its

Adopted this 18th day of April, 2023.

LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

By: Michael Blatt  
Its: Chairman

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Public Service Board of  
LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT on the 18th day of April, 2023.

Dated: April 20, 2023.

[SEAL]



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Secretary

LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(United States Department of Agriculture)

RECEIPT FOR SERIES 2023 A BONDS

The undersigned, authorized representative of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, for and on behalf of the United States of America (the "Purchaser"), hereby certifies this 20th day of April, 2023 as follows:

1. On the 20th day of April, 2023, at Lavalette, West Virginia, the undersigned received for the Purchaser the Lavalette Public Service District Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), No. AR-1 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), issued as a single, fully registered bond, in the principal amount of \$2,000,000, dated the date hereof, bearing interest at the rate of 1.75% per annum, payable in monthly installments as stated in the Series 2023 A Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds represent the entire above captioned bond issue.

2. At the time of such receipt, the Series 2023 A Bonds had been executed and sealed by the designated officials of the Public Service Board of Lavalette Public Service District (the "Issuer").

3. At the time of such receipt, there was paid to the Issuer the sum of \$296,537.97, being a portion of the principal amount of the Series 2023 A Bonds. The balance of the principal amount of the Series 2023 A Bonds will be advanced by the Purchaser to the Issuer as acquisition and construction of the Project progresses.

WITNESS my signature on the day and year first written above.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative

SPECIMEN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT  
WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

\$2,000,000

No. AR-1

Date: April 20, 2023

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT (herein called "Borrower") promises to pay to the order of the United States of America (the "Government"), or its registered assigns, at its National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or at such other place as the Government may hereafter designate in writing, the principal sum of TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000), plus interest on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of 1.75% per annum. The said principal and interest shall be paid in the following installments on the following dates: Annual installments of interest only, on April 20, 2024 and April 20, 2025 (the first 24 months after the date hereof), and thereafter monthly installments of \$6,020, covering principal and interest, beginning May 20, 2025, to and including April 20, 2063 (40 years from the date of this Bond). The final payment shall be on April 20, 2063, equal to the sum of the unpaid principal and interest due on the date thereof, and except that prepayments may be made as provided hereinbelow. The consideration herefor shall support any agreement modifying the foregoing schedule of payments.

If the total amount of the loan is not advanced at the time of loan closing, the loan shall be advanced to Borrower as requested by Borrower and approved by the Government and interest shall accrue on the amount of each advance from its actual date as shown on the Record of Advances attached hereto as a part hereof.

Every payment made on any indebtedness evidenced by this Bond shall be applied first to interest computed to the effective date of the payment and then to principal.

Prepayments of scheduled installments, or any portion thereof, may be made at any time at the option of Borrower. Refunds and extra payments, as defined in the regulations of the Government according to the source of funds involved, shall, after payment of interest, be applied to the installments last to become due under this Bond and shall not affect the obligation of Borrower to pay the remaining installments as scheduled herein.

If the Government at any time assigns this Bond and insures the payment thereof, Borrower shall continue to make payments to the Government as collection agent for the holder.

While this Bond is held by an insured lender, prepayments as above authorized made by Borrower may, at the option of the Government, be remitted by the Government to the holder promptly or, except for final payment, be retained by the Government and remitted to the holder on either a calendar quarter basis or an annual installment due date basis. The effective date of every payment made by Borrower, except payments retained and remitted by the Government on an annual installment due date basis, shall be the date of the United States Treasury check by which the Government remits the payment to the holder. The effective date of any prepayment retained and remitted by the Government to the holder

on an annual installment due date basis shall be the date of the prepayment by Borrower and the Government will pay the interest to which the holder is entitled accruing between the effective date of any such prepayment and the date of the Treasury check to the holder.

Any amount advanced or expended by the Government for the collection hereof or to preserve or protect any security herefor, or otherwise under the terms of any security or other instrument executed in connection with the loan evidenced hereby, at the option of the Government shall become a part of and bear interest at the same rate as the principal of the debt evidenced hereby and be immediately due and payable by Borrower to the Government without demand. Borrower agrees to use the loan evidenced hereby solely for purposes authorized by the Government.

Borrower hereby certifies that it is unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance its actual needs at reasonable rates and terms, taking into consideration prevailing private and cooperative rates and terms in or near its community for loans for similar purposes and periods of time.

This Bond, together with any additional bonds ranking on a parity herewith which may be issued and outstanding for the purpose of (i) providing funds for financing costs of additions, extensions and improvements to the waterworks system (the "System") of the Borrower; and (ii) paying costs of issuance of the Bonds and related costs, is payable solely from the revenues to be derived from the operation of the System after there have been first paid from such revenues the reasonable current costs of operation and maintenance of the System. This Bond does not in any manner constitute an indebtedness of the Borrower within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or limitation.

Registration of this Bond is transferable by the Registered Owner hereof in person or by his, her or its attorney duly authorized in writing, at the office of the Borrower, as Bond Registrar, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges, if any, provided in the herein defined Resolution and upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond. Upon such transfer a new Bond or Bonds, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the like principal amount, will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor.

This Bond, under the provisions of the Act, is and has all the qualities and incidents of a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, but may only be transferred by transfer of registration hereof with the Bond Registrar.

This Bond has been issued under and in full compliance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including, among others, Chapter 16, Article 13A of the West Virginia Code, as amended (the "Act"), and a Resolution of the Borrower duly adopted April 18, 2023, authorizing issuance of this Bond (the "Resolution").

If at any time it shall appear to the Government that Borrower may be able to obtain a loan from a responsible cooperative or private credit source at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, Borrower will, at the Government's request, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay the Government.

This Bond is given as evidence of a loan to Borrower made or insured by the Government pursuant to the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1965, as amended. This Bond shall be subject to the present regulations of the Government and to its future regulations not inconsistent with the express provisions hereof.

