

**TOWN OF PAX**  
**Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A**  
**(United States Department of Agriculture)**

**CONFORMED BOND ORDINANCE**

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**TOWN OF PAX**

**CONFORMED BOND ORDINANCE**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE TOWN OF PAX, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED THEREOF, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE TOWN OF PAX OF NOT MORE THAN \$885,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE) IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; 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 ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAX:

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

Section 1.01. Authority for this Ordinance. This Ordinance is adopted and enacted pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (the "Act"), and other applicable provisions of law. The Town of Pax (the "Issuer") is a duly created and validly existing municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Fayette County of said State.

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 acquire, construct and operate certain additional public waterworks facilities consisting of additions, betterments and improvements to such existing waterworks facilities, with all appurtenant facilities.

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 there be acquired and constructed certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing waterworks system of the Issuer, consisting of water extension to new customers along Horse Creek and Town Creek, and all 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 Recorder of the Issuer. The existing waterworks facilities of the Issuer, together with the Project and any further additions, betterments and improvements, are herein called the "System". The acquisition and

construction of 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 Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior Bonds (as hereinafter defined) and all debt service, reserve fund and other payments provided for herein and in the Prior Ordinances,

D. It is necessary for the Issuer to issue its Water Revenue Bonds Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture) in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of not more than \$885,000 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), to finance a portion of the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project. The cost of such acquisition and construction shall be deemed to include, without being limited to, the acquisition and construction of the Project; the acquisition 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 prior to and during acquisition and construction, and for a period not exceeding six months after completion of such acquisition or construction, of the Project; engineering, fiscal agents and legal expenses; expenses for estimates of costs and revenues; expenses for plans, specifications and surveys; 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 incidental to the acquisition and construction of the Project and the financing authorized hereby; provided, that reimbursement to the Issuer for any amounts expended by it for allowable costs prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds or the repayment of indebtedness incurred by the Issuer for such purposes shall be deemed Costs of the Project.

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

F. The Issuer has outstanding its:

(i) Water Revenue Bond, Series 1996 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$490,000 (the "Series 1996 A Bonds"); and

(ii) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1996 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$110,000 (the "Series 1996 B Bonds"); (collectively, the "Prior Bonds").

The Prior Bonds are payable from and secured by a lien on the Gross Revenues (as hereinafter defined) of the System.

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) a 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.

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 July 23, 2018, and any amendments, thereto (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, including, among other things and without limitation, obtaining a certificate of convenience and necessity and approval of the financing from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia by final order, the time for rehearing and appeal of which have expired or shall have been duly waived or otherwise provided for.

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 Ordinance, as supplemented, (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. The following terms shall have the following meanings herein unless the text otherwise expressly requires:

"Act" means Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended.

"Bond Legislation" or "Ordinance" means this Ordinance and all ordinances, orders and resolutions supplemental hereto or amendatory hereof.

"Bond Registrar" or "Registrar" means the Issuer, which shall usually so act by its Recorder.

"Bonds" means collectively, the Series 2023 A Bonds, the Prior Bonds and where appropriate, any bonds on a parity herewith subsequently authorized to be issued hereunder or by another ordinance of the Issuer.

"Closing Date" means the date upon which there is an exchange of the Series 2023 A Bonds for the proceeds, or at least a de minimus portion, thereof representing the purchase price of the Series 2023 A Bonds from the Purchaser.

"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 Engineering Company, Beckley, 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.

"Depository Bank" means a bank or trust company which is a member of FDIC (herein defined), and its successors and assigns as designated in the Supplemental Resolution.

"Depreciation Reserve" means the Depreciation Reserve established by Prior Ordinances and continued hereby.

"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" or "Council" means the Council of the Issuer.

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

"Grant" means any grant monies committed to the Project.

"Gross Revenues" means the aggregate gross operating and non-operating revenues of the System, as hereinafter defined, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, after deduction of prompt payment discounts, if any, and reasonable provision for uncollectible accounts; provided, that "Gross Revenue" does not include any gains from the sale or other disposition of, or from any increase in the value of, capital assets (including Qualified Investments, as hereinafter defined) or any Tap Fees as hereinafter defined.

"Herein" or "herein" means in this Bond Legislation.

"Issuer" or "Borrower" means the Town of Pax, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia, in Fayette County, West Virginia, and includes the Governing Body.

"Letter of Conditions" means, collectively, the Letter of Conditions of the Purchaser dated July 23, 2018, and all amendments thereto, if any.

"Mayor" means the Mayor of the Issuer.

"Net Revenues" means the balance of the Gross Revenues, as defined below, remaining after deduction only 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, materials and supplies, pumping costs, 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 Series 2023 A Bonds and into the respective reserve accounts have been made to the last monthly date prior to the date of such retention.

"Parity Bonds" means additional Bonds issued under the provisions and within the limitations prescribed by Section 5.04 hereof.

"Prior Bonds" means the Series 1996 A Bonds and Series 1996 B Bonds.

"Prior Ordinances" means the ordinances 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.

"Recorder" means the Recorder of the Issuer.

"Registered Owner," "Bondholder," "Holder of the Bond" or any similar term means any person who shall be the registered owner of the Series 2023 A Bonds.

"Reserve Funds" means, the respective reserve funds for the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior Bonds.

"Reserve Requirement" means collectively, the respective amounts required to be on deposit in any Reserve Account.

"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.

