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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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COUNTY & PROBATE COURT CLERK

To the Quorum Court of Craighead County Arkansas And Board of Directors of Southridge Volunteer Fire Department

We have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to the cash basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws for Southridge Volunteer Fire Department, for the year ended December 31, 2023. This report is prepared in accordance with Craighead County, Arkansas Ordinance No. 2020-24. Southridge Volunteer Fire Department is responsible for the cash basis financial information.

Southridge Volunteer Fire Department has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of agreed-upon procedures in accordance with Craighead County, Arkansas Ordinance No. 2020-24. Additionally, Quorum Court of Craighead Country Arkansas have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for their purpose. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

- 1. Perform a proof and reconciliation of cash for all money that is received from the Craighead County Treasurer.
- 2. Confirm that this money was spent on fire protection expenditures as defined in the Act 833 funding guidance or operating expenditures of the district.
- 3. Verify twenty-five percent (25%) and all expenditures over \$6,000 were properly supported.
- 4. Confirm that funds are maintained in a separate bank account and not commingled with any other funds.
- 5. Review the polices and procedures that the department is utilizing for interal controls.

Findings: Supporting documentation could not be located for expenditures totaling \$142.27. We recommend that supporting documentation be retained for all expenditures and monthly statements reconciled to individual receipts for vendors that are paid by monthly statements. Further, we recommend that all checks contain dual signatures, and a review and approval of the monthly bank statements be performed by someone other than the custodian of the bank account.

We were engaged by Southridge Volunteer Fire Department to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institue of Ceritified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the cash basis financial information. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of Southridge Volunteer Fire Department and to meed out other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevent ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Quorum Court of Craighead County, Arkansas and the Board of Directors of Southridge Volunteer Fire Department and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Thomas, Speight & Noble, CPAs

Thomas, Speight & Noble, CPAs Jonesboro, Arkansas March 19, 2024

Southridge Volunteer Fire Department

Compiled Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

To the Quorum Court of Craighead County Arkansas And Board of Directors of Southridge Volunteer Fire Department

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statement of Southridge Volunteer Fire Department, which comprises the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statement nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on this financial statement.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Department's financial position and results of operations. Accordingly, the financial statement is not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

Thomas, Speight & Noble, CPAs

Thomas, Speight & Noble, CPAs Jonesboro, Arkansas March 19, 2024

Southridge Volunteer Fire Department Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

CASH RECEIPTS	
Fire fees	\$ 87,475
State aid	29,655
FEMA Grant	264,665
Insurance Claim	42,868
Other	29,312
Interest	1,678
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	455,653
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CASH DISBURSEMENTS	
Repairs and maintenance	23,740
Utilities	9,127
Vehicle loans	29,028
Supplies and equipment	247,852
Fuel	1,549
Retirement	1,072
Accounting and legal fees	2,250
Grant Writing Fee	9,176
FEMA grant expenses	72,284
Insurance	19,581
Miscellaneous	598
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS	416,257
INCREASE (DESCREASE) IN CASH	39,396
Beginning Cash	218,150
Ending Cash	\$ 257,546