THIS BOND IS ISSUED ON A PARITY WITH RESPECT TO LIENS, PLEDGE AND SOURCE OF AND SECURITY FOR PAYMENT, WITH THE BORROWER'S:

1. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2006 C (WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND), DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2006, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,918,050 (THE "SERIES 2006 C BONDS");
2. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2009 B (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED MAY 18, 2009, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$843,000 (THE "SERIES 2009 B BONDS");
3. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2010 B (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED MARCH 8, 2010, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$237,000 (THE "SERIES 2010 B BONDS");
4. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2011 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED FEBRUARY 4, 2011, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,534,000 (THE "SERIES 2011 A BONDS");
5. WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2012 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2012, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,420,000 (THE "SERIES 2012 A BONDS");
6. WATER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A BONDS (BANK QUALIFIED), DATED DECEMBER 29, 2020, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,128,000 (THE "SERIES 2020 A BONDS");
7. WATER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 B BONDS (BANK QUALIFIED), DATED DECEMBER 29, 2020, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,362,200 (THE "SERIES 2020 B BONDS"); AND
8. WATER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 C BONDS (BANK QUALIFIED), DATED DECEMBER 29, 2020, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,950,750 (THE "SERIES 2020 C BONDS") (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PRIOR BONDS").

In accordance with the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Bonds will be in default should any proceeds of the Bonds be used for a purpose that will contribute to excessive erosion of highly erodible land or to the conversion of wetlands to produce an agricultural commodity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT has caused this Bond to be executed by its Chairman and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed or imprinted hereon and attested by its Secretary, all as of the date hereinabove written.

LAVALETTE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

[CORPORATE SEAL]

Michael Blais  
Chairman, Public Service Board

ATTEST:

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Secretary, Public Service Board

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u>    | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$296,537.97 | 04/20/2023  | (19)          |             |
| (2)              |             | (20)          |             |
| (3)              |             | (21)          |             |
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| (18)             |             | (36)          |             |

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Form of Assignment)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_  
the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_,  
Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration of the within Bond of the said Issuer  
with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
In the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_



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April 20, 2023

Lavalette Public Service District  
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(United States Department of Agriculture)

Lavalette Public Service District  
Lavalette, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture  
Cross Lanes, West Virginia

West Virginia Water Development Authority  
Charleston, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as bond counsel in connection with the issuance by Lavalette Public Service District in Wayne, West Virginia (the "Issuer"), of its \$2,000,000 Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated the date hereof (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), pursuant to Chapter 16, Article 13A of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (the "Act"), a Bond Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on April 18, 2023 (the "Bond Legislation"). We have examined the law and such certified copies of proceedings and other papers as we deem necessary to render this opinion.

The Series 2023 A Bonds are issued for the purposes of (i) paying a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public waterworks system of the Issuer (the "Project"); (ii) paying capitalized interest; and (iii) paying certain issuance and other costs in connection therewith.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon the representations of the Issuer contained in the Bond Legislation and in the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials furnished to us without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

1. The Issuer is duly created and validly existing as a public service district and as a public corporation and a political subdivision of the State of West Virginia with full power to adopt and enact the Bond Legislation, perform the agreements on its part contained therein and issue and sell the Series 2023 A Bonds, all under the Act and other applicable provisions of law.

2. The Bond Legislation has been duly and effectively adopted and enacted by the Issuer and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable upon the Issuer.

Pursuant to the Act, the Bond Legislation creates a valid lien on the funds pledged by the Bond Legislation for the security of the Series 2023 A Bonds, on a parity with the Issuer's: (1) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 C (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated February 23, 2006, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,918,050 (the "Series 2006 C Bonds"); (2) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated May 18, 2009, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$843,000 (the "Series 2009 B Bonds"); (3) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated March 8, 2010, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$237,000 (the "Series 2010 B Bonds"); (4) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated February 4, 2011, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,534,000 (the "Series 2011 A Bonds"); (5) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated September 21, 2012, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,420,000 (the "Series 2012 A Bonds"); (6) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,128,000 (the "Series 2020 A Bonds"); (7) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 B Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,362,200 (the "Series 2020 B Bonds"); and (8) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 C Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,950,750 (the "Series 2020 C Bonds") (collectively, the "Prior Bonds").

3. The Series 2023 A Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Issuer and are valid and binding special obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from the sources provided therefor in the Bond Legislation.

4. The Series 2023 A Bonds have not been issued on the basis that the interest, if any, thereon is or will be excluded from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes. We express no opinion regarding the excludability of such interest from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes or other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds.

5. The Series 2023 A Bonds are, under the Act, exempt from taxation by the State of West Virginia, and the other taxing bodies of the State, and interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes and corporate net income taxes imposed directly thereon by the State of West Virginia.

It is to be understood that the rights of the holders of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds, the Bond Legislation and the liens and pledges set forth therein may be subject to and limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable and that the enforcement thereof may also be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

Very truly yours,

  
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April 20, 2023

Lavalette Public Service District  
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(United States Department of Agriculture)

Lavalette Public Service District  
Lavalette, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture  
Cross Lanes, West Virginia

Steptoe & Johnson PLLC  
Charleston, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are counsel to the Lavalette Public Service District in Wayne County, West Virginia (the "Issuer"), in connection with the above-captioned bond issue. As such counsel, we have examined a copy of the approving opinion of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, as bond counsel, the Letter of Conditions for the Series 2023 A Bonds, a Bond Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer April 18, 2023 (the "Bond Legislation"), and other documents relating to the above-captioned bonds of the Issuer (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"). All capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Bond Legislation when used herein.

We are of the opinion that:

1. The Issuer has been duly created and is validly existing as a public service district and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia and the members and officers of the Public Service Board of the Issuer have been duly, lawfully and properly appointed and elected, have taken the requisite oaths, and are authorized to act in their respective capacities on behalf of the Issuer.
2. The Bond Legislation has been duly adopted by the Issuer and is in full force and effect.
3. The execution and delivery of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Bond Legislation and the carrying out of the terms thereof, do not and will not, in any material respect, conflict with or constitute, on the part of the Issuer,

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a breach of or default under any ordinance, order, resolution, agreement or other instrument to which the Issuer is a party or any existing law, regulation, court order or consent decree to which the Issuer is subject.