"Revenue Fund" means the Revenue Fund created by the Prior Ordinances and continued hereby.

"Series 1996 A Bonds" means the Issuer's Water Revenue Bond, Series 1996 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$490,000.

"Series 1996 B Bonds" means the Issuer's Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1996 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$110,000.

"Series 2023 A Bonds" means the Water Revenue Bonds, (United States Department of Agriculture) issued in one or more series authorized by this Ordinance.

"Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account" means the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account created pursuant to Section 4.02 herein.

"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.

"State" means the State of West Virginia.

"Supplemental Resolution" means any resolution, ordinance or order of the Issuer supplementing or amending this Ordinance and, when preceded with the article "the", refers specifically to the supplemental resolution authorizing the sale of the Series 2023 A Bonds; provided, that any matter intended by this Ordinance to be included in the Supplemental Resolution with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds, and not so included may be included in another supplemental resolution.

"System" means the complete waterworks system of the Issuer and all waterworks facilities owned by the Issuer and all facilities and other property of every nature, real or personal, now or hereafter owned, held or used in connection with the waterworks systems, including the Project, and any and all additions, betterments, improvements, properties or other facilities at any time acquired or constructed for the waterworks system from any source 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 neutral gender shall include any other gender; and any requirement for execution or attestation of the Series 2023 A Bonds or any certificate or other document by the Mayor or the Recorder shall mean that such Series 2023 A Bonds, certificate or other documents may be executed or attested by an Acting Mayor or Acting Recorder.

## **ARTICLE II**

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

Section 2.01. Authorization of Acquisition and Construction of the Project. There is hereby authorized and ordered the acquisition and construction of the Project, at an estimated cost not to

exceed \$885,000, 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 proceeds of the Series 2023 A Bonds hereby authorized shall be applied as provided in Article IV hereof.

The estimated maximum cost of the acquisition and construction of the Project is \$885,000 which will be obtained from the proceeds of sale of the Series 2023 A Bonds herein authorized, and as a grant from the Purchaser.

**ARTICLE III**  
**AUTHORIZATION, TERMS, EXECUTION,**  
**REGISTRATION AND ISSUE OF SERIES 2023 A BONDS**

Section 3.01. Authorization of Series 2023 A Bonds. Subject and pursuant to the provisions of this 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 principal amount of not to exceed \$885,000 for the purpose of permanently financing a portion of the cost of the acquisition and construction of the Project.

Section 3.02. Description of Series 2023 A Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be issued in one or more series, only as a fully registered Bond in an aggregate principal amount to be prescribed in the Supplemental Resolution, and shall be dated on the date of delivery thereof. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall bear interest from date of delivery, payable monthly at the rate not to exceed 3.0% per annum, which interest rate shall be prescribed in the Supplemental Resolution and shall be sold for the par value thereof.

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 Bond form hereinafter set forth.

Section 3.03. Negotiability, Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Series 2023 A 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 the 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 at its office by its agent, 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 of 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 Series 2023 A Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Issuer by the Mayor and the seal of the Issuer shall be affixed thereto and attested by the Recorder. 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 has been actually sold and delivered, such Bond may nevertheless be sold and delivered as herein provided and may be issued as if the person who signed or sealed such Series 2023 A 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 Series 2023 A Bonds shall hold the proper office in the Issuer, although at the date of such Bond 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 Bond so mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost, in exchange and substitution for such mutilated Bond or in lieu of and substitution for the Bond 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 Series 2023 A Bonds the Issuer may pay the same, and, if such Series 2023 A Bonds be destroyed, stolen or lost, without surrender thereof.

Section 3.07. Series 2023 A Bonds Secured by Pledge of Gross Revenues. The payment of the debt service of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be secured forthwith by a first lien on the Gross Revenues derived from the System, in addition to the statutory mortgage lien on the System hereinafter provided for as to the Series 2023 A Bonds on a parity with the Prior Bonds. The Gross Revenues derived from the System, in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior 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 becomes due.

Section 3.08. Form of Series 2023 A 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 supplemental resolution enacted after the date of enactment hereof and prior to the issuance thereof:

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(FORM OF SERIES 2023 A BOND)

TOWN OF PAX

WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

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

No. AR-1

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

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the TOWN OF PAX (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 \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), 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\_\_\_\_; and commencing on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ monthly installments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, covering principal and interest, and thereafter on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of each month, to and including \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ (40 years from the date of this Bond), on which date the sum of the unpaid principal and interest is due on the date thereof.

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 providing funds for financing costs of acquisition and construction of additions, betterments and improvements to the waterworks system (the "System") of the Borrower, is payable solely from and secured by the Gross Revenues to be derived from the operation 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, nor shall the Borrower be obligated to pay the same or the interest thereon except from the special fund so provided.

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 Ordinance, 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 to (i) finance a portion of the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project; and (ii) pay certain costs of issuance and related costs. 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 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (herein called the "Act"), an Ordinance of Borrower duly enacted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, and a Supplemental Resolution and Conformed Ordinance duly adopted by the Issuer on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 authorizing issuance of this Bond (collectively, the "Ordinance").

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, AND IN ALL RESPECTS, WITH THE ISSUER'S:

(I) WATER REVENUE BOND, SERIES 1996 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED AUGUST 14, 1996, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$490,000 (THE "SERIES 1996 A BONDS"); AND

(II) WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1996 B (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE), DATED AUGUST 14, 1996, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$110,000 (THE "SERIES 1996 B 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.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the TOWN OF PAX has caused this Bond to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed or imprinted hereon and attested by its Recorder, all as of the date hereinabove written.

