



RESOLUTION No. 23-474

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT AND STATEMENTS OF WORK WITH CLIFTONLARSONALLEN, LLP (CLA) PERTAINING TO COUNTY AUDITS

WHEREAS, in 2014 the County issued an RFP for five years of audit services and selected CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP. The firm completed the fifth of the five years, and the County Auditor-Controller and Audit committee were satisfied with the performance of the audit engagements and solicited proposals for three-year extensions; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor-Controller and Audit committee are still satisfied with the performance, and audits of the 2022/23 Fiscal Year activities will be the second year of the current three-year extension; and

WHEREAS, the County is preparing to issue an RFP for five years of audit services starting with the audits for the 2023/24 Fiscal Year activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approves and authorizes the Chair of the Board to execute the Master Services Agreement with CLA; and
2. Authorizes the CEO and the Auditor-Controller to sign the Statements of Work not to exceed the amounts as follows:

0101-10102-272-521520	\$91,300	2022/23 ACFR, Single Audit, Appropriations Limit, Finance Authority, and Sanitation District
0101-10102-041-521520	\$2,000	FNS-209 Report
0101-10102-041-521520	\$5,500	Workers Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 12th day of September, 2023, by the following vote of said Board:

Ayes: Supervisors Heidi Hall, Edward C. Scofield, Lisa Swarthout,
Susan Hoek and Hardy Bullock.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ATTEST:

JULIE PATTERSON HUNTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____



Edward C. Scofield, Chair

Master Services Agreement

County of Nevada
950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 230
Nevada City, CA 95959
MSA Date: August 22, 2023

This master service agreement (“MSA”) documents the terms, objectives, and the nature and limitations of the services CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (“CLA,” “we,” “us,” and “our”) will provide for County of Nevada (“you,” or “your”)(CLA and the County of Nevada may be referred to together as the “Parties” or individually as a “Party”). The terms of this MSA will apply to the initial and each subsequent statement of work (“SOW”), unless the MSA is changed in a communication that you and CLA both sign or is terminated as permitted herein.

1. **Scope of Professional Services**

CLA will provide services as described in one or more SOW that will reference this MSA. The SOW will describe the scope of professional services; the nature, limitations, and responsibilities related to the specific services CLA will provide; and the fees for such services.

If modifications or changes are required during CLA’s performance of requested services, or if you request that we perform any additional services, we will provide you with a separate SOW for your signature. Such SOW will advise you of the additional fee and time required for such services to facilitate a clear understanding of the services.

Our services cannot be relied upon to disclose all errors, fraud, or noncompliance with laws and regulations. Except as described in the scope of professional services section of this MSA or any applicable SOW, we have no responsibility to identify and communicate deficiencies in your internal controls as part of any services.

2. **Management responsibilities**

You acknowledge and understand that our role is to provide the services identified in an SOW and that management, and any other parties engaging CLA, have responsibilities that are fundamental to our undertaking to perform the identified services.

3. **Fees and terms**

See the applicable SOW for the fees for the services.

Work may be suspended if your account becomes 90 days or more overdue and will not be resumed until your account is paid in full. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagements will be deemed to have been completed even if we have not completed the services. You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket expenditures through the date of termination.

Payments may be made utilizing checks, Bill.com, your online banking platform, CLA’s electronic payment platform, or any other client initiated payment method approved by CLA. CLA’s electronic online bill pay platform claconnect.com/billpay accepts credit card and Automated

Clearing House (ACH) payments. Instructions for you to make direct bank to bank wire transfers or ACH payments will be provided upon request.

4. **Other Fees**

You also agree to compensate us for any time and expenses, including time and expenses of legal counsel, we may incur in responding to discovery requests or participating as a witness or otherwise in any legal, regulatory, or other proceedings that we are asked to respond to on your behalf.

5. **Finance charges and collection expenses**

You agree that if any statement is not paid within 30 days from its billing date, the unpaid balance shall accrue interest at the monthly rate of one and one-quarter percent (1.25%), which is an annual percentage rate of 15%. In the event that any collection action is required to collect unpaid balances due us, reasonable attorney fees and expenses shall be recoverable.

6. **Dispute Resolution**

Any disagreement, controversy, or claim ("Dispute") that may arise out of any aspect of our services or relationship with you shall be submitted to non-binding mediation by written notice ("Mediation Notice") to the other party. In mediation, we will work with you to resolve any differences voluntarily with the aid of an impartial mediator.

The mediation will be conducted as specified by the mediator and agreed upon by the parties (i.e., you and CLA). The parties agree to discuss their differences in good faith and to attempt, with the assistance of the mediator, to reach an amicable resolution of the Dispute.

Each party will bear its own costs in the mediation. The fees and expenses of the mediator will be shared equally by the parties.

7. **Limitation of remedies and indemnification**

Limitation of Liability

These limitation of remedies provisions are not applicable for any audit or examination services provided to you.

Our role is strictly limited to the services described in an SOW, and we offer no assurance as to the results or ultimate outcomes of any services or of any decisions that you may make based on our communications with you. You agree that it is appropriate to limit the liability of CLA, its partners, principals, directors, officers, employees, and agents (each a "CLA party").

Indemnification

To the fullest extent permitted by law, each Party (the "Indemnifying Party") hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold the other Party (the "Indemnified Party"), its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, free and harmless from any and all losses, claims, liens, demands, and causes of action of every kind and character resulting from the Indemnifying Party's gross negligence or willful misconduct, including, but not limited to, the amounts of judgments, penalties, interest, court costs, legal fees, and all other expenses incurred by the

Indemnified Party arising in favor of any party, including claims, liens, debts, personal injuries, death, or damages to property (including employees or property of the Indemnified Party) and without limitation, all other claims or demands of every character occurring or in any way incident to, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of, the Contract. The Indemnifying Party agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for, and defend any such claims, demand, or suit at the sole expense of the Indemnifying Party, using legal counsel approved in writing by Indemnified Party. Indemnifying Party also agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto, even if the claim or claims alleged are groundless, false, or fraudulent. This provision is not intended to create any cause of action in favor of any third party against either Party or to enlarge in any way either Party's liability but is intended solely to provide for indemnification of the Indemnified Party from liability for damages, or injuries to third persons or property, arising from or in connection with Indemnifying Party's performance pursuant to this Contract. This obligation is independent of, and shall not in any way be limited by, the minimum insurance obligations contained in this MSA, if any.

8. Governing Laws, Jurisdiction, and Venue

The MSA is made under and shall be governed by the laws of the state of California, without giving effect to choice of law principles. This includes dispute resolution and limitation of remedies. The venue for any legal proceedings regarding this MSA shall be the County of Nevada, State of California. Each Party waives any federal court removal and/or original jurisdiction rights it may have.

9. Time limitations

The nature of our services makes it difficult, with the passage of time, to gather and present evidence that fully and fairly establishes the facts underlying any dispute that may arise between you and any CLA party. The parties (you and CLA) agree that, notwithstanding any statute or law of limitations that might otherwise apply to a dispute, including one arising out of this MSA or the services performed under an SOW, for breach of contract or fiduciary duty, tort, fraud, misrepresentation or any other cause of action or remedy, any action or legal proceeding by you against any CLA party must be commenced as provided below, or you shall be forever barred from commencing a lawsuit or obtaining any legal or equitable relief or recovery. An action to recover on a dispute shall be commenced within these periods ("Limitation Period"), which vary based on the services provided, and may be modified as described in the following paragraph:

Service	Time after the date we deliver the services or work product*
Audit, review, examination, agreed-upon procedures, compilation, and preparation services other than those related to prospective financial information	24 months
All Other Services	12 months

*pursuant to the SOW on which the dispute is based

If the MSA is terminated or your ongoing relationship with CLA is terminated, then the applicable Limitation Period is the lesser of the above periods or 12 months after termination of MSA or your ongoing relationship with CLA. The applicable Limitation Period applies and begins to run even if you have not suffered any damage or loss, or have not become aware of the existence or possible existence of a dispute.

