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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Northwestern Water and Sewer District  
Wood County  
Ohio Public Employees Retirement System  
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Bowling Green, Ohio 43402-0348

We have examined the Northwestern Water and Sewer District, Wood County, Ohio management's assertion that the census data and pensionable wages reported to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) as of December 31, 2021, and for the year then ended was accurate and complete.

Management asserts that:

- The census data provided to OPERS as of December 31, 2021 is accurate and complete. Census data includes
  - First and Last Name;
  - Last four digits of the social security number;
  - Gender;
  - Date of Birth;
  - Contributions remitted to the plan;
  - Pensionable Compensation;
- The census data provided to OPERS as of December 31, 2021 included all enrolled employees.
- Census data changes occurring during the year ended December 31, 2021 to an enrolled employee's eligible compensation, were properly updated with OPERS.
- All employees required to be enrolled in OPERS in accordance with statutory requirements were properly enrolled.
- The total pensionable wages and employee contributions information reported to OPERS for the year ended December 31, 2021 agrees with the payroll records of the employer.

Northwestern Water and Sewer District's management is responsible for the assertions. Our responsibility is to opine on management's assertions based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether management's assertions are fairly stated, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about management's assertion. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of management's assertions, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, management's assertions related to the accuracy and completeness of the census data and pensionable wages as described above provided to OPERS as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021 are fairly stated in all material respects.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Northwestern Water and Sewer District's management, those charged with governance, OPERS management, and plan auditors to provide assurances that the census data reported to OPERS is accurate and complete. This report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio  
March 17, 2022

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## NORTHWESTERN WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM CENSUS DATA EXAMINATION

WOOD COUNTY

### AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 3/31/2022

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