#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

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Interest Accrual: Date of Delivery (hereinafter defined)

Ratings: Fitch: "AAA"; S&P: "AAA" (See "OTHER INFORMATION - Ratings")

Due: April 15 and October 15, as shown on inside cover page

In the opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, interest on the Series 2021 Bonds (hereinafter defined) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under statutes, regulations, rulings and court decisions existing on their date of initial delivery and the Series 2021 Bonds are not "specified private activity bonds". See "TAX MATTERS – Tax-Exempt Bonds" for a discussion of the opinion of Bond Counsel.



# \$444,735,000 TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION REVENUE FUND FOR TEXAS

REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021 (MASTER TRUST)

The Texas Water Development Board (the "Board") is issuing its State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Master Trust) (the "Series 2021 Bonds") pursuant to a Master Trust Indenture between the Board and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (the "Master Trustee") dated as of October 1, 2015 (the "Master Trust Indenture"), and a Bond Indenture between the Board and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (the "2021 Bond Trustee"), dated as of October 1, 2021, with respect to the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds (the "2021 Bond Indenture"), which Bond Indenture was approved by a resolution adopted by the Board on July 22, 2021 (the "Resolution"). The Master Trust Indenture and the 2021 Bond Indenture are collectively referred to herein as the "Indentures". See "INTRODUCTION". Interest on the Series 2021 Bonds will accrue from their Date of Delivery at the fixed rates of interest shown on the inside cover page hereof. Interest of Series 2021 Bonds will be payable on April 15, 2022, and on each October 15 and April 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption, and will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months. The Series 2021 Bonds are being issued only as fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a maturity. Capitalized terms used on the cover page hereof and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings assigned in "APPENDIX B – Definitions and Summary of Certain Provisions of the Master Trust Indenture and the Bond Indenture."

The Board initially will issue the Series 2021 Bonds registered only in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), pursuant to the book-entry-only system described in "APPENDIX E – Description of Book-Entry- Only System and Global Clearance Procedures". Principal of the Series 2021 Bonds will be payable to Cede & Co., which will make distributions of the payments to the participating members of DTC for subsequent remittance to the Beneficial Owners (as defined in Appendix E). In the event the Series 2021 Bonds are not in the book-entry-only system, payment of principal of the Series 2021 Bonds will be made to the registered owner upon maturity or redemption prior to maturity only upon presentation and surrender of such Series 2021 Bonds at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of the 2021 Bond Trustee, as initial Paying Agent/Registrar (the "Paying Agent/Registrar"). As of the date hereof, the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is in Houston, Texas.

The proceeds from the sale of the Series 2021 Bonds will be used (i) to provide funds to finance projects to implement the State Water Plan, as defined herein, through the purchase or entering into of bonds, notes, agreements or other evidences of indebtedness (collectively, the "Political Subdivision Obligations") purchased from, or entered into with, a Political Subdivision to evidence the obligation to repay Political Subdivision Obligations made or incurred pursuant thereto, as further described in *Appendix A-1* and (ii) to pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds. See "PLAN OF FINANCE".

The Series 2021 Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Board equally and ratably secured by and payable solely from a lien on the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds, as hereinafter defined, pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture including, but not limited to: (i) all Revenues, as hereinafter defined, held under the 2021 Bond Indenture; (ii) all amounts held in the funds and accounts established under the 2021 Bond Indenture (other than the Rebate Fund and the Costs of Issuance Account established for the Series 2021 Bonds); and (iii) all of the proceeds of the foregoing including, without limitation, investments thereof. In addition, the Series 2021 Bonds are secured by amounts that become available under the Master Trust Indenture. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS".

The Series 2021 Bonds are subject to optional redemption prior to their stated maturity. Certain Series 2021 Bonds are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to their stated maturity as described herein. See "THE SERIES 2021 BONDS - Redemption".

The Series 2021 Bonds are issued under authority of the laws of the State of Texas, including specifically Subchapter H, Chapter 15, Texas Water Code, as amended. The Series 2021 Bonds shall never constitute general obligations of the Board or the State of Texas within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or limitation. Issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds shall not, directly, indirectly or contingently, obligate the State of Texas to levy any form of taxation therefor or make any appropriation for their payment. The Board has no taxing power.

SEE INSIDE COVER PAGE HEREIN FOR STATED MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INTEREST RATES, INITIAL YIELDS, AND CUSIP NUMBERS.

The Series 2021 Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued, and are subject to the approval of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and subject to the approval of certain legal matters by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Board by Bracewell LLP, Houston, Texas, Disclosure Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their co-counsel, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Austin, Texas and the Hardwick Law Firm, LLC, Houston, Texas. See "OTHER INFORMATION – Legal Opinions". It is expected that the Series 2021 Bonds will be delivered through the facilities of DTC on or about October 13, 2021 (the "Date of Delivery").

Wells Fargo Securities

BOK FINANCIAL SECURITIES, INC. MORGAN STANLEY

FROST BANK
RBC CAPITAL MARKETS
UMB BANK, N.A.

Mesirow Financial, Inc. Ramirez & Co., Inc.

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE \$444,735,000

#### TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION REVENUE FUND FOR TEXAS REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021 (MASTER TRUST)

**CUSIP Prefix:** 882854<sup>(2)</sup>

#### \$57,970,000 Serial Bonds

Maturity (1)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Initial Yield <sup>(4)</sup>	CUSIP Suffix (2)	Maturity (1)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Initial Yield <sup>(4)</sup>	CUS IP S uffix (2)
4/15/2022	\$ 250,000	4.000%	0.120%	4X7	10/15/2028	\$ 3,975,000	5.000%	0.940%	5L2
10/15/2022	1,105,000	4.000%	0.160%	4Y5	4/15/2029	1,965,000	5.000%	1.030%	5M0
4/15/2023	250,000	4.000%	0.220%	4Z2	10/15/2029	4,475,000	5.000%	1.090%	5N8
10/15/2023	495,000	4.000%	0.220%	5A6	4/15/2030	2,490,000	5.000%	1.180%	5P3
4/15/2024	250,000	2.000%	0.280%	5B4	10/15/2030	5,020,000	5.000%	1.210%	5Q1
10/15/2024	2,625,000	5.000%	0.310%	5C2	4/15/2031	1,445,000	5.000%	1.280%	5R9
4/15/2025	765,000	5.000%	0.400%	5D0	10/15/2031	3,960,000	5.000%	1.300%	5S7
10/15/2025	3,195,000	5.000%	0.460%	5E8	**	**	**	**	**
4/15/2026	855,000	5.000%	0.560%	5F5	4/15/2034	3,655,000	5.000%	1.440% (3)	5V0
10/15/2026	3,295,000	2.000%	0.620%	5G3	10/15/2034	4,895,000	2.000%	2.000%	5W8
4/15/2027	1,145,000	5.000%	0.710%	5H1	**	**	**	**	**
10/15/2027	3,595,000	5.000%	0.790%	5J7	4/15/2038	6,770,000	4.000%	1.700% (3)	6A5
4/15/2028	1,495,000	5.000%	0.890%	5K4					

#### \$386,765,000 Term Bonds

\$7,795,000 5.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2032<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.350%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 5T5<sup>(2)</sup> \$8,165,000 5.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2033<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.400%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 5U2<sup>(2)</sup> \$13,315,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2035<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.590%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 5X6<sup>(2)</sup> \$13,840,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2036<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.630%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 5Y4<sup>(2)</sup> \$14,365,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2037<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.660%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 5Z1<sup>(2)</sup> \$23,495,000 2.500% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2039<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.200%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6B3<sup>(2)</sup> \$15,740,000 3.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2040<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.940%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6C1<sup>(2)</sup> \$16,220,000 3.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2044<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.970%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6D9<sup>(2)</sup> \$59,760,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2045<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 1.930%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6F4<sup>(2)</sup> \$14,975,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2045<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.220%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6G2<sup>(2)</sup> \$112,200,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2051<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.090%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6G2<sup>(2)</sup> \$28,515,000 2.750% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2053<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.670%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6H0<sup>(2)</sup> \$28,515,000 2.750% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2056<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.190%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6H0<sup>(2)</sup> \$37,620,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2056<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.190%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6H0<sup>(2)</sup> \$37,620,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2056<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.190%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6H0<sup>(2)</sup> \$37,620,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2056<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.190%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6H0<sup>(2)</sup> \$37,620,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing October 15, 2056<sup>(1)</sup>, initial yield 2.190%<sup>(3)(4)</sup>; CUSIP Suffix No. 6H0<sup>(2)</sup> \$37,620,000 4.000% Term Bonds maturing Oc

#### (Interest accrues from Date of Delivery)

<sup>(1)</sup> The Series 2021 Bonds having stated maturities on and after April 15, 2032, are subject to redemption at the option of the Board, in whole or from the time to time in part, on October 15, 2031 are any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. See "THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – Redemption – Optional Redemption". Certain Series 2021 Term Bonds (as defined herein) are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to their stated maturity as described herein. See "THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – Redemption – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> CUSIP is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by S&P Global Market Intelligence on behalf of the American Bankers Association. This data is not intended to create a database and does not serve in any way as a substitute for the services provided by CUSIP. The State, the Board, the Financial Advisor, and the Underwriters are not responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP numbers set forth herein.

<sup>(3)</sup> Yield calculated based on the assumption that the Series 2021 Bonds denoted and sold at a premium will be redeemed on October 15, 2031, the first optional call date for such Series 2021 Bonds, at a redemption price of par, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

<sup>(4)</sup> The initial yields are established by the Underwriters and may subsequently be changed.

#### TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

#### **MEMBERS**

<u>Members</u>	Term Expiration
Brooke T. Paup, Chairwoman Kathleen Jackson, Member Vacant	February 1, 2025 February 1, 2023

#### **STAFF MEMBERS**

Jeff Walker	Executive Administrator
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	Management and Development Fund
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Ashley Harden	General Counsel

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Questions regarding this Official Statement may be directed to Georgia Sanchez, Director, Debt and Portfolio Management and Development Fund Manager, Texas Water Development Board, 1700 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701; Telephone: (512) 475-4584; Electronic Mail: <a href="mailto:georgia.sanchez@twdb.texas.gov">georgia.sanchez@twdb.texas.gov</a>.

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Certain information set forth herein has been obtained from the Board and other sources which are believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness and is not to be construed as a representation by the Underwriters. Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Board or other matters described herein since the date hereof.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICES OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

NEITHER THE BOARD, ITS FINANCIAL ADVISOR NOR THE UNDERWRITERS MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") OR ITS BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM, AS SUCH INFORMATION HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY DTC.

THE UNDERWRITERS HAVE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE FOR INCLUSION IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT. THE UNDERWRITERS HAVE REVIEWED THE INFORMATION IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND AS PART OF, THEIR RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES TO INVESTORS UNDER THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AS APPLIED TO THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS TRANSACTION, BUT THE UNDERWRITERS DO NOT GUARANTEE THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF SUCH INFORMATION.

NEITHER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ("SEC") NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THIS DOCUMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

No registration statement relating to the Series 2021 Bonds has been filed with the SEC under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon an exemption provided thereunder. The Series 2021 Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Series 2021 Bonds been registered or qualified under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction. The Board assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Series 2021 Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Series 2021 Bonds may be offered, sold or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Series 2021 Bonds will not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions.

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## INFORMATION CONCERNING OFFERING RESTRICTIONS IN CERTAIN JURISDICTIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

REFERENCES HEREIN TO THE "ISSUER" MEANS THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND REFERENCES TO "BONDS" OR "SECURITIES" MEAN THE SERIES 2021 BONDS OFFERED HEREBY. THIS INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY THE UNDERWRITERS AND THE ISSUER MAKES NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS INFORMATION.

#### NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN JAPAN

THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND EXCHANGE ACT OF JAPAN (LAW NO. 25 OF 1948, AS AMENDED ("FIEA")) AND, ACCORDINGLY, NEITHER THE BONDS NOR ANY INTEREST IN THEM MAY BE OFFERED OR SOLD, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO, OR FOR THE BENEFIT, OF ANY RESIDENT OF JAPAN OR TO OTHERS FOR RE-OFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN JAPAN OR TO A RESIDENT OF JAPAN EXCEPT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WILL RESULT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES PROMULGATED BY THE RELEVANT JAPANESE GOVERNMENTAL AND REGULATORY AUTHORITIES AND IN EFFECT AT THE RELEVANT TIME. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, "RESIDENT OF JAPAN" MEANS A NATURAL PERSON HAVING HIS/HER PLACE OF DOMICILE OR RESIDENCE IN JAPAN, OR A LEGAL PERSON HAVING ITS MAIN OFFICE IN JAPAN. A BRANCH, AGENCY OR OTHER OFFICE IN JAPAN OF A NON-RESIDENT, IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER IT IS LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT ITS PRINCIPAL OR NOT, SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE A RESIDENT OF JAPAN EVEN IF ITS MAIN OFFICE IS IN ANY COUNTRY OTHER THAN JAPAN. RESIDENT OF JAPAN SHALL EXCLUDE NON-RESIDENTS OF JAPAN, AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 6, PARAGRAPH 1, SUB-PARAGRAPH 6 OF THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND TRADE ACT OF JAPAN (ACT. NO. 228 OF 1949, AS AMENDED).

For Primary Offerings: THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS IN JAPAN ARE BEING MADE BY MEANS OF A PRIVATE PLACEMENT TO QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS (TEKIKAKU-KIKAN-TOSHIKA) (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SUCH TERM PROVIDED FOR UNDER ARTICLE 2, PARAGRAPH 3, SUBPARAGRAPH 1 OF THE FIEA AND ARTICLE 10, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE CABINET OFFICE ORDINANCE CONCERNING DEFINITIONS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 2 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND EXCHANGE ACT IN JAPAN (MINISTRY OF FINANCE ORDINANCE NO.14 OF 1993, AS AMENDED)) ("QIIS"). THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS IN JAPAN SHALL BE MADE ON THE CONDITIONS THAT THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN QIIS AND A DOCUMENT INCLUDING THE INFORMATION ON THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE DELIVERED TO A PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER SHALL STATE THAT THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN A QIIS.

For Secondary Offerings: THE SALES OF THE BONDS IN JAPAN ARE BEING MADE BY MEANS OF A PRIVATE SECONDARY DISTRIBUTION (SHIURIDASHI) LIMITED TO QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS (TEKIKAKU-KIKAN-TOSHIKA) (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SUCH TERM PROVIDED FOR UNDER ARTICLE 2, PARAGRAPH 3, SUB-PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE FIEA AND ARTICLE 10, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE CABINET OFFICE ORDINANCE CONCERNING DEFINITIONS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 2 OF THE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND EXCHANGE ACT IN JAPAN (MINISTRY OF FINANCE ORDINANCE NO.14 OF 1993, AS AMENDED)) ("QIIS"). THE REGISTRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE FIEA HAS NOT BEEN MADE IN RESPECT OF SUCH SALE, BECAUSE SUCH SALE FALLS UNDER ARTICLE 2, PARAGRAPH 4, SUB-PARAGRAPH 2 (I) OF THE FIEA. THE SALES OF THE BONDS IN JAPAN SHALL BE MADE ON THE CONDITIONS THAT THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN QIIS AND A DOCUMENT INCLUDING THE INFORMATION ON THE BONDS AND TO BE DELIVERED TO A PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER SHALL STATE THAT THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN A QIIS.

UPON ANY SUBSEQUENT OFFER FOR SALE OR SOLICITATION OF OFFERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SUCH BONDS BY A SELLER IN JAPAN, THE PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER SHALL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING AND IN ADVANCE OF OR SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH SUCH SOLICITATION: (I) THAT THE REGISTRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE FIEA HAS NOT BEEN MADE IN RESPECT OF SUCH SOLICITATION, BECAUSE SUCH SOLICITATION FALLS UNDER ARTICLE

2, PARAGRAPH 4, SUB-PARAGRAPH 2 (I) OF THE FIEA; AND (II) THAT A DOCUMENT INCLUDING THE INFORMATION ON THE BONDS AND TO BE DELIVERED TO A PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER SHALL STATE THAT THE BONDS SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ANY PERSON OTHER THAN A QIIS.

#### NOTICE TO PROPECTIVE INVESTORS IN TAIWAN

WELLS FARGO HAS NOT AND WILL NOT SECURE THE REQUIRED LICENSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH TAIWAN LAW FOR THE OFFER OF THE BONDS. THE OFFER OF THE BONDS HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED OR FILED WITH OR APPROVED BY THE FINANCIAL SUPERVISORY COMMISSION OF TAIWAN, THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA ("TAIWAN") AND/OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO RELEVANT SECURITIES LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF TAIWAN AND MAY NOT BE ISSUED, OFFERED OR SOLD WITHIN TAIWAN THROUGH A PUBLIC OFFERING OR IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH CONSTITUTE AN OFFER WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF TAIWAN OR RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS THAT REQUIRES A REGISTRATION, FILING OR APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL SUPERVISORY COMMISSION OF TAIWAN AND/OR OTHER REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF TAIWAN. NO PERSON OR ENTITY IN TAIWAN HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO OFFER OR SELL THE BONDS IN TAIWAN.

#### NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN KOREA

THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF KOREA PURSUANT TO THE FINANCIAL INVESTMENT SERVICES AND CAPITAL MARKET ACT OF KOREA AND THE REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. EACH OF THE UNDERWRITERS HAVE REPRESENTED AND AGREED THAT THEY HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, SELL OR DELIVER ANY BONDS IN KOREA OR TO, OR, FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA (AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTION ACT OF KOREA) OR TO OTHERS FOR REOFFERING OR RESALE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, IN KOREA OR TO, OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OR BENEFIT OF, ANY RESIDENT OF KOREA, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF KOREA.

#### **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN HONG KONG**

WARNING - THE CONTENTS OF THIS DOCUMENT HAVE NOT BEEN REVIEWED BY ANY REGULATORY AUTHORITY IN HONG KONG. YOU ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE CAUTION IN RELATION TO THE OFFER. IF YOU ARE IN ANY DOUBT ABOUT ANY OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS DOCUMENT YOU SHOULD OBTAIN INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL ADVICE.

BY THE SECURITIES LEGISLATION OF HONG KONG THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED OR SOLD AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD IN HONG KONG, BY MEANS OF ANY DOCUMENT, OTHER THAN (A) TO "PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS" AS DEFINED IN THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ORDINANCE (CAP. 571) OF HONG KONG AND ANY RULES MADE UNDER THAT ORDINANCE: OR (B) IN OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH DO NOT RESULT IN THE DOCUMENT BEING A "PROSPECTUS" AS DEFINED IN THE COMPANIES VII (WINDING UP AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE (CAP, 32) OF HONG KONG OR WHICH DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MEANING OF THAT ORDINANCE. NO ADVERTISEMENT, INVITATION OR DOCUMENT RELATING TO THE BONDS HAS BEEN OR MAY BE ISSUED, OR HAS BEEN OR MAY BE IN THE POSSESSION OF ANY PERSON FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, OR WILL BE ISSUED OR WILL BE IN THE POSSESSION OF ANY PERSON FOR THE PURPOSES OF ISSUE, WHETHER IN HONG KONG OR ELSEWHERE, WHICH IS DIRECTED AT, OR THE CONTENTS OF WHICH ARE LIKELY TO BE ACCESSED OR READ BY, THE PUBLIC OF HONG KONG (EXCEPT IF PERMITTED TO DO SO UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF HONG KONG) OTHER THAN WITH RESPECT TO THE BONDS WHICH ARE OR ARE INTENDED TO BE DISPOSED OF ONLY TO PERSONS OUTSIDE HONG KONG OR ONLY TO "PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS" AS DEFINED IN THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES ORDINANCE AND ANY RULES MADE UNDER THAT ORDINANCE.

#### NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

#### PROHIBITION ON SALES TO UK RETAIL INVESTORS

THE BONDS ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY UK RETAIL INVESTOR IN THE UNITED KINGDOM ("UK"). FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PROVISION:

- (A) THE EXPRESSION "UK RETAIL INVESTOR" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS ONE (OR MORE) OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (i) A RETAIL CLIENT AS DEFINED IN POINT (8) OF ARTICLE 2 OF COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2017/565, AS IT FORMS PART OF UK DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (WITHDRAWAL) ACT 2018 (AS AMENDED, THE "EUWA") AND AS AMENDED; OR
- (ii) A CUSTOMER WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE UK FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED, "FSMA") AND ANY RULES OR REGULATIONS MADE UNDER FSMA (SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS AMENDED) TO IMPLEMENT DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/97, WHERE THAT CUSTOMER WOULD NOT QUALIFY AS A PROFESSIONAL CLIENT, AS DEFINED IN POINT (8) OF ARTICLE 2(1) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 600/2014, AS IT FORMS PART OF UK DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA AND AS AMENDED; OR
- (iii) NOT A QUALIFIED INVESTOR ("UK QUALIFIED INVESTOR") AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 2 OF REGULATION (EU) 2017/1129, AS IT FORMS PART OF UK DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA AND AS AMENDED (THE "UK PROSPECTUS REGULATION"); AND
- (B) THE EXPRESSION "OFFER" INCLUDES THE COMMUNICATION IN ANY FORM AND BY ANY MEANS OF SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON THE TERMS OF THE OFFER AND THE BONDS TO BE OFFERED SO AS TO ENABLE AN INVESTOR TO DECIDE TO PURCHASE OR SUBSCRIBE FOR THE BONDS.

CONSEQUENTLY, NO KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY REGULATION (EU) NO 1286/2014 (AS AMENDED), AS IT FORMS PART OF UK DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA AND AS AMENDED (THE "UK PRIIPS REGULATION") FOR OFFERING OR SELLING THE BONDS OR OTHERWISE MAKING THEM AVAILABLE TO UK RETAIL INVESTORS IN THE UK HAS BEEN PREPARED AND THEREFORE OFFERING OR SELLING THE BONDS OR OTHERWISE MAKING THEM AVAILABLE TO ANY UK RETAIL INVESTOR IN THE UK MAY BE UNLAWFUL UNDER THE UK PRIIPS REGULATION.

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NO PERSON MAY COMMUNICATE OR CAUSE TO BE COMMUNICATED ANY INVITATION OR INDUCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITY (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 21 OF FSMA) RECEIVED BY IT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OR SALE OF THE BONDS OTHER THAN IN CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SECTION 21(1) OF FSMA DOES NOT APPLY.

POTENTIAL INVESTORS IN THE UK ARE ADVISED THAT ALL, OR MOST, OF THE PROTECTIONS AFFORDED BY THE UK REGULATORY SYSTEM WILL NOT APPLY TO AN INVESTMENT IN THE BONDS AND THAT COMPENSATION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNDER THE UK FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME.

#### NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

#### PROHIBITION ON SALES TO EU RETAIL INVESTORS

THE BONDS ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO AND WILL NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY EU RETAIL INVESTOR IN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA ("EEA"). FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PROVISION:

- (A) THE EXPRESSION "EU RETAIL INVESTOR" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS ONE (OR MORE) OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (I) A RETAIL CLIENT AS DEFINED IN POINT (11) OF ARTICLE 4(1) OF DIRECTIVE 2014/65/EU (AS AMENDED, "MIFID II"); OR
- (II) A CUSTOMER WITHIN THE MEANING OF DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/97, AS AMENDED, WHERE THAT CUSTOMER WOULD NOT QUALIFY AS A PROFESSIONAL CLIENT AS DEFINED IN POINT (10) OF ARTICLE 4(1) OF MIFID II; OR
- (III) NOT A QUALIFIED INVESTOR ("EU QUALIFIED INVESTOR") AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 2 OF REGULATION (EU) 2017/1129 (AS AMENDED, THE "EU PROSPECTUS REGULATION"); AND
- (B) THE EXPRESSION "OFFER" INCLUDES THE COMMUNICATION IN ANY FORM AND BY ANY MEANS OF SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON THE TERMS OF THE OFFER AND THE BONDS TO BE OFFERED SO AS TO ENABLE AN INVESTOR TO DECIDE TO PURCHASE OR SUBSCRIBE FOR THE BONDS.

CONSEQUENTLY, NO KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY REGULATION (EU) NO 1286/2014 (AS AMENDED, THE "EU PRIIPS REGULATION") FOR OFFERING OR SELLING THE BONDS OR OTHERWISE MAKING THEM AVAILABLE TO EU RETAIL INVESTORS IN THE EEA HAS BEEN PREPARED AND THEREFORE OFFERING OR SELLING THE BONDS OR OTHERWISE MAKING THEM AVAILABLE TO ANY EU RETAIL INVESTOR IN THE EEA MAY BE UNLAWFUL UNDER THE EU PRIIPS REGULATION.