10. Confidentiality

Except as permitted by the "Consent" section of this MSA, CLA will not disclose any of your confidential, proprietary, or privileged information to any person or party, unless you authorize us to do so, it is published or released by you, it becomes publicly known or available other than through disclosure by us, or disclosure is required by law, regulation, or professional standard. This confidentiality provision does not prohibit us from disclosing your information to one or more of our affiliated companies in order to provide services that you have requested from us or from any such affiliated company. Any such affiliated company shall be subject to the same restrictions on the use and disclosure of your information as apply to us. You also consent to our disclosure of information regarding the nature of services we provide to you to another independent network member of CLA Global, for the limited purpose of complying with professional obligations regarding independence and conflicts of interest.

The Internal Revenue Code contains a limited privilege for confidentiality of tax advice between you and our firm. In addition, the laws of some states likewise recognize a confidentiality privilege for some accountant-client communications. You understand that CLA makes no representation, warranty or promise, and offers no opinion with respect to the applicability of any confidentiality privilege to any information supplied or communications you have with us, and, to the extent that we follow instructions from you to withhold such information or communications in the face of a request from a third party (including a subpoena, summons or discovery demand in litigation), you agree to hold CLA harmless should the privilege be determined not to apply to particular information or communications.

The workpapers and files supporting the services we perform are the sole and exclusive property of CLA and constitute confidential and proprietary information. We do not provide access to our workpapers and files to you or anyone else in the normal course of business. Unless required by law or regulation to the contrary, we retain our workpapers and files in accordance with our record retention policy that typically provides for a retention period of seven years. After this period expires, our workpapers and files will be destroyed. Furthermore, physical deterioration or catastrophic events may shorten the time our records are available. The workpapers and files of our firm are not a substitute for your records.

Pursuant to authority given by law, regulation, or professional standards we may be requested to make certain workpapers and files available to a regulator for its regulatory oversight purposes. We will notify you of any such request, if permitted by law. Access to the requested workpapers and files will be provided to the regulator under the supervision of CLA personnel and at a location designated by our firm. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected workpapers and files to such regulator. The regulator may intend, or decide, to

distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

11. Other provisions

You agree that CLA will not be assuming any fiduciary responsibility on your behalf during the course of this MSA, except as may be assumed in an SOW.

CLA may, at times, utilize external web applications to receive and process information from our clients; however, any sensitive data, including protected health information and personally identifiable information, must be redacted by you to the maximum extent possible prior to uploading the document or file. In the event that you are unable to remove or obscure all sensitive data, please contact us to discuss other potential options for transmitting the document or file.

CLA and certain owners of CLA are licensed by the California State Board of Accountancy. However, CLA has owners not licensed by the California State Board of Accountancy who may provide services under this MSA. If you have any questions regarding licensure of the personnel performing services under this MSA, please do not hesitate to contact us.

During the course of the engagement, there may be communication via fax or email. You are responsible to ensure that communications received by you or your personnel are secured and not shared with unauthorized individuals.

12. Consent to use financial information

We regularly aggregate anonymized client data and perform a variety of analyses using that aggregated data. Some of these analyses are published to clients or released publicly. However, we are always careful to preserve the confidentiality of the separate information that we obtain from each client, as required by the AICPA Code of Professional Conduct and various laws. Your acceptance of this MSA will serve as your consent to our use of County of Nevada anonymized data in performing and reporting on these cost comparison, performance indicator and/or benchmarking analyses.

Unless authorized by law or the client consents, we cannot use a client's tax return information for purposes other than the preparation and filing of the client's tax return. By signing and dating this MSA, you authorize CLA to use any and all information furnished to CLA for or in connection with the preparation of the tax returns under this MSA, for a period of up to six (6) years from the date of this MSA, in connection with CLA's preparation of the types of reports described in the foregoing paragraph.

13. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) business associate agreement

CLA acknowledges that it may be a "Business Associate" for purposes of this MSA and of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009 ("HITECH") per 45 CFR §160.103 and therefore is directly subject to the HIPAA Security Rule, Privacy Rule and Enforcement Rule, including its civil and criminal penalties. CLA agrees to implement the security and privacy standards described above, and further agrees to sign the County's HEALTH

INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA) BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT, which is incorporated into this MSA by this reference.

14. **Consent to send you publications and other materials**

For your convenience, CLA produces a variety of publications, hard copy and electronic, to keep you informed about pertinent business and personal financial issues. This includes published articles, invitations to upcoming seminars, webinars and webcasts, newsletters, surveys, and press releases. To determine whether these materials may be of interest to you, CLA will need to use your tax return information. Such tax information includes your name and address as well as the business and financial information you provided to us.

By signing and dating this MSA, you authorize CLA to use the information that you provide to CLA during the preparation of your tax returns to determine whether to offer you relevant materials. Your consent is valid until further notice.

15. **Subcontractors**

CLA may, at times, use subcontractors to perform services under this MSA, and they may have access to your information and records. Any such subcontractors will be subject to the same restrictions on the use of such information and records as apply to CLA under this MSA.

16. **Technology**

CLA may, at times, use third-party software applications to perform services under this MSA. You acknowledge the software vendor may have access to your data.

17. **Information Technology Security**

Notification of Data Security Incident

For purposes of this section, "Data Security Incident" is defined as unauthorized access to CLA's or its subcontractor's business and/or business systems by a third party, which access could potentially expose County data or systems to unauthorized access, disclosure, or misuse. In the event of a Data Security Incident, CLA or its subcontractor must notify County in writing within 72 hours. Notice should be made to InfoSec.Notifications@nevadacountyca.gov and to all parties referenced in the "Notices" section of the MSA. Notice must reference this MSA. Notice under this section must include the date of incident and CLA's or its subcontractor's systems and/or locations which were affected. The duty to notify under this section is broad, requiring disclosure whether or not any impact to County data is known at the time, to enable County to take immediate protective actions of its data and cloud environments.

Failure to notify under this section is a material breach, and County may immediately terminate the Agreement for failure to comply.

Data Location

CLA shall not store or transfer non-public County of Nevada data outside the United States. This prohibition includes backup data and Disaster Recovery locations. CLA will permit its personnel and contractors to access County of Nevada data remotely only as required to provide technical

support. Remote access to data from outside the continental United States is prohibited unless expressly approved in advance and in writing by the County.

CLA must notify the County in writing within 72 hours of any location changes to CLA's data center(s) that will process or store County data. Notice should be made to InfoSec.Notifications@nevadacountyca.gov and must reference this MSA.

Data Encryption

CLA shall encrypt all non-public County data in transit regardless of the transit mechanism.

CLA shall encrypt all non-public County data at rest.

CLA's encryption shall be consistent with validated cryptography standards as specified in National Institute of Standards and Technology Security Requirements.

Subcontractor Disclosure

To the extent subcontracting or assignment is permitted under this Agreement, CLA is responsible for the actions of their subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers. CLA shall take necessary steps to ensure that the provisions of this contract are enforceable on all subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers acting on behalf of or through CLA.

18. Termination of MSA

This MSA shall continue for five years from August 22, 2023, unless terminated earlier by giving appropriate notice. Either party may terminate this MSA at any time by giving 30 days written notice to the other party.