TOWN OF PAX

[CORPORATE SEAL]

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Mayor  
P.O. Box 118  
Pax, West Virginia 25904

ATTEST:

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Recorder

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$        |             | (19)          |             |
| (2)           |             | (20)          |             |
| (3)           |             | (21)          |             |
| (4)           |             | (22)          |             |
| (5)           |             | (23)          |             |
| (6)           |             | (24)          |             |
| (7)           |             | (25)          |             |
| (8)           |             | (26)          |             |
| (9)           |             | (27)          |             |
| (10)          |             | (28)          |             |
| (11)          |             | (29)          |             |
| (12)          |             | (30)          |             |
| (13)          |             | (31)          |             |
| (14)          |             | (32)          |             |
| (15)          |             | (33)          |             |
| (16)          |             | (34)          |             |
| (17)          |             | (35)          |             |
| (18)          |             | (36)          |             |

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

(Form of Assignment)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers to \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Borrower with full power of substitution in the premises.

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_

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

Section 4.01. Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Depository Bank. The following special funds or accounts are created (or continued if previously established by Prior Ordinances) and established 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 Prior Ordinances and hereby continued);
- (2) Reserve Account (established by Prior Ordinances for the Series 1996 Bonds and hereby continued);
- (3) Renewal and Replacement Fund (established by Prior Ordinances as Depreciation Reserve and hereby renamed and continued hereby); and
- (4) Project Construction Account.

Section 4.02. Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Commission. The following special fund or account is hereby created with and shall be held by the Commission separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Commission and the Issuer:

- (1) Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

Section 4.03. Bond Proceeds; Project Construction Account. The proceeds of sale of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be deposited upon receipt by the Issuer in the Project Construction Account. The monies in the 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 Project Construction Account shall be expended by the Issuer solely for the purposes provided herein.

Monies in the Project Construction Account shall be used solely to pay the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project upon documentation approved by the Purchaser.

Until completion of acquisition and construction of the Project, the Issuer will additionally transfer from the 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 installment payments on the Series 2023 A Bonds if there are not sufficient Gross Revenues to make such monthly payment.

Pending application as provided in this Section 4.03, money and funds in the 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 Project Construction Account shall be disposed of in accordance with the regulations of the Purchaser.

Section 4.04. Covenants of the Issuer as to 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, sums 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 to the date of such payment, the Issuer further covenants with the holder 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 the Bond Legislation 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 the Bond Legislation.

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, subject to the provisions of the Prior Ordinances not otherwise modified herein:

(1) The Issuer shall next, each month, on or before the due date thereof, transfer from the Revenue Fund and simultaneously remit to the National Finance Office (i) the amounts required by the Prior Ordinances to pay the interest on the Prior Bonds; and (ii) the amounts required to pay interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds.

(2) The Issuer shall next, each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and simultaneously remit to the National Finance Office (i) the amounts required by the Prior Ordinances to pay the principal of the Prior Bonds; and (ii) on or before the due date thereof, commencing 24 months following the date of delivery of the Series 2023 A Bonds, the amount required to amortize the principal of the Series 2023 A Bonds over the life of the bond issue.

(3) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and (i) remit to the Depository Bank, the amount required by the Prior Ordinances to be deposited in the Reserve Accounts for the Prior Bonds; and (ii) beginning on the date specified by the Purchaser, but in any event not later than the 24th monthly anniversary of the Closing Date, thereafter, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit to the Commission for deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account, an amount equal to 10% of the monthly payment amount each month, until the amount in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account equals the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement; provided, that no further payments shall be made into the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account when there shall have been deposited therein, and as long as there shall remain on deposit therein, an amount equal to the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement.

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

(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 Account. 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.

(6) After all the foregoing provisions for use of monies in the Revenue Fund have been fully complied with, any monies remaining therein and not permitted to be retained therein may be used to prepay installments of the Bonds, pro rata, or for any lawful purpose of the System.

Whenever the monies 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 Depository Bank is hereby designated as the Fiscal Agent for the administration of the Depreciation Reserve as herein provided, and all amounts required for the Depreciation Reserve will be deposited therein by the Issuer upon transfers of funds from the Revenue Fund at the times provided herein, together with written directions stating the amount remitted for deposit into each such fund.

The Commission is hereby designated as the Fiscal Agent for the administration of the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account as herein provided, and all amounts required for said account shall be remitted to the Commission from the Revenue Fund by the Issuer at the times provided herein. If required by the Purchaser at anytime, the Issuer shall make the necessary arrangements whereby required payments into said account shall be automatically debited from the Revenue Fund and electronically transferred to the Commission on the dates required hereunder.

The Issuer shall, on the first day of each month (if the first day is not a business day, then the first business day if each month), deposit with the Commission the required reserve account payments with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds and all such payments shall be remitted to the Commission with appropriate instructions as to the custody, use and application thereof consistent with the provisions of this Bond Legislation.

The Revenue Fund and the Depreciation Reserve shall constitute trust funds 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, but the Depository Bank shall not be a trustee as to such funds.

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 on a parity and pro rata with respect to the Prior Bonds.

The Commission, at the direction of the Issuer, 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 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 Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement is on deposit and maintained therein, shall be returned not less than once each year, by the Commission to the Issuer to be deposited in the Revenue Fund.