#### OTHER EEA OFFERING RESTRICTIONS

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#### NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN SWITZERLAND

#### PROHIBITION OF SALES TO SWISS RETAIL INVESTORS

THE BONDS ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO AND SHOULD NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY RETAIL INVESTOR IN SWITZERLAND. FOR THESE PURPOSES, A RETAIL INVESTOR MEANS A PERSON WHO IS A RETAIL CLIENT AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 4 OF THE SWISS FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT ("FINSA").

NO KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT ACCORDING TO FINSA OR ANY EQUIVALENT DOCUMENT UNDER FINSA HAS BEEN PREPARED IN RELATION TO THE BONDS, AND, THEREFORE, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR RECOMMENDED TO RETAIL CLIENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF FINSA IN SWITZERLAND.

#### **EXEMPTION TO PREPARE A FINSA-COMPLIANT PROSPECTUS**

THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS IN SWITZERLAND IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO PREPARE AND PUBLISH A PROSPECTUS UNDER FINSA BECAUSE SUCH OFFERING IS MADE TO PROFESSIONAL CLIENTS AND INSTITUTIONAL CLIENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF FINSA ONLY. THIS DOCUMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A PROSPECTUS PURSUANT TO FINSA, AND NO SUCH PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN OR WILL BE PREPARED FOR OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS.

#### NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS IN CANADA

THE BONDS MAY BE SOLD IN CANADA ONLY TO PURCHASERS PURCHASING, OR DEEMED TO BE PURCHASING, AS PRINCIPAL THAT ARE ACCREDITED INVESTORS, AS DEFINED IN NATIONAL INSTRUMENT 45-106 PROSPECTUS EXEMPTIONS OR SUBSECTION 73.3(1) OF THE SECURITIES ACT (ONTARIO), AND ARE PERMITTED CLIENTS, AS DEFINED IN NATIONAL INSTRUMENT 31-103 REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, EXEMPTIONS AND ONGOING REGISTRANT OBLIGATIONS. ANY RESALE OF THE BONDS MUST BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO, THE PROSPECTUS REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS.

SECURITIES LEGISLATION IN CERTAIN PROVINCES OR TERRITORIES OF CANADA MAY PROVIDE A PURCHASER WITH REMEDIES FOR RESCISSION OR DAMAGES IF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENT THERETO) CONTAINS A MISREPRESENTATION, PROVIDED THAT THE REMEDIES FOR RESCISSION OR DAMAGES ARE EXERCISED BY THE PURCHASER WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT PRESCRIBED BY THE SECURITIES LEGISLATION OF THE PURCHASER'S PROVINCE OR TERRITORY. THE PURCHASER SHOULD REFER TO ANY APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES LEGISLATION OF THE PURCHASER'S PROVINCE OR TERRITORY FOR PARTICULARS OF THESE RIGHTS OR CONSULT WITH A LEGAL ADVISOR.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 3A.3 OF NATIONAL INSTRUMENT 33-105 UNDERWRITING CONFLICTS (NI 33-105), THE UNDERWRITERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS OF NI 33-105 REGARDING UNDERWRITER CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING.

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#### **SUMMARY**

This Summary is provided for the convenience of potential investors and is expressly qualified by the entire Official Statement, which should be reviewed in its entirety by potential investors.

Issuer: Texas Water Development Board (the "Board")

Issue: Texas Water Development Board State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas

Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Master Trust) (the "Series 2021 Bonds").

Interest Accrual: Date of Delivery

Interest Payment Dates: April 15 and October 15, commencing April 15, 2022.

Principal Due: See the inside cover page of this Official Statement.

Redemption: Optional Redemption. The Series 2021 Bonds maturing on and after April 15, 2032, may

be called for optional redemption and payment prior to maturity on October 15, 2031, and on any date thereafter, in whole or in part at a redemption price of 100% of the principal

amount thereof, plus accrued interest thereon to the redemption date.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption. The Series 2021 Bonds scheduled to mature on October 15 in the years 2032, 2033, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2051, 2053 and 2056 (the "Term Bonds") are subject to scheduled mandatory sinking fund redemption by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot, or by any other customary method that results in a random selection, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, out of moneys available for such purpose in the interest and sinking fund for the Series 2021 Bonds, on the dates and in the respective principal

amounts, set forth herein.

See "THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – Redemption"

Authorization: On November 5, 2013, Texas voters approved adding Sections 49-d-12 and 49-d-13 to

Article III of the Texas Constitution creating the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas ("SWIFT") and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas ("SWIRFT"), respectively. Both SWIFT and SWIRFT are constitutionally dedicated funds in the State Treasury outside the general revenue fund of the State created for the purpose of implementing the State Water Plan, as defined herein. Both SWIFT and SWIRFT are administered by, or on behalf of, the Board, or its successor, for the purpose of implementing the State Water Plan. The Series 2021 Bonds are to be issued pursuant to the terms of a Master Trust Indenture, dated as of October 1, 2015, between the Board and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (the "Master Trust Indenture") and a Bond Indenture, dated as of October 1, 2021, between the Board and

The Bank of

New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds (the "2021 Bond Indenture"). The Master Trust Indenture and the 2021 Bond Indenture are collectively referred to herein as the "Indentures." In its capacity as trustee under the Master Trust Indenture, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association is referred to herein as the "Master Trustee," and in its capacity as trustee under the 2021 Bond Indenture, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association is referred to herein as the "2021 Bond Trustee." See "SECURITY AND

SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS."

The funds held in SWIFT are kept and held by the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company (the "TTSTC") in the name of the Board. The Board and the TTSTC may enter into bond enhancement agreements to provide a source of revenue or security for the payment of bonds issued by the Board in support of the State Water Plan, including bonds issued, the proceeds of which are deposited to the credit of SWIRFT. The SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement (the "SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement") executed in connection

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with the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds constitutes such a bond enhancement agreement under state law. Pursuant to Subchapter G (as defined herein) the Board may elect no more than two transfers of funds from SWIFT in each fiscal year of the State, which commences on September 1 of a calendar year and ends on the succeeding August 31. To that end, on August 31, 2021 the Board and the TTSTC entered into the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement, pursuant to which not to exceed \$45,000,000 in funds from SWIFT will be transferred on or before the Date of Delivery to the Master Trustee for immediate transfer to the 2021 Bond Trustee for deposit under the 2021 Bond Indenture. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS - SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement." Moneys to be transferred under the terms of the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement will be the first transfer of moneys from SWIFT effected in the State's fiscal year ending August 31, 2022.

Security:

The Series 2021 Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Board equally and ratably secured by and payable solely from a lien on the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture (the "Security for the Series 2021 Bonds") including, but not limited to: (i) all Revenues held under the 2021 Bond Indenture; (ii) all amounts held in the funds and accounts established under the 2021 Bond Indenture (other than the Rebate Fund and the Costs of Issuance Account established for the Series 2021 Bonds), and (iii) all of the proceeds of the foregoing including, without limitation, investments thereof.

Moneys received by the Master Trustee from the 2021 Bond Trustee also may provide an additional source of security for the Series 2021 Bonds.

Credit Ratings: The Series 2021 Bonds received ratings of "AAA" from Fitch Ratings, and "AAA" from S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global, Inc. See "RATINGS" herein.

> The Series 2021 Bonds will be the twelfth series of Master Trust Bonds (defined herein) issued pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture to provide funds for SWIRFT. The Board intends to use the proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds to provide financial assistance to Political Subdivisions by offering subsidized financing and/or repayment deferral to Political Subdivisions. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS" herein.

The Series 2021 Bonds are being issued (i) to provide funds to provide financial assistance through the purchase of or entering into Political Subdivision Obligations the proceeds of which will be used to finance State Water Plan projects, and (ii) to pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds. See "PLAN OF FINANCE" herein.

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, in reliance on and assuming the accuracy of and continuing compliance by the Board with its representations and covenants relating to certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), under existing law, interest on the Series 2021 Bonds is not included in gross income for federal income tax. See "TAX MATTERS - Tax-Exempt Bonds" herein.

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, Houston, Texas.

2021 Bond Trustee The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, Houston, Texas. and Paying Agent:

> The Series 2021 Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. DTC will act as Securities Depository of the Series 2021 Bonds. See "APPENDIX E -Description of Book-Entry-

Only System and Global Clearance Procedures" herein.

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Program:

Purpose:

Tax Matters:

Master Trustee:

Book-Entry Form:

#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

# \$444,735,000 TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION REVENUE FUND FOR TEXAS REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021 (MASTER TRUST)

#### INTRODUCTION

#### General

This Official Statement, including the cover page, and the appendices hereto, sets forth certain information describing the Texas Water Development Board (the "Board"), certain of the Board's programs, including the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas ("SWIFT"), the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas ("SWIRFT"), and the proposed issuance by the Board of its Texas Water Development Board State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Master Trust) (the "Series 2021 Bonds"), The Series 2021 Bonds are being issued pursuant to a Master Trust Indenture, dated as of October 1, 2015, between the Board and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (the "Master Trust Indenture"), a Bond Indenture between the Board and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (the "2021 Bond Trustee"), dated as of October 1, 2021, with respect to the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds (the "2021 Bond Indenture"), and the terms of a bond purchase agreement pertaining to the sale of the Series 2021 Bonds (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"). The Master Trust Indenture was authorized and approved by the Board on July 23, 2015, and became effective November 5, 2015. The Master Trust Indenture has not been amended since it became effective. The 2021 Bond Indenture, the authority to execute the Bond Purchase Agreement and the hereinafter defined SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement, were authorized and approved by a resolution adopted by the Board on July 22, 2021 (the "Resolution"). Pursuant to authority conferred by the Resolution, by execution of the Bond Purchase Agreement, an Authorized Representative of the Board is authorized to act on behalf of the Board in selling and delivering the Series 2021 Bonds. The Master Trust Indenture and the 2021 Bond Indenture are sometimes hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Indentures". The Master Trust Indenture governs the revenue bond program and the issuance of "Master Trust Bonds". The Series 2021 Bonds will be the twelfth series of Master Trust Bonds issued pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture. Terms used but not defined herein have the same meaning assigned to such terms in "APPENDIX B - DEFINITIONS AND SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE MASTER TRUST INDENTURE AND THE BOND INDENTURE".

#### The Board

The Board, an agency of the State, is responsible for collecting and disseminating water-related data, assisting with regional planning and preparing the State Water Plan for the development of the State's water resources. The Board administers financial assistance programs for the construction of water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control, and agricultural water conservation projects.

The Board is authorized to issue general obligation bonds and revenue bonds to provide financial assistance in connection with the funding of State Water Plan projects and receive transfers from SWIFT in support thereof. See "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM" and "APPENDIX C – INFORMATION REGARDING THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD" herein.

#### COVID-19

A respiratory disease named "coronavirus disease 2019" ("COVID-19") has spread to many parts of the world and the United States, including Texas. For more information on the impact of COVID-19 on the State, see "12. Infectious Disease Outbreak COVID-19" of the State's August 2021 Bond Appendix, as supplemented (the "State's COVID-19 Disclosure") and such Bond Appendix, as supplemented, is hereby incorporated by reference, in addition to any future filings by the Comptroller through EMMA (as defined herein) relating to COVID prior to the termination of the offering relating to the 2021 Bonds. The State's August 2021 Bond Appendix provides, among other things, details about the impact of COVID-19 on the State, including revenue collections compared with 2020 and measures taken by the State and federal government to limit the impact of COVID-19. The State's COVID-19 Disclosure and any subsequently filed documents regarding COVID-19, if any, may be obtained by accessing EMMA at https://emma.msrb.org/, using the MSRB Quick Search function and entering the term "State of Texas Comptroller."

While the impact of COVID-19 on the State of Texas is being actively managed by state, local and private healthcare institutions, the State continues to be materially impacted by COVID 19. The impact of COVID-19 continues to negatively affect certain travel, commerce, healthcare providers and financial markets. Due to the unprecedented nature of the spread of COVID-19, including variants of COVID-19, the duration and extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the Board and the Political Subdivisions that access Board programs cannot be quantified at this time.

In 2020, each State agency, including the Board, was advised by the Governor to engage in prudent fiscal management and pursue costs savings. The Board and other State agencies have engaged in prudent fiscal management and pursued costs savings. Despite these efforts, according to the Comptroller, the financial impact of COVID-19 on the State will linger into the State's 2022-23 biennium, which began on September 1, 2021. To date, however, the Board's operations and financial condition have not been materially impacted by COVID-19. No assurance can be given as to whether the Board's operations and financial condition will be materially affected in the future. The Board continues to monitor the spread of COVID-19 and is working with local governments and State agencies, including the Political Subdivisions, to address the impact of COVID-19.

The Security for the Series 2021 Bonds includes all Revenues held under the 2021 Bond Indenture consisting of, among other things, the Repayments paid over to or for the account of the Board by the Political Subdivisions under their respective Political Subdivision Obligations. The Board continually monitors the Portfolio Account for delinquent accounts. To date, the Board is not aware of any payment defaults by the Political Subdivisions on any Political Subdivision Obligations purchased by the Board or on deposit in the Portfolio Account. No assurance, however, can be given as to whether any payment defaults (including failure by Political Subdivisions to pay debt service on Political Subdivision Obligations) will occur in the future. The ability of the Political Subdivisions to make full and timely Repayments on their respective Political Subdivision Obligations is also dependent on various economic and financial circumstances unique to each Political Subdivision, all of which could be adversely impacted by COVID-19. See "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM – Political Subdivision Obligations and Underwriting and Monitoring Process" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – One or More Local Government May Default under Their Political Subdivision Obligations" herein.

#### SWIFT/SWIRFT

SWIFT and SWIRFT are constitutionally dedicated funds in the State Treasury, outside the general revenue fund of the State. SWIFT was established for the purpose of implementing a program to provide financial assistance for projects included in the State Water Plan. Moneys on deposit in SWIFT are not pledged in support of bonds issued by the Board, including specifically the Series 2021 Bonds. Moneys in SWIFT are made available to the Board from time to time through bond enhancement agreements, including the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement. SWIRFT will be used to provide financing for projects included in the State Water Plan. The Board intends to use proceeds from SWIRFT revenue bonds to provide financial assistance to Political Subdivisions. The provisions of Subchapter G of Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code, as amended ("Subchapter G"), govern the operation and use of SWIFT. The provisions of Subchapter H of Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code, as amended ("Subchapter H"), govern SWIRFT and the issuance of revenue bonds in support of SWIRFT.

In addition to the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement, the Board may, but is not legally required to, seek a transfer of funds from SWIFT to SWIRFT in support of SWIRFT through the execution of a bond enhancement agreement with the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company (the "TTSTC"). The Board may direct, at its sole discretion, additional transfers from SWIFT to provide a source of revenue or security for outstanding bonds that were supported by a transfer from SWIFT, including the Series 2021 Bonds, but the Board is under no obligation to direct such a transfer, and no assurance is given that the Board will direct additional transfers from SWIFT for such purpose. If the Board were to elect to proceed with an additional transfer, then additional State administrative approvals (including discretionary approvals) will be sought and there is no assurance that such approval will be obtained. Pursuant to Subchapter G, the Board may effect no more than two transfers of funds from SWIFT in each fiscal year of the State, which commences on September 1 of a calendar year and ends on the succeeding August 31. The SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement is a bond enhancement agreement under Subchapter G. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement" herein and "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM".

#### Series 2021 Bonds

The Series 2021 Bonds are issued pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture, the 2021 Bond Indenture, and the laws of the State of Texas, including Subchapter H. Bonds issued pursuant to the terms of the Master Trust Indenture are referred to herein as the "Master Trust Bonds". The Series 2021 Bonds are the twelfth series of Master Trust Bonds issued by the Board. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – Master Trust Indenture" for a description of the authority to issue Master Trust Bonds in accordance with the terms of the Master Trust Indenture.

#### Security for the Series 2021 Bonds.

The Series 2021 Bonds and the interest and the redemption premium, if any, thereon are special, limited obligations of the Board equally and ratably secured by and payable solely from a lien on the security granted pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture (the "Security for the Series 2021 Bonds") including, but not limited to: (i) all Revenues held under the terms of the 2021 Bond Indenture; (ii) all amounts held in the funds and accounts established under the 2021 Bond Indenture (other than the Rebate Fund and the Costs of Issuance Account established for the Series 2021 Bonds); and (iii) all of the proceeds of the foregoing including, without limitation, investments thereof. Security for the Series 2021 Bonds includes amounts deposited to the credit of the Assistance Account within SWIRFT held by the 2021 Bond Trustee from moneys received by the Board under the terms of the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement. Moneys on deposit to the credit of SWIFT do not provide Security for the Series 2021 Bonds. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS" herein.

"Revenues," with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds, includes all Repayments paid over to or for the account of the Board, and any other payments made to or for the account of the Board by the Political Subdivisions and the Political Subdivision Obligations held under the 2021 Bond Indenture.

The Series 2021 Bonds and the redemption premium, if any, and interest thereon shall not now and shall never constitute an indebtedness or an obligation, general or moral, or a pledge of the faith or loan of credit of the Board or the State, within the purview of any constitutional limitation or provision, and shall never constitute or give rise to a charge against the faith and credit or taxing powers, if any, of the Board or the State, but shall be special, limited obligations of the Board, payable solely from the trust estate established under the 2021 Bond Indenture and the Master Trust Indenture, the proceeds from the sale of the Series 2021 Bonds and the income from the temporary investment thereof. The Board has no taxing powers.

#### **Political Subdivision Obligations**

Each bond, note, agreement or other evidence of indebtedness purchased from or entered into by the Board with a Political Subdivision, evidencing the obligation of the Political Subdivision to the obligation made or incurred pursuant thereto constitutes a "Political Subdivision Obligation". Prior to purchasing or entering into Political Subdivision Obligations, the Executive Administrator's staff will review contracts relating to any State Water Plan project. Additionally, the Board may not purchase or enter into any Political Subdivision Obligations that have low interest or deferred payment structures unless the Political Subdivision Obligations have been approved for legality by the Attorney General of the State. In addition, the Board will also receive an approving opinion from a nationally recognized bond counsel regarding the legality of the Political Subdivision Obligation under state law and, if applicable, providing that the interest on the Political Subdivision Obligation is exempt from federal income taxation. The Attorney General of the State has advised the Board that it has legal authority to enter into financing agreements with authorized Political Subdivisions where the Board Participation structure is used to effect the financing to be provided to the Political Subdivision. See "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM - Political Subdivision Obligations - Board Participation Obligations." Upon approval by the Attorney General of the State, registration of the Political Subdivision Obligations by the Comptroller and delivery to the Board, the Political Subdivision Obligations issued by the Political Subdivisions will be valid, binding and incontestable against a statutory challenge, as provided by the Texas Water Code.

#### Other Information

Certain information regarding the Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be purchased with the proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds is listed in *Appendix A-1*. Certain information on entities expected to be Significant Borrowers (as hereinafter defined) is attached hereto as *Appendix A-2*. See "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM – Political Subdivision Obligations and

Underwriting and Monitoring Process" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION – Continuing Disclosure Undertaking of Significant Borrowers." A summary of certain provisions of the Master Trust Indenture and the 2021 Bond Indenture is attached hereto as *Appendix B*. A description of the Board and its programs is attached hereto as *Appendix C*. The proposed form of opinion of Bond Counsel is attached hereto as *Appendix D*. A description of DTC and its Book-Entry-Only System and global clearance procedures is attached hereto as *Appendix E*. The descriptions, summaries and excerpts herein of the Master Trust Indenture and the 2021 Bond Indenture are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents and are further qualified by reference to laws relating to or affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights and principles of equity. Investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to making an informed investment decision.

#### SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS

The Series 2021 Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Board equally and ratably secured by and payable solely from a lien on the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds, including, but not limited to: (i) all Revenues held under the terms of the 2021 Bond Indenture; (ii) all amounts held in the funds and accounts established under the 2021 Bond Indenture (other than the Rebate Fund and the Costs of Issuance Account established for the Series 2021 Bonds); and (iii) all of the proceeds of the foregoing including, without limitation, investments thereof. In addition, the Series 2021 Bonds are secured by amounts that become available under the Master Trust Indenture. Security for the Series 2021 Bonds includes amounts deposited to the credit of the Assistance Account within SWIRFT held by the 2021 Bond Trustee from moneys received by the Board under the terms of the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement. See "– SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement" below.

Moneys on deposit to the credit of SWIFT DO NOT provide security for the Series 2021 Bonds.

THE SERIES 2021 BONDS DO NOT CONSTITUTE GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE BOARD OR THE STATE WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY PROVISION OR LIMITATION. ISSUANCE OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS DOES NOT, DIRECTLY, INDIRECTLY OR CONTINGENTLY, OBLIGATE THE STATE OR ANY AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF TO LEVY ANY FORM OF TAXATION THEREFOR OR MAKE ANY APPROPRIATION FOR THEIR PAYMENT. THE BOARD HAS NO TAXING POWER.

#### **Master Trust Indenture**

The Master Trust Indenture authorizes a comprehensive program to accommodate the issuance or incurrence of obligations created under the Master Trust Indenture. The Series 2021 Bonds are the twelfth series of Master Trust Bonds to be secured by the Master Trust Indenture. See "APPENDIX B –DEFINITIONS AND SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE MASTER TRUST INDENTURE AND THE BOND INDENTURE." The Master Trust Indenture provides security for revenue bonds issued by the Board pursuant to Subchapter H.

The trust estate established under the Master Trust Indenture consists of (a) moneys transferred to the Master Trustee by each bond indenture trustee (including the 2021 Bond Trustee), and (b) all cash, moneys, securities and investments other than any moneys, securities and investments deposited in the Rebate Fund established under a bond trust indenture (including the 2021 Bond Indenture), paid to or held by the Master Trustee in the funds and accounts created under the Master Trust Indenture.

The Master Trustee will promptly deposit to the credit of the Program Account (a) all moneys released by a bond indenture trustee with respect to a Series of Bonds (or portion thereof) and (b) any other lawfully available moneys directed by the Board to be deposited to the credit of the Program Account. Moneys in the Program Account may be used by the Master Trustee to pay reasonable expenses, charges and other disbursements of the Master Trustee incurred in connection with administering the trusts established by the Master Trust Indenture. If no later than 40 days prior to any Payment Date, it is anticipated there will not be available moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2021 Bonds then due, the 2021 Bond Trustee shall immediately give notice to the Board and the Master Trustee of such anticipated deficiency. Upon a certification from a bond indenture trustee (including the 2021 Bond Trustee) of a deficiency in funds available to pay scheduled debt service on Master Trust Bonds (including the Series 2021 Bonds), the Master Trustee will transfer to the bond indenture trustee the amount certified to by the bond indenture trustee to be necessary to timely make the debt service payment due on such Master Trust Bonds. If more than one bond indenture trustee has certified to the Master Trustee that there are insufficient funds available to make a scheduled debt service payment, the Master Trustee shall transfer moneys to the bond indenture trustee *pro rata* 

based on the amount of the respective deficiencies among such Master Trust Bonds. There is no assurance that money will be available in the Program Account to cure a deficiency.

In order for a series of Master Trust Bonds to be secured by the Master Trust Indenture, the Board will execute a Series Certificate stating that a Series of Master Trust Bonds is entitled to the benefits of the Master Trust Indenture upon satisfaction of the following conditions: (i) the principal amount of the Master Trust Bonds being issued and any other Master Trust Bonds then Outstanding shall not exceed in the aggregate principal amount of any limitation imposed by law, and (ii) an Officer's Certificate shall have been delivered to the Master Trustee to the effect that projected cash flow reports prepared by or on behalf of the Board attached to such Officer's Certificate evidence the sufficiency of the available revenues under (a) the bond indentures relating to all outstanding Master Trust Bonds and (b) the bond indenture relating to the Master Trust Bonds then to be issued (taking into account the amounts transferred or to be transferred to the Transfer Account pursuant to the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement and then immediately to be transferred to the bond indenture trustee relating to such Master Trust Bonds) to pay not less than 1.00 times the principal and interest payments coming due on (x) all Master Trust Bonds then outstanding and (y) the Master Trust Bonds then to be issued on each payment date with respect to the Master Trust Bonds until maturity.

The pledge effected by the Master Trust Indenture shall be a continuing, irrevocable and exclusive first lien on the trust estate created under the Master Trust Indenture. After payment in full of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the Master Trust Bonds secured by the Master Trust Indenture, and the payment of all fees and expenses payable to a bond indenture trustee under the terms of any bond trust indenture, the lien on the trust estate created under the Master Trust Indenture shall be released and no longer be in effect. Any moneys held by the Master Trustee at such time may be transferred to the Comptroller for deposit to the credit of SWIFT, as directed by the Board.