4. The Issuer has received all permits, licenses, approvals, exemptions, consents, registrations, certificates and authorizations required by law for the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System and the imposition of rates and charges for use of the System, including, without limitation, the receipt of all requisite orders and approvals from the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health, and the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, and has taken any other action required for the imposition of such rates and charges.

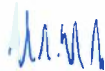
5. We are of the opinion that the Issuer has received all orders and approvals from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, including the Recommended Decision dated October 18, 2022, which became Final Order on November 7, 2022, in Case No. 22-0595-PWD-CN-42A of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, among other things, granting to the Issuer a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the Project, approving rates and charges for the System, and approving the financing for the Project. An affidavit of CPA dated February 8, 2023, was filed pursuant to such order. Such Order is in full force and effect.

6. To the best of our knowledge, there is no litigation, action, suit, proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court, public board or body, pending or threatened, wherein an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding would adversely affect the transactions contemplated by the Bond Legislation, the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System, the validity of the Series 2023 A Bonds or the collection or pledge of the Net Revenues therefor.

7. We have ascertained that all successful bidders have provided the drug-free workplace affidavit, submitted their drug-free workplace plan, and the contracts contain language that complies with the Drug-Free Workplace Act, Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code. We have also ascertained that all successful bidders have made required provisions for all insurance and payment and performance bonds and such insurance policies or binders and such bonds have been verified for accuracy. Based upon our review of the contracts, the surety bonds and the policies or other evidence of insurance coverage in connection with the Project, we are of the opinion that such surety bonds and policies (i) are in compliance with the contracts; (ii) are adequate in form, substance and amount to protect the various interests of the Issuer; (iii) have been executed by duly authorized representatives of the proper parties; (iv) meet the requirements of the Act and the Bond Legislation; and (v) all such documents constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the parties thereto in accordance with the terms, conditions and provisions thereof.

All counsel to this transaction may rely upon this opinion as if specifically addressed to them.

Sincerely,



KAY CASTO & CHANEY PLLC

**WEST VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL BOND COMMISSION****NEW ISSUE REPORT FORM**

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4/20/2023

ISSUE: Lavalette Public Service DistrictWater Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (USDA)ADDRESS: 5308 Route 152, Lavalette, WV 25535COUNTY: WaynePURPOSE OF ISSUE: ☒ New Money  
☐ Refunding

Refunding issue(s) dated: \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUE DATE: April 20, 2023RATE: 1.750% ADMIN FEE NAISSUE AMOUNT: \$2,000,0001st DEBT SERVICE DUE: NA1st PRINCIPAL DUE: NA1st DEBT SERVICE AMOUNT: NAPAYING AGENT: IssuerBOND COUNSEL: Steptoe & Johnson PLLC

UNDERWRITERS COUNSEL: \_\_\_\_\_

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CLOSING BANK: WesBanco Bank, Inc.

ESCROW TRUSTEE: \_\_\_\_\_

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KNOWLEDGEABLE ISSUER CONTACT:

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DEPOSITS TO MBC AT CLOSE: \_\_\_\_\_

Accrued Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Wire \_\_\_\_\_

Capitalized Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Check \_\_\_\_\_

Reserve Account: \_\_\_\_\_

In-house Transfer \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

REFUNDS &amp; TRANSFERS BY MBC AT CLOSE:

To Escrow Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Wire \_\_\_\_\_

To Issuer: \_\_\_\_\_

Check \_\_\_\_\_

To Cons.Invest Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

IGT \_\_\_\_\_

To Other: \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUER NUMBERS:

BANK ID NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CUSIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOUNT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES: Monthly DS payments will be made by the District directly to the NFO. The MBC will only hold the Series2023 A Reserve Account. Payments into the Reserve Account will commence 24 months following closing.

FOR MUNIICIPAL BOND COMMISSION USE ONLY:

Documents Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Transfers Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Lavalette Public Service District  
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(United States Department of Agriculture)

CERTIFICATE OF ENGINEER

I, Mark A. McGettigan, Registered Professional Engineer, West Virginia License No. 016862, of E.L. Robinson Engineering Co., Charleston, West Virginia, hereby certify this 20th day of April, 2023 as follows:

1. My firm is engineer for the acquisition and construction of certain additions, improvements and extensions (the “Project”) to the existing waterworks system (the “System”) of Lavalette Public Service District (the “Issuer”) to be constructed primarily in Wayne County, West Virginia, which acquisition and construction are being financed in part by the proceeds of the above-captioned bonds (the “Bonds”) of the Issuer. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Bond Resolution adopted by the Issuer on April 18, 2023, the Letter of Conditions, as amended, of the Rural Utilities Service (the “RUS”) for the Series 2023 A Bonds dated March 26, 2021 (the “Letter of Conditions”).

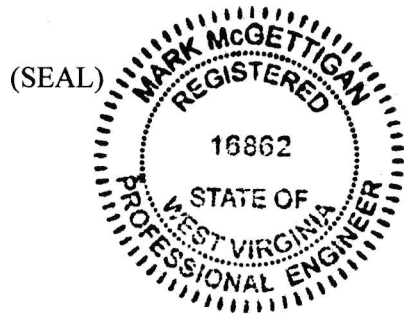
2. The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) paying a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of additions, improvements and extensions to the existing public waterworks system of the Issuer (the “Project”); (ii) paying capitalized interest; and (iii) paying costs of issuance of the Bonds and related costs.

3. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, (i) within the limits and in accordance with the applicable and governing contractual requirements relating to the Project, the Project will be constructed in general accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs prepared by my firm and approved by RUS, and any change orders approved by the Issuer, RUS, and all necessary governmental bodies; (ii) ) the Project does not include any buildings to be designed and constructed in compliance with the ICC International Energy Conservation Code, adopted by the State Fire Commission, and the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007; (iii) the Project, as designed, is adequate for its intended purpose and has a useful life of at least forty years, if properly constructed, operated and maintained, excepting anticipated replacements due to normal wear and tear; (iv) the Issuer has received bids for the acquisition and construction of the Project which are in an amount and otherwise compatible with the plan of financing set forth in the Schedule B attached hereto as Exhibit A and the Issuer’s counsel, Ron Flora, Esquire, has ascertained that all successful bidders have made required provisions for all insurance and payment and performance bonds and that such insurance policies or binders and such bonds have been verified for accuracy; (v) the successful bidders received any and all addenda to the original bid documents; (vi) the successful bidders have provided the Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit as evidence of the Vendor’s compliance with the provisions of Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code; (vii) the bid documents relating to the Project reflect the

Project and the bid forms provided to the bidders contain all critical operational components of the Project; (viii) the successful bids include prices for every item on such bid forms; (ix) the Issuer has obtained all permits required by the laws of the State of West Virginia and the United States necessary for the acquisition and construction of the Project and the operation of the System; and (x) the net proceeds of the Bonds, together with all other moneys on deposit or to be simultaneously deposited and irrevocably pledged thereto and the proceeds of grants, if any, irrevocably committed therefor, are sufficient to pay the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project approved by RUS.