C. CHANGE OF DEPOSITORY BANK AND FISCAL AGENT. The Issuer may designate another bank or trust company insured by FDIC as Depository Bank and Fiscal Agent 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 of the Project, in full compliance with the Letter of Conditions.

E. CHARGES AND FEES. The Issuer shall remit from the Revenue Fund to the Commission or the Depository Bank such additional sums as shall be necessary to pay the charges and fees of the Commission or the Depository Bank 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, in lawful manner for securing 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 or the Depository Bank 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**

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 a sum 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. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, 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 provide for all reasonable expenses of operation, repair, maintenance of the System and to leave a balance each Fiscal Year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount required in any Fiscal Year for the payment of principal of and interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds and all other obligations secured by or payable from such revenues including the Prior Bonds; provided, that in the event that an amount equal to or in excess of the reserve requirements for the Series 2023 A Bonds prior to or on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds, including the Prior Bonds, are funded at least at the requirement therefor, such balance each Fiscal Year need only equal at least 110% of the maximum amount required in any Fiscal year for the payment of principal of and interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds and all other obligations secured by or payable from such revenues.

Section 5.03. Sale of the System. So long as the Prior Bonds are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of or encumber the System, or any part thereof, except as provided in the Prior Ordinances. Additionally, the System will not be sold without the prior written consent of the Purchaser so long as the Series 2023 A Bonds are outstanding.

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 Ordinances shall be applicable. In addition, no additional Parity Bonds or obligations payable out of the Revenues of the System shall be issued, except with the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

So long as the Series 2023 A Bonds or Prior Bonds are outstanding, no Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, however, unless there has been procured and filed with the Recorder 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 then Outstanding;
- (2) Any Parity Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to the provisions contained in this Bond Legislation then Outstanding;
- (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.

No Parity Bonds shall be issued any time, however, unless all the payments into the respective funds and accounts provided for in this Bond Legislation and the Prior Ordinances with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds and Prior 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 such Parity Bonds, and the Issuer shall then be in full compliance with all the covenants, agreements and terms of this Bond Legislation and the Prior Ordinances.

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 actual cost 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 ISSUER 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 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 will be maintained as provided by law.

E. FLOOD INSURANCE to be procured, to the extent available at reasonable cost to the Issuer; provided, 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 of the Issuer 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 and shall be for the equal benefit of the Series 2023 A Bonds on a parity with the Prior 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 to 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, or

C. If default occurs with respect to the Prior Bonds or the Prior Ordinances.

Section 5.08. Enforcement. Upon the happening and continuance of any Event of Default, any Registered Owner of a Bond may exercise any available remedy and bring any appropriate action, suit or proceeding to enforce his or her rights and, in particular, (i) bring suit for any unpaid principal or interest then due, (ii) by mandamus or other appropriate proceeding enforce all rights of such Registered Owners including the right to require the Issuer to perform its duties under the Act and the Bond Legislation relating thereto, including but not limited to the making and collection of sufficient rates or charges for services rendered by the System, (iii) bring suit upon the Series 2023 A Bonds, (iv) by action at law or bill in equity require the Issuer to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for the Registered Owners of the Series 2023 A Bonds, and (v) by action or bill in equity enjoin any acts in violation of the Bond Legislation with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds, or the rights of such Registered Owners; provided that, all rights and remedies of the Holders of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be on a parity with those of the Holders of the Prior Bonds.

Any Registered Owner of the Bonds, by proper legal action, compel the performance of the duties of the Issuer under this Bond Legislation and the Act, including, the completion of the Project and after commencement of operation of the System, the making and collection of sufficient rates and charges for services rendered by the System and segregation of the revenues therefrom and the application thereof. If there be any Event of Default with respect to such Bonds, any Registered Owner of

the Bonds shall, in addition to all other remedies or rights, have the right by appropriate legal proceedings to obtain the appointment of a receiver to administer the System or to complete the acquisition and construction of the Project on behalf of the Issuer, with power to charge rates, rentals, fees and other charges sufficient to provide for the payment of Operating Expenses of the System, the payment of the Bonds and interest and the deposits into the funds and accounts hereby established, and to apply such rates, rentals, fees, charges or other revenues in conformity with the provisions of this Bond Legislation and the Act.

The receiver so appointed shall forthwith, directly or by his or her or its agents and attorneys, enter into and upon and take possession of all facilities of said System and shall hold, operate and maintain, manage and control such facilities, and each and every part thereof, and in the name of the Issuer exercise all the rights and powers of the Issuer with respect to said facilities as the Issuer itself might exercise.

Whenever all that is due upon the Bonds and interest thereon and under any covenants of this Bond Legislation for reserve, sinking or other funds and upon any other obligations and interest thereon having a charge, lien or encumbrance upon the revenues of the System shall have been paid and made good, and all defaults under the provisions of this Bond Legislation shall have been cured and made good, possession of the System shall be surrendered to the Issuer upon the entry of an order of the court to that effect. Upon any subsequent default, any Registered Owner of any Bonds shall have the same right to secure the further appointment of a receiver upon any such subsequent default.

Such receiver, in the performance of the powers hereinabove conferred upon him or her or it, shall be under the direction and supervision of the court making such appointment, shall at all times be subject to the orders and decrees of such court and may be removed thereby, and a successor receiver may be appointed in the discretion of such court. Nothing herein contained shall limit or restrict the jurisdiction of such court to enter such other and further orders and decrees as such court may deem necessary or appropriate for the exercise by the receiver of any function not specifically set forth herein.