Should the Board determine that there is an available surplus balance, then in accordance with direction received from the Board in an Officer's Certificate, the Master Trustee shall transfer from the Program Account such amounts constituting Surplus Balance identified in the Officer's Certificate to the Comptroller, with instructions that such surplus balance shall be deposited to the credit of SWIFT.

#### **2021 Bond Indenture**

The Security for the Series 2021 Bonds pledged under the 2021 Bond Indenture to the payment of the Series 2021 Bonds includes all Political Subdivision Obligations purchased by the Board with funds from the Project Financing Account of SWIRFT created under the 2021 Bond Indenture, all Political Subdivision Obligations to be purchased in the future with funds on deposit within the Project Financing Account of SWIRFT held by the 2021 Bond Trustee, the Political Subdivision Obligations held in the Portfolio Account for the Series 2021 Bonds, and the Repayments on such Political Subdivision Obligations, moneys held in the Assistance Account for the Series 2021 Bonds, the source of which are moneys and investment earnings thereon received pursuant to the terms of the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement (hereinafter defined), any Investment Securities acquired by the Board and held in the Portfolio Account for the Series 2021 Bonds, as well as certain other revenues, receipts and funds held by the 2021 Bond Trustee as part of the Trust Estate for the Series 2021 Bonds. See "APPENDIX B - DEFINITIONS AND SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE MASTER TRUST INDENTURE AND THE BOND INDENTURE."

In the 2021 Bond Indenture, among the conditions to the issuance and delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds is the certificate of sufficiency described in the fourth paragraph under "MASTER TRUST INDENTURE" above.

The following special accounts within SWIRFT have been created pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture and will be held by the 2021 Bond Trustee: (a) Assistance Account; (b) Project Financing Account; (c) Portfolio Account, and within the Portfolio Account a Portfolio Repayment Subaccount (the "Portfolio Repayment Subaccount") and a Prepayment Subaccount (the "Prepayment Subaccount"); (d) Revenue Account, and within the Revenue Account a Repayment Subaccount (the "Repayment Subaccount") and an Administrative Expenses Subaccount (the "Administrative Expenses Subaccount"); (e) Debt Service Account, consisting of a Principal and Interest Subaccount (a "Principal and Interest Subaccount") and a Redemption Subaccount (a "Redemption Subaccount"); (f) Surplus Revenue Account (the "Surplus Revenue Account"); and (g) Costs of Issuance Account (the "Costs of Issuance Account"). The 2021 Bond Trustee also shall establish and maintain the Rebate Fund for the sole benefit of the United States of America. The Rebate Fund does not constitute a fund or account within SWIRFT.

Pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture, on each Payment Date, the 2021 Bond Trustee shall transfer from the Assistance Account the amount scheduled to be transferred on such Payment Date to pay principal and interest due on the Series 2021 Bonds and deposit the same to the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account.

Pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture, on each Payment Date, the 2021 Bond Trustee shall transfer Revenues in the order of priority as follows:

FIRST, from the Repayment Subaccount of the Revenue Account, amounts sufficient, together with other amounts on deposit in the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account, to pay principal and interest due on the Series 2021 Bonds and deposit the same to the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account.

SECOND, from the Administrative Expenses Subaccount of the Revenue Account, amounts sufficient to pay the fees and expenses described in the 2021 Bond Indenture.

Any moneys remaining in the Revenue Account and the subaccounts therein after making the transfers described above may be transferred to the Surplus Revenue Account upon the Board delivering an Officer's Certificate directing the transfer of funds from the Revenue Account to the Surplus Revenue Account. Transfers to the Surplus Revenue Account may be made on a Payment Date, after the transfers described in FIRST and SECOND above have been made.

If no later than 40 days prior to any Payment Date, it is determined there will not be available moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2021 Bonds then due as shown in the 2021 Bond Indenture, the 2021 Bond Trustee shall immediately give notice to the Board and the Master Trustee of such projected deficiency. The notice shall indicate the amounts required to make up for such anticipated deficiency and request (i) that the Board take such measures as permitted by the 2021 Bond Indenture to cure the deficiency and (ii) if the Board is unable to take such measures as permitted by the 2021 Bond Indenture, that a transfer of moneys from the Program Account be effected. The 2021 Bond Trustee shall deposit moneys made available by the Board, or transferred by the Master Trustee from the Program Account, and designated for deposit in the Debt Service Account in accordance with such designation.

#### **SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement**

The Board has entered into a bond enhancement agreement (the "SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement") with the TTSTC on August 31, 2021 in connection with the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds. In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Water Code and the terms of the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement, the Board has requested that the TTSTC disburse from SWIFT an amount not to exceed \$45,000,000, to be transferred by the Board to the Master Trustee for deposit into the Transfer Account held by the Master Trustee in the manner described in the SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement. These monies will be used to provide the necessary subsidies in support of the payment of the Political Subdivision Obligations. The SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement will be the first transfer of moneys from SWIFT effected in the State's fiscal year ending August 31, 2022.

No later than four Business Days following the date the Bond Purchase Agreement is executed by the Board and the underwriters of the Series 2021 Bonds (the "Execution Date"), an executed Board Request will be delivered to the TTSTC, stating (a) the amount of the disbursement to be transferred to the Master Trustee for deposit into the Transfer Account (which amount may not exceed the amount set forth in SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement, and is defined herein as the "Stated Amount") and (b) the Date of Delivery. In no event will the Execution Date be within five Business Days of the Date of Delivery.

On or before, but no earlier than, five Business Days before the Date of Delivery, the TTSTC shall transfer the Stated Amount, in immediately available funds, to the Master Trustee, acting for the benefit of the Board, for deposit into the Transfer Account. In making such transfer, the TTSTC shall be entitled to rely on written instructions received from the Board directing the transfer and deposit of the Stated Amount.

On or before the Date of Delivery, \$33,994,370.40 will be transferred by the Master Trustee to the 2021 Bond Trustee for deposit to the credit of the Assistance Account established by the 2021 Bond Indenture.

Moneys deposited to the credit of the Assistance Account shall be invested on the Delivery Date in Investment Securities as directed by the Board, in a manner which would not adversely affect the treatment of the Series 2021 Bonds as obligations described in section 103 of the Code.

#### Release, Substitution or Prepayment of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligations

**Release of Political Subdivision Obligations.** The 2021 Bond Trustee, upon the written direction of the Board, may release Political Subdivision Obligations from the lien of the 2021 Bond Indenture, upon the satisfaction of the following:

- the delivery to the 2021 Bond Trustee of an Officer's Certificate to the effect that (A) cash flow reports evidence the sufficiency of (1) available Revenues from the remaining Political Subdivision Obligations and interest earnings on investments for each Payment Date to pay not less than 1.0 times principal and interest coming due on the Series 2021 Bonds on each such Payment Date until maturity, and (2) any and all available revenues for each Payment Date securing all outstanding Master Trust Bonds to pay not less than 1.0 times principal and interest coming due on all Master Trust Bonds on each such Payment Date (clauses (1) and (2) being herein referred to as the "Coverage Requirement for the Series 2021 Bonds") and (B) specifying the Political Subdivision Obligations to be released; and
- (ii) the delivery to the 2021 Bond Trustee of an amendment to the schedule of Political Subdivision Obligations attached to the 2021 Bond Indenture (which amendment does not require the consent of the owners of the Series 2021 Bonds).

Substitution of Political Subdivision Obligations. The 2021 Bond Trustee, upon the written direction of the Board may release Political Subdivision Obligations and substitute one or more Political Subdivision Obligations upon the delivery to the 2021 Bond Trustee of (a) the instruments described above in the 2021 Bond Indenture, provided, that the substituted Political Subdivision Obligation shall be included in the calculation of the Coverage Requirement and (b) as a result of such substitution, the Coverage Requirement shall be not less than 1.0 times principal and interest coming due on the Series 2021 Bonds on each such Payment Date until maturity.

Amendment of Terms of Political Subdivision Obligations. The Board shall not consent to the amendment of the terms of a Political Subdivision Obligation unless the Board first delivers to the 2021 Bond Trustee an Officer's Certificate to the effect that the amendment will not cause the Coverage Requirement for the Series 2021 Bonds not to be satisfied.

#### No Parity or Superior Obligations

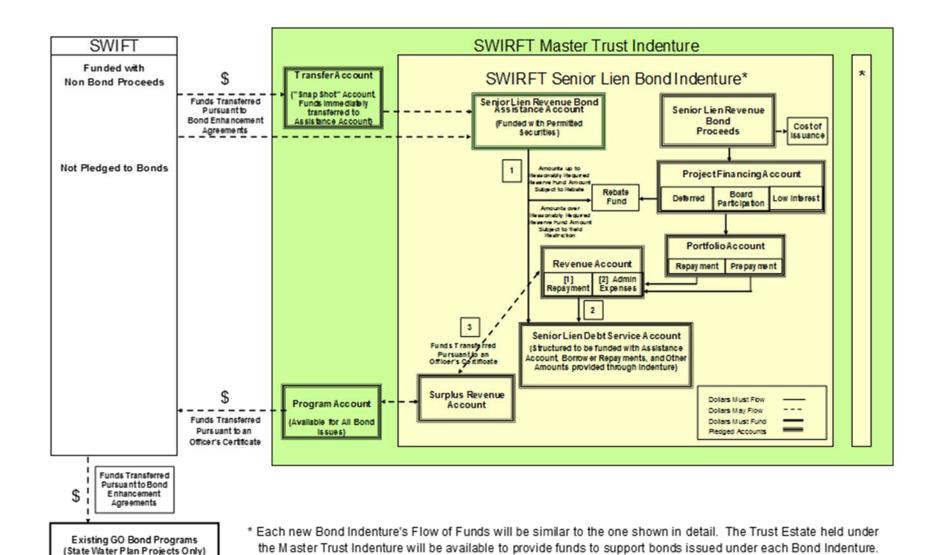
The Board shall not issue or incur any bonds, notes, or other obligations payable from or secured by, in whole or in part, any or all of the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds prior to or on a parity with the pledge of the Security securing payment of the Series 2021 Bonds.

#### The Series 2021 Bonds are Limited Obligations of the Board and are Payable Solely from Specific Sources

The Series 2021 Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Board equally and ratably secured by and payable solely from the lien on the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds and funds and accounts specifically pledged to the Series 2021 Bonds. Accordingly, investors should consider only the sources of payment and security described under the subsection "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS" in this Official Statement.

#### Flow of Funds

The chart on the following page generally illustrates the general flow of funds for each series of bonds issued under a bond indenture in respect to funds transferred from SWIFT to SWIRFT and the use of bond proceeds, including proceeds from the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds. The flow of funds for each subsequent series of Master Trust Bonds may vary from the flow of funds depicted in the following table.



#### PLAN OF FINANCE

#### **Purpose**

The Series 2021 Bonds are being issued (i) to provide funds to provide financial assistance through the purchase of or entering into Political Subdivision Obligations, the proceeds of which will be used to finance State Water Plan Projects, and (ii) to pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds.

The Board received, evaluated, and considered applications from political subdivisions for State Water Plan Projects that intend to issue or incur Political Subdivision Obligations to be purchased by the Board. A list of the approved financial assistance applications and the amount of financial assistance is listed in "APPENDIX A-1 – SUMMARY OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY SERIES 2021 BONDS". Each Political Subdivision is expected to issue its Political Subdivision Obligation and close on the purchase of it by the Board within 56 days after the Date of Delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds. Purchases of the Political Subdivision Obligations will be made by the 2021 Bond Trustee at the direction of the Board from moneys on deposit in the Project Financing Account established under the 2021 Bond Indenture.

#### Sources and Uses

The proceeds from the sale of the Series 2021 Bonds plus other available funds of the Board are expected to be applied as set forth in the following table:

#### **Sources of Funds**

Par Amount	\$ 444,735,000.00
Original Issue Premium	71,971,675.15
Transfer to Assistance Account	33,994,370.40
Total	\$ 550,701,045.55

#### Uses of Funds

Deposit to Project Financing Account	\$ 514,370,000.00
Deposit to Assistance Account	33,994,370.40
Deposit to Costs of Issuance Account	855,015.90
Underwriters' Discount	1,481,659.25
Total	\$ 550,701,045.55

#### THE SERIES 2021 BONDS

#### General

The Series 2021 Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Board and are issued pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture, the 2021 Bond Indenture and Subchapter H.

The Series 2021 Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiples thereof. Interest on the Series 2021 Bonds will accrue from the Date of Delivery to the Underwriters at the respective rates shown on the inside cover page of this Official Statement, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months. Interest on the Series 2021 Bonds will be payable semiannually commencing on April 15, 2022, and on each October 15 and April 15 thereafter (each an "Interest Payment Date"), until maturity or prior redemption. The Series 2021 Bonds will mature in the principal amounts and on the dates shown on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. The Series 2021 Bonds, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC.

#### **Payment**

As long as the Series 2021 Bonds are held in the book-entry-only system, payment on the Series 2021 Bonds will be made directly to DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., by the 2021 Bond Trustee, acting in its capacity as paying agent and registrar (the "Paying Agent/Registrar") for the Series 2021 Bonds, in accordance with arrangements among the Board, the Paying Agent/Registrar and DTC. See "APPENDIX E — DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM AND GLOBAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES".

The principal and redemption price of the Series 2021 Bonds shall be payable, without exchange or collection charges, in lawful money of the United States of America, to the respective registered owners thereof upon presentation and surrender thereof at maturity or upon the date fixed for redemption prior to maturity at the office for payment of the Paying Agent/Registrar (the "Designated Payment/Transfer Office"). If the Series 2021 Bonds are not held in book-entry form, as described in "APPENDIX E -DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM AND GLOBAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES," interest on the Series 2021 Bonds shall be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar on each Interest Payment Date, in lawful money of the United States of America, by check or draft dated as of such Interest Payment Date, sent by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the respective owners thereof, at the address of each such registered owner as it appears in the Register on the Record Date (hereinafter defined) preceding each such Interest Payment Date. Any accrued interest due upon the redemption of any Series 2021 Bond prior to maturity as provided in the 2021 Bond Indenture shall be payable to the registered owner thereof at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office, upon presentation and surrender thereof for redemption and payment at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office. As of the date of this Official Statement, the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is its Houston, Texas, corporate trust office.

#### Redemption

*Optional Redemption*. The Series 2021 Bonds maturing on and after April 15, 2032, are subject to redemption at the option of the Board, in whole or in part on any date on and after October 15, 2031 at the redemption price, of 100% of the principal amount thereof being redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption. Series 2021 Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions above shall be selected from the maturities and in the principal amounts as shall be determined by the Board.

**Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption.** The Series 2021 Bonds scheduled to mature on October 15 in the years 2032, 2033, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2051, 2053 and 2056 (the "2021 Term Bonds") are subject to scheduled mandatory redemption by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot, or by any other customary method that results in a random selection, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, out of moneys available for such purpose in the interest and sinking fund for the Series 2021 Bonds, on the dates and in the respective principal amounts, set forth in the following schedule:

2021 Term Bonds		2021 Terr	n Bonds	2021 Term Bonds		
Maturity October 15, 2032		Maturity Octo	ober 15, 2033	Maturity October 15, 2035		
Mandatory		Mandatory		Mandatory		
Redemption P	Principal	Redemption	Principal	Redemption	Principal	
Date A	Amount	Date	Amount	Date	Amount	
4/15/2032 \$	3,295,000	4/15/2033	\$ 3,470,000	4/15/2035	\$ 6,005,000	
10/15/2032 (*)	4,500,000	10/15/2033 (*)	4,695,000	10/15/2035 (*	7,310,000	
2021 Term Bo	onds	2021 Terr	n Bonds	2021 Terr	n Bonds	
2021 Term Bo Maturity October		2021 Terr Maturity Octo		2021 Terr Maturity Octo		
Maturity October		Maturity Octo		Maturity Oct		
Maturity October  Mandatory  Redemption P	15, 2036	Maturity Octo	ober 15, 2037	Maturity Octo	ober 15, 2039	
Maturity October  Mandatory  Redemption P  Date A	r 15, 2036 Principal	Maturity Octo Mandatory Redemption	Ober 15, 2037  Principal	Maturity Octo Mandatory Redemption	ober 15, 2039 Principal	
Maturity October  Mandatory  Redemption P  Date A  4/15/2036 \$	r 15, 2036 Principal Amount	Maturity Octo Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount \$ 6,510,000	Maturity Octo Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount	

<sup>\*</sup> Stated Maturity.

2021 Term Bonds		2021 Ter	m Bonds	2021 Term Bonds		
Maturity Octo	ober 15, 2040	Maturity Oct	ober 15, 2041	Maturity October 15, 2044		
Mandatory		Mandatory		Mandatory		
Redemption	Principal	Redemption	Principal	Redemption	Principal	
Date	Amount	Date	Amount	Date	Amount	
4/15/2040	\$ 7,160,000	4/15/2041	\$ 7,390,000	4/15/2042	\$ 5,345,000	
10/15/2040 (*	8,580,000	10/15/2041 (*	8,830,000	10/15/2042	15,190,000	
				4/15/2043	3,520,000	
				10/15/2043	15,715,000	
				4/15/2044	3,720,000	
				10/15/2044 (*	16,270,000	
2021 Terr		2021 Ter		2021 Ten		
Maturity Octo	ober 15, 2045		ober 15, 2046	Maturity Oct	ober 15, 2051	
Mandatory		Mandatory	-· · ·	Mandatory	-· · ·	
Redemption	Principal	Redemption	Principal	Redemption	Principal	
Date	Amount	Date	Amount	Date	Amount	
4/15/2045	\$ 3,935,000	4/15/2046	\$ 4,080,000	10/15/2046	\$ 6,480,000	
10/15/2045 (*	16,825,000	10/15/2046 (*	10,895,000	4/15/2047	4,320,000	
				10/15/2047	15,235,000	
				4/15/2048	4,530,000	
				10/15/2048	15,770,000	
				4/15/2049	4,750,000	
				10/15/2049	16,370,000	
				4/15/2050	4,980,000	
				10/15/2050	16,955,000	
				4/15/2051	5,225,000	
				10/15/2051 (*	17,585,000	
	2021 Tern	n Bonds	2021 Ter	m Bonds		
	Maturity Octo			ober 15, 2056		
	Mandatory	-,	Mandatory	-,		
	Redemption	Principal	Redemption	Principal		
	Date	Amount	Date	Amount		

The principal amount of 2021 Term Bonds of a stated maturity required to be redeemed on any mandatory redemption date pursuant to the operation of the mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the Board, by the principal amount of any 2021 Term Bonds of the same maturity which, at least 45 days prior to a mandatory redemption date (1) shall have been acquired by the Board at a price not exceeding the principal amount of such 2021 Term Bonds plus accrued interest to the date of purchase thereof, and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, (2) shall have been purchased and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the Board at a price not exceeding the principal amount of such 2021 Term Bonds plus accrued interest to the date of purchase, or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

10/15/2054

10/15/2055

\$ 12,035,000

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12,535,000

4/15/2052

10/15/2052

10/15/2053 (\*)

\$ 5,480,000

11,395,000

11,640,000

<sup>\*</sup> Stated Maturity.

Notice of Redemption. Official notice of any redemption of Series 2021 Bonds shall be given by the Paying Agent/Registrar on behalf of the Board by mailing a copy of an official redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least thirty (30) days and not more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the owner of the Series 2021 Bond or Series 2021 Bonds to be redeemed at the address shown on the Bond Register; provided, however, that the failure to send, mail or receive such notice, or any defect therein or in the sending or mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the proceedings for the redemption of any Series 2021 Bond, and it is hereby specifically provided that the publication of such notice as required above shall be the only notice actually required in connection with or as a prerequisite to the redemption of any Series 2021 Bonds or portions thereof. Should notice to call Series 2021 Bonds for redemption at the option of the Board be given in the manner provided above, but the Board shall not be able to provide the 2021 Bond Trustee with amounts sufficient to effect on the date fixed for redemption the payment of the entire redemption price of the Series 2021 Bonds so called for redemption, such Series 2021 Bonds shall not be redeemed on the date fixed for redemption, and the notice of redemption for such Series 2021 Bonds shall be null and void. In addition, any notice of optional redemption may be made conditional upon the receipt of moneys to effect such redemption. Notice of an optional redemption may be rescinded if sufficient moneys have not been deposited with the 2021 Bond Trustee.

The Paying Agent/Registrar shall also send notice of any redemption by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to DTC at the same time that it sends notice of redemption to Holders. So long as all Series 2021 Bonds are held under a book entry system by DTC, notice of redemption shall be sent by the Agent only to DTC or its nominee. Selection of book entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds called for redemption, and notice of redemption to the owners of Series 2021 Bonds called for redemption, is the responsibility of DTC (or any successor securities depository) pursuant to its rules and procedures, and of its participants and indirect participants. Any failure of DTC (or any successor securities depository) to advise any participant, or of any participant or any indirect participant to notify the owner of a book-entry interest, of any such notice and its content or effect shall not affect the validity of any proceedings for the redemption of any Series 2021 Bonds.

**Partial Redemption.** If less than all of the Series 2021 Bonds within a maturity are called for redemption, the Series 2021 Bonds selected for redemption within such maturity shall be chosen by lot by the Paying Agent/Registrar (provided that a portion thereof may be redeemed only in an integral multiple of \$5,000 principal amount). During any period in which ownership of the Series 2021 Bonds is determined only by a book-entry at a securities depository for the Series 2021 Bonds, if less than all of the Series 2021 Bonds within a maturity are called for redemption, the particular Series 2021 Bonds selected for redemption within such maturity shall be selected in accordance with the arrangements among the Board, the Paying Agent/Registrar and DTC. See "APPENDIX E—DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM AND GLOBAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES".

#### Registration, Transfer and Exchange

The 2021 Bond Trustee has been named to serve as initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Series 2021 Bonds. In the 2021 Bond Indenture, the Board retains the right to replace the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the Board replaces the Paying Agent/Registrar, such Paying Agent/Registrar shall, promptly upon the appointment of a successor, deliver the Paying Agent/Registrar's records to the successor Paying Agent/Registrar, and the successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any successor Paying Agent/Registrar selected by the Board shall be a commercial bank or a trust company duly organized under the laws of the United States of America or any state or territory thereof, having a combined capital stock, surplus and undivided profits of at least \$100,000,000, having trust powers and authorized by law to perform all the duties imposed upon it by the 2021 Bond Indenture.

In the event the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, printed certificates will be delivered to the owners of the Series 2021 Bonds and thereafter the Series 2021 Bonds may be transferred, registered and assigned on the registration books only upon presentation and surrender of such printed certificates to the Paying Agent/Registrar, and such registration and transfer shall be without expense or service charge to the Registered Owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration and transfer. A Series 2021 Bond may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Series 2021 Bonds or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Series 2021 Bond or Series 2021 Bonds will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in lieu of the Series 2021 Bond being transferred or exchanged at the designated office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Series 2021 Bonds registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in authorized denominations and for a like kind and aggregate principal amount as the Series 2021

Bond or Series 2021 Bonds surrendered for exchange or transfer. See "APPENDIX E — DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM AND GLOBAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES" herein for a description of the system to be utilized initially in regard to the ownership and transferability of the Series 2021 Bonds.

The record date ("**Record Date**") for the interest payable on any interest payment date for the Series 2021 Bonds means the close of business on the last Business Day of the month next preceding such interest payment date.

Neither the Board nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to issue, transfer, or exchange any Series 2021 Bond, or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity prior to its redemption date, provided, however, such limitation on transferability shall not be applicable to an exchange by the owner of the uncalled balance of a Series 2021 Bond.

If any Series 2021 Bond is mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost, a new Series 2021 Bond in the same principal amount and series as the Series 2021 Bond so mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost will be issued. In the case of a mutilated Series 2021 Bond, such new Series 2021 Bond will be delivered only upon surrender and cancellation of such mutilated Series 2021 Bond. In the case of any Series 2021 Bond issued in lieu of and in substitution for a Series 2021 Bond which has been destroyed, stolen or lost, such new Series 2021 Bond will be delivered only (a) upon filing with the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar of satisfactory evidence to the effect that such Series 2021 Bond has been destroyed, stolen or lost and proof of the ownership thereof, and (b) upon furnishing the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar with indemnity satisfactory to them. The person requesting the authentication and delivery of a new Series 2021 Bond must pay such expenses as the Paying Agent/Registrar may incur in connection therewith.

#### STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM

#### Introduction

To ensure the ongoing vitality of its economy, Texas' citizens, water experts, and government agencies collaborate in a comprehensive water planning process, in an effort to ensure that Texas will have enough water in the future to sustain its cities and rural communities and its economic development while also preserving the agricultural and natural resources that have defined Texas for generations. Texas also has one of the fastest growing populations in the country. In 1950, there were approximately 8 million Texas residents. In 2010, there were approximately 25 million Texas residents. By 2070, it is estimated that 51 million people are expected to live in the State, all of whom will need water to work and live.