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WITNESS my signature and seal the day and year first written above.



E.L. ROBINSON ENGINEERING CO.

Mark McGettigan  
Mark A. McGettigan, P. E.  
West Virginia License No. 016862



April 20, 2023

## CPA Certificate

Lavalette Public Service District  
Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(United States Department of Agriculture)

Lavalette Public Service District  
Lavalette, West Virginia

West Virginia Water Development Authority  
Charleston, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture  
Cross Lanes, West Virginia

Steptoe & Johnson PLLC  
Charleston, West Virginia

**RE: CPA CERTIFICATE**  
**Lavalette Water Upgrade Project**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Based upon the water rates and charges set forth in the Recommended Decision of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia in Case No. 22-0595-PWD-CN-42A, entered October 18, 2022 which became a Final Order on November 7, 2022 and projected operating expenses and anticipated customer usage as furnished to us by E. L. Robinson Engineering Co., Consulting Engineers, it is our opinion that such rates and charges will be sufficient to provide revenues which, together with other revenues of the waterworks system (the "System") of Lavalette Public Service District (the "Issuer"), will provide for all Operating Expenses of the System and will leave a balance each year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount required in any year for payment of principal of and interest on the Issuer's Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated April 20, 2023 issued in the amount of \$2,000,000 and all other obligations secured by a lien on or payable from such revenues on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds, including the Issuer's:

- (1) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 C (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated February 23, 2006, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,918,050 (the "Series 2006 C Bonds");
- (2) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated May 18, 2009, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$843,000 (the "Series 2009 B Bonds");

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- (3) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated March 8, 2010, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$237,000 (the “Series 2010 B Bonds”);
- (4) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated February 4, 2011, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,534,000 (the “Series 2011 A Bonds”);
- (5) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2012 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated September 21, 2012, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,420,000 (the “Series 2012 A Bonds”);
- (6) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,128,000 (the “Series 2020 A Bonds”);
- (7) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 B Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,362,200 (the “Series 2020 B Bonds”); and
- (8) Water Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 C Bonds (Bank Qualified), dated December 29, 2020, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$1,950,750 (the “Series 2020 C Bonds”) (collectively, the “Prior Bonds”).

It is further our opinion that (i) the Net Revenues for the Fiscal Year following the year in which the Series 2023 A Bonds are issued will be at least 120% of the average annual debt service on the Prior Bonds and the Series 2023 A Bonds and that (ii) the Net Revenues actually derived from the System during any 12 consecutive months, within the 18 months immediately preceding the date of the actual issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, plus the estimated average increased annual Net Revenues to be received in each of the 3 succeeding years after the completion of the improvements to be financed by the Series 2023 A Bonds, are not less than 115% of the largest aggregate amount that will mature and become due in any succeeding fiscal year for the principal of and interest on the Prior Bonds and the Series 2023 A Bonds.

In the course of our due diligence to render this Certificate, we have reviewed the books and records of the System and further opine as follows:

(a.) The Debt Service Reserve Funds for the Prior Bonds are each funded or are being funded at the level required by the respective resolutions of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of such Prior Bonds (collectively, the “Prior Resolution”);

(b.) The Renewal and Replacement Fund required by the Prior Resolutions is established and the rates and charges for the System have been established which are projected to be sufficient in the upcoming Fiscal Year to make the required deposits in the Renewal and Replacement Fund; and

(c.) The Working Capital Reserve Account required by W. V. Code Section 24-1-1(k) is established and the rates and charges for the System have been established which are projected to be sufficient in the upcoming Fiscal Year to make the required deposits in the Working Capital Reserve Account.

Sincerely,

*Michael D. Griffith, CPA*

Michael D. Griffith, CPA, AFI  
Griffith & Associates, PLLC

MDG/s

**LOAN RESOLUTION**  
(Public Bodies)A RESOLUTION OF THE Board of DirectorsOF THE Lavalette Public Service District

AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE INCURRENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A PORTION OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, ENLARGING, IMPROVING, AND/OR EXTENDING ITS

To own and operate water wastewater system.

FACILITY TO SERVE AN AREA LAWFULLY WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION TO SERVE.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Lavalette Public Service District

(Public Body)

(herein after called Association) to raise a portion of the cost of such undertaking by issuance of its bonds in the principal amount of

Two Million & 00 100pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 16 Article 13A, West Virginia Code; and

WHEREAS, the Association intends to obtain assistance from the United States Department of Agriculture, (herein called the Government) acting under the provisions of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) in the planning, financing, and supervision of such undertaking and the purchasing of bonds lawfully issued, in the event that no other acceptable purchaser for such bonds is found by the Association:

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises the Association hereby resolves:

1. To have prepared on its behalf and to adopt an ordinance or resolution for the issuance of its bonds containing such items and in such forms as are required by State statutes and as are agreeable and acceptable to the Government.
2. To refinance the unpaid balance, in whole or in part, of its bonds upon the request of the Government if at any time it shall appear to the Government that the Association is able to refinance its bonds by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private sources at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time as required by section 333(c) of said Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1983(c)).
3. To provide for, execute, and comply with Form RD 400-4, "Assurance Agreement," and Form RD 400-1, "Equal Opportunity Agreement," including an "Equal Opportunity Clause," which clause is to be incorporated in, or attached as a rider to, each construction contract and subcontract involving in excess of \$10,000.
4. To indemnify the Government for any payments made or losses suffered by the Government on behalf of the Association. Such indemnification shall be payable from the same source of funds pledged to pay the bonds or any other legal ly permissible source.
5. That upon default in the payments of any principal and accrued interest on the bonds or in the performance of any covenant or agreement contained herein or in the instruments incident to making or insuring the loan, the Government at its option may (a) declare the entire principal amount then outstanding and accrued interest immediately due and payable, (b) for the account of the Association (payable from the source of funds pledged to pay the bonds or any other legally permissible source), incur and pay reasonable expenses for repair, maintenance, and operation of the facility and such other reasonable expenses as may be necessary to cure the cause of default, and/or (c) take possession of the facility, repair, maintain, and operate or rent it. Default under the provisions of this resolution or any instrument incident to the making or insuring of the loan may be construed by the Government to constitute default under any other instrument held by the Government and executed or assumed by the Association, and default under any such instrument may be construed by the Government to constitute default hereunder.
6. Not to sell, transfer, lease, or otherwise encumber the facility or any portion thereof, or interest therein, or permit others to do so, without the prior written consent of the Government.
7. Not to defease the bonds, or to borrow money, enter into any contractor agreement, or otherwise incur any liabilities for any purpose in connection with the facility (exclusive of normal maintenance) without the prior written consent of the Government if such undertaking would involve the source of funds pledged to pay the bonds.
8. To place the proceeds of the bonds on deposit in an account and in a manner approved by the Government. Funds may be deposited in institutions insured by the State or Federal Government or invested in readily marketable securities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. Any income from these accounts will be considered as revenues of the system.
9. To comply with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations and to continually operate and maintain the facility in good condition.
10. To provide for the receipt of adequate revenues to meet the requirements of debt service, operation and maintenance, and the establishment of adequate reserves. Revenue accumulated over and above that needed to pay operating and maintenance, debt service and reserves may only be retained or used to make prepayments on the loan. Revenue cannot be used to pay any expenses which are not directly incurred for the facility financed by USDA. No free service or use of the facility will be permitted.

*According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0121. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.*

11. To acquire and maintain such insurance and fidelity bond coverage as may be required by the Government.
12. To establish and maintain such books and records relating to the operation of the facility and its financial affairs and to provide for required audit thereof as required by the Government, to provide the Government a copy of each such audit without its request, and to forward to the Government such additional information and reports as it may from time to time require.
13. To provide the Government at all reasonable times access to all books and records relating to the facility and access to the property of the system so that the Government may ascertain that the Association is complying with the provisions hereof and of the instruments incident to the making or insuring of the loan.
14. That if the Government requires that a reserve account be established, disbursements from that account(s) may be used when necessary for payments due on the bond if sufficient funds are not otherwise available and prior approval of the Government is obtained. Also, with the prior written approval of the Government, funds may be withdrawn and used for such things as emergency maintenance, extensions to facilities and replacement of short lived assets.
15. To provide adequate service to all persons within the service area who can feasibly and legally be served and to obtain USDA's concurrence prior to refusing new or adequate services to such persons. Upon failure to provide services which are feasible and legal, such person shall have a direct right of action against the Association or public body.
16. To comply with the measures identified in the Government's environmental impact analysis for this facility for the purpose of avoiding or reducing the adverse environmental impacts of the facility's construction or operation.
17. To accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$ 1,000,000.00

under the terms offered by the Government; that the \_\_\_\_\_

and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Association are hereby authorized and empowered to take all action necessary or appropriate in the execution of all written instruments as may be required in regard to or as evidence of such grant; and to operate the facility under the terms offered in said grant agreement(s).

The provisions hereof and the provisions of all instruments incident to the making or the insuring of the loan, unless otherwise specifically provided by the terms of such instrument, shall be binding upon the Association as long as the bonds are held or insured by the Government or assignee. The provisions of sections 6 through 17 hereof may be provided for in more specific detail in the bond resolution or ordinance; to the extent that the provisions contained in such bond resolution or ordinance should be found to be inconsistent with the provisions hereof, these provisions shall be construed as controlling between the Association and the Government or assignee.

The vote was: Yeas 3 Nays 0 Absent 0

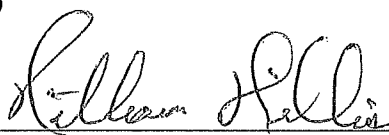
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors \_\_\_\_\_ of the

Lavalette Public Service District \_\_\_\_\_ has duly adopted this resolution and caused it

to be executed by the officers below in duplicate on this 30, 2021 day of May

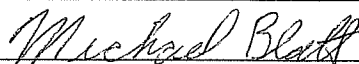
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Attest:



Title \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary

By



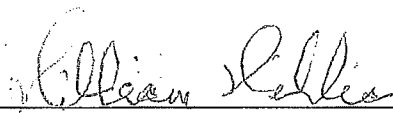
Title

Michael Blatt, Chairman

**CERTIFICATION TO BE EXECUTED AT LOAN CLOSING**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Lavalette Public Service District  
hereby certify that the Board of Directors of such Association is composed of  
3 members, of whom, 3 constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof duly called and  
held on the 30 day of May, 2021; and that the foregoing resolution was adopted at such meeting  
by the vote shown above, I further certify that as of April 20, 2023,  
the date of closing of the loan from the United States Department of Agriculture, said resolution remains in effect and has not been  
rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated, this 18th day of April, 2023

  
\_\_\_\_\_

Title Secretary

**Water and Waste System Grant Agreement**

**United States Department of Agriculture**

**Rural Utilities Service**

THIS AGREEMENT dated April 20, 2023, between

Lavalette Public Service District

a public corporation organized and operating under

Chapter 16 Article 13A, West Virginia Code

(Authorizing Statute)

herein called "Grantee," and the United States of America acting through the Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, herein called "Grantor," WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**

Grantee has determined to undertake a project of acquisition, construction, enlargement, or capital improvement of a (water) (waste) system to serve the area under its jurisdiction at an estimated cost of \$ 3,616,000.00 and has duly authorized the undertaking of such project.

Grantee is able to finance not more than \$ 2,000,000.00 of the development costs through revenues, charges, taxes or assessments, or funds otherwise available to Grantee resulting in a reasonable user charge.