Any receiver appointed as provided herein shall hold and operate the System in the name of the Issuer and for the joint protection and benefit of the Issuer and Registered Owners of the Bonds. Such receiver shall have no power to sell, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any assets of any kind or character belonging or pertaining to the System, but the authority of such receiver shall be limited to the completion of the Project and the possession, operation and maintenance of the System for the sole purpose of the protection of both the Issuer and Registered Owners of such Bonds and the curing and making good of any Event of Default with respect thereto under the provisions of this Bond Legislation, and the title to and ownership of the System shall remain in the Issuer, and no court shall have any jurisdiction to enter any order or decree permitting or requiring such receiver to sell, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any assets of the System.

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 thirty 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 first 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 year next 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. 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 and on file with the Recorder on the date of adoption hereof, subject to permitted changes.

Section 5.11. 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 5.12. 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 5.13. 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 shall be as set forth in the rate ordinance of the Issuer enacted on February 8, 2021, which rate ordinance is 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 a lien on the premises served if not paid when due. 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, including, without limitation, any right and power of foreclosure under the Act and/or such other applicable provisions of law.

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 shall not be liable to any customer for any damage resulting from bursting or breakage of any pipe, line, main, valve, equipment or part or from discontinuance of the operation of any part of the System or from failure of any part thereof for any cause whatever.

G. In case of emergency, the Issuer shall have the right to restrict the use of any part of the System in any reasonable manner for the protection of the System and the inhabitants of the Issuer.

## **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 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. Prior to issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, this Ordinance may be amended or supplemented in any way by ordinance or resolution. Following issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, no modification or amendment of this Ordinance, or any ordinance or resolution amendatory hereof or supplemental hereto, shall be made without the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

Section 7.03. Delivery of Bonds. The Mayor is 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 separable 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. Except for the Prior Ordinances, all ordinances, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions hereof are, to the extent of such conflicts, hereby repealed; provided, that this section shall not be applicable to the Loan Resolution (Form FmHA 442-47).

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 and enactment of this Ordinance 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 Mayor, Recorder and members of the Governing Body were at all times when any actions in connection with this Ordinance occurred and are duly in office and duly qualified for such office.

Section 7.08. Statutory Notice and Public Hearing. Upon adoption hereof, an abstract of this Bond Legislation, determined by the Council to contain sufficient information as to give notice of the contents hereof, shall be published once a week for two successive weeks within a period of fourteen consecutive days, with at least six full days intervening between each publication, in *Fayette Tribune*, being qualified newspapers of general circulation in the Town of Pax, together with a notice stating that this Ordinance has been adopted, and that the Issuer contemplates the issuance of the Bond, and that any person interested may appear before the Council upon a date certain, not less than ten days subsequent to the date of the first publication of the said abstract and notice and not prior to the last date of such publication, and present protests, and that a certified copy of the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Recorder of the Issuer for review by interested parties during regular office hours. At such hearing, all objections and suggestions shall be heard and the Council shall take such action as it shall deem proper in the premises.

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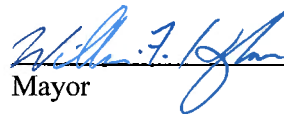
Section 7.09. Effective Time. This Bond Legislation shall take effect following public hearing hereon in accordance with the Act.

Passed on First Reading: October 12, 2021

Passed on Second Reading: November 8, 2021

Passed on Final Reading  
Following Public Hearing: December 13, 2021

TOWN OF PAX

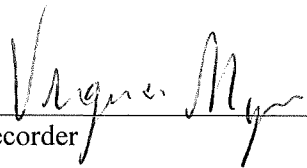
  
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Mayor

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of an Ordinance duly enacted by the Council of the Town of Pax on the 13th day of December, 2021.

Dated: April 14, 2023.

[SEAL]

  
Recorder

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TOWN OF PAX

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

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION MAKING PROVISIONS AS TO PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, DATE, MATURITY DATE, REDEMPTION PROVISION, INTEREST RATE, INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL PAYMENT DATES, SALE PRICE AND OTHER TERMS OF THE WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A OF THE TOWN OF PAX, APPROVING A CONFORMED BOND ORDINANCE AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS AS TO THE BONDS.

WHEREAS, the council (the “Governing Body”) of the Town of Pax (the “Issuer”) has duly and officially adopted and enacted a bond ordinance on December 13, 2021 (the “Bond Ordinance”), entitled:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE TOWN OF PAX, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED THEREOF, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE TOWN OF PAX OF NOT MORE THAN \$885,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE) IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; 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 ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

WHEREAS, capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Conformed Bond Ordinance attached as Exhibit A when used herein;

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to amend the Bond Ordinance through this Supplemental Resolution and Conformed Bond Ordinance (collectively, the “Bond Legislation”);

WHEREAS, the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 A (United States Department of Agriculture) were not issued in 2021, but will be issued in 2023;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to redesignate the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 A (United States Department of Agriculture) as Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture);

WHEREAS, the Bond Ordinance provides for the issuance of Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A, of the Issuer (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$885,000, and has authorized the execution and delivery of the documents relating to the Series 2023 A Bonds, all in accordance with Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the "Act");

WHEREAS, the Governing Body deems it essential and desirable that this supplemental resolution (the "Supplemental Resolution") be adopted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF TOWN OF PAX:

Section 1. The Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 A (United States Department of Agriculture) are hereby redesignated as Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture).