Upon termination of the MSA, the provisions of this MSA shall continue to apply to all services rendered prior to termination.

19. Agreement

This MSA, along with the applicable addendum(s) and SOW(s), constitute the entire agreement regarding services to be performed and supersedes all prior agreements (whether oral or written), understandings, negotiations, and discussions between you and CLA.

20. Notices

Any notice or demand desired or required to be given hereunder shall be in writing and deemed given when personally delivered or deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the Parties as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
Attn: Chastity Wilson
420 S Orange Ave, Ste 900
Orlando, FL 32801
chastity.wilson@claconnect.com
612-397-3358

County of Nevada
Nevada County Executive Office
Attn: Martin Polt, Chief Financial Officer
950 Maidu Ave
Nevada City, CA 95959
ceo@nevadacountyca.gov
530-265-7040

Any notice so delivered personally shall be deemed to be received on the date of delivery, and any notice mailed shall be deemed to be received five (5) days after the date on which it was mailed.

Authority: All individuals executing this Contract on behalf of Contractor represent and warrant that they are authorized to execute and deliver this Contract on behalf of Contractor.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Contract to begin on the Effective Date.

COUNTY OF NEVADA:

By:  Date: 09/22/2023
Printed Name/Title: Honorable Edward C. Scofield, Chair, of the Board of Supervisors

By: 
Attest: Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Approved as to Form – County Counsel:

By:  Date: 09/25/2023
Kit Elliott (Sep 25, 2023 20:17 PDT)

CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP

By:  Date: 09/21/2023
Jeffrey Peek (Sep 21, 2023 14:37 CDT)

Name: Jeffrey Peek
* Title: Principal

By: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

* Title: _____ Secretary _____

***If Contractor is a corporation, this Contract must be signed by two corporate officers; one of which must be the secretary of the corporation, and the other may be either the President or Vice President, unless an authenticated corporate resolution is attached delegating authority to a single officer to bind the corporation (California Corporations Code Sec. 313).**

EXHIBIT A

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Insurance. Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by Contractor, its agents, representatives, or employees. Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. **Commercial General Liability CGL:** Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. **Automobile Liability:** Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Contractor has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. **Workers' Compensation:** Insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease.
4. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions):** Insurance covering **accountants and auditor's malpractice** with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence or claim, **\$2,000,000** aggregate.
5. **Cyber Liability:** Insurance, with limit not less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence or claim, **\$2,000,000** aggregate. Coverage shall be sufficiently broad to respond to the duties and obligations as is undertaken by Contractor in this Contract and shall include, but not be limited to, claims involving infringement of intellectual property, including but not limited to infringement of copyright, trademark, trade dress, invasion of privacy violations, information theft, damage to or destruction of electronic information, release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. The policy shall provide coverage for breach response costs as well as regulatory fines and penalties as well as credit monitoring expenses with limits sufficient to respond to these obligations.

If Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, County requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by Contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to County.

Other Insurance Provisions:

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. **Additional Insured Status: County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds** on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of the work or operations performed by or on behalf of Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or both CG 20 10, CG 20 25, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used.)
2. **Primary Coverage** For any claims related to this contract, **Contractor's insurance shall be primary** insurance primary coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-

insurance maintained by County, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

3. **Notice of Cancellation** This policy shall not be changed without first giving thirty (30) days prior written notice and ten (10) days prior written notice of cancellation for non-payment of premium to County.
4. **Waiver of Subrogation** Contractor hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer or said Contractor may acquire against County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.
5. **Sole Proprietors** If Contractor is a Sole Proprietor and has no employees, they are not required to have Workers Compensation coverage. Contractor shall sign a statement attesting to this condition, and shall agree they have no rights, entitlements or claim against County for any type of employment benefits or workers' compensation or other programs afforded to County employees.
6. **Deductible and Self-Insured Retentions** Deductible and Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by County. County may require Contractor to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or County.
7. **Acceptability of Insurers:** Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the State with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to County.
8. **Claims Made Policies** if any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:
 - a. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.
 - b. Insurance must be maintained, and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least five (5) years after completion of the contract of work.
 - c. If the coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another **claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date**, prior to the contract effective date, Contractor must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of **five (5)** years after completion of contract work.
9. **Verification of Coverage** Contractor shall furnish County with original Certificates of Insurance including all required amendatory endorsements (or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause) and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsement Page of the CGL policy listing all policy endorsements to County before work begins. However, failure to obtain and provide verification of the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive Contractor's obligation to provide them. County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.
10. **Subcontractors** Contractor shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein, and Contractor shall ensure that County is an additional insured on insurance required from subcontractors. For CGL coverage subcontractors shall provide coverage with a format at least as broad as CG 20 38 04 13.
11. **Special Risks or Circumstances** County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

12. **Conformity of Coverages** If more than one policy is used to meet the required coverages, such as an umbrella policy or excess policy, such policies shall be following form with all other applicable policies used to meet these minimum requirements. For example, all policies shall be Occurrence Liability policies, or all shall be Claims Made Liability policies, if approved by County as noted above. In no cases shall the types of policies be different.
13. **Premium Payments** The insurance companies shall have no recourse against County and funding agencies, its officers, and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by a mutual insurance company.
14. **Material Breach** Failure of Contractor to maintain the insurance required by this Contract, or to comply with any of the requirements of this section, shall constitute a material breach of the entire Contract.
15. **Certificate Holder** the Certificate Holder on insurance certificates and related documents should read as follows:
County of Nevada
950 Maidu Ave.
Nevada City, CA 95959

Upon initial award of the Contract to your firm, you may be instructed to send the actual documents to a County contact person for preliminary compliance review.

Certificates which amend or alter the coverage during the term of the Contract, including updated certificates due to policy renewal, should be sent directly to Contract Administrator.



HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

County of Nevada
950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 230 Nevada City, Ca 95959
MSA Date: August 17, 2022

THIS HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made by and between County of Nevada (hereinafter referred to as “Client”) and CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (hereinafter referred to as “CLA”). This Agreement is effective as of the date signed by Client.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Client is a “covered entity” within the meaning of 45 CFR § 160.103;

WHEREAS, CLA provides accounting, consulting, or other services to Client and, in connection therewith, Client wishes to disclose “protected health information” within the meaning of 45 CFR § 160.103 to CLA and CLA wishes to receive protected health information and, on behalf of Client, create, maintain, or transmit protected health information (collectively, “Client’s PHI”);

WHEREAS, CLA is a “business associate” within the meaning of 45 CFR § 160.103;

WHEREAS, Client and CLA intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of Client’s PHI in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009, and the regulations and policy guidance thereunder (“HIPAA Rules”);

WHEREAS, the HIPAA Rules require that Client receive adequate assurances that CLA will comply with certain obligations with respect to Client’s PHI and, accordingly, the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of setting forth in writing the terms and conditions for the use, disclosure, and safeguarding of Client’s PHI, including provisions required by the HIPAA Rules as the same may be amended from time to time;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and mutual covenants herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

TERMS OF AGREEMENT

1. Obligations and Activities of CLA

(a) Permitted and Required Uses and Disclosures.

