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LOAN AGREEMENT

dated

September 30, 2022

by and between

NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY

and

CITY OF GALLUP, NEW MEXICO

Certain interests of the New Mexico Finance Authority under this Loan Agreement may be assigned to BOKF, NA, as trustee under an Indenture, as defined in Article I of this Loan Agreement.

LOAN AGREEMENT

THIS LOAN AGREEMENT dated September 30, 2022, is entered into by and between the NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY (“Finance Authority”), and the CITY OF GALLUP, NEW MEXICO (the “Governmental Unit”), a political subdivision duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Mexico (the “State”).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Finance Authority is a public body politic and corporate constituting a governmental instrumentality, separate and apart from the State, duly organized and created under and pursuant to the laws of the State, particularly Section 6-21-1 et seq., NMSA 1978, as amended (the “Finance Authority Act”); and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Finance Authority Act is to implement a program to permit qualified entities, such as the Governmental Unit, to enter into agreements with the Finance Authority to facilitate financing of public projects; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Unit is a political subdivision duly organized and existing under and pursuant to the laws of the State and is a qualified entity under the Finance Authority Act; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Governmental Unit has determined that it is in the best interests of the Governmental Unit and its residents that the Governmental Unit enter into this Loan Agreement with the Finance Authority and accept a loan from the Finance Authority to finance the costs of the design, construction and equipping of a wastewater reclamation line, as more fully described on the Term Sheet; and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Unit is permitted and authorized to pay the Loan Agreement Payments through the Net Revenues of the System (the “Pledged Revenues”); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Governmental Unit to use the Pledged Revenues to finance the Project and to enter into this Loan Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Authority has determined that the Project is important to the overall capital needs of the residents of the State and that the Project will directly enhance the health and safety of the residents of the Governmental Unit; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Authority may assign and transfer this Loan Agreement to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture; and

WHEREAS, except as described on the Term Sheet, the Pledged Revenues have not been pledged or hypothecated in any manner or for any purpose at the time of the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement, and the Governmental Unit desires to pledge the Pledged Revenues toward the payment of this Loan Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the obligation of the Governmental Unit hereunder shall constitute a special, limited obligation of the Governmental Unit, limited to the Pledged Revenues, and shall not

constitute a general obligation or other indebtedness of the Governmental Unit or a charge against the general credit or ad valorem taxing power of the Governmental Unit or the State; and

WHEREAS, the execution, performance and delivery of this Loan Agreement have been authorized, approved and directed by all necessary and appropriate action of the Governing Body pursuant to the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the execution and performance of this Loan Agreement have been authorized, approved and directed by all necessary and appropriate action of the Finance Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms defined in the foregoing recitals shall have the same meaning when used in this Loan Agreement unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Capitalized terms not defined in the recitals and defined in this Article I shall have the same meaning when used in this Loan Agreement including the foregoing recitals, unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

“Act” means the general laws of the State, including Sections 3-31-1 through 3-31-12, and Sections 6-21-1 through 6-21-31, NMSA 1978, as amended, and enactments of the Governing Body relating to the Loan Agreement, including the Ordinance.

“Additional Payment Obligations” mean payments in addition to Loan Agreement Payments required by this Loan Agreement, including, without limitation, payments required to replenish the Loan Agreement Reserve Account and payments required pursuant to the provisions of Article IX and Article X hereof.

“Aggregate Annual Debt Service Requirement” means the total principal, interest and premium payments, if any, due and payable pursuant to this Loan Agreement and on all Parity Obligations secured by a pledge of the Pledged Revenues for any one Fiscal Year.

“Authorized Officers” means, in the case of the Governmental Unit, Mayor, City Manager, Finance Director and City Clerk, and, in the case of the Finance Authority, the Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer or any other officer or employee of the Finance Authority designated in writing by an Authorized Officer.

“Blended Interest Rate” means the rate of interest on this Loan Agreement as shown on the Term Sheet.

“Bond Counsel” means nationally recognized bond counsel experienced in matters of municipal law, satisfactory to the Trustee and listed in the list of municipal bond attorneys, as published semiannually by The Bond Buyer’s Municipal Marketplace, or any successor publication, acting as Loan Counsel to the Finance Authority.

“Bonds” means public project revolving fund revenue bonds, if any, issued hereafter by the Finance Authority to fund or reimburse this Loan Agreement.

“Closing Date” means the date of execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement as shown on the Term Sheet.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable regulations thereunder.

“Event of Default” means one or more events of default as defined in Section 10.1 of this Loan Agreement.

“Expenses” means the costs of issuance of this Loan Agreement and the Bonds, if any, and periodic and regular fees and expenses incurred by the Finance Authority in administering this Loan Agreement, including legal fees.

“Finance Authority Debt Service Account” means the debt service account established in the name of the Governmental Unit within the Debt Service Fund, as defined in the Indenture, held and administered by the Finance Authority to pay principal and interest, if any, on this Loan Agreement as the same become due.

“Fiscal Year” means the period beginning on July 1 in each calendar year and ending on the last day of June of the next succeeding calendar year, or any other twelve-month period which any appropriate authority may hereafter establish for the Governmental Unit as its fiscal year.

“Governing Body” means the duly organized City Commission of the Governmental Unit and any successor governing body of the Governmental Unit.

“Gross Revenues” means all income and revenues derived by the Governmental Unit from the operation of the System, or any part thereof, whether resulting from extensions, enlargements or betterments to the System, or otherwise, and includes all revenues received by the Governmental Unit or any municipal corporation succeeding to the rights of the Governmental Unit from the System and from the sale and use of water, water service and facilities, wastewater service and facilities, electric service and facilities, or any combination thereof to the inhabitants of the Governmental Unit (including all territorial annexations which may be made while the Loan Agreement is outstanding), or from the sale and use of water, water service and facilities, wastewater service and wastewater facilities, electric service and facilities, and facilities or any combination thereof, by means of the System owned and operated by the Governmental Unit as the same may at any time exist to serve customers outside the Governmental Unit limits as well as customers within the Governmental Unit limits, and also means revenue derived from the environmental surcharge and income derived from the investment of any money in any of the funds established herein or contained herein even though such investment income is to be credited to the particular fund from which such investment is made.

“Indenture” means the General Indenture of Trust and Pledge dated as of June 1, 1995, as amended and supplemented, by and between the Finance Authority and the Trustee, or successor trustee, or the Subordinated General Indenture of Trust and Pledge dated as of March 1, 2005, as supplemented, by and between the Finance Authority and the Trustee, as successor trustee, as

determined by the Finance Authority pursuant to a Pledge Notification or Supplemental Indenture (as defined in the Indenture).

“Independent Accountant” means (i) an accountant employed by the State and under the supervision of the State Auditor, or (ii) any certified public accountant or firm of such accountants duly licensed to practice and practicing as such under the laws of the State, appointed and paid by the Governmental Unit who (a) is, in fact, independent and not under the domination of the Governmental Unit, (b) does not have any substantial interest, direct or indirect, with the Governmental Unit, and (c) is not connected with the Governmental Unit as an officer or employee of the Governmental Unit, but who may be regularly retained to make annual or similar audits of the books or records of the Governmental Unit.

“Interest Component” means the portion of each Loan Agreement Payment paid as interest on this Loan Agreement as shown on Exhibit “B” hereto.

“Loan” means the funds in the Loan Agreement Principal Amount to be loaned to the Governmental Unit by the Finance Authority pursuant to this Loan Agreement.

“Loan Agreement” means this loan agreement and any amendments or supplements hereto, including the exhibits attached to this loan agreement.

“Loan Agreement Balance” means, as of any date of calculation, the Loan Agreement Principal Amount less the aggregate principal amount paid or prepaid pursuant to the provisions of this Loan Agreement.

“Loan Agreement Payment” means, collectively, the Principal Component and the Interest Component to be paid by the Governmental Unit as payment of this Loan Agreement as shown on Exhibit “B” hereto.

“Loan Agreement Payment Date” means each date a payment is due on this Loan Agreement as shown on Exhibit “B” hereto.

“Loan Agreement Principal Amount” means the original principal amount of this Loan Agreement as shown on the Term Sheet.

“Loan Agreement Reserve Account” means the loan agreement reserve account established in the name of the Governmental Unit under the Indenture, funded by the Governmental Unit pursuant to the terms of this Loan Agreement, and administered by the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture. The Loan Agreement Reserve Account is to be funded only upon the circumstances provided in Section 5.2(c) of this Loan Agreement.

