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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the balance sheets as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of revenue and expenses, comprehensive income, changes in members' and patrons' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc. as of June 30, 2021 and 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the comptroller of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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.

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 Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

To the Board of Directors Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc. Page 2

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. 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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements 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.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- 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 Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- 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.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 15, 2022, on our consideration of Mountain Electric cooperative, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Mountain Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BAYLOR AND BACKUS
Certified Public Accountants

Johnson City, Tennessee December 15, 2022

TENNESSEE 51 JOHNSON MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE

BALANCE SHEETS

June 30, 2022 and 2021

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS

	2022	2021
Utility Plant	<u> </u>	
Electric Plant in Service	148,290,173.48	144,021,282.85
Construction Work in Progress	13,070,580.88	6,992,985.07
	161,360,754.36	151,014,267.92
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(57,883,046.05)	(54,538,574.66)
Total Net Utility Plant	103,477,708.31	96,475,693.26
Other Property and Investments		
Nonutility Property - Net	7,680.00	7,680.00
Rural Economic Development Loans Receivable	137,520.39	162,894.01
Other Investments	<u>1,057,145.27</u>	1,065,644.53
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Total Other Property and Investments	1,202,345.66	1,236,218.54
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	7,383,193.57	8,487,835.12
Temporary Investments	222,814.47	190,821.14
Accounts Receivable	3,916,202.65	3,555,824.58
Less: Provision for Doubtful Accounts	(421,721.40)	(410,989.85)
Other Receivables and Prepayments	3,675,981.16	3,374,601.61
Materials and Supplies	1,278,973.90	<u>1,140,570.06</u>
Total Current Assets	16,055,444.35	16,338,662.66
Deferred Assets		
Miscellaneous Deferred Debits	36,450.87	35,224.97
Home Weatherization Program Receivables	<u>914,216.83</u>	<u>951,260.33</u>
Total Deferred Assets	950,667.70	986,485.30
Total Assets and Other Debits	121,686,166.02	<u>115,037,059.76</u>

LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS

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Members' and Patrons' Equity Consumer Memberships	142,210.00	140,035.00
Accumulated Net Revenue	79,470,077.69	76,235,906.30
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss: Postretirement Benefit Obligation Adjustment	(698,416.00)	(2,607,519.00)
Total Members' and Patrons' Equity	78,913,871.69	73,768,422.30
Long-Term Debt		
RUS Mortgage Notes	22,422,361.17	19,796,851.62
Rural Economic Development Loans	400,000.00	400,000.00
CoBank - National Bank for Cooperatives Less: Cushion of Credit Deposits - RUS	2,040,842.49	2,524,572.53
TVA Conservation Program Advances	(1,676,932.22) 949,595.11	(2,711,657.88) 973,480.86
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Total Long-Term Debt	<u>24,135,866.55</u>	20,983,247.13
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	7,498,369.84	6,683,571.32
Consumer Deposits	2,766,142.85	2,687,062.52
Accrued Taxes Accrued Vacation and Sick Leave Pay	536,740.58 660,142.65	517,579.54 691,706.45
Other Current Liabilities	204,705.38	1,138,399.21
Long-Term Debt - Current Portion	1,054,685.48	911,006.29
Accrued Postretirement Benefit Obligation - Current Portion	393,670.00	429,708.00
Total Current Liabilities	13,114,456.78	13,059,033.33
Other Liabilities		
Development Loan	8,500.00	8,500.00
Accrued Postretirement Benefit Obligation - Long-Term Portion	<u>5,513,471.00</u>	7,217,857.00
Total Other Liabilities	5,521,971.00	7,226,357.00
Total Liabilities and Other Credits	121,686,166.02	<u>115,037,059.76</u>

TENNESSEE 51 JOHNSON MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE STATEMENTS OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

For the Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Operating Revenues	66,623,763.30	62,463,890.10
Operating Expenses		
Cost of Power	46,744,820.65	43,025,871.74
Transmission - Operation	106,468.52	101,953.10
Transmission - Maintenance		10,408.13
Distribution - Operation	2,786,949.88	2,641,647.45
Distribution - Maintenance	5,816,686.40	4,537,455.06
Consumer Accounts	1,819,802.37	1,717,619.12
Sales Administrative and General	7,750.00	13,385.00
Miscellaneous	1,515,119.19	1,448,381.24
Depreciation	6,476.82 4,484,646.95	25,294.76 4,394,930.48
Less: Depreciation Distributed to Overhead	(396,661.27)	(411,174.59)
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Total Operating Expenses	62,892,059.51	<u>57,505,771.49</u>
Operating Revenue	3,731,703.79	4,958,118.61
Interest on Debt	650,880.15	674,111.47
Net Operating Revenue	3,080,823.64	4,284,007.14
Nonoperating Revenues		
Interest on Investments	143,916.09	273,466.27
Net Revenue from Merchandise, Jobbing and Contract Work	3,749.23	4,615.85
Miscellaneous Income	5,682.43	<u>8,837.45</u>
Total Nonoperating Revenues	153,347.75	286,919.57
Net Revenue for Year	3,234,171.39	4,570,926.71

TENNESSEE 51 JOHNSON MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	2022	2021
Net Revenue	3,234,171.39	4,570,926.71
Other Comprehensive Income: Postretirement Benefit Obligation Adjustment	<u>1,909,103.00</u>	1,316,102.00
Comprehensive Income	<u>5,143,274.39</u>	5,887,028.71

TENNESSEE 51 JOHNSON MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' AND PATRONS' EQUITY

For the Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

	Members' Contributed	Accumulated Net	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	
	Capital	Revenue	Income (Loss)	Total
Balance as of June 30, 2020	137,625.00	71,664,979.59	(3,923,621.00)	67,878,983.59
Increase in Members' Contributed Capital (Net)	2,410.00			2,410.00
Net Revenue		4,570,926.71		4,570,926.71
Other Comprehensive Income - Postretirement Benefit Obligation Adjustment			1,316,102.00	_1,316,102.00
Obligation Adjustment			1,510,102.00	1,310,102.00
Balance as of June 30, 2021	140,035.00	76,235,906.30	(2,607,519.00)	73,768,422.30
Increase in Members'				
Contributed Capital (Net)	2,175.00			2,175.00
Net Revenue		3,234,171.39		3,234,171.39
Other Comprehensive Income				
 Postretirement Benefit Obligation Adjustment 			1,909,103.00	1,909,103.00
Balance as of June 30, 2022	142,210.00	79,470,077.69	(<u>698,416.00</u>)	78,913,871.69

TENNESSEE 51 JOHNSON

MOUNTAIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

	2022	2021
Operating Activities		
Net Revenue	3,234,171.39	4,570,926.71
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operations:		
Depreciation	4,484,646.95	4,394,930.48
Change in Postretirement Benefit Obligation Adjustment	1,909,103.00	1,316,102.00
Forgiveness of Paycheck Protection Program Loan	1,000,100.00	(1,350,800.00)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		(1,000,000.00)
(Increase) in Accounts Receivable,		
Other Receivables and Prepayments	(651,026.07)	(426,552.64)
Increase in Accounts Payable	814,798.52	741,678.76
Increase in Consumer Deposits	79,080.33	63,721.15
Increase in Accrued Taxes	19,161.04	34,205.92
(Decrease) in Accrued Vacation and Sick Leave Pay	(31,563.80)	(32,876.92)
(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities	(933,693.83)	(1,737,220.25)
(Decrease) in Accrued Postretirement Benefit Obligation	(<u>1,740,424.00</u>)	(712,985.00)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	7,184,253.53	<u>6,861,130.21</u>
Investing Activities		
Material and Supplies	(138,403.84)	(330,202.70)
Rural Economic Development Loans Receivable	25,373.62	204,040.29
Purchase of Plant Proceeds from the Sale of Plant	(11,134,305.97)	(8,625,260.91)
Removal Cost	(264 220 62)	4,071.96
Home Weatherization Program	(361,329.62) 37,043.50	(330,224.99) (9,871.31)
Salvage	8,973.59	24,975.74
Temporary Investments	(31,993.33)	510,373.00
Deferred Debits	(1,225.90)	(71.82)
Net Change in Other Investments	8,499.26	(<u>19,105.55</u>)
Net Cash (Used) by Investing Activities	(<u>11,587,368.69</u>)	(8,571,276.29)
Financing Activities		
Payment of Line of Credit		(3,000,000.00)
Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	3,266,000.00	4,487,000.00
Payment of Long-Term Debt Principal	(1,010,400.81)	(5,213,726.85)
Decrease in Cushion of Credit	1,064,585.17	4,828,766.82
Net (Decrease) in Conservation Advances	(23,885.75)	(29,610.12)
Net Increase in Membership Fees	<u>2,175.00</u>	<u>2,410.00</u>
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	3,298,473.61	<u>1,074,839.85</u>
Change in Cash	(_1,104,641.55)	(<u>635,306.23</u>)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	8,487,835.12	9,123,141.35
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	7,383,193.57	8,487,835.12

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

See Independent Auditor's Report.