CLA shall not use or disclose Client's PHI except as permitted or required by this Agreement or as required by law. Specifically, CLA agrees as follows:

- (i) CLA may only use or disclose Client's PHI as necessary to perform the services set forth in the service agreement, if any, between Client and CLA, to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, Client as requested by Client from time to time, or as required by law.
- (ii) CLA shall use or disclose only the "Minimum Necessary" amount of information, as such term is defined in the HIPAA Rules, required to conduct the authorized activities herein, except that CLA will limit disclosures to a limited data set as set forth in 45 CFR § 164.514(e)(2) as required by the HIPAA Rules.
- (iii) CLA may not use or disclose Client's PHI in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if done by Client, except that CLA may use or disclose Client's PHI for the proper management and administration of CLA or to carry out the legal responsibilities of CLA, provided the use or disclosures are required by law or CLA obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that Client's PHI will remain confidential and used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to the person, and the person notifies CLA of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of Client's PHI has been breached.
- (iv) CLA may use Client's PHI to provide "data aggregation services" relating to the health care operations of Client within the meaning of 45 CFR § 164.501.
- (v) CLA shall not disclose Client's PHI in a manner that would violate any restriction thereof which has been duly communicated to CLA.
- (vi) Except as permitted by the HIPAA Rules, CLA shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for any of Client's PHI unless authorized in writing by Client.

(b) Safeguards

CLA shall use appropriate safeguards, and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic protected health information, to prevent use or disclosure of Client's PHI other than as provided in this Agreement.

(i) Administrative Safeguards.

CLA shall implement all required administrative safeguards pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.308 as such are made applicable to business associates pursuant to the HIPAA Rules.

Additionally, CLA shall either implement or properly document the reasons for non-implementation of all administrative safeguards of 45 CFR § 164.308 that are designated as “addressable” as such are made applicable to business associates pursuant to the HIPAA Rules.

(ii) Physical Safeguards.

CLA shall implement all required physical safeguards pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.310 as such are made applicable to business associates pursuant to the HIPAA Rules.

Additionally, CLA shall either implement or properly document the reasons for non-implementation of all physical safeguards of 45 CFR § 164.310 that are designated as “addressable” as such are made applicable to business associates pursuant to the HIPAA Rules.

(iii) Technical Safeguards.

CLA shall implement all required technical safeguards pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.312 as such are made applicable to business associates pursuant to the HIPAA Rules.

Additionally, CLA shall either implement or properly document the reasons for non-implementation of all technical safeguards of 45 CFR § 164.312 that are designated as “addressable” as such are made applicable to business associates pursuant to the HIPAA Rules.

(c) Reporting of Disclosures

CLA shall report to Client any use or disclosure of Client’s PHI not provided for by this Agreement of which CLA becomes aware, including any acquisition, access, use or disclosure (i.e., “breach”) of “unsecured protected health information,” within the meaning of 45 CFR § 164.403, and any security incident of which CLA becomes aware. CLA shall make such report to Client without unreasonable delay and in no case later than sixty (60) calendar days following discovery of the breach. CLA’s notice to Client shall include all information needed by Client to provide notice to affected individuals and otherwise satisfy the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.410.

(d) CLA’s Subcontractors.

CLA may disclose Client’s PHI to one or more subcontractors and may allow its subcontractors to create, receive, maintain, or transmit Client’s PHI on behalf of CLA. CLA shall obtain satisfactory assurances from any such subcontractor that it will appropriately safeguard Client’s PHI in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.314(a) and shall ensure that the subcontractor agrees in writing to the same or more stringent restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to CLA with respect to Client’s PHI. Upon CLA contracting with a subcontractor regarding Client’s PHI, CLA shall provide Client written notice of such executed agreement and copy of agreement.

(e) Satisfying Requests for Access.

CLA shall make available to Client Client’s PHI in a “designated record set,” within the meaning of 45 CFR § 164.501, as Client may require to satisfy its obligations to respond to a request for access pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.524. If CLA receives a request for access directly from an individual or an individual’s designee, CLA shall forward such request within five (5) calendar

days to Client for Client to fulfill. Alternatively, if directed by Client and agreed to by CLA, CLA shall make available to the individual or the individual's designee Client's PHI in a designated record set, as necessary to satisfy the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.524. CLA shall provide such access within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving a request for access and shall confirm to Client in writing that such request has been fulfilled.

(f) Satisfying Requests for Amendment.

CLA shall make any amendments to Client's PHI in a designated record set, as Client may require to satisfy its obligations to respond to a request for amendment pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.526. If CLA receives a request for amendment directly from an individual or an individual's designee, CLA shall forward such request within ten (10) calendar days to Client for Client to fulfill. Alternatively, if directed by Client and agreed to by CLA, CLA shall make an amendment to Client's PHI in a designated record set, as necessary to satisfy the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.526. CLA shall make such amendment within sixty (60) calendar days of receiving a request for amendment and shall confirm to Client in writing that such request has been fulfilled.

(g) Internal Practices.

CLA shall make its internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of Client's PHI available to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee for purposes of determining compliance with the HIPAA Rules.

(h) Accounting.

CLA shall document disclosures of Client's PHI and information related to such disclosures and otherwise maintain and make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to the Client as necessary to permit the Client to respond to a request for an accounting pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.528. If CLA receives a request for an accounting directly from an individual or an individual's designee, CLA shall forward such request within ten (10) calendar days to Client for Client to fulfill. Alternatively, if directed by Client and agreed to by CLA, CLA shall provide an accounting as necessary to satisfy the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.528. CLA shall satisfy such request within sixty (60) calendar days of receiving a request for an accounting and shall confirm to Client in writing that such request has been fulfilled.

(i) Policies and Procedures; Documentation.

CLA shall develop appropriate policies and procedures relating to its compliance with the administrative, physical, and technical safeguards set forth in Section 1.b. and shall document, retain, and update such policies and procedures as required by 45 CFR § 164.316.

(j) Compliance as if Covered Entity.

To the extent CLA is to carry out one or more of the obligations imposed on the Client as a "covered entity" under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, CLA shall comply with the requirements of said Subpart E that apply to the Client in the performance of such obligations.

2. Client Obligations.

Client shall provide notice to CLA of any of the following:

- (a) Any limitations in the notice of privacy practices of Client under 45 CFR § 164.520, as well as any changes to such limitations, to the extent that such limitation may affect CLA's use or disclosure of Client's PHI.
- (b) Any changes in, or revocation of, the permission by an individual to use or disclose his or her protected health information, to the extent that such changes may affect CLA's use or disclosure of Client's PHI.
- (c) Any restriction on the use or disclosure of protected health information that Client has agreed to or is required to abide by under 45 CFR § 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect CLA's use or disclosure of Client's PHI.

Client shall not request CLA to use or disclose Client's PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the HIPAA Rules if done by Client, except that Client may request CLA to provide to Client "data aggregation services" relating to the health care operations of the Client within the meaning of 45 CFR § 164.501, as permitted by 45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B).

3. Termination of Agreement

- (a) This Agreement shall terminate on the earliest to occur of the date either party terminates the Agreement "for cause," as described in Section 3.b., the date CLA terminates as described in Section 3c., or pursuant to Section 5 upon either party's failure to negotiate or enter into an amendment to this Agreement.

(b) Termination for Cause.

A breach of any provision of this Agreement by either party, as determined by the non-breaching party, shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and shall provide grounds for termination of the Agreement for cause if the breaching party is unable to cure such breach to the other party's satisfaction within ten (10) days following written notice of such breach. The breaching party shall cooperate with the other party as necessary to mitigate the extent of any unauthorized disclosures of Client's PHI or any damages or potential damages and liability under the HIPAA Rules caused by any violation of this Agreement or other unauthorized use of Client's PHI.

(c) Termination by CLA.