“Loan Agreement Reserve Requirement” means, with respect to the Loan, the amount shown as the Loan Agreement Reserve Account deposit on the Term Sheet which amount does not exceed the least of: (i) ten percent (10%) of the Loan Agreement Principal Amount; (ii) on hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the average annual principal and interest requirements under this Loan Agreement; or (iii) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements under this Loan Agreement. The Loan Agreement Reserve Requirement, if any, shall be recalculated every year on or about June 1.

“Loan Agreement Term” means the term of this Loan Agreement as provided under Article III of this Loan Agreement.

“NMSA” means the New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978 compilation, as amended and supplemented.

“Net Revenues” means the Gross Revenues after deducting Operation and Maintenance Expenses.

“Operation and Maintenance Expenses” means all reasonable and necessary current expenses of the System, for any particular Fiscal Year or period to which such term is applicable, paid or accrued, related to operating, maintaining and repairing the System, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

(a) Legal and overhead expenses of the various Governmental Unit departments directly related and reasonably allocable to the administration of the System;

(b) Insurance premiums for the System, including, without limitation, premiums for property insurance, public liability insurance and workmen’s compensation insurance, whether or not self-funded;

(c) Premiums, expenses and other costs (other than required reimbursements of insurance proceeds and other amounts advanced to pay debt service requirements on System bonds) for credit facilities;

(d) Any expenses described in this definition other than expenses paid from the proceeds of System bonds;

(e) The costs of audits of the books and accounts of the System;

(f) Amounts required to be deposited in any rebate fund;

(g) Salaries, administrative expenses, labor costs, surety bonds and the cost of materials and supplies used for or in connection with the current operation of the System; and

(h) Any fees required to be paid under any operation, maintenance and/or management agreement with respect to the System.

Operation and Maintenance Expenses do not include any allowance for depreciation, payments in lieu of taxes, franchise fees payable or other transfers to the Governmental Unit’s general fund, liabilities incurred by the Governmental Unit as a result of its negligence or other misconduct in the operation of the System, any charges for the accumulation of reserves for capital replacements or any Operation and Maintenance Expenses payable from moneys other than Gross Revenues.

“Ordinance” means the Governmental Unit Ordinance No. ____ adopted on August 23, 2022, by the Governing Body approving this Loan Agreement and pledging the Pledged Revenues to the payment of the Loan Agreement Payments as shown on the Term Sheet.

“Parity Obligations” means this Loan Agreement, and any other obligations, now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a lien or pledge of the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues on a parity with this Loan Agreement, including any such obligations shown on the Term Sheet.

“Permitted Investments” means securities which are at the time legal investments of the Governmental Unit for the money to be invested, as applicable, including but not limited to the following if permitted by law: (i) securities that are issued by the United States government or by its agencies or instrumentalities and that are either direct obligations of the United States, the federal home loan mortgage association, the federal national mortgage association, the federal farm credit bank, federal home loan banks or the student loan marketing association or that are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government; (ii) negotiable securities of the State; (iii) money market funds which invest solely in obligations described in clause (i) above which are rated in the highest rating category by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc., or Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services; and (iv) the State Treasurer’s short-term investment fund created pursuant to Section 6-10-10.1, NMSA 1978, and operated, maintained and invested by the office of the State Treasurer.

“Pledged Revenues” means the Net Revenues of the Governmental Unit pledged to payment of the Loan Agreement Payments pursuant to the Ordinance and described on the Term Sheet.

“Principal Component” means the portion of each Loan Agreement Payment paid as principal on this Loan Agreement as shown on Exhibit “B” hereto.

“Program Account” means the account in the name of the Governmental Unit established pursuant to the Indenture and held by the Trustee for the deposit of the net proceeds of this Loan Agreement for disbursement to the Governmental Unit for payment of the costs of the Project.

“Project” means the project(s) described on the Term Sheet.

“Service Area” means the area served by the System, whether situated within or without the limits of the Governmental Unit.

“Subordinate Obligations” means other obligations, now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a lien or pledge of the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues subordinate to this Loan Agreement and other Parity Obligations, including any such obligations shown on the Term Sheet.

“System” means the municipally owned public utility designated as the Governmental Unit’s water, wastewater and electric system consisting of all properties, real, personal, mixed or otherwise, now owned or hereafter acquired by the Governmental Unit through purchase, condemnation, construction or otherwise, including all expansions, extensions, enlargements and improvements of or to the water, wastewater and electric system, and used in connection therewith or relating thereto, and any other related activity or enterprise of the Governmental Unit designated

by the Governing Body as part of the water, wastewater and electric system, whether situated within or without the limits of the Governmental Unit.

“Term Sheet” means Exhibit “A” attached hereto.

“Trustee” means BOKF, NA, Albuquerque, New Mexico, or any successor trust company, national or state banking association or financial institution at the time appointed Trustee by the Finance Authority.

“Unassigned Rights” means the rights of the Finance Authority to receive payment of administrative expenses, reports and indemnity against claims pursuant to the provisions of this Loan Agreement which are withheld in the granting clauses of the Indenture from the pledge, assignment and transfer of this Loan Agreement to the Trustee.

ARTICLE II REPRESENTATIONS, COVENANTS AND WARRANTIES

Section 2.1 Representations, Covenants and Warranties of the Governmental Unit. The Governmental Unit represents, covenants and warrants:

(a) Binding Nature of Covenants. All covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements of the Governmental Unit contained in this Loan Agreement shall be deemed to be the covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements of the Governmental Unit to the full extent authorized or permitted by law, and such covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements shall be binding upon the Governmental Unit and its successors and upon any board or body to which any powers or duties affecting such covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements shall be transferred by or in accordance with law. Except as otherwise provided in this Loan Agreement, all rights, powers and privileges conferred and duties and liabilities imposed upon the Governmental Unit by the provisions of this Loan Agreement and the Ordinance shall be exercised or performed by the Governmental Unit or by such members, officers, or officials of the Governmental Unit as may be required by law to exercise such powers and to perform such duties.

(b) Personal Liability. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Loan Agreement shall be deemed to be a covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any officer, agent or employee of the Governmental Unit or member of the Governing Body in his or her individual capacity, and neither the members of the Governing Body nor any officer, agent or employee of the Governmental Unit executing this Loan Agreement shall be liable personally on this Loan Agreement or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution and delivery thereof.

(c) Authorization of Loan Agreement. The Governmental Unit is a political subdivision of the State and is duly organized and existing under the statutes and laws of the State. Pursuant to the Act, as amended and supplemented from time to time, the Governmental Unit is authorized to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Loan Agreement and to carry out its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The Governmental Unit has duly authorized and approved the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement and the other documents related to the transaction.

(d) Use of Loan Agreement Proceeds. The Governmental Unit shall proceed without delay in applying the proceeds of this Loan Agreement (less the deposits to the Loan Agreement Reserve Account and the Finance Authority Debt Service Account) to the completion of the Project.

(e) Payment of Loan Agreement. The Governmental Unit shall promptly pay Loan Agreement Payments, as specified in Exhibit “B” hereto, according to the true intent and meaning of this Loan Agreement. Loan Agreement Payments are payable solely from the Pledged Revenues or from the proceeds of refunding bonds or other refunding obligations which the Governmental Unit may hereafter issue in its sole discretion and which are payable from the Pledged Revenues; and nothing in this Loan Agreement shall be construed as obligating the Governmental Unit to pay Loan Agreement Payments from any general or other fund of the Governmental Unit other than such special funds. Nothing contained in this Loan Agreement, however, shall be construed as prohibiting the Governmental Unit in its sole and absolute discretion, from making such payments from any moneys which may be lawfully used, and which are legally available, for that purpose.

(f) Completion of Project. The Project will consist of the design, construction and equipping of a wastewater reclamation line as part of the Governmental Unit’s System. The Project will be completed so as to comply with all applicable ordinances, resolutions and regulations, if any, and any and all applicable laws relating to the completion of the Project and to the use of the Pledged Revenues.

(g) Necessity of Project. The completion of the Project under the terms and conditions provided for in this Loan Agreement is necessary, convenient and in furtherance of the governmental purposes of the Governmental Unit and is in the best interests of the Governmental Unit and its residents.

(h) Legal, Valid and Binding Special Obligation. The Governmental Unit has taken all required action necessary to authorize the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement and this Loan Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding special obligation of the Governmental Unit enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(i) Loan Agreement Term. The weighted average maturity of _____ years of the Loan Agreement does not exceed 120% of the reasonably expected life of the Project which is __ years.

(j) Use of Project. During the Loan Agreement Term, the Project will at all times be used for the purpose of benefiting the Governmental Unit as a whole.