Water user groups, those groups planned for in the State Water Plan that include providers, face a potential water shortage of 3.1 million acre-feet per year in 2020 and 6.9 million acre-feet per year in 2070 in drought of record conditions. Approximately 5,800 water management strategies recommended in the current State Water Plan would provide 1.7 million acre-feet per year in additional water supplies to water user groups in 2020 and 7.7 million acrefeet per year in 2070. The estimated capital cost to design, construct, and implement the approximately 2,400 recommended projects in 5,800 water management strategies by 2070 is approximately \$80 billion.

In 2013, the 83rd Regular Session of the Texas State Legislature (the "Legislature"), enacted enabling legislation to implement provisions relating to the proposed constitutional amendments that created SWIFT and SWIRFT. With the adoption of the two amendments as described below under "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM – Authorization of SWIFT and SWIRFT," the plan was implemented. The financial assistance program envisioned by the creation of SWIFT and SWIRFT and as further described below is referred to herein as the "SWIFT Program". Revenue bonds issued to support the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas Program, including the Series 2021 Bonds, are issued through SWIRFT.

#### **Authorization of SWIFT and SWIRFT**

On November 5, 2013, voters approved constitutional amendments adding two sections to Article III of the Constitution (Sections 49-d-12 and 49-d-13). Generally, Section 49-d-12 authorized the appropriation of \$2 billion from the State's economic stabilization fund to create and fund SWIFT as a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund. Section 49-d-13 created SWIRFT as a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund.

#### **Statutory and Regulatory Framework**

Section 49-d-12 provides that money in SWIFT shall be administered, without further appropriation, by the Board for the purpose of implementing the State Water Plan. In addition, Section 49-d-12 authorizes the Legislature to authorize the Board to enter into bond enhancement agreements to provide a source of revenue or security for general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued by the Board, the proceeds of which are used to finance State Water Plan projects, provided that the bond enhancement agreements do not exceed the capacity of SWIFT to fully support such agreements. Moneys to be made available under the terms of a bond enhancement agreement are contributed solely from SWIFT. Section 49-d-12 provides that the Legislature may authorize the Board to use SWIFT to finance, including by direct loan, water projects included in the State Water Plan. However, state law currently does not permit the use of moneys within SWIFT to be used to purchase or fund direct loans. Subchapter G of the Texas Water Code provides that the Board has legal title to the money and investments of SWIFT to be used without further appropriation for the sole purpose of implementing the State Water Plan. Responsibility for the management and investment of SWIFT is conferred on the TTSTC, which holds and invests SWIFT for and in the name of the Board.

In accordance with state law, \$2 billion from the State's economic stabilization fund was appropriated and transferred to SWIFT. To date, approximately \$771,826,649 has been transferred from SWIFT to respective Assistance Accounts held by the bond indenture trustees for the outstanding Master Trust Bonds; see "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM – Outstanding Master Trust Bonds". As of June 30, 2021, the TTSTC has advised the Board that SWIFT has a balance of approximately \$1,790,700,000. Moneys in SWIFT currently are invested by the TTSTC in a variety of investments, taking into account both the short-term and long-term needs for funds anticipated to be transferred from SWIFT. The goal of the SWIFT Program is to achieve funding of approximately \$27 billion of water projects over 50 years from 2015, of which \$7.3 billion has been provided as of June 30, 2021. Subchapter G provides that the Board shall undertake to apply not less than 10 percent to support projects that are for rural political subdivisions or agricultural water conservation, and 20 percent to support projects, including agricultural irrigation projects that are designed for water conservation or reuse, in each five year period between the adoptions of a new State Water Plan.

The Board has adopted rules providing for the use of money received from SWIFT consistent with Subchapter G, including rules establishing standards for determining whether projects meet the criteria for rural political subdivision projects and water conservation or reuse projects, and specifying the manner for prioritizing projects included in the State Water Plan for the purpose of providing financial assistance under Subchapter G. The Board has also adopted policies and procedures for the purpose of mitigating or minimizing the adverse effects, if any, of federal laws and regulations relating to income taxes, arbitrage, rebates, and related matters.

At the direction of the Board, the TTSTC shall make disbursements from SWIFT to another fund or account pursuant to a bond enhancement agreement in amounts the Board determines are needed for debt service payments on or security provisions of the Board's general obligation bonds or revenue bonds, after considering all other sources available for those purposes in the respective fund or account. Disbursements may be made under a bond enhancement agreement to the Board for the support of bonds the proceeds of which are used to provide financial assistance in the form of a Political Subdivision Obligation bearing an interest rate of not less than 50 percent of the then-current rate of interest available to the Board; a loan to finance a facility with a term not to exceed the lesser of the expected useful life of the facility or thirty years; a deferral of loan repayments; incremental repurchase terms for an acquired facility; or a combination of the above-described methods.

To effect disbursements from SWIFT, the Board may direct the TTSTC to enter into bond enhancement agreements to provide a source of revenue or security for the payment of the principal of and interest on general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued by the Board to finance or refinance projects included in the State Water Plan if the proceeds of the sale of the bonds have been or will be deposited to the credit of: (1) SWIRFT; (2) the Rural Water Assistance Fund; (3) the State Participation Account; (4) the Agriculture Water Conservation Fund; or (5) the Water Infrastructure Fund, the latter four funds and accounts are administered by the Board. The SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement executed in connection with the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds constitutes such a bond enhancement agreement under state law. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement". SWIFT does not constitute Security for the Series 2021 Bonds.

Section 49-d-13 authorizes the Legislature to authorize the Board to issue bonds and enter into related credit agreements that are payable from revenues available to SWIRFT. Obligations issued or incurred pursuant to Section 49-d-13 are special obligations payable solely from amounts in SWIRFT. Moneys in SWIRFT consist of moneys transferred or deposited to the credit of SWIRFT by law; the proceeds of any fee or tax that may be imposed by the State in the future that by statute is dedicated for deposit to the credit of SWIRFT; any other revenue that the legislature by statute dedicates for deposit to SWIRFT; investment earnings on amounts credited to SWIRFT; bond proceeds, including proceeds from revenue bonds issued by the Board under Subchapter H, that are designated by the Board for the purpose of providing money for SWIRFT; repayments of Political Subdivision Obligations made from SWIRFT; money from the sale, transfer, or lease of a project acquired, constructed, reconstructed, developed, or enlarged with money from SWIRFT and money disbursed to SWIRFT from SWIFT.

The Board may use money in SWIRFT (i) as a source of revenue or security for the payment of the principal of and interest on revenue bonds issued by the Board under Subchapter H, other bonds issued by the Board if the proceeds of the Master Trust Bonds will be deposited in SWIRFT, (ii) to acquire Political Subdivision Obligations, or other assets from another fund or account administered by the Board, or (iii) to pay necessary and reasonable costs incurred by the Board in administering the fund. Money deposited to the credit of SWIRFT must be invested as determined by the Board. Subchapter H also authorizes the Board to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of providing money for SWIRFT. Revenue bonds issued under Subchapter H are special obligations of the Board payable only from and secured by designated income and receipts of SWIRFT, and such bonds do not constitute indebtedness of the State.

#### **Outstanding Master Trust Bonds**

The Board has issued, and there are currently outstanding, eleven series of Master Trust Bonds: State of Texas Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds as identified in the table below. All proceeds of the outstanding Master Trust Bonds available to acquire Political Subdivision Obligations have been expended and funded State Water Plan Projects by providing financial assistance to Political Subdivisions.

Series	Original Par Amount	Outstanding Par Amount As June 30, 2021	Transfer from SWIFT to Assistance Account at Closing*
Series 2015A	\$ 798,450,000	\$ 713,360,000	\$ 106,382,704
Series 2015B	11,960,000	11,155,000	1,791,784
Series 2016	600,065,000	575,565,000	74,523,944
Series 2017A	1,046,970,000	967,435,000	130,659,112
Series 2017B	18,935,000	17,430,000	1,977,336
Series 2018A	832,065,000	770,240,000	88,953,346
Series 2018B	1,672,210,000	1,619,180,000	209,364,121
Series 2018C	35,590,000	34,340,000	4,114,517
Series 2019A	835,825,000	827,420,000	91,275,597
Series 2019B	22,985,000	22,485,000	2,148,542
Series 2020	628,515,000	623,515,000	60,635,646
Total	\$ 6,503,570,000	\$ 6,182,125,000	\$ 771,826,649

<sup>\*</sup> Total might not add due to rounding.

#### **Texas Water Development Board**

The Board is an agency of the State and was created by constitutional amendment in 1957. Leading the state's efforts in ensuring a secure water future for Texas and its citizens. The Board is responsible for long-range water planning in the State. The Board is primarily responsible for the State's financial programs associated with the water industry. Since its inception and as of June 30, 2021, the Board has committed to fund in excess of \$31.9 billion in financial assistance for the purposes described below.

The Board administers multiple financial programs to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions, including, non-profit water supply corporations, and in certain circumstances, investor-owned utilities, throughout Texas. Those programs include providing financial assistance through the issuance of general obligations bonds for all components of water supply, wastewater (sewage) conveyance and treatment, flood control projects, water projects that involve the conversion from a ground water supply source to a surface supply; providing financial assistance through the issuance of revenue bonds to facilitate the provision of wastewater treatment projects through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund; and for the provision of facilities for the treatment of drinking water through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. See "APPENDIX C – INFORMATION REGARDING THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD – Financial Assistance Programs."

#### **Advisory Committee**

Subchapter G established the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas Advisory Committee (the "SWIFT Advisory Committee"), which consists of seven persons: the Comptroller, or a person designated by the Comptroller; three members of the senate appointed by the Lieutenant Governor, including a member of the committee of the senate having primary jurisdiction over matters relating to finance and a member of the committee of the senate having primary jurisdiction over matters relating to natural resources; and three members of the house of representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House, including a member of the committee of the house having primary jurisdiction over matters relating to appropriations and a member of the committee of the house having primary jurisdiction over matters relating to natural resources. The SWIFT Advisory Committee shall submit comments and recommendations to the Board regarding the use of money in SWIFT for use by the Board in adopting rules and policies and procedures.

#### State Water Plan

Pursuant to Subchapter C of Chapter 16 of the Texas Water Code, the Legislature directed the Board to prepare, develop, formulate, and adopt a comprehensive state water plan (the "State Water Plan") prior to January 2002. Thereafter, the Board has been responsible for preparing, developing, formulating and adopting a State Water Plan before the end of each successive five-year period after that date. The State Water Plan provides for and identifies projects in furtherance of the orderly development, management, and conservation of water resources and preparation for and response to drought conditions, in order that sufficient water will be available at a reasonable cost to ensure public health, safety and welfare, further economic development and protect the agricultural and natural resources of the entire State.

For purposes of developing the State Water Plan, the State is divided into 16 regional water planning areas. Each regional water planning group for each regional water planning area must prepare a regional water plan and submit the plan to the Board for approval by the Board, and for inclusion in the State Water Plan. The regional water planning groups shall submit their adopted regional water plans to the Board no later than January 5 of the year that is one year prior to the date the Board is required to adopt the State Water Plan for the ensuing five-year period.

On adoption of the State Water Plan, the Board is required to deliver the State Water Plan to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, and present the adopted State Water Plan for review to the appropriate legislative committees in the Legislature.

The first State Water Plan was developed by the Board in 1961. The most current State Water Plan, the 11th State Water Plan developed by the Board, was adopted by the Board and became effective on July 7, 2021. The 2022 State Water Plan is available on the website of the Board at <a href="http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/swp/2022/index.asp">http://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/swp/2022/index.asp</a>.

#### **Application Process**

Any political subdivision with a recommended water management strategy project with associated capital costs included in the most recently adopted State Water Plan can apply for assistance under the SWIFT Program<sup>(1)</sup>. Financing for planning, design and construction costs will be available with the multi-year commitment options, available for funding needs spanning several years.

<sup>(1)</sup> The SWIFT Program includes two funds, SWIFT and SWIRFT. Revenue bonds for the SWIFT Program are issued through SWIRFT.

On February 1, 2021, the application period for the 2021 prioritization cycle of the SWIFT Program officially closed. The Board received abridged applications for State Water Plan projects totaling approximately \$335.1 million. On April 8, 2021, the Board approved the prioritization of those projects and sent invitations to eligible political subdivisions to submit complete applications. The abridged applications were prioritized based on multiple statutory requirements, including size of the population served, diverse urban and rural populations, regionalization and meeting a high percentage of water users' needs, amount of financial contribution, financial capacity, ability to leverage with local and federal funding, emergency needs, and effect on water conservation.

In conjunction with the approved projects and commitments from the 2021 prioritization cycle and first six prioritization cycles occurring prior to 2021, the Board expects to acquire, enter into or amend Political Subdivision Obligations in fall 2021, providing funding in the amount of approximately \$514.4 million. All of the Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be funded by the Series 2021 Bonds constitute State Water Plan projects under the current State Water Plan. See "APPENDIX A-1 – SUMMARY OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY THE SERIES 2021 BONDS".

The Board works with communities to develop projects from inception to procurement of funding and through construction completion. Seven multidisciplinary teams provide outreach and assistance to existing and potential customers and build relationships with entities. The seven multi-disciplinary teams assigned by geographic area are responsible for the processing of applications, closing on funding commitments, and monitoring progression of projects, including the approval of plans and specifications to ensure consistency with Board and state rules and regulations. The regional team serves as the single point of contact for customers in each region. This approach has provided customers with improved service by a dedicated team.

The regional teams are comprehensive and include the staff necessary to assist clients through the infrastructure funding and construction process. The teams consist of a manager, financial analyst, project reviewers, environmental reviewers, engineers, attorney, regional planner and administrative assistant.

The Board has significant flexibility in establishing the terms of the financial assistance made available under the SWIFT program consistent with achievement of legislative and Board objectives.

#### Political Subdivision Obligations and Underwriting and Monitoring Process

Pursuant to the Texas Water Code, Political Subdivision Obligations purchased from or entered into by the Board with a Political Subdivision can be payable from a pledge of ad valorem taxes, water system net revenues, wastewater system net revenues, net revenues of a combined water and sewer system, contract revenues, or any combination of pledges of taxes, assessments and/or utility system(s) (including gas or electric) revenues. The Board expects to purchase some Political Subdivision Obligations the security of which has a lien on revenues subordinate to outstanding and future debt of the Political Subdivision. For Political Subdivision Obligations payable solely from revenues, including subordinate lien revenue pledges, the Board requires a reserve fund and a coverage test to be met for the issuance of any additional bonds. Political Subdivision Obligations payable from ad valorem taxes are subject to constitutional and statutory limitations relating to the nature of the pledge of ad valorem taxes the Political Subdivision may provide.

The Board also requires each Political Subdivision to maintain adequate insurance coverage on the project being constructed and to provide annual audited financial statements. The Board continually monitors its portfolio for delinquent accounts. If a payment is late, the Board implements its collection process. The Master Trustee has confirmed to the Board all Political Subdivision Obligations payments for the October 15, 2021 debt service payment on outstanding Master Trust Bonds have been received. The Board has not experienced late payments on Political Subdivision Obligations issued or incurred in connection with the SWIFT program. To date, there have been no payment defaults on the Political Subdivision Obligations financed by the Board through its administration of the SWIFT Program.

On the other water assistance programs administered by the Board, the Board has had no late bond payments exceeding 37 days past the scheduled due date. Most late payments the Board has experienced in other programs it administers fall in the three to ten day range.

Prior to purchasing or entering into Political Subdivision Obligations, the Executive Administrator's staff of the Board will review contracts relating to any State Water Plan project. Additionally, the Board may not purchase or enter into any Political Subdivision Obligations that have low interest or deferred payment structures unless the Political Subdivision Obligations have been approved as to legality under state law by an approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State, the effect of which under state law is that the Political Subdivision Obligations are valid and incontestable in a court or other forum and are binding obligations for all purposes according to their terms. The Board will also receive an approving opinion from a bond counsel regarding a Political Subdivision Obligation under state law and, if applicable, providing that the interest on the Political Subdivision Obligation is exempt from federal income taxation. The Attorney General of the State has advised the Board that it has legal authority to enter into financing agreements with authorized Political Subdivisions where the Board Participation structure is used to effect the financing to be provided to the Political Subdivision. See "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM – Political Subdivision Obligations - Board Participation Obligations". Upon approval by the Attorney General of the State, registration of the Political Subdivision Obligations by the Comptroller and delivery to the Board, the Political Subdivision Obligations issued by the Political Subdivisions will be valid, binding and incontestable against a statutory challenge, as provided by the Texas Water Code.

The Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be purchased will include a range of credits. Below is a description of the security pledges of the Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be held within the Portfolio Account for the Series 2021 Bonds. Political Subdivisions need not have ratings or obtain credit ratings on Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be purchased by the Board. In addition, the Board may acquire a temporary ownership interest in a facility which a Political Subdivision will repurchase at a future date. See "STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION FUND FOR TEXAS PROGRAM – Political Subdivision Obligations and Underwriting and Monitoring Process – Board Participation Obligations".

As of the time of issuance, Upper Trinity Regional Water District is expected to represent approximately 28% ("UTRWD", a "Significant Borrower") of the Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be held within the Portfolio Account for the Series 2021 Bonds (consisting of \$146,105,000 in principal amount of Political Subdivision Obligations). See "APPENDIX A-1 – SUMMARY OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY THE SERIES 2021 BONDS" and "APPENDIX A-2 – SIGNIFICANT BORROWER INFORMATION".

*General Obligations*. When a Political Subdivision issues a general obligation, its full faith and credit are pledged to secure payment when due of the principal of and interest on the obligation. State law requires the eligible Political Subdivision to levy taxes that will be collected in amounts and at the times sufficient to make debt service payments. If the eligible Political Subdivision fails to make a payment when due, the owner of a general obligation, such as the Board, can bring suit for mandamus to require the tax levy to be collected and applied to debt service. Political Subdivision general obligations typically require voter approval.

The tax levy described above may be limited depending upon the type of eligible Political Subdivision issuing the general obligations. Water districts, including municipal utility districts, operating pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, are authorized to issue bonds payable from ad valorem taxes unlimited as to rate or amount. However, some general obligation bonds issued by municipalities are payable from a limited ad valorem tax, whether imposed by state law or its home rule charter.

Municipalities which operate pursuant to the home rule charter provisions of Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution are limited to a tax rate of not to exceed \$2.50 per \$100 assessed valuation for all municipal purposes, including the payment of debt service on bonds. The home rule charter approved by the voters of the municipalities may, and often does, provide for a lower tax rate limitation. There are requirements set forth in Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution which must be satisfied in order for a municipality to be eligible to seek home rule status including a requirement that a municipality contain a population of more than 5,000 inhabitants and that

the municipality hold an election at which a majority of the voters approve adoption of a home rule charter. A Type A general law municipality with a population of 5,000 or less is limited to a tax rate of not to exceed \$1.50 per \$100 assessed valuation for all municipal purposes; provided, however, under certain circumstances a tax rate not to exceed \$0.25 per \$100 assessed valuation may be imposed. A Type A general law municipality with a population of 5,000 or more is limited to a tax rate of not to exceed \$2.50 per \$100 assessed valuation for all municipal purposes.

**Revenue Obligations.** When an eligible Political Subdivision issues a revenue obligation, the obligation is a limited obligation payable solely from the revenues that are specifically pledged. Revenue bonds are not a debt of the issuer, but solely a charge upon the revenues generated by properties of the systems so encumbered. The holder of such revenue bonds does not have the right to demand payment out of any funds raised or to be raised by taxation.

Municipalities, including home rule and general law municipalities, are authorized pursuant to Chapter 1502, Texas Government Code, as amended, to issue bonds payable from the revenues of their electric system, water system, sewer system or sanitary disposal equipment and appliances, or natural gas system, parks and or swimming pools, either or all such systems. The expenses of operation and maintenance of the system, including, without limitation, all salaries, labor, materials, interest, repairs and extensions necessary to render efficient service is a first lien against the revenues of such systems. Pursuant to state law, municipalities must charge and collect a rate sufficient to pay all operating, maintenance, depreciation, replacement, betterment, interest charges and all debt service requirements relating to such system.

Combination General Obligation and Revenue Obligations. Combination General Obligation and Revenue Obligations, which may be in the form of bonds or certificates of obligation, are payable from a combination of ad valorem property taxes, with the same tax rate limitations as discussed above under "General Obligations," and revenues from various types of systems such as waterworks, sewer, gas and electric or any combination thereof as authorized pursuant to Chapter 1502, Texas Government Code and as discussed above under "Revenue Obligations," or other revenues the political subdivision may lawfully pledge in support of such obligations. The revenue pledge may be limited to surplus net revenues only or may include all net revenues after the payment of necessary operation and maintenance expenses, and the payment of obligations secured by a superior pledge of net revenues. Debt instruments purchased by the Board under the SWIFT Program are secured by a combination of ad valorem taxes and revenues constitute "debt", as defined in Section 26.012(7)(A)(ii)(c), Texas Tax Code.

Contract Revenue Bonds. When an eligible Political Subdivision issues Contract Revenue Bonds, the bonds are a limited obligation payable solely from the payments to be received pursuant to a contract. Certain eligible Political Subdivisions are authorized pursuant to state law to issue bonds payable from contract payments due from the beneficiary of the facilities constructed with the proceeds of the bonds issued. In the instance of SWIRFT, a municipality is typically the contracting party which is responsible for debt service payments on the bonds. Generally, such contract payments are payable as an operation and maintenance expense of a municipality's waterworks and sewer system and therefore have a first lien on the revenues of such systems and are paid prior to paying debt service on any obligations of a municipality payable from the same type of revenue pledge.

One of the Political Subdivisions that the Board has loaned funds to is the North Texas Municipal Water District ("NTMWD"). NTMWD finances improvements pursuant to wholesale regional water supply contracts with various municipal counterparties ("Member Cities"). Four of NTMWD's Member Cities, the Cities of Garland, Mesquite, Plano, and Richardson, entered into a settlement agreement with NTMWD to amend the rate-setting provisions, among other items. The Public Utility Commission dismissed with prejudice Docket Nos. 46662, 50382, 47863 and 49043, respectively, relating to proceedings involving NTMWD and the Member Cities, and such pleadings are available at www.puc.texas.gov. None of the proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds are expected to be used to purchase Political Subdivision Obligations from NTMWD.

**Board Participation Obligations**. An eligible Political Subdivision enters into long-term, fixed-rate financing agreements whereby the Board will have a temporary ownership interest in a facility. The Political Subdivision will repurchase the interest in the facility under a repayment schedule that allows for the structured deferral of both principal and interest.

See "APPENDIX A-1 – SUMMARY OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY SERIES 2021 BONDS" for a percentage breakdown of the security to be pledged in respect to the Political Subdivision Obligations. The Board has by resolution officially approved for funding and therefore made a binding commitment to provide financial assistance, subject to the availability of funds and compliance with certain conditions.

#### **Types of Program Assistance**

Assistance to Political Subdivisions is expected to fall into one of three categories of obligations as outlined below:

(1) **Low-Interest** – Long-term, fixed-rate obligations offered at below market rate. Maturities range from 20 to 30 years. Interest rates are based on the Board's cost of funds, which reflects the credit rating of SWIRFT. This rate is further reduced by a subsidy established by the Board. For the applicants whose projects were approved in the fiscal year ending August 31, 2021, the subsidy amount for tax-exempt projects is up to 25% for 20-year maturities, 18% for obligations up to 25 years and 14%, for obligations up to 30 years. The subsidy amount for taxable projects is up to 20% for 20-year maturities, 14% for obligations up to 25 years and 10% for obligations up to 30 years. The subsidy amount for tax-exempt rural projects is up to 50% for 20-year maturities, 34% for obligations up to 25 years and 27% for obligations up to 30 years. The subsidy amount for taxable rural projects is up to 40% for 20-year maturities, 27% for obligations up to 25 years and 22% for obligations up to 30 years. These interest rate subsidies are based on general assumptions of debt structure by the Political Subdivision Obligations prior to application. These subsidies are subject to modification as necessary should a Political Subdivision Obligations request a modified debt structure.

Board action was taken in June 2020 to modify the subsidies on low interest assistance for the 2021 prioritization cycle, which began December 2020. The subsidy will be subject to ongoing periodic review and reassessment.

- (2) **Deferred** Used for funding only developmental costs (planning and design). Maturities range from 20 to 30 years. Principal payments are deferred and interest does not accrue for up to eight years or until the end of construction, whichever occurs first. The obligation is amortized over the remaining term of the agreement. Interest rates are based on the Board's cost of funds, which reflects the credit rating of SWIRFT. No additional subsidy is available.
- (3) **Board Participation** Long-term, fixed-rate financing through a temporary Board ownership interest in a facility. These terms are intended to allow entities to reasonably finance the total debt for an optimally sized regional facility. The local sponsor repurchases the Board's interest under a repayment schedule that allows for the structured deferral of both principal and interest. Maturities vary but are generally 34 years. Interest rates are based on the Board's cost of funds, which reflects the credit rating of SWIRFT. No additional subsidy amount is available.