Upon thirty (30) days' advance written notice, CLA shall have the right to terminate this Agreement if Client imposes additional restrictions or requirements regarding the use, disclosure, or maintenance of Client's PHI that CLA reasonably determines will materially affect CLA's ability to perform its responsibilities under this Agreement or will materially increase CLA's costs to perform its responsibilities under this Agreement.

4. Treatment of Client's PHI after Termination.

Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, CLA, with respect to Client's PHI, shall:

- (a) Retain only that portion of Client's PHI which is necessary for CLA to continue its proper

management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities;

- (b) Return to Client or, if agreed to by Client, destroy remaining Client's PHI that CLA still maintains in any form and retain no copies of such Client's PHI;
- (c) Continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic protected health information to prevent use or disclosure of Client's PHI, other than as provided for in this Section, for as long as CLA retains any Client's PHI;
- (d) Not use or disclose Client's PHI retained by CLA other than for the purposes for which Client's PHI was retained and subject to the same conditions, as set forth in Section 2, which applied prior to termination;
- (e) Return to Client or, if agreed to by Client, destroy remaining Client's PHI retained by CLA when it is no longer needed by CLA for its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities and retain no copies of such Client's PHI;
- (f) Obtain or ensure the destruction of any Client's PHI created, received, or maintained by any of CLA's subcontractors; and
- (g) Within thirty (30) calendar days after termination of this Agreement, certify in a written statement signed by a senior officer of CLA, that all Client's PHI has been returned or disposed of as required above.

If the parties mutually agree that return or destruction is not feasible, this Agreement shall continue to apply to Client's PHI and, without limitation to the foregoing, the obligations of CLA under this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement with respect to any Client's PHI retained by CLA. CLA shall limit further use and disclosure of Client's PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction of Client's PHI infeasible.

5. Amendment to Comply with Law.

The parties acknowledge that state and federal laws relating to electronic data security and privacy are rapidly evolving and that amendment of this Agreement may be required to provide for procedures to ensure compliance with such developments. The parties agree to promptly enter into negotiations concerning the terms of an amendment to this Agreement embodying written assurances consistent with the HIPAA Rules or other applicable law upon the written request of either party. Either party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice in the event (i) the other party does not promptly enter into negotiations to amend this Agreement upon the request of the party giving notice or (ii) the other party fails to execute an amendment to this Agreement upon the request of the party giving notice.

6. No Third Party Beneficiaries.

Nothing expressed or implied in this Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than Client, CLA, and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.

7. Indemnification.

Each party shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the other party, its subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, and employees from and against all claims, suits, administrative proceedings, demands, losses, damages, or penalties, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of party's misuse or improper disclosure of PHI, breach of this Agreement, or violation of the HIPAA Rules or any other law or regulation.

8. Interpretation.

This Agreement shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with the HIPAA Rules. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with the HIPAA Rules. There shall be no presumption for or against either party, by reason of one of the parties causing this Agreement to be drafted, with respect to the interpretation or enforcement of this Agreement.

9. Notices.

All notices and other communications required or permitted hereunder or necessary or convenient in connection herewith shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given when hand delivered or mailed by registered or certified mail, as follows (provided that notice of change of address shall be deemed given only when received):

If to Client:

County of Nevada
950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 230 Nevada City, Ca 95959
Attention: Gina Will

If to CLA:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
220 South Sixth Street, Suite 300
Minneapolis, MN 55402-1436
Attention: Legal

or to such other names or addresses as Client or CLA, as the case may be, shall designate by notice to the other in the manner specified in this Section 9.

10. Survival.

The obligations contained in this Agreement which by their nature or context survive or are expressly intended to survive the termination of this Agreement will so survive and continue in full force and effect. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Sections 2, 4, and 7 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

11. Severability.

If any provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force, if the essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for each party remain valid, binding, and enforceable.

12. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on the matters contained herein. All prior and contemporaneous negotiations and agreements between the parties on the matters contained in this Agreement are superseded by this Agreement.

13. Non-Waiver.

No failure or delay in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement and no course of dealing between the parties operates as a waiver or estoppel of any right, remedy, or condition. A waiver made in writing on one occasion is effective only in that instance and only for the purpose that it is given and is not to be construed as a waiver on any future occasion.

14. Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be governed, construed, and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota without regard to such state's conflict of laws provisions.

Signatures

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Agreement.

CLA
CLA

Jeffrey Peek

Jeffrey Peek, Principal

SIGNED 5/31/2023, 3:00:59 PM PDT

Client
County of Nevada

Gina Will

Gina Will

SIGNED 5/31/2023, 3:22:01 PM PDT



Statement of Work - Audit Services

July 25, 2023

This document constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated August 17, 2022, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and County of Nevada ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

Scope of audit services

We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of County of Nevada, and the related notes to the financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) provides for certain required supplementary information (RSI) to accompany the entity's basic financial statements.

The following RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited.

- Management's discussion and analysis.
- Budgetary comparison schedules.
- GASB-required supplementary pension, OPEB, and infrastructure information under modified reporting.

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the following supplementary information other than RSI accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole:

Schedule of expenditures of federal awards

Combining and individual fund statements and schedules

The following supplementary information accompanying the financial statements will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements and our auditors' report will not

provide an opinion or any assurance on that information:

Introductory section

Statistical section

Nonaudit services

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.
- Preparation of the Data Collection Form

Audit objectives

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS; the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express opinions and render the required reports.

We will apply certain limited procedures to the RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAS. However, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) other than RSI accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The objectives of our audit also include:

- Reporting on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and award agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on

the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

- Reporting on internal control over compliance related to major programs and expressing an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

The *Government Auditing Standards* report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The Uniform Guidance report on internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Both reports will state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose.

We will issue written reports upon completion of our audit of your financial statements and compliance with requirements applicable to major programs.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the financial statements or compliance are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements or material noncompliance caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements or an opinion on compliance, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue reports, or withdrawing from the engagement.

Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS, the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement or a material noncompliance resulting from

fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls is considered a significant risk.
- Year-end accruals for receivables are considered to be a higher risk, since they involve communication from various departments and the calculation of estimates for funding not yet received. In addition, many intergovernmental receivables are based on estimates, and accounting for nonexchange revenues can be very complex due to different criteria for revenue recognition.
- Implementation of new accounting standards pose a higher risk of error in the first year of implementation. For the year ended June 30, 2023, significant accounting standard implementations include GASB 96 - Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements.

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or on

major programs. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. We will include such matters in the reports required for a single audit.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by the Uniform Guidance, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that may have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the "OMB Compliance Supplement" for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

We will evaluate the presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole. We will make certain inquiries of management and evaluate the form, content, and methods of preparing the schedule to determine whether the information complies with U.S. GAAP and the Uniform Guidance, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We will compare and reconcile the schedule to the underlying accounting records and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Management responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, RSI, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Management is also responsible for identifying all federal awards received, understanding and complying with the compliance requirements, and for the preparation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date.

Management is responsible for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs. Your responsibilities also include identifying significant contractor relationships in which the contractor has responsibility for program compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control, including internal control over compliance, relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met; and that there is reasonable assurance that government programs are administered in compliance with compliance requirements.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered.

You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements; or abuse that we may report. Additionally, as required by the Uniform Guidance, it is management's responsibility to evaluate and monitor noncompliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards; take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified, including noncompliance identified in audit findings; and to follow up and take prompt corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings should be available for our review.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers), and for ensuring management information and financial information is reliable and properly reported; (2) access to personnel, accounts, books, records, supporting documentation, and other information as needed to perform an audit under the Uniform Guidance; (3) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (4) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

You agree to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is issued with our report thereon. Your responsibilities include

acknowledging to us in the representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (2) you believe the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of other supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit and the presentation of the basic financial statements and RSI. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's activities, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services.

Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

Use of financial statements

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

Engagement administration and other matters

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

At the conclusion of the engagement, we will complete the auditor sections of the electronic Data Collection Form SF-SAC and perform the steps to certify the Form SF-SAC and single audit reporting package. It is management's responsibility to complete the auditee sections of the Data Collection Form. We will create the single audit reporting package PDF file for submission; however, it is management's responsibility to review for completeness and accuracy and electronically submit the reporting package (including financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings, auditors' reports, and corrective action plan) along with the Data Collection Form to the federal audit clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be electronically submitted within the earlier of 30 calendar days after receipt of the auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the sole and exclusive property of CLA and constitutes confidential and proprietary information. However, subject to applicable laws and regulations, audit documentation and appropriate individuals will be made available upon request and in a timely manner to State Controller, or its designee, a federal agency providing direct or indirect funding, or the U.S. Government Accountability Office for purposes of a quality review of the audit, to resolve audit findings, or to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies or electronic versions of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by the State Controller. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Government Auditing Standards require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/.

Fees

Our professional fees are outlined in the table below:

Service	Fee
County Audit	\$57,500
County Single Audit	\$23,500
Nevada County Finance Authority Report*	\$4,600
Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1 Report*	\$4,900
Appropriations Limit Calculation*	\$800
Total	\$91,300

*See separate statement of work.

We will also bill for expenses including travel, internal and administrative charges, and a technology and client support fee of five (5%) of all professional fees billed, of which amounts have been included in our total fees as listed above. Our fee is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher.

Unexpected circumstances

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

Changes in accounting and audit standards

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

Agreement

We appreciate the opportunity to provide to you the services described in this SOW under the MSA and believe this SOW accurately summarizes the significant terms of our audit engagement. This SOW and the MSA constitute the entire agreement regarding these services and supersedes all prior agreements (whether oral or written), understandings, negotiations, and discussions between you and CLA related to audit services. If you have any questions, please let us know. Please sign, date, and return this SOW to us to indicate your acknowledgment and understanding of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of your financial statements including the terms of our engagement and the parties' respective responsibilities.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Response:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of County of Nevada.

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Client
County of Nevada - Audit County CAFR

SIGN: _____
Jeffrey Peek, Principal

SIGN: _____
Gina Will, Auditor-Controller

DATE: _____

DATE: _____



Statement of Work - Agreed-upon Procedures

July 25, 2023

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Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the agreed-upon procedures engagement.

Scope, objective, and responsibilities

We will apply the agreed-upon procedures which County of Nevada has specified and agreed to, listed in the attached schedule, to the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report of County of Nevada as of or for the period ended June 30, 2023. County of Nevada is responsible for the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report.

Our engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures will be conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity or responsible party, as applicable, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our engagement. County of Nevada agrees to and acknowledges the procedures performed or to be performed are appropriate for the intended purpose of assisting the County with validating its FNS-209 report. The intended users of the agreed-upon procedures report are Board of Supervisors, management of the County of Nevada, the California Department of Social Services, and the USDA. Intended users in addition to County of Nevada may be requested to agree to the procedures and acknowledge that the procedures performed are appropriate for the intended purpose. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the appropriateness of the procedures enumerated in the attached schedule either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The intended users assume the risk that such procedures might be inappropriate for the intended purpose and the risk that they might misunderstand or otherwise inappropriately use findings properly reported by CLA.

Our responsibility is to perform the specified procedures and report the findings in accordance with the attestation standards. Because the agreed-upon procedures listed in the attached schedule do not constitute an examination, audit, or review, we will not express an opinion or conclusion on the the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report or the County of Nevada's financial

statements or any elements, accounts, or items thereof. Also, we will not express an opinion or conclusion on the effectiveness of County of Nevada's internal control over financial reporting or any part thereof. In addition, we have no obligation to perform any procedures beyond those listed in the attached schedule.

At the conclusion of the engagement, you agree to provide a written representation letter that includes your agreement and acknowledgement that the procedures performed are appropriate for the intended purpose of the engagement and, if applicable, that you have obtained from necessary other parties their agreement to the procedures and acknowledgement that the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our engagement that lists the procedures performed and our findings. This report is intended solely for the information and use of Board of Supervisors, management of the County of Nevada, the California Department of Social Services, and the USDA, and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the procedures, we will describe any restrictions on the performance of the procedures in our report, or will not issue a report and withdraw from this engagement. Our report will include a statement indicating that had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

An agreed-upon procedures engagement is not designed to detect instances of fraud or noncompliance with laws or regulations; however, we will communicate to you any known and suspected fraud and noncompliance with laws or regulations affecting the the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report that come to our attention, unless they are clearly inconsequential. In addition, if, in connection with this engagement, matters come to our attention that contradict the the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report, we will disclose those matters in our report. Such disclosures, if any, may not necessarily include all matters that might have come to our attention had we performed additional procedures or an examination or review.

Management is responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report and the agreed-upon procedures, such as records, documentation, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information; (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of performing the agreed-upon procedures; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain evidence relating to performing the procedures. You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report that may affect the the County's compliance with various code sections related to its FNS-209 report.

Engagement administration and other matters

A list of information we expect to need for the engagement and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

We will provide copies of our report to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the report. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our report are to be made available for public inspection.

The workpapers supporting the services we perform are the sole and exclusive property of CLA and constitute confidential and proprietary information. We do not provide access to our workpapers to you or anyone else in the normal course of business. Unless required by law or regulation to the contrary, we retain our workpapers in accordance with our record retention policy that typically provides for a retention period of seven years.

Pursuant to authority given by law or regulation, we may be requested to make certain workpapers available to State Controller for their regulatory oversight purposes. We will notify you of any such request. Access to the requested workpapers will be provided to the regulators under the supervision of CLA personnel and at a location designated by our firm. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected workpapers to such regulators. The regulators may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

CLA will not disclose any of your confidential, proprietary, or privileged information to any persons without the authorization of your management or unless required by law. This confidentiality provision does not prohibit us from disclosing your information to one or more of our affiliated companies in order to provide services that you have requested from us or from any such affiliated company. Any such affiliated company shall be subject to the same restrictions on the use and disclosure of your information as apply to us.

Our engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Fees

Our professional fees will not exceed \$2,000. We will also bill for expenses including travel, internal and administrative charges) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed, of which amounts are included in the total fees listed above. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

Agreement

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you and believe this SOW accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. This SOW constitutes the entire agreement regarding these services and supersedes all prior agreements (whether oral or written), understandings, negotiations, and discussions between you and CLA. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this SOW, please sign, date, and return the enclosed copy to us.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

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Client
County of Nevada - FNS 209 Report

SIGN: _____

Jeffrey Peek, Principal

DATE: _____

SIGN: _____

Gina Will, Auditor-Controller

DATE: _____

Agreed Upon Procedures – FNS-209 Report

- 1) Obtain the system generated reports and client documentation of the results of comparisons as described in the State of California Health and Human Services Agency Department of Social Services August 1, 2019 All County Letter (ACL) No. 19-65E described as Accountability Test 1(FNS-209 Information).

Client procedures to generate reports and documentation of the results of comparisons are as follows:

Run system-generated case level reports supporting the data on lines 3b through 20b of the FNS-209 for the quarter ending June of the respective year. Ideally, these would be system-generated individual monthly reports (April, May and June of the respective year, with combined totals) that show establishment and collection data by type of claim at the individual case level. The data should be broken down by type of claim: Intentional Program Violation (IPV), Inadvertent Household Error (IHE), and Agency Administrative Error (AE), by client (case number and last name) and by dollar amount, with summary totals for each line item (lines 3b through 20b) for the quarter ending June of the respective year.