(k) No Private Activity. The Governmental Unit is a “governmental unit” within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141(b)(6) of the Code. In addition, no amounts disbursed from the Program Account and used to finance the Project shall be used in the trade or business of a person who is not a “governmental unit” within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141(b)(6) of the Code.

(l) No Excess Loan Agreement Proceeds. The amount loaned to the Governmental Unit under this Loan Agreement as set forth on the Term Sheet does not exceed the

sum of: (i) the cost of the Project; and (ii) an amount necessary to pay Expenses and the costs related to the issuance of the Bonds, if any.

(m) No Breach or Default Caused by Loan Agreement. Neither the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement, nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the terms and conditions in this Loan Agreement, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein and therein, conflicts with or results in a breach of terms, conditions or provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Governmental Unit is a party or by which the Governmental Unit is bound or any laws, ordinances, governmental rules or regulations or court or other governmental orders to which the Governmental Unit or its properties are subject, or constitutes a default under any of the foregoing.

(n) Irrevocable Enactments. While this Loan Agreement remains outstanding and unpaid, any ordinance, resolution or other enactment of the Governing Body applying the Pledged Revenues for the payment of this Loan Agreement, including the Ordinance shall be irrevocable until this Loan Agreement has been paid in full as to both principal and interest, and shall not be subject to amendment or modification in any manner which would in any way jeopardize the timely payment of Loan Agreement Payments.

(o) Outstanding Debt. Except for the Parity Obligations and Subordinate Obligations, if any, described on the Term Sheet, there are currently no outstanding bonds, notes or other obligations of the Governmental Unit which are payable from and secured by a parity lien on the Pledged Revenues. No additional indebtedness, bonds or notes of the Governmental Unit payable on a priority ahead of the indebtedness herein authorized out of the Pledged Revenues shall be created or incurred while this Loan Agreement remains outstanding. Prior to entering into additional indebtedness to be secured by a parity lien on the Pledged Revenues, the Governmental Unit shall comply with the terms of Section 5.5 hereof and shall seek the written consent of the Finance Authority, such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. During the term of this Loan Agreement, prior to entering into any indebtedness secured by a subordinate lien on the Pledged Revenues or a lien on any revenues of the Governmental Unit other than the Pledged Revenues, the Governmental Unit shall notify the Finance Authority in writing of such indebtedness.

(p) No Litigation. To the knowledge of the Governmental Unit, no litigation or proceeding is pending or threatened against the Governmental Unit or any other person affecting the right of the Governmental Unit to execute or deliver this Loan Agreement or to comply with its obligation under this Loan Agreement. Neither the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement by the Governmental Unit, nor compliance by the Governmental Unit with the obligations hereunder, requires the approval of any regulatory body, or any other entity, which approval has not been obtained or which is not reasonably expected to be obtained.

(q) No Event of Default. No event has occurred and no condition exists which, upon the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement, would constitute an Event of Default on the part of the Governmental Unit under this Loan Agreement.

(r) Pledged Revenues Not Budgeted. The portion of the Pledged Revenues necessary to pay the Loan Agreement Payments, as and when due, is not needed or budgeted to pay current or anticipated operational or other expenses of the Governmental Unit.

(s) Expected Coverage Ratio. The Pledged Revenues (giving credit for any increase in Pledged Revenues which has received final approval of the Governing Body and become effective) from the Fiscal Year immediately preceding the Closing Date were equal to or exceeded and, on an ongoing basis during each year of the Loan Agreement Term, are reasonably expected to equal or exceed, one hundred thirty percent (130%) of the maximum Aggregate Annual Debt Service Requirement.

(t) No Extension of Interest Payments. The Governmental Unit will not extend or be a party to the extension of the time for paying any interest on this Loan Agreement.

(u) Governmental Unit's Existence. The Governmental Unit will maintain its corporate identity and existence so long as this Loan Agreement is unpaid, unless another political subdivision by operation of law succeeds to the liabilities and rights of the Governmental Unit without adversely affecting to any substantial degree the privileges and rights of the Finance Authority.

(v) Continuing Disclosure. The Governmental Unit covenants that it shall provide continuing disclosure to the Finance Authority, as the Finance Authority may require, that shall include, but not be limited to: annual audits, operational data required to update information in any disclosure documents used to assign or securitize the Loan Agreement Payments by issuance of Bonds by the Finance Authority pursuant to the Indenture, and notification of any event deemed material by the Finance Authority.

(w) Tax Covenants. The Governmental Unit covenants that it shall restrict the use of the proceeds of this Loan Agreement in such manner and to such extent, if any, as may be necessary so that this Loan Agreement will not constitute an arbitrage bond under Section 148 of the Code and that it shall pay any applicable rebate to the Internal Revenue Service. Authorized Officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute an Arbitrage and Tax Certificate as may be required by the Finance Authority and such additional certificates as shall be necessary to establish that this Loan Agreement is not an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated or proposed with respect thereto, including Treasury Regulation Sections 1.148-1 through 1.148-11, 1.149 and 1.150 as the same currently exist, or may from time to time hereafter be amended, supplemented or revised. The Governmental Unit covenants to comply with the provisions of any such Arbitrage and Tax Certificate and the provisions thereof will be incorporated herein by reference to the same extent as if set forth herein. The Governmental Unit covenants that no use will be made of the proceeds of this Loan Agreement, or any funds or accounts of the Governmental Unit which may be deemed to be Gross Proceeds (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(b)) of this Loan Agreement, which use, if it had been reasonably expected on the Closing Date, would have caused this Loan Agreement to be classified as an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code. Pursuant to this covenant, the Governmental Unit obligates itself to comply throughout the Loan Agreement Term with the requirements of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code and the regulations proposed or promulgated with respect thereto. The Governmental Unit further represents and covenants that no bonds or other evidence of indebtedness of the Governmental Unit payable from substantially the same source as this Loan Agreement have been or will be issued, sold or delivered within fifteen (15) days prior to or subsequent to the Closing Date.

(x) Use Charges. The Governmental Unit has established and will continue to charge reasonable rates for services rendered by the Governmental Unit for use of the System taking into account the cost and value of the System, Operation and Maintenance Expenses, proper allowances for depreciation, and the amounts necessary to make debt services payments from Net Revenues of the System. There shall be charged against users, rates and amounts which shall be increased from time to time, if necessary, and which shall produce Gross Revenues sufficient to pay the annual Operation and Maintenance Expenses and one hundred thirty percent (130%) of the Aggregate Annual Debt Service Requirement payable during the then current Fiscal Year.

(y) Efficient Operation. The Governmental Unit will operate the System so long as this Loan Agreement is outstanding, will maintain the System in efficient operating condition and make such improvements, extensions, enlargements, repairs and betterments to the System as may be necessary or advisable for its economical and efficient operation at all times and sufficient to supply reasonable public and private demands for System services within the Service Area.

(z) Records. So long as the Loan Agreement remains outstanding, proper books of record and account will be kept by the Governmental Unit, separate from all other records and accounts, showing complete and correct entries of all transactions relating to the System. Such books shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, monthly records showing: (i) the number of customers for the System; (ii) the revenues separately received from charges by classes of customers, including but not necessarily limited to classification by the joint water, wastewater and electric facilities; and (iii) a detailed statement of the expenses of the System.

(aa) Right to Inspect. The Finance Authority and the Trustee shall have the right to inspect at all reasonable times all records, accounts and data relating to the System and to inspect the System and all properties comprising the System.

(bb) Audits. The Governmental Unit further agrees that, except where the State Auditor of the State performs the audit or where the due date for the audit has been postponed as may otherwise be required by the State Auditor or any other State office or agency with appropriate authority, the Governmental Unit will, within one hundred eighty (180) days following the close of each Fiscal Year, cause an audit of the books and accounts of the System to be made by an Independent Accountant. Each audit of the System shall include those matters determined to be proper by the Independent Accountant. Each audit will be available for inspection by the Finance Authority. The Governmental Unit will provide the Finance Authority with a copy of each audit promptly upon the request of the Finance Authority. All expenses incurred in the making of the audits and reports required by this Section shall be regarded and paid as an Operation and Maintenance Expense.

(cc) Billing Procedure. Bills for joint water, wastewater and electric services or facilities, or any combination, furnished by or through the System, shall be rendered to customers on a regular basis each month following the month in which the service was rendered and shall be due as required by the applicable ordinance of the Governmental Unit. If permitted by law, if a bill is not paid within the period of time required by such ordinance, joint water, wastewater and electric services shall be discontinued as required by such ordinance, and the rates and charges due shall be collected in a lawful manner, including, but not limited to, the cost of disconnection and

reconnection. Water, wastewater and electric services may be billed jointly with each other, provided that each such joint bill shall show separately the water, wastewater and electric charges.