#### **Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company**

Funds in SWIFT are held by the TTSTC, which is responsible for the investment of funds entrusted to it. The TTSTC has developed a written investment policy. SWIFT funds will be annually audited and copies of such audits will be provided to both the Board and the SWIFT Advisory Committee. A copy of the SWIFT investment policy and annual report can be found on the TTSTC's website at the following link: <a href="http://www.TTSTC.org">http://www.TTSTC.org</a>.

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## DEBT SERVICE ON OUTSTANDING MASTER TRUST BONDS AND SERIES 2021 BONDS $^{(1)}$ (Table 1)

Fiscal Year	Total Debt Service	To	Total Aggregate Debt Service			
Ending	on Outs tanding	Series 2021 Bonds		s	on Master	
(August 31)	Master Trust Bonds	Principal Interest		Total	Trust Bonds	
2022	\$ 395,510,928	\$ 250,000	\$ 8,569,540	\$ 8,819,540	\$ 404,330,468	
2023	394,892,730	1,355,000	16,918,638	18,273,638	413,166,368	
2024	394,943,896	745,000	16,876,638	17,621,638	412,565,533	
2025	391,187,898	3,390,000	16,796,113	20,186,113	411,374,011	
2026	395,759,361	4,050,000	16,612,363	20,662,363	416,421,724	
2027	365,848,936	4,440,000	16,456,788	20,896,788	386,745,724	
2028	347,843,334	5,090,000	16,276,713	21,366,713	369,210,046	
2029	360,124,878	5,940,000	16,012,713	21,952,713	382,077,590	
2030	384,453,178	6,965,000	15,703,213	22,668,213	407,121,391	
2031	395,052,738	6,465,000	15,341,338	21,806,338	416,859,075	
2032	397,942,949	7,255,000	15,044,588	22,299,588	420,242,537	
2033	394,349,039	7,970,000	14,668,338	22,638,338	416,987,376	
2034	396,819,939	8,350,000	14,264,963	22,614,963	419,434,902	
2035	398,162,894	10,900,000	13,915,888	24,815,888	422,978,781	
2036	394,444,796	13,570,000	13,480,538	27,050,538	421,495,334	
2037	380,796,174	14,090,000	12,932,338	27,022,338	407,818,511	
2038	376,591,250	14,625,000	12,363,238	26,988,238	403,579,487	
2039	373,173,035	15,145,000	11,833,338	26,978,338	400,151,373	
2040	371,750,557	15,510,000	11,452,338	26,962,338	398,712,894	
2041	370,235,206	15,970,000	11,004,463	26,974,463	397,209,669	
2042	371,352,279	14,175,000	10,521,613	24,696,613	396,048,891	
2043	371,196,237	18,710,000	9,871,563	28,581,563	399,777,799	
2044	371,155,475	19,435,000	9,112,663	28,547,663	399,703,138	
2045	370,707,026	20,205,000	8,324,163	28,529,163	399,236,188	
2046	353,617,730	20,905,000	7,628,338	28,533,338	382,151,067	
2047	334,511,895	21,695,000	6,865,263	28,560,263	363,072,157	
2048	316,358,746	19,765,000	6,040,263	25,805,263	342,164,009	
2049	220,694,056	20,520,000	5,238,963	25,758,963	246,453,018	
2050	118,649,312	21,350,000	4,406,163	25,756,163	144,405,474	
2051	68,731,250	22,180,000	3,540,463	25,720,463	94,451,713	
2052	38,282,341	23,065,000	2,640,663	25,705,663	63,988,003	
2053	24,861,959	11,395,000	1,981,581	13,376,581	38,238,541	
2054	18,603,975	11,640,000	1,664,850	13,304,850	31,908,825	
2055	15,660,309	12,035,000	1,264,100	13,299,100	28,959,409	
2056	10,609,509	12,535,000	772,700	13,307,700	23,917,209	
2057		13,050,000	261,000	13,311,000	13,311,000	
	\$ 10,684,875,814	\$ 444,735,000	\$ 366,658,421	\$ 811,393,421	\$ 11,496,269,235	

<sup>(1)</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

#### DEBT SERVICE AND CASH FLOW PROJECTIONS

#### **Projected Revenue Cash Flows**

Projected revenue cash flows as set forth in Table 2 in this Official Statement (the "**Projected Revenue Cash Flows**") were prepared by the Board's Financial Advisor. Projected Revenue Cash Flows contain estimates that include assumptions regarding future events, including assumptions regarding future Political Subdivision Obligations purchased or entered into and funded with proceeds of Bonds, transfers of moneys from the Assistance Account to the Debt Service Account, future interest rates on Political Subdivision Obligations, the repayment of Political Subdivision Obligations by Political Subdivisions and investment earnings on such moneys. The actual results will differ from the estimates stated in the Projected Revenue Cash Flows to the extent that actual future events differ from the estimates and assumptions upon which the Projected Revenue Cash Flows are based. See "OTHER INFORMATION – Forward-Looking Statements".

The following table ("Table 2") represents cash flow projections for the Series 2021 Bonds.

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#### PROJECTED REVENUE CASH FLOWS (Table 2)

#### SERIES 2021 BONDS<sup>(1)</sup>

		Projected	Assistance	Total		Total Projected		Total Projected	
Fiscal	Beginning	PSO	Account	Available	SWIRFT	Revenue After	Ongoing	Revenue After	SWIRFT
Year Ending	Balance	Revenue (2)	Receipts	Funds	Debt Service (3)	Debt Service	Fees	Ongoing Fees	Coverage
8/31/2022	\$ -	\$ 545,811	\$ 8,289,732	\$ 8,835,543	\$ 8,819,540	\$ 16,004	\$ -	\$ 16,004	1.00x
8/31/2023	16,004	14,862,156	3,434,671	18,312,830	18,273,638	39,193	24,000	15,193	1.00x
8/31/2024	15,193	14,466,190	3,180,257	17,661,639	17,621,638	40,002	24,000	16,002	1.00x
8/31/2025	16,002	17,053,689	3,155,888	20,225,578	20,186,113	39,466	24,000	15,466	1.00x
8/31/2026	15,466	17,529,289	3,156,868	20,701,623	20,662,363	39,260	24,000	15,260	1.00x
8/31/2027	15,260	17,769,141	3,151,896	20,936,298	20,896,788	39,510	24,000	15,510	1.00x
8/31/2028	15,510	18,233,232	4,731,474	22,980,216	21,366,713	1,613,503	24,000	1,589,503	1.07x
8/31/2029	1,589,503	18,824,556	3,157,000	23,571,059	21,952,713	1,618,347	24,000	1,594,347	1.07x
8/31/2030	1,594,347	19,538,726	3,149,000	24,282,073	22,668,213	1,613,860	24,000	1,589,860	1.07x
8/31/2031	1,589,860	20,260,268	-	21,850,129	21,806,338	43,791	24,000	19,791	1.00x
8/31/2032	19,791	22,325,840	-	22,345,631	22,299,588	46,043	24,000	22,043	1.00x
8/31/2033	22,043	22,668,358	-	22,690,401	22,638,338	52,063	24,000	28,063	1.00x
8/31/2034	28,063	22,644,170	-	22,672,233	22,614,963	57,270	24,000	33,270	1.00x
8/31/2035	33,270	24,844,263	-	24,877,534	24,815,888	61,646	24,000	37,646	1.00x
8/31/2036	37,646	27,077,022	-	27,114,668	27,050,538	64,131	24,000	40,131	1.00x
8/31/2037	40,131	27,051,531	-	27,091,662	27,022,338	69,325	24,000	45,325	1.00x
8/31/2038	45,325	27,018,791	-	27,064,116	26,988,238	75,878	24,000	51,878	1.00x
8/31/2039	51,878	27,009,294	-	27,061,172	26,978,338	82,834	24,000	58,834	1.00x
8/31/2040	58,834	26,992,351	-	27,051,186	26,962,338	88,848	24,000	64,848	1.00x
8/31/2041	64,848	27,001,831	-	27,066,679	26,974,463	92,216	24,000	68,216	1.00x
8/31/2042	68,216	24,725,926	-	24,794,143	24,696,613	97,530	24,000	73,530	1.00x
8/31/2043	73,530	28,609,582	-	28,683,112	28,581,563	101,550	24,000	77,550	1.00x
8/31/2044	77,550	28,576,750	-	28,654,300	28,547,663	106,637	24,000	82,637	1.00x
8/31/2045	82,637	28,559,236	-	28,641,873	28,529,163	112,711	24,000	88,711	1.00x
8/31/2046	88,711	28,558,718	-	28,647,429	28,533,338	114,091	24,000	90,091	1.00x
8/31/2047	90,091	28,587,266	-	28,677,357	28,560,263	117,094	24,000	93,094	1.00x
8/31/2048	93,094	25,834,245	-	25,927,339	25,805,263	122,077	24,000	98,077	1.00x
8/31/2049	98,077	25,791,904	-	25,889,980	25,758,963	131,018	24,000	107,018	1.00x
8/31/2050	107,018	25,786,547	-	25,893,564	25,756,163	137,402	24,000	113,402	1.00x
8/31/2051	113,402	25,752,643	-	25,866,045	25,720,463	145,582	24,000	121,582	1.00x
8/31/2052	121,582	25,734,672	-	25,856,254	25,705,663	150,592	24,000	126,592	1.00x
8/31/2053	126,592	13,278,064	-	13,404,655	13,376,581	28,074	24,000	4,074	1.00x
8/31/2054	4,074	13,329,385	-	13,333,459	13,304,850	28,609	24,000	4,609	1.00x
8/31/2055	4,609	13,363,607	-	13,368,216	13,299,100	69,116	24,000	45,116	1.00x
8/31/2056	45,116	13,378,958	-	13,424,074	13,307,700	116,374	24,000	92,374	1.01x
8/31/2057	92,374	13,385,330		13,477,703	13,311,000	166,703	24,000	142,703	1.01x
Totals		\$ 776,969,339	\$ 35,406,785		\$ 811,393,421		\$ 840,000		

<sup>(1)</sup> Numbers may not add due to rounding.
(2) Represents anticipated Political Subdivision Obligation revenue for the period ending 40 days before each debt service payment which occurs within such fiscal year.
(3) Represents debt service on the Series 2021 Bonds.

#### INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Prospective purchasers of the Series 2021 Bonds should be aware that investment in the Series 2021 Bonds entails some degree of risk and uncertainty. Each prospective investor in the Series 2021 Bonds should read this Official Statement in its entirety. Particular attention should be given to the factors described below which, among others, could affect the payment of the debt service on the Series 2021 Bonds and which could also affect the market price and liquidity of the Series 2021 Bonds to an extent that cannot be determined. References to an Account or a Bond Indenture are intended to refer to such Account or Bond Indenture governing the Series 2021 Bonds. This discussion of investment considerations is not, and is not intended to be, exhaustive.

#### Moneys on Deposit in SWIFT Are Not Pledged in Support of the Series 2021 Bonds

The Board may, but is not legally required to, seek a transfer of funds from SWIFT to SWIRFT in support of SWIRFT through the execution of a bond enhancement agreement with the TTSTC. The Board may direct, at its sole discretion, additional transfers from SWIFT to provide a source of revenue or security for outstanding bonds that were supported by a transfer from SWIFT, including the Series 2021 Bonds, but the Board is under no obligation to direct such a transfer, and no assurance is given that the Board will direct additional transfers from SWIFT for such purpose or the amount of any such transfers, if made. If the Board were to elect to proceed with an additional transfer, then additional State administrative approval will need to be sought and there is no assurance that such approval will be obtained. Pursuant to Subchapter G, the Board may effect no more than two transfers of funds from SWIFT in each fiscal year of the State, which commences on September 1 of a calendar year and ends on the succeeding August 31.

#### One or More Local Governments May Default Under Their Political Subdivision Obligations

The primary source of repayment for the Series 2021 Bonds is the payments under the Political Subdivision Obligations. The ability of the Political Subdivisions to make full and timely payments of debt service or other repayment obligations due on their respective Political Subdivision Obligations will depend on various economic and financial circumstances, including weather-related events such as damage caused by storms and other natural disasters. The COVID-19 outbreak may also have an adverse impact on Political Subdivisions' ability to pay debt service on Political Subdivision Obligations acquired by the Board and held in the Portfolio Account established by the 2021 Bond Indenture. See "INTRODUCTION – COVID-19" for more information. If a Political Subdivision fails to pay the principal of or interest on any Political Subdivision Obligations held in a Portfolio Account, the Board may seek to enforce payment of such principal and interest and any other amounts due and payable pursuant to applicable provisions of state law. There can be no assurance that the Board will have an effective remedy or realize any amounts or amounts equal to all amounts due to the Board under the Political Subdivision Obligations. Acceleration is not a remedy if a default under the terms of a Political Subdivision Obligation occurs.

The proceedings relating to the issuance of the Political Subdivision Obligations purchased for a Portfolio Account will be subject to review and approval by the Attorney General of the State with an approval required for Political Subdivision Obligations that utilize the low interest and deferred payment structures. Such approval does not ensure that payments of principal and interest on Political Subdivision Obligations will be made when due.

### Owners of Series 2021 Bonds are Not Entitled to Accelerate the Indebtedness of the Series 2021 Bonds upon a Default

The payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Series 2021 Bonds is not subject to acceleration upon the occurrence and continuation of an Event of Default under the 2021 Bond Indenture. Owners of the Series 2021 Bonds will therefore be required to collect debt service payments on the Series 2021 Bonds due after an Event of Default based on the Series 2021 Bonds scheduled payment dates from the Revenues and other property pledged under the 2021 Bond Indenture which may not be sufficient to make such payments.

#### Repayment of the Series 2021 Bonds from Sources Other than the Political Subdivision Obligations

The interest rates on the Political Subdivision Obligations will be lower than the interest rates on the corresponding Series 2021 Bonds that were issued to acquire them. Because the debt service on the Series 2021 Bonds is expected to be paid only in part from the payments made on the Political Subdivision Obligations, the payment of debt service on the Series 2021 Bonds will need to be made from the other funds available under the 2021 Bond

Indenture, including specifically moneys in the Assistance Account for the Series 2021 Bonds. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS – SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement".

#### Limitations on Remedies Available to Owners of Series 2021 Bonds

The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Owners of Series 2021 Bonds (either against the Board or against the Political Subdivisions as issuers of, or obligors under, their Political Subdivision Obligations), and the obligations incurred by (a) the Board in issuing the Series 2021 Bonds and (b) the Political Subdivisions in issuing or entering into their Political Subdivision Obligations, are subject to the following: the federal Bankruptcy Code and applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or similar laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally, now or hereafter in effect; usual equity principles which may limit the specific enforcement under state law of certain remedies; the exercise by the United States of America of the powers delegated to it by the United States Constitution; and the reasonable and necessary exercise, in certain unusual situations, of the police power inherent in the State and its governmental subdivisions in the interest of serving a legitimate and significant public purpose. Bankruptcy proceedings, or the exercise of powers by the federal or state government, if initiated, could subject the Owners of the Series 2021 Bonds to judicial discretion and interpretation of their rights in bankruptcy and otherwise, and consequently may involve risks of delay, limitation or modification of their rights.

#### TAX MATTERS

THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, WHICH WAS WRITTEN TO SUPPORT THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING OF THE SALE OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS, IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY ANY TAXPAYER, TO AVOID PENALTIES THAT MIGHT BE IMPOSED ON THE TAXPAYER IN CONNECTION WITH THE MATTERS DISCUSSED BELOW. INVESTORS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE TAX IMPLICATIONS OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP OR DISPOSITION OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS UNDER APPLICABLE STATE OR LOCAL LAWS, OR ANY OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCE.

#### **Certain Federal Income Tax Considerations**

The following discussion is a summary of certain expected material federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Series 2021 Bonds and is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the regulations promulgated thereunder, published rulings and pronouncements of the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and court decisions currently in effect.

There can be no assurance that the IRS will not take a contrary view, and no ruling from the IRS, has been, or is expected to be, sought on the issues discussed herein. Any subsequent changes or interpretations may apply retroactively and could affect the opinion and summary of federal income tax consequences discussed herein.

The following discussion is not a complete analysis or description of all potential U.S. federal tax considerations that may be relevant to, or of the actual tax effect that any of the matters described herein will have on, particular holders of the Series 2021 Bonds and does not address U.S. federal gift or estate tax or (as otherwise stated herein) the alternative minimum tax, state, local or other tax consequences. This summary does not address special classes of taxpayers (such as partnerships, or other pass-thru entities treated as a partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes, S corporations, mutual funds, insurance companies, financial institutions, small business investment companies, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, grantor trusts, former citizens of the U.S., broker-dealers, traders in securities and tax-exempt organizations, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit, taxpayers who may be subject to or personal holding company provisions of the Code) that are subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws, or persons that hold Series 2021 Bonds as a hedge against, or that are hedged against, currency risk or that are part of hedge, straddle, conversion or other integrated transaction, or persons whose functional currency is not the "U.S. dollar". This summary is further limited to investors who will hold the Series 2021 Bonds as "capital assets" (generally, property held for investment) within the meaning of section 1221 of the Code. This discussion is based on statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date of delivery of Bond Counsel's opinions, as described below ("Existing Law"), all of which are subject to change or modification, retroactively.

As used herein, the term "U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of a Series 2021 Bond who or which is: (i) an individual citizen or resident of the United States, (ii) a corporation or partnership created or organized under

the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or therein, (iii) an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of the source; or (iv) a trust, if (a) a court within the U.S. is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (b) the trust validly elects to be treated as a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As used herein, the term "Non-U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of a Series 2021 Bond that is not a U.S. Holder.

THIS SUMMARY IS INCLUDED HEREIN FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND DOES NOT DISCUSS ALL ASPECTS OF THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION THAT MAY BE RELEVANT TO A PARTICULAR HOLDER OF SERIES 2021 BONDS IN LIGHT OF THE HOLDER'S PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES AND INCOME TAX SITUATION. PROSPECTIVE HOLDERS OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE TAX TREATMENT WHICH MAY BE ANTICIPATED TO RESULT FROM THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE SERIES 2021 BONDS BEFORE DETERMINING WHETHER TO PURCHASE SERIES 2021 BONDS.

FOREIGN INVESTORS SHOULD ALSO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS REGARDING THE TAX CONSEQUENCES UNIQUE TO NON-U.S. HOLDERS.

#### **Future and Proposed Legislation**

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Series 2021 Bonds under federal or state law and could affect the market price or marketability of the Series 2021 Bonds. Any such legislation, action or court decision could limit the value of certain deductions and exclusions, including the exclusion for tax-exempt interest. The likelihood of any such legislation, action or court decision being enacted or becoming effective cannot be predicted. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2021 Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

#### **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Subject to certain exceptions, information reports describing interest income, including original issue discount, with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds will be sent to each registered holder and to the IRS. Payments of interest and principal may be subject to backup withholding under sections 1471 through 1474 or backup withholding under section 3406 of the Code if a recipient of the payments fails to furnish to the payor such owner's social security number or other taxpayer identification number ("TIN"), furnishes an incorrect TIN, or otherwise fails to establish an exemption from the backup withholding tax. Any amounts so withheld would be allowed as a credit against the recipient's federal income tax. Special rules apply to partnerships, estates and trusts, and in certain circumstances, and in respect of Non-U.S. Holders, certifications as to foreign status and other matters may be required to be provided by partners and beneficiaries thereof.

#### **Tax-Exempt Bonds**

#### Opinion.

On the date of initial delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, will render its opinion that, in accordance with Existing Law, (1) for federal income tax purposes, interest on the Series 2021 Bonds will be excludable from the "gross income" of the holders thereof and (2) the Series 2021 Bonds will not be treated as "specified private activity bonds", the interest on which would be included as an alternative minimum tax preference item under section 57(a)(5) of the Code. Except as stated above, Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Series 2021 Bonds. See "APPENDIX D – Proposed Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel".

In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel will rely upon (a) certain information and representations of the Board, including information and representations contained in the Board's federal tax certificate related to the Series 2021 Bonds, and (b) covenants of the Board contained in the 2021 Bond Indenture relating to certain matters, including arbitrage and the use of the proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds and the property financed or refinanced therewith. Failure by the Board to observe the aforementioned representations or covenants could cause the interest on the Series 2021 Bonds to become taxable retroactively to the date of issuance.

The Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder contain a number of requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds in order for interest on the Series 2021 Bonds to be, and to remain, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with such requirements may cause interest on the Series 2021 Bonds to be included in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds. The opinion of Bond Counsel is conditioned on compliance by the Board with such requirements, and Bond Counsel has not been retained to monitor compliance with these requirements subsequent to the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds.

A ruling was not sought from the Internal Revenue Service by the Board with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds or the projects financed with proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds. Bond Counsel's opinion represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the representations of the Board that it deems relevant to render such opinion and is not a guarantee of a result. No assurances can be given as to whether the Internal Revenue Service will commence an audit of the Series 2021 Bonds, or as to whether the Internal Revenue Service would agree with the opinion of Bond Counsel. If an audit is commenced, under current procedures the Internal Revenue Service is likely to treat the Board as the taxpayer and the Bondholders may have no right to participate in such procedure. No additional interest will be paid upon any determination of taxability.

The foregoing rules will not apply to exempt a U.S. shareholder of a controlled foreign corporation from taxation on the U.S. shareholder's allocable portion of the interest income received by the controlled foreign corporation.

Bond Counsel's opinion regarding the Series 2021 Bonds represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the reliance on the aforementioned information, representations and covenants. Bond Counsel's opinion related to the Series 2021 Bonds is not a guarantee of a result. Existing Law is subject to change by the Congress and to subsequent judicial and administrative interpretation by the courts and the Department of the Treasury.

There can be no assurance that Existing Law or the interpretation thereof will not be changed in a manner which would adversely affect the tax treatment of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Series 2021 Bonds.

#### Federal Income Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Discount.

The initial public offering price to be paid for one or more maturities of the Series 2021 Bonds may be less than the principal amount thereof or one or more periods for the payment of interest on the Series 2021 Bonds may not be equal to the accrual period or be in excess of one year (the "Original Issue Discount Bonds"). In such event, the difference between (i) the "stated redemption price at maturity" of each Original Issue Discount Bond, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount Bond would constitute original issue discount. The "stated redemption price at maturity" means the sum of all payments to be made on the Series 2021 Bonds less the amount of all periodic interest payments. Periodic interest payments are payments which are made during equal accrual periods (or during any unequal period if it is the initial or final period) and which are made during accrual periods which do not exceed one year.

Under Existing Law, any U.S. Holder who has purchased a Series 2021 Bond as an Original Issue Discount Bond in the initial public offering is entitled to exclude from gross income (as defined in section 61 of the Code) an amount of income with respect to such Original Issue Discount Bond equal to that portion of the amount of such original issue discount allocable to the accrual period. For a discussion of certain collateral federal tax consequences, see discussion set forth below. In the event of the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bond prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such U.S. Holder in excess of the basis of such Original Issue Discount Bond in the hands of such U.S. Holder (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Original Issue Discount Bond was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income.

Under Existing Law, the original issue discount on each Original Issue Discount Bond is accrued daily to the stated maturity thereof (in amounts calculated as described below for each accrual period and ratably within each such accrual period) and the accrued amount is added to an initial owner's basis for such Original Issue Discount Bond for purposes of determining the amount of gain or loss recognized by such owner upon the redemption, sale or other disposition thereof. The amount to be added to basis for each accrual period is equal to (a) the sum of the issue price

and the amount of original issue discount accrued in prior periods multiplied by the yield to stated maturity (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period) less (b) the amounts payable as current interest during such accrual period on such Original Issue Discount Bond.

All U.S. Holders of Original Issue Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state and local income tax purposes of the treatment of interest accrued upon redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bonds and with respect to the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bonds.

#### Collateral Federal Income Tax Consequences.

Under section 6012 of the Code, U.S. Holders of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Series 2021 Bonds, may be required to disclose interest received or accrued during each taxable year on their returns of federal income taxation.

Section 1276 of the Code provides for ordinary income tax treatment of gain recognized upon the disposition of a tax-exempt obligation, such as the Series 2021 Bonds, if such obligation was acquired at a "market discount" and if the fixed maturity of such obligation is equal to, or exceeds, one year from the date of issue. Such treatment applies to "market discount bonds" to the extent such gain does not exceed the accrued market discount of such Series 2021 Bonds; although for this purpose, a de minimis amount of market discount is ignored. A "market discount bond" is one which is acquired by the holder at a purchase price which is less than the stated redemption price at maturity or, in the case of a Series 2021 Bond issued at an original issue discount, the "revised issue price" (i.e., the issue price plus accrued original issue discount). The "accrued market discount" is the amount which bears the same ratio to the market discount as the number of days during which the holder holds the obligation bears to the number of days between the acquisition date and the final maturity date.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

The Board has entered into a separate undertaking for the benefit of bondholders of the Series 2021 Bonds to provide certain updated information and notices to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") through its Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system.

#### **Continuing Disclosure Undertaking of the Board**

#### General

In the 2021 Bond Indenture, the Board has made the following agreement for the benefit of the bondholders and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2021 Bonds. The Board is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Series 2021 Bonds. Under the agreement, the Board will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of certain specified events, to the MSRB through EMMA.

#### **Annual Reports**

The Board will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB annually. The information to be updated includes "Table 1 – DEBT SERVICE ON OUTSTANDING MASTER TRUST BONDS AND SERIES 2021 BONDS", "Table 2 – PROJECTED REVENUE CASH FLOWS – SERIES 2021 BONDS" and "APPENDIX A-1 – SUMMARY OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY SERIES 2021 BONDS" herein. The Board will update and provide this information within 195 days after the end of each fiscal year ending in or after 2022.

The financial information and operating data to be provided may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document available to the public on the MSRB's website or filed with the SEC, as permitted by the Rule. The updated information will include audited financial statements, if the Board commissions an audit and it is completed by the required time. If audited financial statements are not available by the required time, the Board will provide unaudited financial statements within the required time and audited financial statements when and if the audit report becomes available. Any such financial statements will be prepared in

accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for governmental entities or such other accounting principles as the Board may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation.

The Board's current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, it must provide updated information within 195 days thereof unless the Board changes its fiscal year. If the Board changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change prior to the next date by which the Board otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data as described above.

#### **Disclosure Event Notices**

The Board will notify the MSRB in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) Business Days after the occurrence of any of the events listed below. The Board will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Series 2021 Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Series 2021 Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Series 2021 Bonds, if material; (8) Series 2021 Bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Series 2021 Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the Board; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Board or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Board, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action, or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) the appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a Trustee, if material; (15) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Board, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Board, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Board, any of which reflect financial difficulties. In addition, the Board will provide timely notice of any failure by the Board to provide information, data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION - Continuing Disclosure Undertaking of the Board - Annual Reports".

For the purposes of the event numbered (12) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Board in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Board, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Board. As used in events numbered (15) and (16) above, the term "Financial Obligation" means: (i) a debt obligation; (ii) a derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) a guarantee of (i) or (ii), however, the term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

#### **Availability of Information**

The Board has agreed to provide the foregoing financial and operating information only as described above. The Board will be required to file their respective continuing disclosure information using the MSRB's EMMA system. Investors will be able to access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB free of charge at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

The Board has agreed to update information and to provide notices of disclosure events only as described above. The Board makes no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Series 2021 Bonds at any future date. The Board disclaims any contractual or tort liability

for damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its continuing disclosure agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although holders of Series 2021 Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the Board to comply with its agreement.

The Board may amend its continuing disclosure agreement from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the Board, if (i) the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Series 2021 Bonds in the offering described herein in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (ii) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Series 2021 Bonds consent to the amendment or (b) a person unaffiliated with the Board (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the beneficial owners of such Series 2021 Bonds. The Board may also amend or repeal the provisions of its continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Series 2021 Bonds in the primary offering of the Series 2021 Bonds. If the Board so amends the agreement, it has agreed to include with the next financial information and operating data provided in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports" an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information and operating data so provided.

If the Board changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) prior to the next date by which the Board otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section.

The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Section may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document (including an official statement or other offering document, if it is available from the MSRB) that theretofore has been provided to the MSRB or filed with the SEC. All filings shall be made electronically, in the format specified by the MSRB.

#### **Continuing Disclosure Undertaking of Significant Borrowers**

In the 2021 Bond Indenture, the Board covenants that it will require each Significant Borrower (any Political Subdivision with outstanding aggregate principal amount of Political Subdivision Obligations with a common security pledged to the payment thereof issued or incurred by the Political Subdivision and held in the Portfolio Account established by the 2021 Bond Indenture, that comprises at least 20% in aggregate principal amount of all Political Subdivision Obligations held, on and after April 1, 2022, in the Portfolio Account) to adopt an ordinance, order or resolution (a "Significant Borrower Undertaking") pursuant to which such Significant Borrower must agree to provide annually to the MSRB financial information and operating data with respect to the Significant Borrower of the general type hereinafter described. The term Significant Borrower includes (i) any Political Subdivision that is expected to be a Significant Borrower as of the date on which the 2021 Bond Indenture is adopted (an "Existing Significant Borrower") and (ii) a Political Subdivision that, as a result of the Board's future acquisition of its Political Subdivision Obligations, or substitution of its Political Subdivision Obligations as permitted by the 2021 Bond Indenture, or the prepayment or redemption of other Political Subdivision Obligations held in the Portfolio Account, established by the 2021 Bond Indenture, becomes a Significant Borrower (a "Future Significant Borrower"). Any Existing Significant Borrower must agree to provide, within 195 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Existing Significant Borrower ending in or after the fiscal year in which the Political Subdivision Obligations were issued, financial information and operating data with respect thereto of the nature included in its Significant Borrower Undertaking, which is summarized in Appendix A-2 attached hereto. Any financial statements so to be provided shall be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in its Significant Borrower Undertaking, or such other accounting principles as such Existing Significant Borrower may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation. Any Future Significant Borrower must agree to provide, within 195 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Future Significant Borrower ending in or after the year the Political Subdivision becomes a Significant Borrower, financial information and operating data with respect thereto of the nature required by the Rule and its Significant Borrower Undertaking. Any financial statements so to be provided shall be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in its Significant Borrower Undertaking, or such other accounting principles as such Significant Borrower may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation. In any case, if such Significant Borrower commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is

completed within the period during which they must be provided, the financial statements to be provided shall be audited. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within such period, then such Significant Borrower shall provide notice that the audited financial statements are not available and provide unaudited financial statements and thereafter audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB, when and if the audit report on such statements becomes available.

Each Significant Borrower shall also agree to notify the MSRB in a timely manner, not in excess of ten (10) Business Days after the occurrence of certain disclosure events as described in the Significant Borrower Undertaking.

In addition, each Significant Borrower shall also agree to provide timely notice of any failure by such Significant Borrower to provide information, data or financial statements in accordance with its Significant Borrower Undertaking.

If any Significant Borrower changes its fiscal year, it shall be the duty of such Significant Borrower, as required by its respective Significant Borrower Undertaking, to notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) prior to the next date by which such Significant Borrower otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data. The financial information and operating data to be provided may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document (including an official statement or other offering document, if it is available from the MSRB) that theretofore has been provided to the MSRB or filed with the SEC.

Each Significant Borrower shall be obligated under its Significant Borrower Undertaking to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section for so long as, but only for so long as, such Significant Borrower remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds within the meaning of the Rule.

The Significant Borrower Undertaking is for the sole benefit of the Holders and beneficial owners of the Series 2021 Bonds, and nothing, express or implied, shall give any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim to any other person.

No default by any Significant Borrower in observing or performing its obligations as described above shall constitute a breach of or default under the 2021 Bond Indenture for purposes of any other provision of the 2021 Bond Indenture. Nothing as described above is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of any Significant Borrower under federal and state securities laws.

Each Significant Borrower Undertaking shall provide that the nature of the undertaking therein may be amended by the related Significant Borrower from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of such Significant Borrower, but only if (1) the undertaking, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell the Political Subdivision Obligations in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule since such offering as well as such changed circumstances and (2) either (a) the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of the 2021 Bond Indenture that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Political Subdivision Obligations consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with any Significant Borrower (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determined that such amendment will not materially impair the interest of the Holders and beneficial owners of the Political Subdivision Obligations. If any Significant Borrower so amends its Significant Borrower Undertaking, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided an explanation, in narrative form, of the reason for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided.

The Board, as a condition to making financial assistance available to a Political Subdivision, requires that a Political Subdivision must include a provision in its authorizing proceedings to the effect that such Political Subdivision will covenant to provide relevant financial information and operating data with respect to such Political Subdivision annually to the MSRB within 195 days after the end of each fiscal year of such Political Subdivision, and to file with the MSRB certain specified "disclosure events" with respect to the Political Subdivision Obligations consistent with the Rule, as if the Board were a "Participating Underwriter" within the meaning of the Rule.

As a result of the prepayment or redemption of Political Subdivision Obligations held in the Portfolio Account established by the 2021 Bond Indenture, should a Political Subdivision become a Future Significant

Borrower, the 2021 Bond Trustee will promptly notify the Board and the Political Subdivision that becomes a Future Significant Borrower in writing that the Political Subdivision has become a Future Significant Borrower. As a result of a Significant Borrower's Political Subdivision Obligations held in the Portfolio Account established by the 2021 Bond Indenture no longer comprising at least twenty percent (20%) in aggregate principal amount of all Political Subdivision Obligations held in such Portfolio Account, the 2021 Bond Trustee will promptly notify the Board and such Political Subdivision in writing that such Political Subdivision no longer is a Significant Borrower. Notice to the Political Subdivision shall be sent to the address provided to the 2021 Bond Trustee by the Board at the time the Political Subdivision Obligation is directed by the Board to be purchased by the 2021 Bond Trustee in accordance with the provisions of the 2021 Bond Indenture.

If the Board is unable, through no fault of its own, to obtain a Significant Borrower Undertaking from any Political Subdivision which currently has Political Subdivision Obligations held in the Portfolio Account established by the 2021 Bond Indenture, as the case may be, and which subsequently becomes a Significant Borrower, the Board is under no obligation to take any action if any such Significant Borrower fails to provide the information requested.

As of the Date of Delivery, UTRWD will be the sole Significant Borrower under the 2021 Bond Indenture.

#### Compliance with Prior Undertakings of Significant Borrowers Under the 2021 Bond Indenture

In accordance with the Rule, the Board has been advised by Upper Trinity Regional Water District ("UTRWD") of the following matters with respect to UTRWD's compliance with its continuing disclosure undertakings.

In connection with the UTRWD's outstanding bond debt for the UTRWD's treated water system, and separate wastewater treatment systems, the UTRWD entered into continuing disclosure undertakings to provide certain updated financial information and operating data of the UTRWD and certain significant obligated persons (generally, a contracting party for the respective system whose payments to the UTRWD for use of or service from such system in the Fiscal Year preceding such determination exceeded 10% of the gross revenues of such system) along with audited financial statements of the UTRWD and respective significant obligated persons within six months of the end of the UTRWD's fiscal year. Certain official statements of the UTRWD also indicated that the information for the respective significant obligated persons would be filed within six months of the fiscal year end of the respective significant obligated persons. During the last five years, the UTRWD has filed the required financial information and operating data and financial statements within six months of the UTRWD's September 30 fiscal year end. Certain significant obligated persons have different fiscal year ends from the UTRWD. Specifically, Lake Cities Municipal Utility Authority ("LCMUA"), a significant obligated person with respect to the UTRWD's outstanding Lakeview Regional Water Reclamation System debt, has an August 31 fiscal year end and Denton County Fresh Water Supply District No. 8-A ("District 8-A"), Denton County Fresh Water Supply District No. 10 ("District No. 10") and Denton County Fresh Water Supply District No. 11-A ("District 11-A"), each significant obligated persons with respect to the UTRWD's outstanding Northeast Regional Water Reclamation System debt, have February 28, July 31 and February 28 fiscal year ends, respectively. District 8-A, District 10 and District 11-A each have outstanding debt pursuant to which they have filed their annual financial statements on EMMA or Disclosure USA, as appropriate, within six months of their respective year ends. The UTRWD caused LCMUA's annual financial statements for LCMUA's 2015-2017 fiscal years to be filed on EMMA or Disclosure USA, as applicable, within six months of the end of the UTRWD's fiscal year, but such filings were more than six months, but less than seven months, after LCMUA's fiscal year end. The UTRWD caused LCMUA's annual financial statements for LCMUA's 2018, 2019 and 2020 fiscal years to be timely filed within 6 months of the end of LCMUA's fiscal year.

#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Ratings

The Series 2021 Bonds are rated "AAA" by Fitch Ratings and "AAA" by S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global, Inc. An explanation of the significance of such ratings may be obtained from the rating agency furnishing the rating. The ratings reflect only the respective views of such rating agencies and the Board makes no representation as to the appropriateness of the ratings. Such ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold the Series 2021 Bonds. There is no assurance that such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by either of such rating agencies, if in the judgment of either or both such agencies, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such ratings, or either of them,

may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Series 2021 Bonds. A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

#### Underwriting

The Underwriters have agreed, subject to certain conditions, to purchase the Series 2021 Bonds from the Board, at a price of \$515,225,015.90 (reflecting the par amount of the Series 2021 Bonds, plus an original issue premium of \$71,971,675.15, less an underwriting discount of \$1,481,659.25) and no accrued interest. The Underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the Series 2021 Bonds if any Series 2021 Bonds are purchased. The Series 2021 Bonds to be offered to the public may be offered and sold to certain dealers (including the Underwriters and other dealers depositing Series 2021 Bonds into investment trusts) at prices lower than the public offering prices of such Series 2021 Bonds, and such public offering prices may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriters.

The Underwriters have furnished for inclusion in this Official Statement the following paragraphs of this subcaption. The Board makes no representation as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in the following paragraphs.

The Underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage services. Certain of the Underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and investment banking services for the Board, the State or the Political Subdivisions, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities, which may include credit default swaps) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve securities and instruments of the Board, the State or the Political Subdivisions. The Underwriters and their respective affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire, long and/or short positions in such assets, securities and instruments.

Additionally, certain of the Underwriters may have entered into distribution agreements with other broker-dealers (that have not been designated by the Board as Underwriters) for the distribution of the Series 2021 Bonds at the original issue prices. Such agreements generally provide that the relevant Underwriter will share a portion of its underwriting compensation or selling concession with such broker-dealers.

Wells Fargo Securities is the trade name for certain securities-related capital markets and investment banking services of Wells Fargo & Company and its subsidiaries, including Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, which conducts its municipal securities sales, trading and underwriting operations through the Wells Fargo Bank, NA Municipal Finance Group, a separately identifiable department of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a municipal securities dealer pursuant to Section 15B(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, acting through its Municipal Finance Group ("WFBNA"), the senior underwriter of the Series 2021 Bonds, has entered into an agreement (the "WFA Distribution Agreement") with its affiliate, Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC (which uses the trade name "Wells Fargo Advisors") ("WFA"), for the distribution of certain municipal securities offerings, including the Series 2021 Bonds. Pursuant to the WFA Distribution Agreement, WFBNA will share a portion of its underwriting or remarketing agent compensation, as applicable, with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds with WFA. WFBNA has also entered into an agreement (the "WFSLLC Distribution Agreement") with its affiliate Wells Fargo Securities, LLC ("WFSLLC"), for the distribution of municipal securities offerings, including the Series 2021 Bonds. Pursuant to the WFSLLC Distribution Agreement, WFBNA pays a portion of WFSLLC's expenses based on its municipal securities transactions. WFBNA, WFSLLC, and WFA are each wholly-owned subsidiaries of Wells Fargo & Company.

Morgan Stanley, parent company of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, an underwriter of the Series 2021 Bonds, has entered into a retail distribution arrangement with its affiliate Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. As part of the distribution arrangement, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC may distribute municipal securities to retail investors through the financial advisor network of Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. As part of this arrangement, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC may compensate Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC for its selling efforts with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds.

One of the Underwriters of the Series 2021 Bonds is BOK Financial Securities, Inc., which is not a bank, and the Series 2021 Bonds are not deposits of any bank and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### **Registration and Qualification of Series 2021 Bonds**

The sale of the Series 2021 Bonds has not been registered under the federal Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemption provided thereunder by Section 3(a)(2); and the Series 2021 Bonds have not been qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Series 2021 Bonds been qualified under the securities acts of any jurisdiction. The Board assumes no responsibility for qualification of the Series 2021 Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction (including any foreign nation) in which the Series 2021 Bonds may be sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for qualification for sale or other disposition of the Series 2021 Bonds shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration provisions.

#### Legal Investments and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas

Section 1201.041 of the Public Security Procedures Act (Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code) provides that the Series 2021 Bonds are negotiable instruments governed by Chapter 8, Texas Business and Commerce Code, and are legal and authorized investments for insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for the sinking funds of municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State. With respect to investment in the Series 2021 Bonds by municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State, the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, requires that the Series 2021 Bonds be assigned a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency. See "OTHER INFORMATION – Ratings" above. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Series 2021 Bonds are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with capital of one million dollars or more, and savings and loan associations. The Series 2021 Bonds are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies, and its political subdivisions, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their market value. No review by the Board has been made of the laws in other states or foreign nations to determine whether the Series 2021 Bonds are legal investments for various institutions in those states or foreign nations.

#### **Legal Opinions**

The delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds is subject to the approval of the Attorney General of the State to the effect that the Series 2021 Bonds are valid and legally binding special obligations of the Board in accordance with their terms payable solely from and equally and ratably secured by the first lien on and pledge of the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds securing the Series 2021 Bonds in the manner provided in the 2021 Bond Indenture and the approving legal opinions of Bond Counsel, to like effect and to the effect that the interest on the Series 2021 Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS – Tax-Exempt Bonds" in this Official Statement. The proposed form of Bond Counsel's opinion is attached as *Appendix D*.

Bond Counsel was not requested to participate, and did not take part, in the preparation of the Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility for this Official Statement or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained in it, except that, in their capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information in the Official Statement under the captions "INTRODUCTION," "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2021 BONDS," "THE SERIES 2021 BONDS," "TAX MATTERS," "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except for the information under the subheading "Compliance with Prior Undertakings of Significant Borrowers"), "OTHER INFORMATION – Registration and Qualification of Series 2021 Bonds," "OTHER INFORMATION – Legal Investments and Eligibility to

Secure Public Funds in Texas" and "OTHER INFORMATION – Legal Opinions," and in "Appendix B" and "Appendix D" to verify that the information relating to the Series 2021 Bonds, the Master Trust Indenture and the 2021 Bond Indenture contained under such captions and in Appendices B and D in all respects accurately and fairly reflects the provisions thereof and, insofar as such information relates to matters of law, is true and accurate. The opinion of Bond Counsel will accompany the global certificates deposited with DTC in connection with the use of the Book-Entry-Only System. In addition, certain legal matters will be passed upon (i) for the Underwriters by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Austin, Texas and The Hardwick Law Firm, LLC, Houston, Texas, co-counsel to the Underwriters, and (ii) for the Board by Bracewell LLP, Disclosure Counsel for the Board, and the payment of the fees of each such law firm is contingent on the sale and issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds.

McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. and Bracewell LLP may represent the members of the underwriting syndicate from time to time on matters not related to the Series 2021 Bonds.

The legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds express the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinions as to the legal issues expressly addressed in those opinions. In rendering a legal opinion, the attorney does not become an insurer or guarantor of the expression of professional judgment, of the transaction opined upon, or of the future performance of the parties to the transaction nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise from the transaction.

#### No Litigation

The Board is not a party to any litigation or other proceeding pending or, to its knowledge, threatened, in any court, agency, or other administrative body (either state or federal) which, if decided adversely to the Board, would have a material adverse effect on the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds, and no litigation of any nature has been filed or, to its knowledge, threatened that would affect the provisions made for the use of the Security for the Series 2021 Bonds to secure or pay the principal of or interest on the Series 2021 Bonds, or in any manner questioning the validity of the Series 2021 Bonds.

#### **Sources of Information**

The financial and other information contained herein have been obtained from the Board's records and other sources which are believed to be reliable. There is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. All of the summaries of the statutes, documents and Indentures contained in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such statutes, documents and Indentures. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such documents for further information. Reference is made to original documents in all respects.

#### **Financial Advisor**

Hilltop Securities Inc. ("HilltopSecurities"), is employed as Financial Advisor to the Board in connection with the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Series 2021 Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds. HilltopSecurities, in its capacity as Financial Advisor, does not assume any responsibility for the information, covenants and representations contained in any of the legal documents with respect to the federal income tax status of the Series 2021 Bonds, or the possible impact of any present, pending or future actions taken by any legislative or judicial bodies.

The Financial Advisor to the Board has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the Board and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

The statements contained in this Official Statement, and in any other information provided to the reader by the Board that are not purely historical, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including statements regarding the Board's expectations, hopes, intentions, or strategies regarding the future. Readers should

not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to the Board on the date hereof, and the Board assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. It is important to note that the Board's actual results could differ materially from those in such forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement would prove to be accurate.

#### **Approval of Official Statement**

The Resolution approved the form and content of this Official Statement and authorized its further use in the reoffering of the Series 2021 Bonds by the Underwriters. Questions regarding this Official Statement may be directed to Georgia Sanchez, Director, Debt and Portfolio Management and Development Fund Manager, Texas Water Development Board, 1700 North Congress, Austin, Texas 78701; Telephone: (512) 475-4584; Electronic Mail: georgia.sanchez@twdb.texas.gov.

#### APPENDIX A-1

# SUMMARY OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY SERIES 2021 BONDS



## SUMMARY OF SWIRFT POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OBLIGATIONS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY SERIES 2021 BONDS\*

The following table shows the projected Political Subdivision Obligations expected to be funded with proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds based on new commitments made in 2021, and existing multi-year commitments.

Entity	Obligation Description	Commitment Date	Anticipated Closing Amount
	City Of Austin, Texas Water And Wastewater System Revenue		
Austin, City of	Bonds, Series 2021C	7/21/2016	\$ 18,000,000
	Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority, Inc., City of Cedar		
Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority,	Park, Texas Contract Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Brushy		
Inc.	Creek Regional Water Treatment and Distribution Project)	7/22/2021	75,310,000 <sup>(</sup>
	Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority, Inc., City of Leander,		
Brushy Creek Regional Utility Authority,	Texas Contract Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Brushy Creek		
Inc.	Regional Water Treatment and Distribution Project)	7/22/2021	40,000,000
	City of Bryan, Texas Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue		
Bryan, City of	Bonds, New Series 2021	7/21/2016	15,655,000
	Guadalupe Blanco River Authority Contract Revenue Bonds,	7/26/2018	
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority	Series 2021 (Low Interest Financing) (Carrizo Groundwater	7/23/2020	59,135,000
	Master Agreement between Texas Water Development Board		
	and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (Regarding Board	7/26/2018	
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority	Participation Carrizo Groundwater Supply Project No. 51055)	7/23/2020	13,115,000
Justin, City of	City of Justin, Texas Combination Tax and Surplus Revenue	7/20/2017	2,400,000
McAllen, City of	City of McAllen, Texas Waterworks and Sewer System	7/22/2021	18,000,000
	North Fort Bend Water Authority Water System Junior Lien		
North Fort Bend Water Authority	Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A	7/23/2015	20,940,000
North Fort Bend Water Authority	North Fort Bend Water Authority Water System Revenue	7/26/2018	13,035,000
North Harris County Regional Water	North Harris County Regional Water Authority Senior Lien	7/23/2015	2,122,111
Authority	Revenue Bonds, Series 2021	7/26/2018	38,530,000
	Water Development Board and Upper Trinity Regional Water	, ,	, ,
	District Regarding Board Participation in Lake Ralph Hall	7/22/2019	
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	Reservoir Project No. 51001	8/5/2020	135,500,000
	Master Agreement between Texas Water Development Board	, ,	
	and Upper Trinity Regional Water District Regarding Board		
	Participation in RTWS Northeast Transmission Pipelines and		
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	Loop Project No. 51068	7/22/2021	10,605,000
	City of Vernon, Texas Combination Tax and Surplus Revenue		
Vernon, City of	Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021	7/22/2021	12,000,000
West Harris County Regional Water	West Harris County Regional Water Authority Water System		
Authority	Junior Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2021	7/23/2015	41,470,000
	City of White Settlement, Texas Combination Tax and Surplus		
White Settlement, City of	Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021A	7/22/2021	675,000
	Total		\$ 514,370,000

<sup>\*</sup> Financial assistance amounts are subject to change until the Political Subdivision Obligations are purchased or entered into by the Board.

<sup>(1)</sup> Bonds are secured solely with revenues payable under a contract between the Authority and the City of Cedar Park.

<sup>(2)</sup> Bonds are secured solely with revenues payable under a contract between the Authority and the City of Leander.

# SIGNIFICANT BORROWERS EXPECTED TO BE FUNDED BY THE SERIES 2021 BONDS\*

	EXPECTED	ANTICIPATED	PERCENTAGE	
	<b>NUMBER OF</b>	CLOSING	OF PORTFOLIO	
POLITICAL SUBDIVISION	<b>OBLIGATIONS</b>	<b>AMOUNT*</b>	<b>ACCOUNT</b>	
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	2	\$146,105,000	28%	

<sup>\*</sup> Financial assistance amounts are subject to change until the Political Subdivision Obligations are purchased or entered into by the Board.