Section 2. The Issuer hereby approves the Conformed Bond Ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 3. Pursuant to the Bond Ordinance and the Act, this Supplemental Resolution is adopted and there are hereby authorized and ordered to be issued the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), of the Issuer, originally represented by a single bond, numbered AR-1 in the principal amount of \$230,000. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery thereof, shall bear interest at the rate of 2.25% per annum, with interest only payable in annual installments on April 14, 2024 and April 14, 2025; and, thereafter, principal and interest are payable in monthly installments of \$753 on the 14th day of each month commencing May 14, 2025 to and including the final installment on April 14, 2063 forty (40) years from the date of the Series 2023 A Bonds) on which date the sum of the unpaid principal and interest due on the date thereof, except that prepayments may be made as hereinafter provided and as provided in the Series 2023 A Bonds, all such payments to be made at the National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or at such other place as the Purchaser may designate after issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds. Prepayments of scheduled installments, or any portion thereof, may be made at any time at the option of the Issuer.

Section 4. The estimated cost of the acquisition and construction of the Project is \$1,000,351.26 of which \$230,000 will be obtained from the proceeds of sale of the Series 2023 A Bonds, \$631,000 will be obtained as a grant from the Purchaser, \$112,000 will be obtained as a grant from the Fayette County Commission and \$27,351.26 will be obtained from the contribution of the Issuer.

Section 5. The Mayor and the Recorder are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such other documents and certificates required or desirable in connection with the Series 2023 A Bonds hereby and by the Bond Ordinance approved and provided for, to the end that the Series 2023 A Bonds may be delivered on or about April 14, 2023, to the Purchaser.

Section 6. The Mayor, Recorder and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all USDA forms relating to the USDA loan and grant including but not limited to the Loan Resolution.

Section 7. The Issuer hereby approves and accepts all contracts relating to the financing, acquisition and construction of the Project.

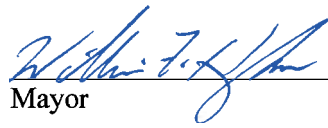
Section 8. The Issuer does hereby appoint and designate Pendleton Community Bank, Mount Hope, West Virginia for the purpose of serving in the capacity of Depository Bank.

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Section 9. This Supplemental Resolution shall be effective immediately following adoption hereof.

Adopted this 10th day of April, 2023.

TOWN OF PAX

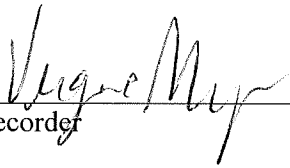
  
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Mayor

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Council of the Town of Pax on the 10th day of April, 2023.

Dated: April 14, 2023.

[SEAL]

  
Recorder

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EXHIBIT A

Conformed Bond Ordinance  
(See Tab 1 of Transcript)

SPECIMEN

TOWN OF PAX

WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

\$230,000

No. AR-1

Date: April 14, 2023

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the TOWN OF PAX (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 HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$230,000), plus interest on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of 2.25% 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 14, 2024 and April 14, 2025; and commencing on May 14, 2025 monthly installments of \$753, covering principal and interest, and thereafter on the 14th day of each month, to and including April 14, 2063 (40 years from the date of this Bond), on which date the sum of the unpaid principal and interest is due on the date thereof.

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.

## WEST VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL BOND COMMISSION

## NEW ISSUE REPORT FORM

900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1117, Charleston, WV 25302

Phone: (304) 558-3971

FAX: (304) 558-1280

mbc.wv.gov

Date of Report: 4/14/2023

ISSUE: Town of Pax, Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (USDA)ADDRESS: PO Box 118, Pax WV 25904COUNTY: FayettePURPOSE OF ISSUE: ☒ New Money  
☐ Refunding

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

ISSUE DATE: 4/14/2023RATE: 2.25% ADMIN FEE: \_\_\_\_\_ISSUE AMOUNT: \$230,0001st DEBT SERVICE DUE: NA1st PRINCIPAL DUE: NA1st DEBT SERVICE AMOUNT: NAPAYING AGENT: IssuerBOND COUNSEL: Steptoe & Johnson PLLC

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

Contact Name: John Stump, Esquire

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 304.353.8196

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: [john.stump@steptoe-johnson.com](mailto:john.stump@steptoe-johnson.com)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

CLOSING BANK: Pendleton Community Bank

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

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 304.877.5551

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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KNOWLEDGEABLE ISSUER CONTACT:

OTHER: USDAContact Name: William HughesContact Name: Heidi DillonTitle: MayorTitle: Loan SpecialistPhone: 304.877.2407Phone: 681.220.5767Email: [wfhughes1@gmail.com](mailto:wfhughes1@gmail.com)Email: [heidi.dillon@usda.gov](mailto:heidi.dillon@usda.gov)

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 debt service payments will be made by the District directly to the National Finance Office.The Municipal Bond Commission will only hold the Series 2023 A Reserve Account. Payments into theSeries 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account will commence 24 months following the date hereof.