For each line, compare the system-generated report totals to the amounts reported on each line of the June quarter FNS-209 report of the respective year. The comparison should demonstrate a direct data relationship between actual CalFresh case records (the system-generated report) and the data reported on the FNS-209. If the number of claims and dollar amounts agree, the data reported on the FNS-209 can be traced to individual cases. If there are differences between the data from the system-generated report and the data reported on the June quarter FNS-209 report of the respective year, the discrepancies should be researched and corrected/adjusted.

Provide an Excel spreadsheet (or similar documentation) showing the comparison of each line item (lines 3b through 20b). Provide a narrative describing the results of the comparison and any corrective action.

- 2) Trace the system-generated report totals and the amounts reported on each line of the June quarter FNS-209 report for 2023 to the Excel spreadsheet (or similar documentation) showing the results of the comparison of each line item (lines 3b through 20b) as indicated in procedure 1 above.
- 3) For any comparisons that resulted in corrective action, obtain the corrected system-generated report and/or the corrected FNS-209 report and compare that the number of claims and dollar amounts agree after the corrective action as indicated in procedure 1 above.
- 4) Obtain the system generated reports and client documentation of the results of comparisons as described in the State of California Health and Human Services Agency Department of Social Services August 1, 2019 All County Letter (ACL) No. 19-65E described as Accountability Test 2(FNS-209 Balances).

Client procedures to generate reports and documentation of the results of comparisons are as follows:

Run a system-generated case level report that will support either the beginning balance (line 3a) or ending balance (line 13) of the June quarter FNS-209 report of the respective year. If necessary, the report may be a combination of system-generated and manual reports. The report would be a complete history of all claims in your system (simply verifying that the current month's FNS-209 beginning balance matches the ending balance reported on the previous month's FNS-209 is not sufficient). The data should be broken down by type of claim (IPV, IHE, and AE), by client (case number and last name) and by dollar amount.

Compare the totals from the system-generated history report as of June of the respective year to the corresponding beginning/ending balance reported on the June quarter FNS-209 report of the respective year. The comparison should demonstrate a direct data relationship between actual CalFresh case records (the system-generated history report) and the data reported on the FNS-209. If the number of claims and dollar amounts agree, the data reported on the FNS-209 can be traced to individual cases. If the comparison shows any differences, (ex: case numbers or amounts from the history report that are not reflected on the June of the respective year FNS-209), the discrepancies should be researched and corrected/adjusted.

Provide the summary page from your case level history report that shows the total number and total dollar amount of claims by type of claim (IPV, IHE, and AE). Also provide the below tables showing the comparison of the history report and the FNS-209 (number of claims and dollar amount of claims). Include a narrative describing the results and if corrective action is required.

Claims #	IPV (#)	IHE (#)	AE (#)	Total (#)
History report:				
June (Year) FNS-209:				
Difference:				

Claims amounts \$	IPV (\$)	IHE (\$)	AE (\$)	Total (\$)
History report:				
June (Year) FNS-209:				
Difference:				

- 5) Trace the system-generated report totals and either the beginning balances (line 3a) or ending balance (line 13) reported on the June quarter FNS-209 report for 2023 to the summary page and tables as indicated in procedure 4 above.
- 6) For any comparisons that resulted in corrective action in procedure 4 above, obtain the corrected system-generated report and/or the corrected FNS-209 report and compare that the amounts agree after the corrective action.



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Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the agreed-upon procedures engagement.

Scope, objective, and responsibilities

We will apply the agreed-upon procedures which County of Nevada has specified and agreed to, listed in the attached schedule, to Appropriations Limit Calculation of County of Nevada management as of or for the year ended June 30, 2023. County of Nevada management is responsible for Appropriations Limit Calculation.

Our engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures will be conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity or responsible party, as applicable, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our engagement. County of Nevada agrees to and acknowledges the procedures performed or to be performed are appropriate for the intended purpose of presenting the Appropriation Limit calculation in accordance with the requirements of Section 1.5 of Article XIII-B of the California Constitution. The intended users of the agreed-upon procedures report are Board of Supervisors and management. Intended users in addition to County of Nevada may be requested to agree to the procedures and acknowledge that the procedures performed are appropriate for the intended purpose. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the appropriateness of the procedures enumerated in the attached schedule either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. The intended users assume the risk that such procedures might be inappropriate for the intended purpose and the risk that they might misunderstand or otherwise inappropriately use findings properly reported by CLA.

This engagement is performed pursuant to Section 1.5 of Article XIII-B of the California Constitution.

Our responsibility is to perform the specified procedures and report the findings in accordance with the attestation standards. For purposes of reporting findings, you specified a threshold of \$0 for reporting

exceptions. Because the agreed-upon procedures listed in the attached schedule do not constitute an examination, audit, or review, we will not express an opinion or conclusion on the Appropriations Limit Calculation or the County of Nevada management's financial statements or any elements, accounts, or items thereof. Also, we will not express an opinion or conclusion on the effectiveness of County of Nevada management's internal control over financial reporting or any part thereof. In addition, we have no obligation to perform any procedures beyond those listed in the attached schedule.

At the conclusion of the engagement, you agree to provide a written representation letter that includes your agreement and acknowledgement that the procedures performed are appropriate for the intended purpose of the engagement and, if applicable, that you have obtained from necessary other parties their agreement to the procedures and acknowledgement that the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our engagement that lists the procedures performed and our findings. This report is intended solely for the information and use of Board of Supervisors and management, and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the procedures, we will describe any restrictions on the performance of the procedures in our report, or will not issue a report and withdraw from this engagement. Our report will include a statement indicating that had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

An agreed-upon procedures engagement is not designed to detect instances of fraud or noncompliance with laws or regulations; however, we will communicate to you any known and suspected fraud and noncompliance with laws or regulations affecting the Appropriations Limit Calculation that come to our attention, unless they are clearly inconsequential. In addition, if, in connection with this engagement, matters come to our attention that contradict the Appropriations Limit Calculation, we will disclose those matters in our report. Such disclosures, if any, may not necessarily include all matters that might have come to our attention had we performed additional procedures or an examination or review.

Management is responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the Appropriations Limit Calculation and the agreed-upon procedures, such as records, documentation, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information; (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of performing the agreed-upon procedures; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain evidence relating to performing the procedures. You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the Appropriations Limit Calculation that may affect the Appropriations Limit Calculation.

Engagement administration and other matters

A list of information we expect to need for the engagement and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

CLA will not disclose any of your confidential, proprietary, or privileged information to any persons without the authorization of your management or unless required by law. This confidentiality provision does not prohibit us from disclosing your information to one or more of our affiliated companies in order to provide services that you have requested from us or from any such affiliated company. Any such affiliated company

shall be subject to the same restrictions on the use and disclosure of your information as apply to us.

Our engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Fees

Our professional fees will not exceed \$800. We will also bill for expenses including travel, internal and administrative charges) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed, and which amounts have been included in the total fee listed above. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

Agreement

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Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

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Client
County of Nevada - AUP GANN Limit

SIGN: _____

Jeffrey Peek, Principal

SIGN: _____

Gina Will, Auditor-Controller

DATE: _____

DATE: _____

Agreed Upon Procedures – Appropriations Limit Calculation

- 1) Obtain the completed Appropriations Limit Calculation and compare the limit and annual adjustment factors in the calculation to the limit and annual adjustment factors that were adopted by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.
- 2) Compute current year adjustments based on selected population and inflation options, using information provided by Department of Finance.
- 3) Compare the prior year appropriations limit presented in the Appropriations Limit Calculation to the prior year appropriations limit adopted by the Board of Supervisors for the prior year.
- 4) Add results of step two (2) to the prior year Appropriations Limit, and compare the resulting amount to current year approved limit.