# APPENDIX A-2 SIGNIFICANT BORROWER INFORMATION



## SIGNIFICANT BORROWER INFORMATION SERIES 2021 BONDS

The following information has been furnished by the Significant Borrower of Series 2021 Bond proceeds for inclusion in this Official Statement:

#### UPPER TRINITY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT

#### General

Upper Trinity Regional Water District (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and a body politic and corporate, created as a conservation and reclamation district under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution and pursuant to Chapter 1053, Acts of the 71st Legislature of Texas, Regular Session, 1989, as amended. Under the Constitution, the Act and Chapter 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, the District has broad powers for water conservation and use for all beneficial purposes of storm and flood waters and unappropriated flow waters. As a necessary aid to these purposes, the District has specific authority to construct, own and operate water supply, treatment and distribution facilities and wastewater gathering, treatment and disposal facilities, to charge for such services, and to make contracts in reference thereto with municipalities and others.

The District includes all of Denton County, plus limited portions of Collin and Dallas Counties. The District is composed of 24 Members – including 19 towns and cities, Denton County, one utility authority and three special districts. Each Member appoints one director to the Board, except that Denton County appoints two directors – one for Denton County "atlarge" and one to represent the Denton County Commissioners Court. Concerning administrative, policy and planning matters, each director has one vote – with one ex officio director not having a vote. For capital expenditures, voting is weighted generally based on level of System participation. The Board appoints an Executive Director who manages the District, its employees and the services and programs offered. The District has constructed and operates separate and distinct treated water systems and wastewater systems serving various portions of the District's service area.

In addition to its Regional Treated Water Supply System, the District has established and implemented Regional Wastewater Systems and Plants and the Regional Non-Potable Water Supply System wherein the District, pursuant to contracts and other agreements, has accepted the responsibility to design, acquire, construct, complete, operate, maintain, and from time to time enlarge, improve and expand the systems to provide facilities to adequately receive, transport, treat and dispose of wastewater from Members and customers. These systems and plants were created, exist and operate as completely separate and independent regional systems and plants, and, except for certain cost-sharing activities (or arrangements), the financial transactions and other activities associated with the operation and maintenance of each system or plant are kept separate and apart, and are not in any manner commingled or connected with any of the other systems or plants.

More information related to the District is set forth in the official statement dated June 10, 2021 (the "2021 District Official Statement"), prepared in connection with the sale of its \$40,015,000 Upper Trinity Regional Water District Regional Treated Water Supply System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (the "2021 District Bonds"). The 2021 District Official Statement for the 2021 District Bonds can be accessed through the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system established by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") at <a href="www.emma.msrb.org">www.emma.msrb.org</a>. Such document is intended to provide general information concerning the District and its finances as of its date, and is not incorporated herein by reference.

#### The System

The District's System consists of raw water supply facilities, a raw water intake and pump station, two water treatment plants, high service pumps, a transmission system and booster pump stations and storage tanks. The raw water intake in Lewisville Lake is jointly owned with the City of Lewisville has a combined current capacity of approximately 200 mgd. The intake structure which draws water from Lewisville Lake was completed in the summer of 1997, and can accommodate future growth of the District. The District's transmission system consists of 108.58 miles of pipe in various sizes from 12 inches to 60 inches in diameter.

#### **Regional Water Treatment Plants**

The Taylor Regional Water Treatment Plant, the District's initial facility, current capacity is 70 mgd and is expandable up to 300 mgd to allow for future growth. It is located in Lewisville on the same site as the District's Administration and Maintenance facilities. This facility includes ozone treatment and serves primarily the southern portion of the District's service area.

The Harpool Regional Water Treatment Plant is the District's second facility with current capacity of 26 mgd, expandable up to 200 mgd for future growth. The plant site also has a storage lake for raw water for emergency conditions. This plant uses membrane filtration for its treatment process and serves primarily the northeast portion of the District's service area.

The existing pipeline from the Taylor Plant which has been supplying water to the northern portion of the District's service area has been converted to an interconnect which allows water to be transported to either portion of the service area. This provides redundancy of service issues to either portion of the Regional Treated Water System.

An invasive species, in the form of Zebra mussels, has been identified in Ray Roberts Lake and Lewisville Lake, both located in the upper portion of the Trinity River Basin. The District has a raw water intake in Lewisville Lake, a downstream lake; and has completed construction of facilities to protect the raw water pumps and the pipeline to the Taylor Plant. Any potential overall impact of Zebra mussels on costs or on maintenance of the System is expected to be minor – with no impact on the District's ability to treat and deliver water to customers.

#### **Expansion of the System**

Based on anticipated future demand, the District has determined to expand the System, including expansion and extensions of its water transmission lines and increased pumping capacity. Expansion of water treatment capacity will be planned as needed. According to the Texas State Water Plan, as confirmed by the District's plans for capital improvements, the District expects to develop new water supply sources and additional delivery capacity over the next twenty years to keep pace with growth in the service area.

#### **Planning for Future Water Supplies**

The District has sufficient water resources to accommodate expected needs for approximately the next eight to ten years. Pursuant to the Texas Water Plan, the District is actively engaged in long-term planning for additional water supply sources. In 2003, the District made application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") for a water rights permit to enable development of Lake Ralph Hall in Fannin County. On December 2013, the TCEQ issued a Water Rights Permit for the District for Lake Ralph Hall. In January 2020, the District received its Federal Section 404 construction permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The District has applied for and received \$459,065,000 in additional funding commitments from the Texas Water Development Board ("TWDB") to support on-going planning, permitting, development and construction for the proposed Lake Ralph Hall, located on the North Sulphur River. Lake Ralph Hall will yield approximately 35 mgd of raw water plus enable potential reuse of approximately 19 mgd.

#### **Continuing Disclosure of Information**

In connection with the 2021 District Bonds, the District has agreed to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually to the MSRB via the EMMA system in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12, with respect to itself and each Significant Obligated Person. Currently, the only Significant Obligated Person is the Town of Flower Mound. For more information about the District's continuing disclosure obligations entered into in connection with the 2021 District Bonds, see the 2021 District Official Statement.

The District also agreed to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually and timely notice of certain specified events to EMMA for its previously issued System revenue bonds.

The continuing disclosure information provided by the District and each Significant Obligated Person can be accessed through the EMMA system established by the MSRB at <a href="www.emma.msrb.org">www.emma.msrb.org</a>. Such continuing disclosure information is not incorporated herein by reference.

#### APPENDIX B

## DEFINITIONS AND SUMMARY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE MASTER TRUST INDENTURE AND THE BOND INDENTURE

The following statements summarize certain provisions of the Master Trust Indenture and the Bond Indenture. These statements do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Master Trust Indenture and the Bond Indenture, respectively. Copies of the Master Trust Indenture and Bond Indenture are available for examination at the offices of the Board.

The following capitalized terms appearing in this Official Statement have the meanings set forth below, unless the context otherwise requires. A reference to any of these terms in the singular number includes the plural and vice versa. A reference in this Official Statement to 2021 Bond Indenture has the same meaning as Bond Indenture.

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### DEFINITIONS OF THE MASTER TRUST INDENTURE AND THE BOND INDENTURE

"Affiliate" means, with respect to the Master Trustee or the Trustee, any Person directly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, the Master Trustee or the Trustee.

"Assistance Account" means, for purposes of this Official Statement, the Assistance Account so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"Authorized Denominations" means \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Authorized Investments" or "Investment Securities" means, with respect to the Master Trust Indenture: (i) Federal Securities; (ii) Investment Agreements; (iii) certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, bank deposit products or money market deposits which are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; (iv) the following bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed full faith and credit of the United States of America (stripped securities being permitted only if they have been stripped by the agency itself): (A) direct obligations or fully guaranteed certificates of beneficial ownership of the United States Export-Import Bank, (B) participation certificates and guaranteed pool certificates of the Small Business Administration; (C) debentures of the Federal Housing Administration; (D) guaranteed mortgage-back bonds and guaranteed pass-through obligations of the Government National Mortgage Association; and (E) project notes, local authority bonds, guaranteed debentures and guaranteed public housing notes and bonds of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; (v) the following bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following non-full faith and credit United States government agencies (stripped securities being permitted only if they have been stripped by the agency itself): (A) senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System; (B) participation certificates and senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; (C) mortgage-backed securities and senior debt obligations of the Federal National Mortgage Association; and (D) obligations of the Resolution Funding Corporation; (vi) money market funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the shares of which are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, and having a rating of no less than AA or its equivalent from a national recognized rating agency; (vii) commercial paper, with a maturity not greater than 270 days, and rated, at the time of purchase, "Prime-1" by Moody's, "F1" or better by Fitch or "A-1" or better by S&P; (viii) general obligation bonds, notes or other obligations of states that are rated within the top two rating categories (without regard to gradations within the rating category) from a nationally recognized rating agency; (ix) pre-refunded municipal obligations meeting the following conditions: (i) such obligations are (a) not to be redeemed prior to maturity or irrevocable instructions concerning their calling and redemption have been given and (b) the issuer of such obligations has covenanted not to redeem such obligations other than as set forth in such instructions; (ii) such obligations are secured by Federal Securities that may be applied only to interest, principal, and premium payments of such obligations; (iii) the principal of and interest on such Federal Securities (plus any cash in the escrow fund with respect to such prerefunded obligations) are sufficient to meet the liabilities of the obligations; (iv) the Federal Securities are serving as security for the obligations are held by an escrow agent or trustee; and (v) such Federal Securities are not available to satisfy any other claims, including those against the escrow agent or trustee; (x) repurchase agreements that conform to the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act (Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code); and (xi) federal funds or bankers' acceptances with a maximum term of one year of any bank which has an unsecured, uninsured and unguaranteed obligation rating of "A-1/Prime-1" or "Aa3" or better by Moody's and "F1" or "A" or better by Fitch and "A-1" or "A" or better by S&P at the time of the investment. Ratings of Authorized Investments shall be determined at the time of purchase of such Authorized Investments and without regard to ratings subcategories, and the Master Trustee shall have no responsibility to monitor the ratings thereof. Moneys shall be invested in the manner permitted by the laws of the State, including, without limitation, Subchapter H.

"Authorized Investments" or "Investment Securities" means, with respect to the Bond Indenture: (i) Federal Securities; (ii) Investment Agreements; (iii) demand deposits, including interest bearing money market accounts, time deposits, trust funds, trust accounts, overnight bank deposits, interest-bearing deposits, other deposit products, certificates of deposit, including those placed by a third party pursuant to an agreement between the Trustee and the Board, or bankers acceptances of depository institutions, including the Trustee or any of its Affiliates; (iv) the following bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed full faith and credit of the United States of America (stripped securities being permitted only if they have been stripped by the agency itself): (A) direct obligations or fully guaranteed certificates of beneficial ownership of the United States Export-Import Bank, (B) participation certificates

and guaranteed pool certificates of the Small Business Administration; (C) debentures of the Federal Housing Administration; (D) guaranteed mortgage-back bonds and guaranteed pass-through obligations of the Government National Mortgage Association; and (E) project notes, local authority bonds, guaranteed debentures and guaranteed public housing notes and bonds of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; (v) the following bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following non-full faith and credit United States government agencies (stripped securities being permitted only if they have been stripped by the agency itself): (A) senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System; (B) participation certificates and senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; (C) mortgage-backed securities and senior debt obligations of the Federal National Mortgage Association; (D) obligations of the Resolution Funding Corporation; and (E) obligations of the Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corporation; (vi) money market funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the shares of which are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, and having a rating of no less than "AA" or its equivalent from a nationally recognized rating agency, including those for which the Trustee or an Affiliate receives and retains a fee for services provided to the fund, whether as a custodian, transfer agent, investment advisor or otherwise; (vii) commercial paper, with a maturity not greater than 270 days, and rated, at the time of purchase, "Prime-1" by Moody's, "F1" or better by Fitch or "A-1" or better by S&P; (viii) general obligation bonds, notes or other obligations of states that are rated within the top two rating categories (without regard to gradations within the rating category) from a nationally recognized rating agency; (ix) pre-refunded municipal obligations meeting the following conditions: (i) such obligations are (a) not to be redeemed prior to maturity or irrevocable instructions concerning their calling and redemption have been given and (b) the issuer of such obligations has covenanted not to redeem such obligations other than as set forth in such instructions; (ii) such obligations are secured by Federal Securities that may be applied only to interest, principal, and premium payments of such obligations; (iii) the principal of and interest on such Federal Securities (plus any cash in the escrow fund with respect to such pre-refunded obligations) are sufficient to meet the liabilities of the obligations; (iv) the Federal Securities are serving as security for the obligations are held by an escrow agent or trustee; and (v) such Federal Securities are not available to satisfy any other claims, including those against the escrow agent or trustee; (x) repurchase agreements that conform to the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act (Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code); and (xi) federal funds or bankers' acceptances with a maximum term of one year of any bank which has an unsecured, uninsured and unguaranteed obligation rating of "A-1/Prime-1" or "Aa3" or better by Moody's and "F1" or "A" or better by Fitch and "A-1" or "A" or better by S&P at the time of the investment.

"Board" means the Texas Water Development Board.

"Board Representative" shall mean the Executive Administrator, the Chief Financial Officer of the Board, or the Development Fund Manager, and any other member, officer or employee of the Board authorized by resolution of the Board to perform the act or sign the document in question.

"Bond" or "Bonds," as used in the Master Trust Indenture, means State Water Plan Bonds of the Board in one or more series, relating to the financing of State Water Plan Projects, including, without limitation, bonds or other obligations issued and secured pursuant to one or more Bond Indentures and further secured by moneys transferred to a Bond Indenture Trustee in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Master Trust Indenture, and as used in the Bond Indenture, means the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Master Trust) authorized to be issued by the Bond Indenture.

"Bondholder," "Bondowner," "holder" or "owner" or any similar term, when used with reference to a Bond or Bonds, means any Person who shall be the registered owner of any Outstanding Bond or Bonds.

"Bond Register" means the registration record maintained by the Bond Registrar under the Bond Indenture.

"Bond Registrar" means the Bond Indenture Trustee for the Bond Indenture.

"Bond Indenture," as used in the Master Trust Indenture, means the bond indenture or other similar document between the Board and a Bond Indenture Trustee, pursuant to which a Series of Bonds is issued and delivered, and for purposes of this Official Statement, with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds, the Bond Indenture between the Board and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, dated October 1, 2021, pursuant to which the Series 2021 Bonds are being issued and delivered.

"Bond Indenture Trustee" or "Trustee," means the trustee named under the Bond Indenture in its capacity as such trustee; in respect to the Series 2021 Bonds, the term means The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, a national banking association, and any successor trustee as allowed under the Bond Indenture.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or any other day on which banking institutions in New York, New York, or, the city which the designated corporate trust office of the Master Trustee are authorized or required to be closed.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder or under the corresponding section of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any subsequently enacted internal revenue law of the United States of America.

"Costs of Issuance Account" means, for purposes of this Official Statement, the Costs of Issuance Accounts so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"Coverage Requirement" has the meaning given the term in "SUMMARY OF THE BOND INDENTURE – GENERAL COVENANTS AND PROVISIONS – Release of Pledged Political Subdivisions; Substitution of Pledged Political Subdivisions; Prepayment of Pledged Political Subdivisions" below.

"Debt Service Account" means, for purposes of this Official Statement, the Debt Service Account so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"Defeasance Securities" means (i) Federal Securities, (ii) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the Board adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or, if such defeasance is not in connection with the issuance of refunding bonds, on the date the Board provides for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally-recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, (iii) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the Board adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or, if such defeasance is not in connection with the issuance of refunding bonds, on the date the Board provides for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally-recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, or (iv) any other then authorized securities or obligations that may be used to defease obligations such as the Bonds under the then applicable laws of the State.

"Events of Default" with respect to the Bond Indenture means any one or more of the following events: (a) default in the due and punctual payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any related Bond; or (b) default made by the Board in the observance of any of the covenants, agreements or conditions on its part in the Bond Indenture or in the related Bonds contained, and such default shall have continued for a period of 90 days after the Board shall have been given written notice of such default by the Trustee or by the owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the related Bonds then Outstanding.

"Federal Securities" means direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America.

"Fiscal Year" means the fiscal year of the Board, which currently runs during the period beginning in each calendar year on September 1 and ending on August 31 of the calendar year next following.

"Fitch" means Fitch Ratings Inc., and its successors and assigns.

"Interest Payment Date" means April 15, 2022, and each October 15 and April 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption.

"Investment Agreement" mean any of the following: (i) any investment agreement with financial institutions whose long-term obligations are rated within the top two rating categories (without regard to gradations within the rating category) of any nationally recognized rating service or whose short-term obligations are rated within the top rating category of any nationally recognized rating service; (ii) any investment agreement rated within the top two

rating categories of any nationally recognized rating service; and (iii) any investment agreement fully secured by Federal Securities.

"Master Trust Bonds" means all bonds of the Board at any time outstanding and secured under the Master Trust Indenture.

"Master Trust Indenture" means the Master Trust Indenture, as from time to time amended and supplemented in accordance with its terms.

"Master Trustee" means The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, a national banking association, and any successor Master Trustee pursuant to the provisions of the Master Trust Indenture in place at the time the Master Trustee is serving under the Master Trust Indenture.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc., and its successors and assigns.

"Officer's Certificate" means a certificate of the Board signed by a Board Representative.

"Outstanding," when used with reference to any Bond, has the meaning ascribed by the Bond Indenture pursuant to which such Bond was issued.

"Owner," "Bondowner," "Bondholder," "holder" or "owner" means the registered owner of any Bond as provided in the Bond Indenture.

"Payment Date" means an Interest Payment Date or a Principal Payment Date.

"Person" shall mean an individual or an entity, including, without limitation, a corporation, a partnership, a limited liability company, an association, a joint stock company, a trust, an unincorporated organization, a governmental body or a Political Subdivision, a municipal corporation, a public corporation or any other group or organization of individuals.

"Political Subdivision" has the meaning specified for that term in Section 17.001(6), Texas Water Code. For purposes of the Bond Indenture, the term Political Subdivision does not include a Water Supply Corporation.

"Political Subdivision Obligation" means each bond, note, agreement or other evidence of indebtedness purchased from or entered into by the Board with a Political Subdivision, evidencing the obligation of the Political Subdivision to repay the financial assistance made or incurred pursuant thereto from the proceeds of the Bonds. The term "Political Subdivision Obligation" excludes any Political Subdivision Obligation released pursuant to the Bond Indenture from and after such release and includes any Political Subdivision Obligation substituted pursuant to the Bond Indenture from and after such substitution.

"Portfolio Account" means, for purposes of this Official Statement, the Portfolio Account so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"Prepayment" shall mean any amount received by the Board from payment of principal of Political Subdivision Obligations, which amount is received prior to the scheduled payment date or dates of such Political Subdivision Obligations.

"Principal Payment Date" means April 15 in each of the years 2022 through 2052, and on October 15 in each of the years 2022 through 2056, until maturity or prior redemption of the Bonds. A Principal Payment Date includes a mandatory sinking fund redemption date of the Bonds.

"Program Account" means the account by that name established by the Master Trust Indenture.

"Project Financing Account" means, for purposes of this Official Statement, the Project Financing Accounts so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"Rating Agencies" means any rating agency that, at the request of the Board, has issued and is currently maintaining a rating on the Bonds.

"Record Date" means the last Business Day of the calendar month next preceding each Interest Payment Date.

"Redemption Date" means the date all or a portion of the Bonds are scheduled for redemption prior to maturity, through the exercise of rights reserved by the Board to effect an optional redemption of Bonds.

"Repayment" means any payment due and payable by a Political Subdivision in repayment of its Political Subdivision Obligation.

"Revenue Account" means the Revenue Account so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"Revenues" means all Repayments paid over to or for the account of the Board and any other payments made to or for the account of the Board by the Political Subdivisions under their Political Subdivision Obligations.

"S&P" means S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Service LLC, and its successors and assigns.

"Section 49-d-12" means Article 3, Section 49-d-12 of the Constitution of the State.

"Section 49-d-13" means Article 3, Section 49-d-13 of the Constitution of the State.

"Series 2021 Bonds" means the Texas Water Development Board State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 (Master Trust).

"Series Certificate" means, with respect to any series of Bonds, the related Officer's Certificate delivered pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture, as such certificate may be amended from time to time.

"Series of Bonds" or "Bonds of a series" or words of similar meaning means the Series of Bonds authorized by a respective Bond Indenture and secured under the Master Trust Indenture.

"Significant Borrower" means any Political Subdivision whose outstanding aggregate Political Subdivision Obligations with a common security pledged to the payment thereof issued or incurred by such Political Subdivision and held, on and after April 1, 2022, in the Portfolio Account comprises at least twenty percent (20%) in aggregate principal amount of all Political Subdivision Obligations held in the Portfolio Account.

"State" means the State of Texas.

"State Water Plan" means the comprehensive water plan prepared, developed, formulated and adopted by the Board no less often than every five (5) years pursuant to Subchapter C.

"State Water Plan Bonds" means general obligation bonds and revenue bonds issued by the Board to finance State Water Plan Projects in accordance with the laws of the State, including specifically its revenue bonds issued under authority of Subchapter H that shall be payable from designated income and receipts of SWIRFT, including principal of and interest paid and to be paid on assets of SWIRFT or income from accounts created within SWIRFT by the Board.

"State Water Plan Project" means any project including in the State Water Plan that is authorized under Subchapter E, Subchapter F, Subchapter J, Subchapter Q or Subchapter R, or any other laws of the State that authorize the Board to finance projects as part of the State Water Plan.

"Subchapter C" means Subchapter C of Chapter 16 of the Texas Water Code

"Subchapter E" means Subchapter E of Chapter 16 of the Texas Water Code.

"Subchapter F" means Subchapter F of Chapter 16 of the Texas Water Code.

"Subchapter G" means Subchapter G of Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code.

"Subchapter H" means Subchapter H of Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code.

"Subchapter J" means Subchapter J of Chapter 17 of the Texas Water Code.

"Subchapter Q" means Subchapter Q of Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code.

"Subchapter R" means Subchapter R of Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code.

"Supplemental Trust Indenture" means any Trust Indenture supplementary to or amendatory of the Master Trust Indenture duly executed and delivered in accordance with the provisions of the Master Trust Indenture.

"Surplus Balance" means the amount available under a Bond Indenture that is in excess of (i) the amount held in the Assistance Account established under the applicable Bond Indenture to pay from time to time debt service on Bonds in accordance with the terms of such Bond Indenture and (ii) any other amounts specified in such Bond Indenture to be paid from moneys received from transfers from SWIFT, that is transferred to the Master Trustee under the terms of the Master Trust Indenture.

"Surplus Revenue Account" means, for purposes of this Official Statement, the Surplus Revenue Account so designated and established by the Bond Indenture.

"SWIFT" means the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas, created pursuant to Article 3, Section 49-d-12 of the State Constitution, as supplemented and amended.

"SWIFT Transfer Agreement" means a bond enhancement agreement between the Board and the Trust Company pursuant to which funds are transferred from SWIFT to provide a source of revenue or security for the payment of Bonds of a Series.

"SWIRFT" means the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas, created pursuant to Article 3, Section 49-d-13 of the State Constitution, as supplemented and amended.

"Transfer Account" means the account by that name established by the Master Trust Indenture.

"Trust Company" means the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company.

"Water Supply Corporation" means a nonprofit water supply corporation created and operating under Chapter 67 of the Texas Water Code.

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#### SUMMARY OF THE MASTER TRUST INDENTURE

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#### **GRANTING CLAUSES**

The Board does hereby convey, transfer, assign, confirm, pledge and grant a security interest in, to the Master Trustee, and its successor or successors in trust, as Master Trustee for the benefit of the owners of all series of Bonds issued by the Board and secured under the Master Trust Indenture, the following described properties, rights, interest and benefits (whether movable or immovable, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible) which are collectively called the "Master Trust Estate":

- (1) All right, title and interest of the Board in, to and under the moneys transferred by each Bond Indenture Trustee under a Bond Indenture;
- (2) All cash, moneys, securities and investments (other than any moneys, securities and investments subject to payment to the United States of America pursuant to section 148 of the Code) which may, at any time and from time to time pursuant to the provisions of the Master Trust Indenture, be paid to the Master Trustee or held by the Master Trustee in the funds and accounts created under the Master Trust Indenture.