FOR MUNIICIPAL BOND COMMISSION USE ONLY:

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

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





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Writer's Contact Information

April 14, 2023

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

Town of Pax  
Pax, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture  
Beckley, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as bond counsel in connection with the issuance by the Town of Pax, in Fayette County, West Virginia (the "Issuer"), of its \$230,000 Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated the date hereof (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), pursuant to Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (the "Act"), and a bond ordinance of the Issuer duly enacted on December 13, 2021 as supplemented by Supplemental Resolution and Conformed Bond Ordinance duly adopted on April 10, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"). We have examined the law and such certified proceedings and other papers as we deem necessary to render this opinion.

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 municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia with full power and authority to adopt and enact the Bond Legislation, perform the agreements on its part contained therein and issue and sell the Series 2023 A Bonds, pursuant to the provisions of the Act and other applicable provisions of law.

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

3. Pursuant to the Act, the Bond Legislation creates a valid lien on the Gross Revenues pledged by the Bond Legislation for the security of the Series 2023 A Bonds on a parity with the Issuer's: (i) Water Revenue Bond, Series 1996 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$490,000 (the "Series 1996 A Bonds"); and (ii) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1996 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$110,000 (the "Series 1996 B

Bonds”); (collectively, the “Prior Bonds”). Other than the Prior Bonds there are no other outstanding bonds or obligations of the Issuer which rank prior to or on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds as to liens, pledge and/or source of and security for payment.

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

5. 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; therefore, the interest on the Series 2023 A Bonds are not excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. We express no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds.

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

It is to be understood that the rights of the holder of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the enforceability of the Series 2023 A 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,



STEPTOE & JOHNSON PLLC

**ZIEGLER & ZIEGLER, L.C.**

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April 6, 2023

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

Town of Pax  
Pax, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture  
Beckley, West Virginia

Steptoe & Johnson PLLC  
Charleston, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are counsel to the Town of Pax, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Fayette County of said State (the "Issuer"). As such counsel, we have examined a copy of the approving opinion of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, as bond counsel, a bond ordinance of the Issuer duly enacted on December 13, 2021 as supplemented by Supplemental Resolution and Conformed Bond Ordinance duly adopted on April 10, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"), and other documents and papers relating to the Issuer and the above-captioned bonds of the Issuer (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"). Terms used in the Bond Legislation and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings as in the Bond Legislation when used herein.

We are of the opinion that:

1. The Issuer is duly created and validly existing as a municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of West Virginia.
2. The Mayor and Recorder and members of the Council of the Issuer have been duly, lawfully and properly elected or appointed, as applicable, have taken the requisite oaths, and are authorized to act in their respective capacities on behalf of the Issuer.

3. The Bond Legislation has been duly adopted and enacted by the Issuer and is in full force and effect.

4. 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, a breach of or default under any agreement, document or instrument to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or its properties are bound or any existing law, regulation, rule, order or decree to which the Issuer is subject.

5. We are of the opinion that the Issuer has received all orders and approvals from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia ("PSC"), including the Recommended Decision dated July 7, 2021, which became a Final Order on July 27, 2021, in Case No. 21-0295-W-CN granting a certificate of convenience and necessity and approving the financing for the Project. The Order remains in full force and effect.

6. All permits, licenses, approvals, consents, certificates, orders, exemptions and authorizations necessary for the creation and existence of the Issuer, the issuance of the Bond, the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System and the imposition of rates and charges have been entered and/or received, including, without limitation, all requisite orders, certificates, consents and approvals from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, and the Issuer has duly taken any other action required for the imposition of such rates and charges, including, without limitation, the enactment of an ordinance dated February 8, 2021 prescribing such rates and charges. The rate ordinance is in full force and effect.

7. To the best of our knowledge, there is no 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 Series 2023 A Bonds and the Bond Legislation, the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System, or the validity of the Series 2023 A Bonds, or the collection or pledge of the Gross Revenues therefor.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anna R. Ziegler", written in a cursive style.

Anna R. Ziegler

TOWN OF PAX

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

ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATE

I, Brandon T. Conley, Registered Professional Engineer, West Virginia License No. 020750, of E.L. Robinson Engineering Company, Charleston, West Virginia, hereby certify this 14th day of April, 2023, that my firm is the engineer for the acquisition and construction of certain additions, improvements and extensions (the "Project") to the existing waterworks system (the "System") of the Town of Pax (the "Issuer"), to be acquired and constructed in Fayette County, West Virginia, which acquisition and construction are being financed in whole or in part by the above-captioned bonds of the Issuer.

1. The Bonds are being issued (i) to pay a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project; and (ii) to pay certain costs of issuance and related costs.

2. 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 the Bureau for Public Health; (ii) the Project, as designed, is adequate for its intended purpose and has a useful life of at least 40 years, if properly constructed, operated and maintained, excepting anticipated replacements due to normal wear and tear; (iii) the Issuer has received bids for the acquisition and construction of the Project; (iv) the successful bidders received any and all addenda to the original bid documents; (v) the bid documents and the bid forms provided to the bidders contain the critical operational components of the Project; (vi) the successful bids include prices for every item on such bid forms; and (viii) the Issuer has obtained all permits required by the laws of the State of West Virginia and the United States necessary for the construction of the Project and operation of the System.