Statement of Work - Audit Services

July 25, 2023

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Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

Scope of audit services

We will audit the financial statements of County of Nevada California Department of Insurance Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant, which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Grant Balance

Nonaudit services

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.

Audit objectives

The objectives of our audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and U.S. GAAP, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinion.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

The report will include a statement that the report is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance, others within the entity, and specific regulatory bodies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinion is other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls is considered to be a fraud risk.

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Management responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting. Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management is responsible for including all informative disclosures that are appropriate for the regulatory basis of accounting. Those disclosures will include (a) a description of the regulatory basis of accounting,

including a summary of significant accounting policies, and how the regulatory basis of accounting differs from U.S. GAAP; (b) informative disclosures similar to those required by U.S. GAAP; and (c) additional disclosures beyond those specifically required that may be necessary for the financial statements to achieve fair presentation.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets. You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws and regulations, and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers); (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's operations, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services.

Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

Use of financial statements

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

Engagement administration and other matters

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Fees

Our professional fees will not exceed \$5,500

We will also bill for expenses including travel, internal and administrative charges, and a technology and client support fee of five (5%) of all professional fees billed, of which amounts are included in our total fees listed above. Our fee is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher.

Unexpected circumstances

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

Changes in accounting and audit standards

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

Agreement

We appreciate the opportunity to provide to you the services described in this SOW under the MSA and believe this SOW accurately summarizes the significant terms of our audit engagement. This SOW and the MSA constitute the entire agreement regarding these services and supersedes all prior agreements (whether oral or written), understandings, negotiations, and discussions between you and CLA related to audit services. If you have any questions, please let us know. Please sign, date, and return this SOW to us to indicate your acknowledgment and understanding of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of your financial statements including the terms of our engagement and the parties' respective responsibilities.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Response:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of County of Nevada California Department of Insurance Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Grant.

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SIGN:

Jeffrey Peek, Principal

DATE:

Client

County of Nevada - Audit Workers Comp Fraud
Grant

SIGN:

Gina Will, Auditor-Controller

DATE:



Statement of Work - Audit Services

July 25, 2023

This document constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated August 17, 2022, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and County of Nevada("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

Scope of audit services

We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Nevada County Finance Authority, a component unit of the County of Nevada, California, and the related notes to the financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) provides for certain required supplementary information (RSI) to accompany the entity's basic financial statements.

The following RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited.

- Management's discussion and analysis.

Nonaudit services

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.

Audit objectives

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement

when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinions.

We will apply certain limited procedures to the RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAS. However, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) other than RSI accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming opinions on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

We will also provide a report (which does not include an opinion) on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements, as required by Government Auditing Standards. The report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the entity is subject to an audit requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls is considered to be a fraud risk.

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS and Government Auditing Standards. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, Government Auditing Standards do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards and *Government Auditing Standards*.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Management responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct

material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met. You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered. You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that we may report.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers); (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit and the presentation of the basic financial statements and RSI. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's activities, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go

undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services. Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

Use of financial statements

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not

performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

Engagement administration and other matters

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the sole and exclusive property of CLA and constitutes confidential and proprietary information. However, subject to applicable laws and regulations, audit documentation and appropriate individuals will be made available upon request and in a timely manner to State Controller, or its designee, a federal agency providing direct or indirect funding, or the U.S. Government Accountability Office for purposes of a quality review of the audit, to resolve audit findings, or to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies or electronic versions of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by the State Controller. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be

responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Government Auditing Standards require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/.

Fees

Our professional fees will not exceed \$4,600

We will also bill for expenses including travel, internal and administrative charges, and a technology and client support fee of five (5%) of all professional fees billed, of which amounts are included in our total fees listed above. Our fee is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher.

Unexpected circumstances

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

Changes in accounting and audit standards

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

Agreement

We appreciate the opportunity to provide to you the services described in this SOW under the MSA and believe this SOW accurately summarizes the significant terms of our audit engagement. This SOW and the MSA constitute the entire agreement regarding these services and supersedes all prior agreements (whether oral or written), understandings, negotiations, and discussions between you and CLA related to audit services. If you have any questions, please let us know. Please sign, date, and return this SOW to us to indicate your acknowledgment and understanding of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of your financial statements including the terms of our engagement and the parties' respective responsibilities.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Response:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Nevada County Finance Authority, a component unit of

the County of Nevada, California.

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Client
County of Nevada - Audit Finance Authority

SIGN:

Jeffrey Peek, Principal

DATE:

SIGN:

Gina Will, Auditor-Controller

DATE:



Statement of Work - Audit Services

July 25, 2023

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Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

Scope of audit services

We will audit the financial statements of Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1, a component unit of the County of Nevada, California, which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Statement of Net Position

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

Statement of Cash Flows

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) provides for certain required supplementary information (RSI) to accompany the entity's basic financial statements.

The following RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited.

- Management's discussion and analysis.
- GASB-required supplementary pension, and OPEB information.

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the supplementary information other than RSI accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Nonaudit services

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.

Audit objectives

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinions.

We will apply certain limited procedures to the RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAS. However, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) other than RSI accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming opinions on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

We will also provide a report (which does not include an opinion) on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements, as required by *Government Auditing Standards*. The report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe

the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the entity is subject to an audit requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls is considered to be a fraud risk.

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent

limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS and Government Auditing Standards. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, Government Auditing Standards do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards and *Government Auditing Standards*.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to Government Auditing Standards.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under Government Auditing Standards.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Management responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met. You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered. You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that we may report.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers); (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit and the presentation of the basic financial statements and RSI. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's activities, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services. Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

Use of financial statements

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider

necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

Engagement administration and other matters

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the sole and exclusive property of CLA and constitutes confidential and proprietary information. However, subject to applicable laws and regulations, audit documentation and appropriate individuals will be made available upon request and in a timely manner to State Controller, or its designee, a federal agency providing direct or indirect funding, or the U.S. Government Accountability Office for purposes of a quality review of the audit, to resolve audit findings, or

to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies or electronic versions of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by the State Controller. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Government Auditing Standards require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/.

Fees

Our professional fees will not exceed \$4,900

We will also bill for expenses including travel, internal and administrative charges, and a technology and client support fee of five (5%) of all professional fees billed, of which amounts are included in our total fees listed above. Our fee is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher.

Unexpected circumstances

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

Changes in accounting and audit standards

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

Agreement

We appreciate the opportunity to provide to you the services described in this SOW under the MSA and believe this SOW accurately summarizes the significant terms of our audit engagement. This SOW and the MSA constitute the entire agreement regarding these services and supersedes all prior agreements (whether oral or written), understandings, negotiations, and discussions between you and CLA related to audit services. If you have any questions, please let us know. Please sign, date, and return this SOW to us to indicate your acknowledgment and understanding of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of your financial statements including the terms of our engagement and the parties' respective responsibilities.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Response:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1, a component unit of the County of Nevada, California.

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Client
County of Nevada - Audit Sanitation District

SIGN:

Jeffrey Peek, Principal

DATE:

SIGN:

Gina Will, Auditor-Controller

DATE:
