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We electronically distributed certified copies of your audit report for the year ended December 31, 2021 to you and other required recipients in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 117.26 and § 117.27.

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If you have any questions, please contact your local regional audit office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith Faber".

Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

Enclosures