(dd) Charges and Liens Upon System. The Governmental Unit will pay when due from Gross Revenues or other legally available funds all taxes and assessments or other municipal or governmental charges, lawfully levied or assessed upon the System and will observe and comply with all valid requirements of any municipal or governmental authority relating to the System. The Governmental Unit will not create or permit any lien or charge upon the System or the Gross Revenues except as provided in this Loan Agreement, or it will make adequate provisions to satisfy and discharge within sixty (60) days after the same accrue, all lawful claims and demands for labor, materials, supplies or other objects, which, if unpaid, might by law become a lien upon the System or the Gross Revenues. However, the Governmental Unit shall not be required to pay or cause to be discharged, or make provision for any tax assessment, lien or charge before the time when payment becomes due or so long as the validity thereof is contested in good faith by appropriate legal proceedings and there is no adverse effect on the Finance Authority or the Trustee.

(ee) Insurance. The Governmental Unit will procure and maintain or cause to be procured and maintained commercial insurance or provide Qualified Self Insurance with respect to the facilities constituting the System and public liability insurance in the form of commercial insurance or Qualified Self Insurance in such amounts and against such risks as are, in the judgment of the Governing Body, prudent and reasonable taking into account, but not being controlled by, the amounts and types of insurance or self-insured programs provided by municipalities which operate joint utility systems. "Qualified Self Insurance" means insurance maintained through a program of self-insurance or insurance maintained with a fund, company or association in which the Governmental Unit may have a material interest and of which the Governmental Unit may have control, either singly or with others. Each plan of Qualified Self Insurance shall be established in accordance with law, shall provide that reserves be established or insurance acquired in amounts adequate to provide coverage which the Governmental Unit determines to be reasonable to protect against risks assumed under the Qualified Self Insurance plan, including any potential retained liability in the event of the termination of such plan of Qualified Self Insurance. In the event of property loss or damage to the System, insurance proceeds shall be used first for the purpose of restoring or replacing the property lost or damaged and thereafter, any remainder may be used to redeem Parity Obligations or be treated as Gross Revenues.

(ff) Alienating System. The Governmental Unit will not sell, lease, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise encumber, or in any manner dispose of, or otherwise alienate, the System, or any part thereof, including any and all extensions and additions that may be made thereto, until this Loan Agreement shall have been paid in full, including the Principal Component and the Interest Component, except that the Governmental Unit may sell any portion of said property which shall have been replaced by other property of at least equal value, or which shall cease to be necessary for the efficient operation of the System, but in no manner nor to such extent as might prejudice the security for the payment of this Loan Agreement, provided, however, that in the event of any sale as aforesaid, the proceeds of such sale shall be distributed as Net Revenues of the System as provided herein.

(gg) Competent Management. The Governmental Unit shall employ or contract for experienced and competent personnel to manage the System.

(hh) Performing Duties. The Governmental Unit will faithfully and punctually perform all duties with respect to the System required by the Constitution and the laws of the State and the ordinances and resolutions of the Governmental Unit, relating to the System and this Loan Agreement, including, but not limited to, making and collecting reasonable and sufficient rates and charges for services rendered or furnished by the System as hereinabove provided.

(ii) Other Liens. Other than as provided in the Term Sheet, there are no liens or encumbrances of any nature, whatsoever, on or against the System or the revenues derived or to be derived from the operation of the same.

Section 2.2 Representations, Covenants and Warranties of the Finance Authority. The Finance Authority represents, covenants and warrants for the benefit of the Governmental Unit as follows:

(a) Authorization of Loan Agreement. The Finance Authority is a public body politic and corporate constituting a governmental instrumentality separate and apart from the State, duly organized, existing and in good standing under the laws of the State, has all necessary power and authority to enter into and perform and observe the covenants and agreements on its part contained in this Loan Agreement and, by proper action, has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement.

(b) Assignment of Rights. The Finance Authority may not pledge or assign the Pledged Revenues, the Loan Agreement Payments or any of its other rights under this Loan Agreement except to the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture.

(c) No Breach or Default Caused by Loan Agreement. Neither the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement, nor the fulfillment of or compliance with the terms and conditions of this Loan Agreement, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated in this Loan Agreement, conflicts with or results in a breach of the terms, conditions and provisions of any restriction or any agreement or instrument to which the Finance Authority is a party or by which the Finance Authority is bound or constitutes a default under any of the foregoing and will not conflict with or constitute a violation of any constitutional or statutory provision or order, rule, regulation, decree or resolution of any court, government or governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Finance Authority or its property and which conflict or violation will have a material adverse effect on the Finance Authority or the financing of the Project.

(d) No Litigation. To the knowledge of the Finance Authority, there is no litigation or proceeding pending or threatened against the Finance Authority or any other person affecting the right of the Finance Authority to execute or deliver this Loan Agreement or to comply with its obligations under this Loan Agreement. Neither, the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement by the Finance Authority, nor compliance by the Finance Authority with its obligations under this Loan Agreement requires the approval of any regulatory body, or any other entity, which approval has not been obtained.

(e) Legal, Valid and Binding Obligations. This Loan Agreement constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Finance Authority enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(f) Tax-Exempt Reimbursement of Amount Loaned. The Finance Authority intends to reimburse the public project revolving fund (as defined in the Finance Authority Act) for the amount of the Loan from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds which the Finance Authority expects to issue within eighteen (18) months of the Closing Date.

(g) Compliance with Securities Laws. The Finance Authority acknowledges that no offering document or prospectus has been prepared by the Governmental Unit with respect to this Loan Agreement. The Finance Authority is a sophisticated accredited investor regularly making loans and purchasing securities similar to this Loan Agreement and has been provided with and has reviewed such information as it deems relevant in making its decision to make the Loans to the Governmental Unit. Other than the pledge to the Trustee described above, the Finance Authority will not sell, pledge, transfer, convey, hypothecate, mortgage or dispose of this Loan Agreement, or any portion thereof, except to persons who have been provided sufficient information with which to make an informed investment decision regarding this Loan Agreement and in compliance with the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the regulations promulgated thereunder and applicable state securities laws and regulations.

(h) Finance Authority Compliance with Policies. As related to this Loan Agreement, the Finance Authority has complied with all policies and procedures as adopted and approved by the Finance Authority Board of Directors, or such policies have been waived by the Finance Authority Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III LOAN AGREEMENT TERM

The Loan Agreement Term shall commence on the Closing Date and shall not terminate until this Loan Agreement has been paid in full or provision for the payment of this Loan Agreement has been made pursuant to Article VIII hereof.

ARTICLE IV LOAN; APPLICATION OF MONEYS

On the Closing Date, the Finance Authority shall transfer the Loan Agreement Principal Amount as follows:

(a) To the Trustee, the amount shown on the Term Sheet as the Program Account deposit shall be deposited into the Governmental Unit's Program Account to be maintained by the Trustee pursuant to the Indenture and disbursed pursuant to Section 6.2 hereof at the direction of the Governmental Unit for the Project; and

(b) To the Finance Authority, the amount shown on the Term Sheet as the Finance Authority Debt Service Account deposit shall be deposited in the Finance Authority Debt Service Account to be maintained by the Finance Authority or its assignee and utilized as provided in Section 5.2 hereof.

No deposit of proceeds of the Loan or other Governmental Unit moneys into the Loan Agreement Reserve Account shall be required on the Closing Date or at any time thereafter, except in the circumstances and on the conditions described in subsection (c) of Section 5.2 hereof.

ARTICLE V
LOAN TO THE GOVERNMENTAL UNIT;
PAYMENTS BY THE GOVERNMENTAL UNIT

Section 5.1 Loan to the Governmental Unit; Payment Obligations Limited to Pledged Revenues; Pledge of Pledged Revenues. The Finance Authority hereby lends to the Governmental Unit and the Governmental Unit hereby borrows from the Finance Authority an amount equal to the Loan Agreement Principal Amount. The Governmental Unit promises to pay, but solely from the sources pledged herein, the Loan Agreement Payments as herein provided. The Governmental Unit does hereby convey, assign and pledge unto the Finance Authority and unto its successors in trust forever all right, title and interest of the Governmental Unit in and to: (i) the Pledged Revenues to the extent required to pay the Loan Agreement Payments on parity with the Parity Obligations; (ii) the Finance Authority Debt Service Account, such account being held by the Finance Authority; (iii) the Program Account and the Loan Agreement Reserve Account, such accounts being held by the Trustee; and (iv) all other rights hereinafter granted, for the securing of the Governmental Unit's obligations under this Loan Agreement, including payment of the Loan Agreement Payments and Additional Payment Obligations; provided, however, that if the Governmental Unit, its successors or assigns, shall well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, all Loan Agreement Payments at the time and in the manner contemplated by this Loan Agreement, or shall provide as permitted by Article VIII of this Loan Agreement for the payment thereof and shall pay all other amounts due or to become due under this Loan Agreement in accordance with its terms and provisions, then, upon such final payment or provision for payment by the Governmental Unit, this Loan Agreement and the rights created thereby shall terminate; otherwise, this Loan Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. The Loan Agreement Payments shall, in the aggregate, be sufficient to pay the Principal Component and the Interest Component when due, the payment schedule of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

The pledge of the Pledged Revenues and the lien thereon shall be effective upon the Closing Date. The Governmental Unit and the Finance Authority acknowledge and agree that the Loan Agreement Payments of the Governmental Unit hereunder are limited to the Pledged Revenues; and that this Loan Agreement shall constitute a special, limited obligation of the Governmental Unit. No provision of this Loan Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as creating a general obligation or other indebtedness of the Governmental Unit within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation. No provision of this Loan Agreement shall be construed to pledge or to create a lien on any class or source of Governmental Unit moneys other than the Pledged Revenues, nor shall any provision of this Loan Agreement restrict the future issuance of any bonds or obligations payable from any class or source of Governmental Unit moneys other than the Pledged Revenues. In addition, to the extent not required for the payment of obligations of the Governmental Unit hereunder, the Pledged Revenues may be utilized by the Governmental Unit for any other purposes permitted by law.

Section 5.2 Payment Obligations of Governmental Unit. The Governmental Unit shall transfer to the Finance Authority from the Pledged Revenues the amounts provided in subsections

(a)(i) and (ii) of this Section 5.2 for deposit into the Finance Authority Debt Service Account and the amounts provided in subsection (c) for deposit into the Loan Agreement Reserve Account, if necessary. The Finance Authority Debt Service Account shall be established and held by the Finance Authority and the Loan Agreement Reserve Account shall be established and held by the Trustee, each on behalf of the Governmental Unit. All Pledged Revenues received by the Finance Authority pursuant to this Section 5.2 shall be accounted for and maintained on an ongoing basis by the Finance Authority in the Finance Authority Debt Service Account and all Loan Agreement Payments shall be remitted to the Trustee. The amounts on deposit in the Finance Authority Debt Service Account and Loan Agreement Reserve Account shall be expended and used by the Finance Authority or the Trustee, as the case may be, only in the manner and order of priority specified below.

(a) As a first charge and lien, but not an exclusive first charge and lien, on the Pledged Revenues (on a parity with the lien on the Pledged Revenues created by any outstanding Parity Obligations), the Governmental Unit shall remit to the Finance Authority, and the Finance Authority shall transfer and deposit into the Finance Authority Debt Service Account the following from the Pledged Revenues received from the Governmental Unit, which the Finance Authority shall transfer to the Trustee in accordance with the Indenture:

(i) Interest Components. Monthly, (A) beginning on the first day of the month following the Closing Date, an amount in which is necessary to pay the first maturing Interest Component coming due on this Loan Agreement (which is December 1, 2022), and (B) on the first day of the month thereafter one-sixth (1/6th) of the amount necessary to pay the next maturing Interest Component on this Loan Agreement as described in Exhibit "B";

(ii) Principal Payments. Monthly, (A) beginning on the first day of the month following the Closing Date, an amount which is necessary to pay the first maturing Principal Component (which is June 1, 2023), and (B) on the first day of the month thereafter one-twelfth (1/12th) of the amount which is necessary to pay the next maturing Principal Component on this Loan Agreement during the Loan Agreement Term, as described in Exhibit "B".

(b) Each Loan Agreement Payment shall be transferred by the Finance Authority from the Finance Authority Debt Service Account to the Trustee.

(c) No deposit shall be required in the Loan Agreement Reserve Account so long as on the Closing Date or at any time thereafter, except in the event that the Pledged Revenues fall below one hundred thirty percent (130%) of the maximum Aggregate Annual Debt Service Requirement in any Fiscal Year, in which event the Governmental Unit shall promptly notify the Finance Authority and shall begin making substantially equal monthly deposits into the Loan Agreement Reserve Account from the first legally available Pledged Revenues such that after twenty-four (24) months an amount equal to the Loan Agreement Reserve Requirement will be held in the Loan Agreement Reserve Account. If funds are withdrawn from the Loan Agreement Reserve Account to pay debt service on the Loan at the direction of the Finance Authority or the Trustee, additional Pledged Revenues shall be deposited into the Loan Agreement Reserve Account in amounts sufficient to restore the amount on deposit therein to the Loan Agreement Reserve Requirement within one (1) year following such withdrawal; provided, that no additional Pledged Revenues shall be deposited or intercepted to replenish the Loan Agreement Reserve

Account following the transfer of the amount in the Loan Agreement Reserve Account to the Finance Authority Debt Service Account for payment of the final two Interest Components and the final Principal Component. Such accumulations required by this subsection (c) shall be made from Pledged Revenues, second and subordinate to the payments referred to in Section 5.2(a) of this Loan Agreement and to the payments for debt service on additional Parity Obligations.

After the funding of the Loan Agreement Reserve Account as aforesaid, if the Pledged Revenues equal or exceed one hundred thirty percent (130%) of the maximum Aggregate Annual Debt Service Requirement in any Fiscal Year, any money or securities in the Loan Agreement Reserve Account shall be transferred to other Governmental Unit funds or accounts, and the procedure provided in the first paragraph of this subparagraph (c) shall be reinstated. The moneys (if any) in the Loan Agreement Reserve Account shall be accumulated and maintained as a continuing reserve to be used only to prevent deficiencies in the payment of the principal of and interest on the Loan Agreement resulting from failure to deposit into the Finance Authority Debt Service Account sufficient funds to pay the principal and interest as the same become due.

Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, the Finance Authority shall have the right to waive the requirement of the Loan Agreement Reserve Account.

(d) Subject to the foregoing deposits, the Finance Authority or the Trustee shall annually use the balance of the Pledged Revenues received, if any, at the request of the Governmental Unit: (i) to credit against upcoming Loan Agreement Payments; or (ii) to distribute to the Governmental Unit for any purpose permitted by law.

Section 5.3 Manner of Payment. All payments of the Governmental Unit hereunder shall be paid in lawful money of the United States of America to the Finance Authority at the address designated in Section 11.1 herein, for remittance to the Trustee. The obligation of the Governmental Unit to make payments hereunder, from and to the extent of the available Pledged Revenues, shall be absolute and unconditional in all events, except as expressly provided hereunder, and payment hereunder shall not be abated through accident or unforeseen circumstances. Notwithstanding any dispute between the Governmental Unit, the Finance Authority, the Trustee, any vendor or any other person, the Governmental Unit shall make all deposits hereunder, from and to the extent of the available Pledged Revenues, when due and shall not withhold any deposit hereunder pending final resolution of such dispute, nor shall the Governmental Unit assert any right of set-off or counterclaim against its obligation to make such deposits required hereunder.

Section 5.4 Disposition of Payments by the Trustee. The Trustee shall deposit all moneys received from the Finance Authority under this Loan Agreement in accordance with the Indenture.

Section 5.5 Additional Parity Obligations. No provision of this Loan Agreement shall be construed in such a manner as to prevent the issuance by the Governmental Unit of additional Parity Obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues, nor to prevent the issuance of bonds or other obligations refunding all or a part of this Loan Agreement; provided, however, that before any such additional Parity Obligations are actually issued (excluding refunding bonds or refunding obligations which refund Parity Obligations but including parity refunding bonds and obligations

which refund subordinate obligations as provided in Section 5.6 hereof), the Governmental Unit shall obtain the written consent of the Finance Authority and it must be determined that:

(a) The Governmental Unit is then current in all of the accumulations required to be made into the Finance Authority Debt Service Account and the Loan Agreement Reserve Account as provided herein.

(b) No default shall exist in connection with any of the covenants or requirements of the Ordinance or this Loan Agreement.

(c) The Pledged Revenues received by or credited to the Governmental Unit for the Fiscal Year or for any twelve (12) consecutive months out of the twenty-four (24) months preceding the date of the issuance of such additional Parity Obligations (the "Historic Test Period") shall have been sufficient to pay an amount representing one hundred thirty percent (130%) of the combined maximum Aggregate Annual Debt Service Requirement coming due in any subsequent Fiscal Year on the then outstanding Parity Obligations and the Parity Obligations proposed to be issued (excluding the accumulation of any reserves therefor).

(d) A written certification or opinion by the Governmental Unit's Finance Director or by an Independent Accountant that the Pledged Revenues for the Historic Test Period are sufficient to pay said amounts, shall be conclusively presumed to be accurate in determining the right of the Governmental Unit to authorize, issue, sell and deliver the Parity Obligations proposed to be issued.

(e) With prior written notice to the Finance Authority, no provision of this Loan Agreement shall be construed in such a manner as to prevent the issuance by the Governmental Unit of additional bonds or other obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues constituting a lien upon such Pledged Revenues subordinate and junior to the lien of this Loan Agreement nor to prevent the issuance of bonds or other obligations refunding all or part of this Loan Agreement as permitted by Section 5.6 hereof.

(f) The Governmental Unit shall not issue bonds or other obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues having a lien thereon prior and superior to this Loan Agreement.

Section 5.6 Refunding Obligations. The provisions of Section 5.5 hereof are subject to the following exceptions:

(a) If at any time after the Closing Date, while this Loan Agreement, or any part thereof, is outstanding, the Governmental Unit shall find it desirable to refund any outstanding bonds or other outstanding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues, this Loan Agreement, such bonds or other obligations, or any part thereof, may be refunded (but the holders of this Loan Agreement or bonds to be refunded may not be compelled to surrender this Loan Agreement or their bonds, unless this Loan Agreement, the bonds or other obligations, at the time of their required surrender for payment, shall then mature, or shall then be callable for prior redemption at the Governmental Unit's option), regardless of whether the priority of the lien for the payment of the refunding obligations on the Pledged Revenues is changed, except as provided in subparagraph (f) of Section 5.5 hereof and in subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Section.

(b) No refunding bonds or other refunding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues shall be issued on a parity with this Loan Agreement unless:

(i) The outstanding obligations so refunded are Parity Obligations and the refunding bonds or other refunding obligations do not increase any aggregate annual principal and interest obligations evidenced by such refunded obligations; or

(ii) The refunding bonds or other refunding obligations are issued in compliance with Section 5.5 hereof.

(c) The refunding bonds or other obligations so issued shall enjoy complete equality of lien on the Pledged Revenues with the portion of this Loan Agreement or any bonds or other obligations of the same issue which is not refunded, if any; and the holder or holders of such refunding bonds or such other refunding obligations shall be subrogated to all of the rights and privileges enjoyed by the holder or holders of this Loan Agreement or the bonds or other obligations of the same issue refunded thereby. If only a part of this Loan Agreement or the outstanding bonds and any other outstanding obligations of any issue or issues payable from the Pledged Revenues is refunded, then such obligations may not be refunded without the consent of the holder or holders of the unrefunded portion of such obligations, unless:

(i) The refunding bonds or other refunding obligations do not increase any aggregate annual principal and interest obligations evidenced by such refunded obligations and by the outstanding obligations not refunded on and prior to the last maturity date of such unrefunded obligations; or

(ii) The refunding bonds or other refunding obligations are issued in compliance with Section 5.5 hereof; or

(iii) The lien on the Pledged Revenues for the payment of the refunding obligations is subordinate to each such lien for the payment of any obligations not refunded.

(d) Any refunding bonds or other refunding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues shall be issued with such details as the Governmental Unit may provide by ordinance or resolution, but without any impairment of any contractual obligations imposed upon the Governmental Unit by any proceedings authorizing the issuance of any unrefunded portion of such outstanding obligations of any one or more issues (including, but not necessarily limited to, this Loan Agreement).

Section 5.7 Investment of Governmental Unit Funds. Money on deposit in the Finance Authority Debt Service Account established by the Finance Authority may be invested by the Finance Authority in Permitted Investments at the discretion of the Finance Authority. Money on deposit in the Program Account and Loan Agreement Reserve Account held by the Trustee and created hereunder may be invested by the Trustee in Permitted Investments at the written direction of the Finance Authority or at the discretion of the Trustee. Any earnings on any of said accounts shall be held and administered in each respective account and utilized in the same manner as the other moneys on deposit therein.

Section 5.8 Governmental Unit May Budget for Payments. The Governmental Unit may, in its sole discretion, but without obligation and subject to the Constitution of the State, governing laws, and its budgetary requirements, make available properly budgeted and legally available funds to defray any insufficiency of Pledged Revenues to pay Loan Agreement Payments; provided, however, the Governmental Unit has not covenanted and cannot covenant to make such funds available and has not pledged any of such funds for such purpose.

ARTICLE VI THE PROJECT

Section 6.1 Agreement to Complete the Project. The Governmental Unit hereby agrees that to effectuate the purposes of this Loan Agreement and to effectuate the completion of the Project, it shall make, execute, acknowledge and transmit any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions with any other persons, firms or corporations and, in general, do all things which may be requisite or proper to complete the Project. The Governmental Unit agrees to complete the Project through the application of moneys to be disbursed from the Program Account pursuant to Section 6.2 of this Loan Agreement.

Section 6.2 Disbursements from the Program Account. So long as no Event of Default shall occur, the Trustee shall disburse moneys from the Program Account in accordance with Section 6.2 of the Indenture upon receipt by the Trustee of a requisition substantially in the form of Exhibit "C" attached hereto signed by an Authorized Officer of the Governmental Unit.

No disbursement shall be made from the Program Account without the approval of Bond Counsel: (i) to reimburse the Governmental Unit's own funds for expenditures made prior to the Closing Date; (ii) to refund or advance refund any tax-exempt obligations issued by or on behalf of the Governmental Unit; (iii) to be used, directly or indirectly, to finance a project used or to be used in the trade or business of a person who is not a "governmental unit," within the meaning of Section 141(b)(6) of the Code; or (iv) to expend funds after the date that is three (3) years after the execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement.

Section 6.3 Completion of the Project. Upon completion of the Project, an Authorized Officer of the Governmental Unit shall deliver a certificate to the Finance Authority and the Trustee substantially in the form of Exhibit "D" attached hereto stating that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the Project has been completed and accepted by the Governmental Unit, and all costs have been paid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such certificate shall state that it is given without prejudice to any rights against third parties which exist at the date of such certificate or which may subsequently come into being.

Section 6.4 Application of Loan Agreement Proceeds Subsequent to Completion of the Project. Upon completion of the Project as signified by delivery of the completion certificate contemplated in Section 6.3 hereof, or in the event that the Finance Authority and the Trustee shall not have received a certificate of completion as required by Section 6.3 hereof by the date three (3) years from the Closing Date (or such later date as is approved in writing by Bond Counsel), the Trustee shall transfer the amounts remaining in the Program Account (except amounts

necessary for payment of amounts not then due and payable) to the Finance Authority Debt Service Account and such amounts shall be used for the payment of Loan Agreement Payments.

ARTICLE VII
COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS
AND RULES; OTHER COVENANTS

Section 7.1 Further Assurances and Corrective Instruments. The Finance Authority and the Governmental Unit agree that they will, from time to time, execute, acknowledge and deliver, or cause to be executed, acknowledged and delivered, such supplements hereto and such further instruments as may reasonably be required for correcting any inadequate or incorrect description of the Project or of the Pledged Revenues, or for otherwise carrying out the intention hereof.

Section 7.2 Finance Authority and Governmental Unit Representatives. Whenever under the provisions hereof the approval of the Finance Authority or the Governmental Unit is required, or the Governmental Unit or the Finance Authority is required to take some action at the request of the other, such approval or such request shall be given for the Finance Authority or for the Governmental Unit by an Authorized Officer of the Finance Authority or the Governmental Unit, as the case may be, and any party hereto shall be authorized to act on any such approval or request.

Section 7.3 Requirements of Law. During the Loan Agreement Term, the Governmental Unit and the Finance Authority shall observe and comply promptly with all current and future orders of all courts having jurisdiction over the parties hereto, the Project or the Pledged Revenues.

Section 7.4 First Lien; Equality of Liens. The Loan Agreement Payments constitute an irrevocable first lien (but not necessarily an exclusive first lien) upon the Pledged Revenues. The Governmental Unit covenants that the Loan Agreement Payments and any Parity Obligations herein authorized to be issued and from time to time outstanding shall be equitably and ratably secured by a first lien on the Pledged Revenues and shall not be entitled to any priority one over the other in the application of the Pledged Revenues regardless of the time or times of the issuance of such obligations, it being the intention of the Governmental Unit that there shall be no priority between the Loan Agreement Payments and any such Parity Obligations regardless of the fact that they may be actually issued and delivered at different times.

Section 7.5 Expeditious Completion. The Governmental Unit shall complete the Project with all practical dispatch.

ARTICLE VIII
PREPAYMENT OF LOAN AGREEMENT PAYMENTS

Section 8.1 Prepayment. The Governmental Unit is hereby granted the option to prepay any of the Principal Components of this Loan Agreement in whole or in part on any day on or after ten (10) years following the Closing Date without penalty or prepayment premium. The Governmental Unit may designate the due dates of any Principal Components being prepaid in the event of a partial prepayment. Notice of intent to make such prepayment shall be provided to the Finance Authority and the Trustee by the Governmental Unit no less than forty-five (45) days prior

to the prepayment date. The Trustee shall recalculate the Loan Agreement Payments due under this Loan Agreement in the event of a partial prepayment in a manner which is consistent with the manner in which the Bonds, if any, are prepaid.

Section 8.2 Defeasance. Should the Governmental Unit pay or make provision for payment of the Loan such that all amounts due pursuant to this Loan Agreement shall be deemed to have been paid and defeased, then the Loan Agreement Payments hereunder shall also be deemed to have been paid, the Governmental Unit's payment obligations hereunder shall be terminated, this Loan Agreement and all obligations contained herein shall be discharged and the pledge hereof released. Such payment shall be deemed made when the Governmental Unit has deposited with an escrow agent, in trust, (i) moneys sufficient to make such payment, and/or (ii) noncallable Governmental Obligations maturing as to principal and interest in such amount and at such times as will ensure the availability of sufficient moneys to make such payment and when all necessary and proper expenses of the Finance Authority have been paid or provided for. In the event the Governmental Unit makes provisions for defeasance of this Loan Agreement, the Governmental Unit shall cause to be delivered (1) a report of an independent nationally recognized certified public accountant verifying the sufficiency of the escrow established to pay this Loan Agreement in full when due or upon an irrevocably designated prepayment date, and (2) an opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that this Loan Agreement is no longer outstanding, each of which shall be addressed and delivered to the Finance Authority. Governmental Obligations within the meaning of this Section 8.2, unless otherwise approved by the Finance Authority, shall include only (1) cash, (2) U.S. Treasury Certificates, Notes and Bonds (including State and Local Government Series – "SLGs"), and (3) obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America.

ARTICLE IX INDEMNIFICATION

From and to the extent of the Pledged Revenues, and to the extent permitted by law, the Governmental Unit shall and hereby agrees to indemnify and save the Finance Authority and the Trustee harmless against and from all claims, by or on behalf of any person, firm, corporation or other legal entity arising from the acquisition or operation of the Project during the Loan Agreement Term, from: (i) any act of negligence or other misconduct of the Governmental Unit or breach of any covenant or warranty by the Governmental Unit hereunder; and (ii) the incurrence of any cost or expense in connection with the acquisition or operation of the Project in excess of the Loan Agreement proceeds and interest on the investment thereof. The Governmental Unit shall indemnify and save the Finance Authority and the Trustee harmless, from and to the extent of available Pledged Revenues, from any such claim arising as aforesaid from (i) or (ii) above, or in connection with any action or proceeding brought thereon and, upon notice from the Finance Authority or the Trustee, shall defend the Finance Authority or the Trustee, as applicable, in any such action or proceeding.

ARTICLE X EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

Section 10.1 Events of Default Defined. Any one of the following shall be an Event of Default under this Loan Agreement:

(a) Failure by the Governmental Unit to pay any amount required to be paid under this Loan Agreement on the date on which it is due and payable;

(b) Failure by the Governmental Unit to observe and perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed under this Loan Agreement, other than as referred to in paragraph (a), for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied is given to the Governmental Unit by the Finance Authority or the Trustee unless the Finance Authority and the Trustee shall agree in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration; provided, however, if the failure stated in the notice can be wholly cured within a period of time not materially detrimental to the rights of the Finance Authority or the Trustee but cannot be cured within the applicable thirty (30) day period, the Finance Authority and the Trustee will not unreasonably withhold their consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by the Governmental Unit within the applicable period and diligently pursued until the failure is corrected; and provided, further, that if by reason of force majeure the Governmental Unit is unable to carry out the agreements on its part herein contained, the Governmental Unit shall not be deemed in default under this paragraph (b) during the continuance of such inability (but force majeure shall not excuse any other Event of Default);

(c) Any warranty, representation or other statement by or on behalf of the Governmental Unit contained in this Loan Agreement or in any instrument furnished in compliance with or in reference to this Loan Agreement is false or misleading in any material respect;

(d) A petition is filed against the Governmental Unit under any bankruptcy, moratorium, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, readjustment of debt, dissolution or liquidation law of any jurisdiction, whether now or hereafter in effect, and is not dismissed within thirty (30) days after such filing, but the Finance Authority and the Trustee shall have the right to intervene in the proceedings prior to the expiration of such thirty (30) days to protect their interests;

(e) The Governmental Unit files a petition in voluntary bankruptcy or seeking relief under any provision of any bankruptcy, moratorium, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, readjustment of debt, dissolution or liquidation law of any jurisdiction, whether now or hereafter in effect, or consents to the filing of any petition against it under any such law; or

(f) The Governmental Unit admits insolvency or bankruptcy or its inability to pay its debts as they become due or is generally not paying its debts as such debts become due, or becomes insolvent or bankrupt or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or a custodian (including, without limitation, a receiver, liquidator or trustee) of the Governmental Unit for any of its property is appointed by court order or takes possession thereof and such order remains in effect or such possession continues for more than thirty (30) days, but the Finance Authority and the Trustee shall have the right to intervene in the proceedings prior to the expiration of such thirty (30) days to protect their interests.

Section 10.2 Remedies on Default. Whenever any Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to Section 10.3 hereof, the Finance Authority or the Trustee may take any or all of the following actions as may appear necessary or desirable to collect the payments then due and to become due or to enforce performance of any agreement of the Governmental Unit in this Loan Agreement:

(a) By mandamus or other action or proceeding or suit at law or in equity to enforce the rights of the Finance Authority and the Trustee under this Loan Agreement against the Governmental Unit, and compel the Governmental Unit to perform or carry out its duties under the law and the agreements and covenants required to be performed by it contained herein; or

(b) By suit in equity to enjoin any acts or things which are unlawful or violate the rights of the Finance Authority or the Trustee; or

(c) Intervene in judicial proceedings that affect this Loan Agreement or the Pledged Revenues; or

(d) Cause the Governmental Unit to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for all of the Pledged Revenues; or

(e) Take whatever other action at law or in equity may appear necessary or desirable to collect amounts then due and thereafter to become due under this Loan Agreement or to enforce any other of its rights thereunder; or

(f) Apply any amounts in the Program Account toward satisfaction of any of the obligations of the Governmental Unit under this Loan Agreement.

Section 10.3 Limitations on Remedies. A judgment requiring a payment of money entered against the Governmental Unit may reach only the available Pledged Revenues.

Section 10.4 No Remedy Exclusive. Subject to Section 10.3 hereof, no remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Finance Authority or the Trustee is intended to be exclusive, and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder as now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver thereof, but any such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. In order to entitle the Finance Authority or the Trustee to exercise any remedy reserved in this Article X, it shall not be necessary to give any notice, other than such notice as may be required in this Article X.

Section 10.5 Waivers of Events of Default. The Finance Authority or the Trustee may in its discretion waive by written waiver any Event of Default hereunder and the consequences of such an Event of Default provided, however, that there shall not be waived: (i) any Event of Default in the payment of the principal of this Loan Agreement at the date when due as specified herein; or (ii) any default in the payment when due of the interest on this Loan Agreement, unless prior to such waiver or rescission, all arrears of interest, with interest at the rate borne by this Loan Agreement on all arrears of payments of principal and all expenses of the Finance Authority or the Trustee, in connection with such Event of Default shall have been paid or provided for, and in case of any such waiver or rescission, or in case any proceeding taken by the Finance Authority or the Trustee on account of any such Event of Default shall have been discontinued or abandoned or determined adversely, then and in every such case, the Finance Authority and the Trustee shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively, but no such waiver or rescission shall extend to any subsequent or other Event of Default, or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 10.6 No Additional Waiver Implied by One Waiver. In the event that any agreement contained herein should be breached by either party and thereafter waived by the other party, such waiver shall be in writing and limited to the particular breach so waived and shall not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.

Section 10.7 Agreement to Pay Attorneys' Fees and Expenses. In the event that the Governmental Unit shall default under any of the provisions hereof and the Finance Authority or the Trustee shall employ attorneys or incur other expenses for the collection of payments hereunder, or the enforcement of performance or observance of any obligation or agreement on the part of the Governmental Unit herein contained, the Governmental Unit agrees that it shall on demand therefor pay to the Finance Authority or the Trustee, as applicable, the fees of such attorneys and such other expenses so incurred, to the extent that such attorneys' fees and expenses may be determined to be reasonable by a court of competent jurisdiction; provided, however, that the obligation of the Governmental Unit under this Section shall be limited to expenditures from and to the extent of the available Pledged Revenues.

ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS

Section 11.1 Notices. All notices, certificates or other communications hereunder shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when delivered as follows: if to the Governmental Unit, 110 West Aztec Avenue, Gallup, New Mexico 87301, Attention: City Manager; if to the Finance Authority, New Mexico Finance Authority, 207 Shelby Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501, Attention: Chief Executive Officer; and if to the Trustee, BOKF, NA, 100 Sun Avenue NE, Suite 500, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109, Attention: Trust Division. The Governmental Unit, the Finance Authority, and the Trustee may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates or other communications shall be sent.

Section 11.2 Binding Effect. This Loan Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Finance Authority, the Governmental Unit and their respective successors and assigns, if any.

Section 11.3 Amendments. The Governmental Unit agrees that this Loan Agreement will not be amended without the prior written consent of the Finance Authority, and, if the Loan has been pledged under the Indenture (as defined herein), without the prior written consent of the Trustee (as defined herein), the Finance Authority and the Governmental Unit, pursuant to the Indenture.

Section 11.4 No Liability of Individual Officers, Directors or Trustees. No recourse under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Loan Agreement shall be had against any member, employee, director or officer, as such, past, present or future, of the Finance Authority, either directly or through the Finance Authority, or against any officer, employee, director, trustee or member of the Governing Body, past, present or future, as an individual so long as such individual was acting in good faith. Any and all personal liability of every nature, whether at common law or in equity, or by statute or by constitution or otherwise, of

any such officer, employee, director, trustee or member of the Governing Body or of the Finance Authority is hereby expressly waived and released by the Governmental Unit and by the Finance Authority as a condition of and in consideration for the execution of this Loan Agreement.

Section 11.5 Severability. In the event that any provision of this Loan Agreement, other than the requirement of the Governmental Unit to pay hereunder, shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

Section 11.6 Execution in Counterparts. This Loan Agreement may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 11.7 Assignment by the Finance Authority. Pursuant to the Indenture, this Loan Agreement may be assigned and transferred by the Finance Authority to the Trustee, which assignment and transfer is hereby acknowledged and approved by the Governmental Unit.

Section 11.8 Compliance with Governing Law. It is hereby declared by the Governing Body that it is the intention of the Governmental Unit by the execution of this Loan Agreement to comply in all respects with the provisions of the New Mexico Constitution and statutes as the same govern the pledge of the Pledged Revenues to payment of all amounts payable under this Loan Agreement.

Section 11.9 Applicable Law. This Loan Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

Section 11.10 Captions. The captions or headings herein are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions or sections of this Loan Agreement.

[Signature pages follow]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Finance Authority, on behalf of itself, and as approved by the Board of Directors of the Finance Authority on August 25, 2022, has executed this Loan Agreement, in its corporate name by its duly authorized officer; and the Governmental Unit has caused this Loan Agreement to be executed in its corporate name and the seal of the Governmental Unit affixed and attested by its duly authorized officers. All of the above are effective as of the date first above written.

NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY

By _____
Marquita D. Russel, Chief Executive Officer

PREPARED FOR EXECUTION BY OFFICERS OF THE
NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY:
Sutin, Thayer & Browne A Professional Corporation
As Loan Counsel

By _____
Suzanne Wood Bruckner

APPROVED FOR EXECUTION BY OFFICERS OF THE
NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY:

By _____
Daniel C. Opperman
Chief Legal Officer

CITY OF GALLUP, NEW MEXICO

[SEAL]

By _____
Louie Bonaguidi, Mayor

ATTEST:

By _____
Alfred Abeita, City Clerk

EXHIBIT "A"

TERM SHEET

New Mexico Finance Authority Loan No. PPRF-5859

Governmental Unit: City of Gallup, New Mexico

Project Description: Design, construction and equipping of a wastewater reclamation line as part of the System

Loan Agreement
Principal Amount: \$6,075,000

Pledged Revenues: The Net Revenues of the System

Coverage Ratio: 130%

Currently Outstanding
Parity Obligations: Series 2012 Bonds, PPRF Loan No. 4966

Currently Outstanding
Subordinate Obligations: Water Trust Board ("WTB") Loan No. 215, WTB Loan No. 247, WTB Loan No. 283, WTB Loan No. 334, WTB Loan No. 4338, WTB Loan No. 4823, WTB Loan No. 5099, WTB Loan No. 5424, Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund - 065

Additional Parity Bonds Test: 130%

Authorizing Legislation: Ordinance No. _____ adopted on August 23, 2022

Closing Date: September 30, 2022

Blended Interest Rate: _____%

Program Account Deposit: \$ _____

Loan Agreement Reserve
Account Deposit: \$0.00 (Loan Agreement Reserve Requirement is the least of: (i) ten percent (10%) of the Loan Agreement Principal Amount; (ii) one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the average annual principal and interest requirements under this Loan Agreement; or (iii) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements under this Loan Agreement), if required to be funded pursuant to Section 5.2(c) hereof.

Finance Authority Debt Service
Account Deposit: \$ _____

Cost of Issuance: \$ _____

First Interest Payment Date: December 1, 2022

First Principal Payment Date: June 1, 2023

Final Payment Date: June 1, 20__

PROGRAM ACCOUNT DEPOSITS MUST BE USED WITHIN THREE YEARS UNLESS A
LATER DATE IS APPROVED IN WRITING TO THE TRUSTEE AND THE FINANCE
AUTHORITY BY BOND COUNSEL TO THE FINANCE AUTHORITY

EXHIBIT "B"

DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR LOAN REPAYMENT

[SEE ATTACHED]

EXHIBIT "C"

FORM OF REQUISITION

RE: \$6,075,000 Loan Agreement by and between the City of Gallup, New Mexico, and the New Mexico Finance Authority (the "Loan Agreement").

TO: BOKF, NA
c/o New Mexico Finance Authority
207 Shelby Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
Attn: Accounting

You are hereby authorized to disburse from the Program Account – the City of Gallup, New Mexico (2022 Loan), with regard to the above-referenced Loan Agreement the following:

LOAN NO. PPRF-5859

CLOSING DATE: September 30, 2022

REQUISITION NUMBER: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PAYEE: _____

AMOUNT OF PAYMENT: \$ _____

PURPOSE OF PAYMENT: _____

Each obligation, item of cost or expense mentioned herein is for costs of the Project, is due and payable, has not been the subject of any previous requisition and is a proper charge against the Program Account – the City of Gallup, New Mexico (2022 Loan).

All representations contained in the Loan Agreement and the related closing documents remain true and correct and the City of Gallup, New Mexico, is not in breach of any of the covenants contained therein.

If this is the final requisition, payment of costs of the Project is complete or, if not complete, the City of Gallup, New Mexico shall, and understands its obligation to, complete the acquisition of the Project from other legally available funds.

Capitalized terms used herein, are used as defined or used in the Loan Agreement.

DATED: _____

By _____

Authorized Officer

Title _____

(Print Name and Title)

EXHIBIT "D"

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

RE: \$6,075,000 Loan Agreement by and between the City of Gallup, New Mexico and the New Mexico Finance Authority (the "Loan Agreement").

TO: New Mexico Finance Authority
207 Shelby Street
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
Attn: Accounting

Susen Ellis
Assistant Vice President, Corporate Trust
BOKF, NA
100 Sun Avenue NE, Suite 500
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109

LOAN NO. PPRF-5859

CLOSING DATE: September 30, 2022

In accordance with Section 6.3 of the Loan Agreement, the undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge, that the acquisition of the Project has been completed and accepted by the Governmental Unit, and all costs have been paid as of the date of this Certificate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this certification is given without prejudice to any rights against third parties which exist at the date of this Certificate or which may subsequently come into being.

Capitalized terms used herein, are used as defined or used in the Loan Agreement.

DATED: _____

By _____
Authorized Officer of Governmental Unit

Title _____
Print Name and Title