Said sum of \$ 2,000,000.00 has been committed to and by Grantee for such project development costs.

Grantor has agreed to grant the Grantee a sum not to exceed \$ 616,000.00 or 17.03 percent of said project development costs, whichever is the lesser, subject to the terms and conditions established by the Grantor. Provided, however, that the proportionate share of any grant funds actually advanced and not needed for grant purposes shall be returned immediately to the Grantor. The Grantor may terminate the grant in whole, or in part, at any time before the date of completion, whenever it is determined that the Grantee has failed to comply with the Conditions of the grant.

As a condition of this grant agreement, the Grantee assures and certifies that it is in compliance with and will comply in the course of the agreement with all applicable laws, regulations, Executive orders and other generally applicable requirements, including those set out in 7 CFR 3015.205(b), which hereby are incorporated into this agreement by reference, and such other statutory provisions as are specifically set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, In consideration of said grant by Grantor to Grantee, to be made pursuant to Section 306(a) of The Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for the purpose only of defraying a part not to exceed 17.03 percent of the project development costs, as defined by applicable Rural Utilities Service instructions.

Grantee Agrees That Grantee Will:

A. Cause said project to be constructed within the total sums available to it, including said grant, in accordance with the project plans and specifications and any modifications thereof prepared by Grantee and approved by Grantor.

B. Permit periodic inspection of the construction by a representative of Grantor during construction.

C. Manage, operate and maintain the system, including this project if less than the whole of said system, continuously in an efficient and economical manner.

D. Make the services of said system available within its capacity to all persons in Grantee's service area without discrimination as to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, or physical or mental handicap (possess capacity to enter into legal contract for services) at reasonable charges, including assessments, taxes, or fees in accordance with a schedule of such charges, whether for one or more classes of service, adopted by resolution dated March 30, 2021, as may be modified from time to time by Grantee. The initial rate schedule must be approved by Grantor. Thereafter, Grantee may make such modifications to the rate system as long as the rate schedule remains reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

E. Adjust its operating costs and service charges from time to time to provide for adequate operation and maintenance, emergency repair reserves, obsolescence reserves, debt service and debt service reserves.

F. Expand its system from time to time to meet reasonably anticipated growth or service requirements in the area within its jurisdiction.

G. Provide Grantor with such periodic reports as it may require and permit periodic inspection of its operations by a representative of the Grantor.

H. To execute any agreements required by Grantor which Grantee is legally authorized to execute. If any such agreement has been executed by Grantee as a result of a loan being made to Grantee by Grantor contemporaneously with the making of this grant, another agreement of the same type need not be executed in connection with this grant.

I. Upon any default under its representations or agreements set forth in this instrument, Grantee, at the option and demand of Grantor, will repay to Grantor forthwith the original principal amount of the grant stated herein above with the interest at the rate of 5 percentum per annum from the date of the default. Default by the Grantee will constitute termination of the grant thereby causing cancellation of Federal assistance under the grant. The provisions of this Grant Agreement may be enforced by Grantor, at its option and without regard to prior waivers by it previous defaults of Grantee, by judicial proceedings to require specific performance of the terms of this Grant Agreement or by such other proceedings in law or equity, in either Federal or State courts, as may be deemed necessary by Grantor to assure compliance with the provisions of this Grant Agreement and the laws and regulations under which this grant is made.

J. Return immediately to Grantor, as required by the regulations of Grantor, any grant funds actually advanced and not needed by Grantee for approved purposes.

K. Use the real property including land, land improvements, structures, and appurtenances thereto, for authorized purposes of the grant as long as needed.

1. Title to real property shall vest in the recipient subject to the condition that the Grantee shall use the real property for the authorized purpose of the original grant as long as needed.

2. The Grantee shall obtain approval by the Grantor agency for the use of the real property in other projects when the Grantee determines that the property is no longer needed for the original grant purposes. Use in other projects shall be limited to those under other Federal grant programs or programs that have purposes consistent with those authorized for support by the Grantor.

3. When the real property is no longer needed as provided in 1 and 2 above, the Grantee shall request disposition instructions from the Grantor agency or its successor Federal agency. The Grantor agency shall observe the following rules in the disposition instructions:

(a) The Grantee may be permitted to retain title after it compensates the Federal Government in an amount computed by applying the Federal percentage of participation in the cost of the original project to the fair market value of the property.

(b) The Grantee may be directed to sell the property under guidelines provided by the Grantor agency. When the Grantee is authorized or required to sell the property, proper sales procedures shall be established that provide for competition to the extent practicable and result in the highest possible return.

**[Revision 1, 04/17/1998]**

(c) The Grantee may be directed to transfer title to the property to the Federal Government provided that in such cases the Grantee shall be entitled to compensation computed by applying the Grantee's percentage of participation in the cost of the program or project to the current fair market value of the property.

**This Grant Agreement covers the following described real property (use continuation sheets as necessary).**

**All real property associated with water system.**

L. Abide by the following conditions pertaining to equipment which is furnished by the Grantor or acquired wholly or in part with grant funds. Equipment means tangible, non-expendable, personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit. A grantee may use its own definition of equipment provided that such definition would at least include all equipment defined above.

**[Revision 1, 04/17/1998]**

**1. Use of equipment.**

(a) The Grantee shall use the equipment in the project for which it was acquired as long as needed. When no longer needed for the original project, the Grantee shall use the equipment in connection with its other Federally sponsored activities, if any, in the following order of priority:

1) Activities sponsored by the Grantor.

(2) Activities sponsored by other Federal agencies.

(b) During the time that equipment is held for use on the property for which it was acquired, the Grantee shall make it available for use on other projects if such other use will not interfere with the work on the project for which the equipment was originally acquired. First preference for such other use shall be given to Grantor sponsored projects. Second preference will be given to other Federally sponsored projects.

2. Disposition of equipment. When the Grantee no longer needs the equipment as provided in paragraph (a) above, the equipment may be used for other activities in accordance with the following standards:

(a) Equipment with a current per unit fair market value of less than \$5,000. The Grantee may use the equipment for other activities without reimbursement to the Federal Government or sell the equipment and retain the proceeds.