E.L. ROBINSON ENGINEERING COMPANY

(SEAL)



  
Brandon T. Conley, P.E.  
West Virginia License No. 020750



**smithcochranhicks**PLLC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

April 14, 2023

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

Town of Pax  
Pax, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture  
Beckley, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Based upon the rates and charges set forth in the water rate ordinance enacted by the Town of Pax (the "Issuer") on February 8, 2021 and projected operation and maintenance expenses and anticipated customer usage as furnished to us by the Issuer, 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 the Issuer, will pay all repair, operation and maintenance expenses of the System and leave a balance each year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount required in any year for debt service on the Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated April 5, 2023, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$230,000 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds") and the Issuer's outstanding:

- (i) Water Revenue Bond, Series 1996 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$490,000 (the "Series 1996 A Bonds"); and
- (ii) Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1996 B (United States Department of Agriculture), dated August 14, 1996, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$110,000 (the "Series 1996 B Bonds"); (collectively, the "Prior Bonds").

It is our further opinion that 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 requirements on the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior 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 ordinance of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of such Prior Bonds (collectively, the "Prior Ordinances");

(b.) The Renewal and Replacement Fund required by the Prior Ordinances is established and the rates and charges for the System are in place 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 are in place which are projected to be sufficient in the upcoming Fiscal Year to make the required deposits in the Working Capital Reserve Account.

Sincerely,

*Smith Cook & Harris*

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**LOAN RESOLUTION**  
(Public Bodies)A RESOLUTION OF THE Town CouncilOF THE Pax, Town of

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 protect, maintain, and enhance the community.

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Pax, Town of  
(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 Hundred Thirty Thousand & 00/100pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 8 Article 19, 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 \$ 631,000.00

under the terms offered by the Government; that the Mayor

and Recorder 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_\_\_

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Town Council of the

Pax, Town of has duly adopted this resolution and caused it

to be executed by the officers below in duplicate on this July, 23rd day of 2018

(SEAL)

Attest:

Angela Gerald  
Title Recorder

By

William Hughes

Title

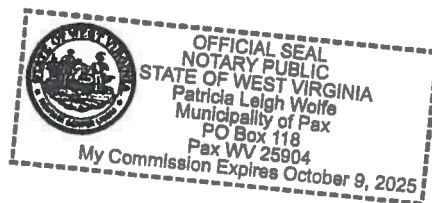
Mayor

**CERTIFICATION TO BE EXECUTED AT LOAN CLOSING**

I, the undersigned, as Recorder of the Pax, Town of  
hereby certify that the Town Council of such Association is composed of  
6 members, of whom, 6 constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof duly called and  
held on the 23rd day of July 2018; and that the foregoing resolution was adopted at such meeting  
by the vote shown above, I further certify that as of April 14, 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 14th day of April 2023

*Patricia Wolfe*



*Virginia Myers*  
Angela Gerald *virginia myers*  
Title Recorder

**Water and Waste System Grant Agreement****United States Department of Agriculture****Rural Utilities Service**THIS AGREEMENT dated 4/14/2023, betweenPax, Town of

a public corporation organized and operating under

Chapter 8 Article 19, 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 \$ 861,000.00 and has duly authorized the undertaking of such project.

Grantee is able to finance not more than \$ 230,000.00 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 \$ 230,000.00 has been committed to and by Grantee for such project development costs.

Grantor has agreed to grant the Grantee a sum not to exceed \$ 631,000.00 or 73.29 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 73.29 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 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 that real property associated with the Town of Pax's 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).**

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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.

2. To certify that any facility to be utilized in the performance of any nonexempt contractor subcontract is not listed on the EPA list of Violating Facilities pursuant to 40 CFR Part 32 as of the date of contract award.

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

3. To include or cause to be included the above criteria and the requirements in every nonexempt subcontract and that the Contractor will take such action as the Government may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.

As used in these paragraphs the term "facility" means any building, plan, installation, structure, mine, vessel or other floating craft, location, or site of operations, owned, leased, or supervised by a Grantee, cooperator, contractor, or subcontractor, to be utilized in the performance of a grant, agreement, contract, subgrant, or subcontract. Where a location or site of operation contains or includes more than one building, plant, installation, or structure, the entire location shall be deemed to be a facility except where the Director, Office of Federal Activities, Environmental Protection Agency, determines that independent facilities are co-located in one geographical area.

**Grantor Agrees That It:**

A. Will make available to Grantee for the purpose of this Agreement not to exceed \$ 631,000.00 which it will advance to Grantee to meet not to exceed 73.29 percent of the project development costs of the project in accordance with the actual needs of Grantee as determined by Grantor.

B. Will assist Grantee, within available appropriations, with such technical assistance as Grantor deems appropriate in planning the project and coordinating the plan with local official comprehensive plans for sewer and water and with any State or area plans for the area in which the project is located.

C. At its sole discretion and at any time may give any consent, deferment, subordination, release, satisfaction, or termination of any or all of Grantee's grant obligations, with or without valuable consideration, upon such terms and conditions as Grantor may determine to be (1) advisable to further the purpose of the grant or to protect Grantor's financial interest therein and (2) consistent with both the statutory purposes of the grant and the limitations of the statutory authority under which it is made.

Termination of This Agreement

This Agreement may be terminated for cause in the event of default on the part of the Grantee as provided in paragraph I above or for convenience of the Grantor and Grantee prior to the date of completion of the grant purpose. Termination for convenience will occur when both the Grantee and Grantor agree that the continuation of the project will not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds.

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

Mayor

attested and its corporate seal affixed by its duly authorized

Council member

Attest:

Patricia Wolpe

By

William E. Glen

(Title)

Mayor

By

Michelle

(Title)

Council member

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE

By

Helen D. Allen

(Title)