(b) Equipment with a current per unit fair market value of \$5,000 or more. The Grantee may retain the equipment for other uses provided that compensation is made to the original Grantor agency or its successor. The amount of compensation shall be computed by applying the percentage of Federal participation in the cost of the original project or program to the current fair market value or proceeds from sale of the equipment. If the Grantee has no need for the equipment and the equipment has further use value, the Grantee shall request disposition instructions from the original Grantor agency.

The Grantor agency shall determine whether the equipment can be used to meet the agency's requirements. If no requirement exists within that agency, the availability of the equipment shall be reported, in accordance with the guidelines of the Federal Property Management Regulations (FPMR), to the General Services Administration by the Grantor agency to determine whether a requirement for the equipment exists in other Federal agencies. The Grantor agency shall issue instructions to the Grantee no later than 120 days after the Grantee requests and the following procedures shall govern:

(1) If so instructed or if disposition instructions are not issued within 120 calendar days after the Grantee's request, the Grantee shall sell the equipment and reimburse the Grantor agency an amount computed by applying to the sales proceeds the percentage of Federal participation in the cost of the original project or program. However, the Grantee shall be permitted to deduct and retain from the Federal share ten percent of the proceeds for Grantee's selling and handling expenses.

(2) If the Grantee is instructed to ship the equipment elsewhere the Grantee shall be reimbursed by the benefiting Federal agency with an amount which is computed by applying the percentage of the Grantee participation in the cost of the original grant project or program to the current fair market value of the equipment, plus any reasonable shipping or interim storage costs incurred.

(3) If the Grantee is instructed to otherwise dispose of the equipment, the Grantee shall be reimbursed by the Grantor agency for such costs incurred in its disposition.

3. The Grantee's property management standards for equipment shall also include:

(a) Records which accurately provide for: a description of the equipment; manufacturer's serial number or other identification number; acquisition date and cost; source of the equipment; percentage (at the end of budget year) of Federal participation in the cost of the project for which the equipment was acquired; location, use and condition of the equipment and the date the information was reported; and ultimate disposition data including sales price or the method used to determine current fair market value if the Grantee reimburses the Grantor for its share.

(b) A physical inventory of equipment shall be taken and the results reconciled with the equipment records at least once every two years to verify the existence, current utilization, and continued need for the equipment.

(c) A control system shall be in effect to insure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the equipment. Any loss, damage, or theft of equipment shall be investigated and fully documented.

(d) Adequate maintenance procedures shall be implemented to keep the equipment in good condition.

(e) Proper sales procedures shall be established for unneeded equipment which would provide for competition to the extent practicable and result in the highest possible return.

**This Grant Agreement covers the following described equipment(use continuation sheets as necessary).**

**All equipment associated with water system.**

**M. Provide Financial Management Systems which will include:**

1. Accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each grant. Financial reporting will be on an accrual basis.
2. Records which identify adequately the source and application of funds for grant-supported activities. Those records shall contain information pertaining to grant awards and authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, liabilities, outlays, and income.
3. Effective control over and accountability for all funds, property and other assets. Grantees shall adequately safeguard all such assets and shall assure that they are used solely for authorized purposes.
4. Accounting records supported by source documentation.

N. Retain financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other records pertinent to the grant for a period of at least three years after grant closing except that the records shall be retained beyond the three-year period if audit findings have not been resolved. Microfilm or photo copies or similar methods may be substituted in lieu of original records. The Grantor and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Grantee's government which are pertinent to the specific grant program for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcripts.

O. Provide information as requested by the Grantor to determine the need for and complete any necessary Environmental Impact Statements.

P. Provide an audit report prepared in accordance with Grantor regulations to allow the Grantor to determine that funds have been used in compliance with the proposal, any applicable laws and regulations and this Agreement.

Q. Agree to account for and to return to Grantor interest earned on grant funds pending their disbursement for program purposes when the Grantee is a unit of local government. States and agencies or instrumentality's of states shall not be held accountable for interest earned on grant funds pending their disbursement.

R. Not encumber, transfer or dispose of the property or any part thereof, furnished by the Grantor or acquired wholly or in part with Grantor funds without the written consent of the Grantor except as provided in item K above.

S. To include in all contracts for construction or repair a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kick Back" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR, Part 3). The Grantee shall report all suspected or reported violations to the Grantor.

T. To include in all contracts in excess of \$100,000 a provision that the contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §7414 ) and Section 308 of the Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. §1318) relating to inspection, monitoring, entry, reports, and information, as well as all other requirements specified in Section 114 of the Clean Air Act and Section 308 of the Water Pollution Control Act and all regulations and guidelines issued thereunder after the award of the contract. In so doing the Contractor further agrees:

**[Revision 1, 11/20/1997]**

1. As a condition for the award of contract, to notify the Owner of the receipt of any communication from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) indicating that a facility to be utilized in the performance of the contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA list of Violating Facilities. Prompt notification is required prior to contract award.

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In witness whereof Grantee on the date first above written has caused these presence to be executed by its duly authorized

**Chairman**

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Attest:

By

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE

By

**Kellie Lilly, Area Specialist**

(Title)



**Water and Waste System Grant Agreement****United States Department of Agriculture****Rural Utilities Service**THIS AGREEMENT dated April 20, 2023, betweenLavalette Public Service District

a public corporation organized and operating under

Chapter 16 Article 13A, West Virginia Code

(Authorizing Statute)

herein called "Grantee," and the United States of America acting through the Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, herein called "Grantor," WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**

Grantee has determined to undertake a project of acquisition, construction, enlargement, or capital improvement of a (water) (waste) system to serve the area under its jurisdiction at an estimated cost of \$ 3,616,000.00 and has duly authorized the undertaking of such project.

Grantee is able to finance not more than \$ 2,000,000.00 of the development costs through revenues, charges, taxes or assessments, or funds otherwise available to Grantee resulting in a reasonable user charge.

Said sum of \$ 2,000,000.00 has been committed to and by Grantee for such project development costs.

Grantor has agreed to grant the Grantee a sum not to exceed \$ 1,000,000.00 or 27.65 percent of said project development costs, whichever is the lesser, subject to the terms and conditions established by the Grantor. Provided, however, that the proportionate share of any grant funds actually advanced and not needed for grant purposes shall be returned immediately to the Grantor. The Grantor may terminate the grant in whole, or in part, at any time before the date of completion, whenever it is determined that the Grantee has failed to comply with the Conditions of the grant.

As a condition of this grant agreement, the Grantee assures and certifies that it is in compliance with and will comply in the course of the agreement with all applicable laws, regulations, Executive orders and other generally applicable requirements, including those set out in 7 CFR 3015.205(b), which hereby are incorporated into this agreement by reference, and such other statutory provisions as are specifically set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, In consideration of said grant by Grantor to Grantee, to be made pursuant to Section 306(a) of The Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for the purpose only of defraying a part not to exceed 27.65 percent of the project development costs, as defined by applicable Rural Utilities Service instructions.

Grantee Agrees That Grantee Will:

A. Cause said project to be constructed within the total sums available to it, including said grant, in accordance with the project plans and specifications and any modifications thereof prepared by Grantee and approved by Grantor.

B. Permit periodic inspection of the construction by a representative of Grantor during construction.

C. Manage, operate and maintain the system, including this project if less than the whole of said system, continuously in an efficient and economical manner.

D. Make the services of said system available within its capacity to all persons in Grantee's service area without discrimination as to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, or physical or mental handicap (possess capacity to enter into legal contract for services) at reasonable charges, including assessments, taxes, or fees in accordance with a schedule of such charges, whether for one or more classes of service, adopted by resolution dated March 30, 2021, as may be modified from time to time by Grantee. The initial rate schedule must be approved by Grantor. Thereafter, Grantee may make such modifications to the rate system as long as the rate schedule remains reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

E. Adjust its operating costs and service charges from time to time to provide for adequate operation and maintenance, emergency repair reserves, obsolescence reserves, debt service and debt service reserves.

F. Expand its system from time to time to meet reasonably anticipated growth or service requirements in the area within its jurisdiction.

G. Provide Grantor with such periodic reports as it may require and permit periodic inspection of its operations by a representative of the Grantor.

H. To execute any agreements required by Grantor which Grantee is legally authorized to execute. If any such agreement has been executed by Grantee as a result of a loan being made to Grantee by Grantor contemporaneously with the making of this grant, another agreement of the same type need not be executed in connection with this grant.

I. Upon any default under its representations or agreements set forth in this instrument, Grantee, at the option and demand of Grantor, will repay to Grantor forthwith the original principal amount of the grant stated herein above with the interest at the rate of 5 percentum per annum from the date of the default. Default by the Grantee will constitute termination of the grant thereby causing cancellation of Federal assistance under the grant. The provisions of this Grant Agreement may be enforced by Grantor, at its option and without regard to prior waivers by it previous defaults of Grantee, by judicial proceedings to require specific performance of the terms of this Grant Agreement or by such other proceedings in law or equity, in either Federal or State courts, as may be deemed necessary by Grantor to assure compliance with the provisions of this Grant Agreement and the laws and regulations under which this grant is made.

J. Return immediately to Grantor, as required by the regulations of Grantor, any grant funds actually advanced and not needed by Grantee for approved purposes.

K. Use the real property including land, land improvements, structures, and appurtenances thereto, for authorized purposes of the grant as long as needed.

1. Title to real property shall vest in the recipient subject to the condition that the Grantee shall use the real property for the authorized purpose of the original grant as long as needed.

2. The Grantee shall obtain approval by the Grantor agency for the use of the real property in other projects when the Grantee determines that the property is no longer needed for the original grant purposes. Use in other projects shall be limited to those under other Federal grant programs or programs that have purposes consistent with those authorized for support by the Grantor.

3. When the real property is no longer needed as provided in 1 and 2 above, the Grantee shall request disposition instructions from the Grantor agency or its successor Federal agency. The Grantor agency shall observe the following rules in the disposition instructions:

(a) The Grantee may be permitted to retain title after it compensates the Federal Government in an amount computed by applying the Federal percentage of participation in the cost of the original project to the fair market value of the property.

(b) The Grantee may be directed to sell the property under guidelines provided by the Grantor agency. When the Grantee is authorized or required to sell the property, proper sales procedures shall be established that provide for competition to the extent practicable and result in the highest possible return.

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(c) The Grantee may be directed to transfer title to the property to the Federal Government provided that in such cases the Grantee shall be entitled to compensation computed by applying the Grantee's percentage of participation in the cost of the program or project to the current fair market value of the property.

**This Grant Agreement covers the following described real property (use continuation sheets as necessary).**

**All real property associated with water system.**

L. Abide by the following conditions pertaining to equipment which is furnished by the Grantor or acquired wholly or in part with grant funds. Equipment means tangible, non-expendable, personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit. A grantee may use its own definition of equipment provided that such definition would at least include all equipment defined above.

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**1. Use of equipment.**

(a) The Grantee shall use the equipment in the project for which it was acquired as long as needed. When no longer needed for the original project, the Grantee shall use the equipment in connection with its other Federally sponsored activities, if any, in the following order of priority:

1) Activities sponsored by the Grantor.

(2) Activities sponsored by other Federal agencies.

(b) During the time that equipment is held for use on the property for which it was acquired, the Grantee shall make it available for use on other projects if such other use will not interfere with the work on the project for which the equipment was originally acquired. First preference for such other use shall be given to Grantor sponsored projects. Second preference will be given to other Federally sponsored projects.

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(a) Equipment with a current per unit fair market value of less than \$5,000. The Grantee may use the equipment for other activities without reimbursement to the Federal Government or sell the equipment and retain the proceeds.

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The Grantor agency shall determine whether the equipment can be used to meet the agency's requirements. If no requirement exists within that agency, the availability of the equipment shall be reported, in accordance with the guidelines of the Federal Property Management Regulations (FPMR), to the General Services Administration by the Grantor agency to determine whether a requirement for the equipment exists in other Federal agencies. The Grantor agency shall issue instructions to the Grantee no later than 120 days after the Grantee requests and the following procedures shall govern:

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