#### **ISSUANCE OF BONDS; SECURITY FOR BONDS**

Conditions to Securing Bonds under Master Trust Indenture

In order for any Series of Bonds issued after the date of this Master Trust Indenture to be secured by this Master Trust Indenture, prior to or simultaneously with the authentication and delivery of the Series of Bonds, the Master Trustee shall receive the following:

- (1) an original executed counterpart of the Series Certificate
  - (A) stating that the Series of Bonds is entitled to the benefits of the Master Trust Indenture, and
  - (B) directing the Master Trustee as to the creation of any subaccounts within the Transfer Account and the Program Account for the Series of Bonds which are in addition to those required under the Master Trust Indenture, and
  - (C) demonstrating (i) the principal amount of the Bonds then being issued, together with the Bonds then outstanding shall not exceed in aggregate principal amount any limitation imposed by law; and (ii) an Officer's Certificate shall have been delivered to the Trustee to the effect that projected cash flow reports evidence the sufficiency of the available revenues under the Bond Indentures relating to all outstanding Bonds and the Bond Indenture relating to the Bonds then to be issued to pay not less than 1.00 times the principal and interest payments coming due on all Bonds then outstanding in each Fiscal Year and the Bonds then to be issued on any payment date with respect to the Bonds, and
- (2) an original executed counterpart or a copy, certified by a Board Representative, of the Master Trust Indenture and the related Bond Indenture.

#### **Bond Covenants**

A Series of Bonds to be secured by and entitled to the benefits of the Master Trust Indenture shall be issued only if the following conditions are satisfied: (i) the principal amount of the Bonds then being issued, together with the Bonds then outstanding shall not exceed in aggregate principal amount any limitation imposed by law; and (ii) an Officer's Certificate shall have been delivered to the Trustee to the effect that projected cash flow reports attached to such Officer's Certificate evidence the sufficiency of the available revenues under (a) the Bond Indentures relating to all outstanding Bonds (taking into account the amounts transferred from the Transfer Account to the Bond Indenture Trustee relating to such Bonds) and (b) the Bond Indenture relating to the Bonds then to be issued (taking into account the amounts transferred or to be transferred to the Transfer Account and then immediately transferred to the Bond

Indenture Trustee relating to such Bonds) to pay not less than 1.00 times the principal and interest payments coming due on all Bonds then outstanding in each Fiscal Year and the Bonds then to be issued on each payment date with respect to the Bonds until maturity.

Pledge

- (a) The pledge and assignment effected by the Master Trust Indenture will be valid and binding from the date of execution and delivery of the Master Trust Indenture, the moneys so pledged and assigned and hereafter received by the Board or the Master Trustee will be subject to the lien of such pledge and assignment, and, such lien will be a continuing, irrevocable and exclusive first lien and will be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the Board irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof. It is expressly understood that no pledge or assignment of the amounts deposited to SWIFT is made herein.
- (b) Chapter 1208 of the Texas Government Code applies to the pledge made pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture, and such pledge is therefore valid, effective and perfected. If State law is amended at any time while the bonds secured by the Master Trust Indenture are outstanding such that such pledge is to be subject to the filing requirements of Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code, then in order to preserve to the registered owners of the Bonds the perfection of the security interest in said pledge, the Board agrees to take such measures as it determines are reasonable and necessary under State law to comply with the applicable provisions of Chapter 9 of the Texas Business and Commerce Code and enable a filing to perfect the security interest in said pledge to occur.

#### ESTABLISHMENT AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

Creation and Custody of Funds and Accounts

- (a) SWIRFT is a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund of the State, and under Section 15.473(c) of the Texas Water Code, the Board has the authority to cause SWIRFT and any accounts established in SWIRFT to be managed by a corporate trustee. By executing the Master Trust Indenture, the Board is exercising the authority granted to it under Section 15.473(c) of the Texas Water Code. The Master Trust Indenture establishes the following accounts within SWIRFT: the Transfer Account and the Program Account, each consisting of such subaccounts as may be created by the Master Trustee at the request of the Board pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture.
- (b) The Board, through a Supplemental Trust Indenture, Series Certificate or other Officer's Certificate, may establish one or more additional funds, accounts, or subaccounts under the Master Trust Indenture; however, such additional funds, accounts, or subaccounts must set for the extent if any, to which such fund, account or subaccount may be available for and pledged and assigned for the payment of the Bonds, and must state to which fund, account or subaccount investment earnings, if any, will be deposited. All other funds, accounts and subaccounts established by the Board which are unrelated to the Transfer Account or the Program Account will be held by the Master Trustee for the benefit of the Board.
- (c) The Board may establish one or more additional funds, accounts, or subaccounts through a Bond Indenture within SWIRFT for a Series of Bonds that are secured under the Master Trust Indenture.

Deposits to Transfer Account

All moneys designated to be transferred by the Board to the Master Trustee pursuant to a SWIFT Transfer Agreement will be promptly deposited by the Master Trustee to the Transfer Account. The Master Trustee, as directed by the Board in an Officer's Certificate, may establish subaccounts within the Transfer Account in order to transfer moneys for the benefit of a debt service fund or debt service reserve fund of a Series of Bonds established in a Bond Indenture.

Transfers from Transfer Account

Pursuant to the Master Trust Indenture, the Master Trustee will, immediately upon receipt, transfer moneys deposited to the credit of the Transfer Account to a Bond Indenture Trustee to be deposited to the credit of an account designated in a Bond Indenture for holding moneys transferred from the Transfer Account in accordance with the terms of the SWIFT Transfer Agreement.

#### Deposits to Program Account

All moneys released by a Bond Indenture Trustee with respect to a Series of Bonds (or portion thereof) and any other lawfully available moneys directed by the Board to be deposited to the credit of the Program Account will be promptly deposited to the credit of the Program Account by the Master Trustee, including without limitation, any Surplus Balance.

Transfers from Program Account for Payment of Trustee Fees, Deposits in Support of a Series of Bonds

- (a) On each debt service payment date for a Series of Bonds, moneys on deposit in the Program Account may be used by the Master Trustee to pay reasonable expenses, charges and other disbursements of the Master Trustee incurred in connection with administering the trusts established by this Master Trust Indenture.
- (b) On each debt service payment date for a Series of Bonds, after paying the reasonable expenses, charges and other disbursements of the Master Trustee, prior to the transfer by a Bond Indenture Trustee of any moneys from any debt service reserve fund established under any Bond Indenture for the purpose of paying the principal of or interest on Bonds, the Master Trustee will take the following actions pertaining to the transfer of moneys from the Program Account to support a Series of Bonds, if needed, in the following order of priority:
  - (i) The Master Trustee will transfer to a Bond Indenture Trustee, for deposit into the appropriate debt service fund established for a Series of Bonds (or portion thereof), the amount projected by such bond Indenture to be necessary to timely make the debt service payment due on the payment date on that Series of Bonds (or portion thereof);
  - (ii) The Master Trustee will transfer to a Bond Indenture Trustee the amount projected by such Bond Indenture Trustee to be necessary to replenish any deficiency in an account (i) established for a Series of Bonds into which moneys initially received from a SWIFT Transfer Agreement are deposited or (ii) in a reserve fund for a Series of Bonds (or portion thereof); or
  - (iii) The Master Trustee shall transfer such moneys to the Board an amount certified to in an Officer's Certificate to be necessary to provide a source of revenue or security for the payment of obligations issued or incurred by the Board to finance State Water Plan Projects in the following order of priority: *first*, revenue bonds issued, and agreements incurred, by the Board under Subchapter H to finance State Water Plan Projects; and *second*, to the Comptroller of Public Accounts for deposit to SWIFT, to be available as a source of revenue or security under a bond enhancement agreement executed in accordance with the provisions of Subchapter G for use as a source of revenue or security for the payment of obligations, including general obligation bonds, issued or incurred by the Board to finance State Water Plan Projects in accordance with the proceedings authorizing their issuance or incurrence.
- (c) If more than one Bond Indenture Trustee has certified to the Master Trustee that there are insufficient moneys on hand to pay the debt service on the applicable Series of Bonds, then the Master Trustee shall transfer moneys from the Program Account to the Bond Indenture Trustees with respect to each Series of Bonds designated in the applicable Series Certificates. In the event insufficient funds are available in the Program Account to satisfy such requests, the Master Trustee shall transfer moneys to the Bond Indenture Trustees *pro rata* based on the amount of the respective deficiencies among such Bonds. However, the Master Trustee shall not transfer moneys under a *pro rata* request from the Board of moneys on deposit in the Program Account to the Comptroller of Public Accounts to deposit to the credit of SWIFT to provide a source of revenue or security in support of the general obligation bonds issued by the Board to finance State Water Plan Projects for which such request was made.

Transfers from Program Account to SWIFT

Should the Board determine that there is an available Surplus Balance, then, in accordance with direction received from the Board in an Officer's Certificate, the Master Trustee shall transfer from the Program Account such amounts constituting Surplus Balance identified in the Officer's Certificate to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, with instructions that such Surplus Balance be deposited to the credit of SWIFT for repayment of transfers of moneys received by the Board from SWIFT pursuant to a SWIFT Transfer Agreement. Promptly after making such transfer,

the Master Trustee shall confirm in writing to the Board that the transfer of such Surplus Balance to the Comptroller of Public Accounts has been made and that the Comptroller of Public Accounts has acknowledged receipt of such transfer for deposit to the credit of SWIFT.

#### Investment

Moneys on deposit in the Transfer Account shall not be invested by the Master Trustee. Moneys on deposit in the Program Account shall be invested by the Master Trustee in Authorized Investments, as directed by a Board Representative. In the event an Authorized Investment requiring a minimum rating has its rating withdrawn or reduced below the minimum requirement, the Board shall not be required to cause the Authorized Investment to be sold. Upon receiving a written direction by a Board Representative, the Trustee may proceed to sell the Authorized Investment and purchase other Authorized Investments with the proceeds of the sale of such Authorized Investment in accordance with written instructions from the Board Representative.

#### Dispositions of Assets

After the payment in full of principal, redemption premium (if any), and interest on all of the Bonds secured under the Master Trust Indenture, and the payment of all fees and expenses payable to the Bond Trustees under the terms of any Bond Indenture, the lien on the Trust Estate shall be released and will no longer be in effect, and at such time all moneys on held by the Master Trustee under the terms of Master Trust Indenture may be transferred to the Comptroller of Public Accounts for deposit to the credit of SWIFT, as directed by the Board pursuant to an Officer's Certificate.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

The Master Trust Indenture may be amended by a written instrument executed by the Board and the Master Trustee, if (a) in the sole judgment of the Master Trustee, the amendment does not materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of any Series of Bonds, or (b) such amendment is necessary to enable the efficient administration of the Master Trust Indenture in respect to effecting State Water Plan Projects, or to comply with applicable provisions of State law, including, without limitation, Subchapters G and H of the Texas Water Code, in respect to financing State Water Plan Projects, and (c) the Board and the Master Trustee receive written confirmation from each of the Rating Agencies then having a current rating on a Series of Bonds that the amendment will not result in the downgrade, qualification or withdrawal of its credit rating on any Series of Bonds. In exercising its judgment, the Master Trustee may rely on the opinion of such counsel as it may reasonably select.

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#### SUMMARY OF THE BOND INDENTURE

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#### **GRANTING CLAUSES**

In consideration of the acceptance by the Trustee of the trusts and duties set forth in the Bond Indenture on behalf of the holders and owners of all Bonds issued and secured hereunder; of the purchase and acceptance of the Bonds issued and secured by this Indenture by the holders and owners thereof; of the payment of the purchase price of the Bonds to the Trustee for application as provided hereinafter; and in order to secure the payment of any and all Bonds at any time issued and outstanding hereunder, according to the tenor and effect thereof and the interest thereon, the payment of all costs, fees and charges specified herein, and the payment of all other sums, if any, from time to time due to the holders and owners of all Bonds issued and secured hereunder and to the Trustee or its successors and assigns, or to others, according to the intent and meaning of all such Bonds and the Bond Indenture, and for the purpose of securing the performance and observance by the Board of all the covenants and conditions herein contained, the Board has conveyed, transferred, assigned, confirmed, pledged and granted a security interest to, and does hereby convey, transfer, assign, confirm, pledge and grant a security interest to, the Trustee, and its successor or successors in trust, as Trustee for the benefit of the holders and owners of all Bonds issued and secured hereunder, in the following described properties, rights, interest and benefits (whether movable or immovable, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible) which are collectively called the "Trust Estate" or the "Security"):

- (1) All right, title and interest of the Board in and to the Political Subdivision Obligations described in the Bond Indenture made from proceeds of the Bonds, as may be supplemented and amended from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Bond Indenture including the interest of the Board in and to all proceeds, fees, charges, Revenues, income, rentals, receipts, issues and benefits under the Political Subdivision Obligations and the Repayments, and all financing statements or other instruments or documents evidencing, securing or otherwise relating to the Political Subdivision Obligations and the Repayments;
- (2) All right, title and interest in any and all other property, movable or immovable, real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, from time to time hereafter by delivery or by writing of any kind conveyed, mortgaged, pledged, assigned or transferred, as and for additional security under the Bond Indenture, by the Board or by anyone on behalf of the Board or with its written consent to the Trustee, which is authorized to receive any and all such property at any and all times and to hold and apply the same subject to the terms of the Bond Indenture;
- All cash, moneys, securities, investments and interest earnings on such securities and investments, including specifically Loans not set forth in the Bond Indenture and any moneys transferred under the Master Trust Indenture, which may at any time and from time to time, pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Indenture, be paid to the Trustee or held by the Trustee in the funds and accounts created under the Bond Indenture, except for (i) the interest of the Trustee in such cash, moneys, securities and investments as may otherwise appear in the Bond Indenture, (ii) moneys on deposit in the Costs of Issuance Account and the Rebate Fund, and (iii) amounts designated or required to be used to pay arbitrage rebate, whether held in the Rebate Fund.

#### **FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS**

Establishment of Funds and Accounts

SWIRFT is a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund of the State, and the Board has the authority under the Texas Water Code, to cause SWIRFT and any accounts established in SWIRFT to be managed by a corporate trustee. By executing this Indenture, the Board is exercising such authority granted to it by the Texas Water Code. The Board hereby creates and establishes the following special accounts within SWIRFT, each of which shall be held by the Trustee:

- (a) Assistance Account;
- (b) Project Financing Account;
- (c) Portfolio Account (and within the Portfolio Account a Portfolio Repayment Subaccount and a Prepayment Subaccount);
- (d) Revenue Account (and within the Revenue Account a Repayment Subaccount and an Administrative Expenses Subaccount);

- (e) Debt Service Account (and within the Debt Service Account, a Principal and Interest Subaccount and a Redemption Subaccount (each a "Debt Service Subaccount");
- (f) Surplus Revenue Account; and
- (g) Costs of Issuance Account.

In connection with the issuance of the Series 2021 Bonds, the Trustee also maintains a Rebate Fund for the sole benefit of the United States of America. The Rebate Fund does not constitute a fund or account within SWIRFT.

#### Assistance Account

On the Date of Delivery, the Trustee shall receive from the Master Trustee, moneys on deposit in the Transfer Account to be deposited in the Assistance Account. On or before each Interest Payment Date designated in the Bond Indenture's Schedule of Transfers from the Assistance Account, the Trustee shall transfer the amounts shown in the Bond Indenture's Schedule of Transfers from the Assistance Account to the Principal and Interest Subaccount in the Debt Service Account to pay the interest and the principal of the Bonds. A Board Representative may execute an Officer's Certificate to modify or amend the Bond Indenture's Schedule of Transfers from the Assistance Account, including to reflect the deposit of funds available to the Board from any lawfully available source, or to liquidate and direct the transfer and deposit, and reinvestment of proceeds of Investment Securities, to the extent the Board Representative certifies in the Officer's Certificate that such actions are necessary or desirable to pay debt service on the Bonds.

#### Project Financing Account

At the direction of the Board through the delivery of an Officer's Certificate, the Trustee shall (i) disburse moneys in the Project Financing Account for the acquisition of Political Subdivision Obligations or interest therein or (ii) transfer moneys to the Principal and Interest Subaccount within the Debt Service Account. Political Subdivision Obligations so purchased shall be held in the Portfolio Account.

#### Portfolio Account

- (a) All Political Subdivision Obligations acquired for SWIRFT, upon their acquisition by the Trustee and the direction of the Board, will be promptly transferred to the Trustee and deposited into the Portfolio Account as directed by a Board Representative through the execution and delivery to the Trustee of an Officer's Certificate (including specifically an Officer's Certificate delivered in accordance with "— *Project Financing Account*" above) and held therein until paid in full. Promptly upon their receipt, (i) Repayments of principal of and interest on Political Subdivision Obligations shall be deposited by the Trustee in the Portfolio Repayment Subaccount and thereafter shall be transferred promptly to the Revenue Account.
- (b) Moneys received as Prepayments of Political Subdivision Obligations which were funded in whole or in part with proceeds of the Bonds shall be retained in the Prepayment Subaccount of the Portfolio Account and used by the Trustee to acquire either Political Subdivision Obligations or Investment Securities, as directed by the Board in an Officer's Certificate. To the extent required by the Code, moneys on deposit in the Portfolio Account representing Prepayments shall be used within one hundred and eighty (180) days of the receipt of the Prepayment to acquire Political Subdivision Obligations or to acquire Investment Securities, in satisfaction of the Prepayment of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligation requirements described in the Indenture, unless the Trustee receives an opinion of nationally-recognized bond counsel to the effect that the failure to take such action will not adversely affect the excludability from gross income of the interest payable on the Bonds then Outstanding. If the Board does not reasonably expect Prepayments to be applied to acquire Political Subdivision Obligations or Investment Securities, such moneys must be applied as follows:
  - (i) Moneys on deposit in the Prepayment Subaccount of the Portfolio Account will be transferred to the Redemption Subaccount in the Debt Service Account as directed by the Board in an Officer's Certificate and shall be used within ninety (90) days of their deposit to the Redemption Subaccount in the Debt Service Account to redeem Bonds.
  - (ii) Prepayments which have not been applied in the manner described above may be held by the Board for a period in excess of ninety (90) days following their receipt if there has been delivered to the Board a written opinion of nationally-recognized bond counsel to the effect that such action will not

(i) be inconsistent with the terms of the Bond Indenture and (ii) adversely affect the excludability from gross income of the interest payable on the Bonds then Outstanding.

#### Revenue Account

All Repayments representing principal of and interest on Political Subdivision Obligations transferred from the Portfolio Account, all net investment earnings on the funds and accounts (other than the Assistance Account and the Costs of Issuance Account), Repayments representing amounts to be deposited to the credit of the Administrative Expenses Subaccount, and all other moneys directed to be deposited in the Revenue Account by the Board shall be deposited in the Revenue Account. Moneys in the Repayment Subaccount of the Revenue Account shall be transferred to the Debt Service Account to pay the principal of and interest due on the Bonds as provided in "— Flow of Funds" below. Moneys in the Revenue Account which are needed to pay for fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee shall be deposited to the credit of the Administrative Expenses Subaccount and distributed in the manner described in "— Flow of Funds" below.

#### Debt Service Account

All moneys received from the following sources shall be deposited into the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account: (1) accrued interest, if any, on the Bonds as directed to be transferred to the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account; (2) the amount of moneys stated in the Bond Indenture to be used to pay capitalized interest, if any, on the Bonds; (3) amounts required to be transferred pursuant to the "— Assistance Account" section above; and (4) amounts required to be transferred pursuant to the "— Revenue Account" section above. Moneys on deposit in the respective Debt Service Subaccounts of the Debt Service Account shall be applied solely to pay the interest on the Bonds as the same becomes due and payable and to pay the principal on the Bonds as the same becomes due and payable at maturity or upon the scheduled mandatory sinking fund redemption of Bonds, if any, prior to maturity. On each scheduled Interest Payment Date, Principal Payment Date and Redemption Date of the Bonds, the Trustee shall remit or set aside and hold in trust an amount from the Principal and Interest Subaccount or Redemption Subaccount of the Debt Service Account sufficient to pay interest on the Bonds becoming due and payable on such Interest Payment Date, Principal Payment Date or Redemption Date.

#### Surplus Revenue Account

Moneys in the Surplus Revenue Account shall be (i) transferred to the respective Debt Service Subaccounts within the Debt Service Account and used as a source of revenue for the payment or redemption of Bonds as directed in an Officer's Certificate, (ii) transferred to the Master Trustee as directed in an Officer's Certificate with instructions to deposit such moneys to the credit of the Program Account held by the Master Trustee, for use as described in the Officer's Certificate, or (iii) subject to the provisions of Section 305(c) of the Master Trust Indenture, used for such other authorized purposes as the Board shall determine from time to time, but solely to the extent that such purposes are in accordance with the Act, and other applicable law related to the State Water Plan and the issuance of State Water Plan Bonds. Pending such application, moneys in the Surplus Revenue Account shall be invested pursuant to the "—Investments" section below.

#### Costs of Issuance Account

The amount of moneys stated in the Bond Indenture to be deposited into the Costs of Issuance Account from the proceeds of the Bonds under the Bond Indenture shall be applied by the Trustee to the payment of costs of issuance of the Bonds, including payment of all necessary fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and the Board relating to the Bonds, as limited, in respect to the Trustee, by the Bond Indenture. At the direction of the Board through the delivery of an Officer's Certificate, the Trustee will transfer any balance remaining in the Costs of Issuance Account on the 180th day following the issuance of the Bonds to the Project Financing Account, the Principal and Interest Subaccount within the Debt Service Account, or both the Project Financing Account and the Principal and Interest Subaccount within the Debt Service Account.

#### Investments

Moneys in the Assistance Account, the Project Financing Account, the Costs of Issuance Account, the Revenue Account, the Debt Service Account and the Surplus Revenue Account shall at all times be invested by the Trustee in Investment Securities, as directed by a Board Representative, maturing at such times and in such amounts as will make cash available for the purposes of such funds and accounts as needed, subject to the restrictions, if any, relating to covenants pertaining to the tax-exempt status of the Bonds. Net investment earnings on the funds and accounts (other than the Assistance Account and the Costs of Issuance Account) shall be credited to the Revenue Account by no later than the last Business Day of the month received. Should any Investment Security which has a minimum rating requirement have its rating withdrawn or reduced below the minimum rating requirement, the Board shall not be required to cause the Investment Security to be sold. Upon receiving a written direction by a Board Representative, the Trustee may proceed to sell the Investment Security and purchase other Investment Securities with the proceeds of the sale of such Investment Security in accordance with written instructions from the Board Representative. The Trustee may invest money held under the Bond Indenture in an Investment Security acquired in a transaction for which the Trustee or any Affiliate thereof receives compensation.

#### FLOW OF FUNDS

- (a) On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall transfer from the Assistance Account the amount shown in the Bond Indenture's Schedule of Transfers from the Assistance Account to be transferred on the respective Payment Date to pay principal and interest due on the Bonds and deposit the same to the Debt Service Account.
  - (b) On each Payment Date, the Trustee shall transfer Revenues in the order of priority as follows:

FIRST, from the Repayment Subaccount of the Revenue Account amounts sufficient, together with other amounts on deposit in the Debt Service Account, to pay principal and interest due on the Bonds and deposit the same to the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account.

SECOND from the Administrative Expenses Subaccount of the Revenue Account, amounts sufficient to pay the fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee as described in the Bond Indenture.

The Trustee is directed by the Board to pay principal and interest due on the Bonds from the Principal and Interest Subaccount of the Debt Service Account. Any moneys remaining in the Revenue Account and subaccounts therein, after making the transfers described, above may be transferred to the Surplus Revenue Account upon the Board delivering an Officer's Certificate directing the transfer of funds from the Revenue Account to the Surplus Revenue Account. Transfers to the Surplus Revenue Account may be made on a Payment Date, after the transfers described in FIRST and SECOND above have been made.

(c) If no later than 40 days prior to any Payment Date, it is determined there will not be available moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds then due, the Trustee shall immediately give notice to the Board and the Master Trustee of such projected deficiency. The notice shall certify the projected amounts required to make up for such projected deficiency and request (i) the Board take such measures as permitted by the Bond Indenture to cure the deficiency and (ii) if the Board is unable to take such measures as described in "FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS – Assistance Account" above, that a transfer of moneys from the Program Account be effected. The Trustee shall deposit moneys made available by the Board, or transferred by the Master Trustee from the Program Account, and designated for deposit in the Debt Service Account in accordance with such designation.

#### GENERAL COVENANTS AND PROVISIONS

Rights under Political Subdivision Obligations

The Political Subdivision Obligations set forth the payment obligations of the Political Subdivision to repay and prepay its Political Subdivision Obligation received from the Board. The Board agrees that the Trustee, in its name or in the name of the Board, may enforce all rights of the Board and all obligations of each Political Subdivision under and pursuant to each Political Subdivision Obligation for and on behalf of the owners of the Board, whether the Board is in default hereunder or thereunder; provided, however, that the Trustee shall not be deemed to assume the Political Subdivision Obligations, and shall have no obligations under the Political Subdivision Obligations, except as

expressly provided therein. The Board hereby agrees to cooperate fully with the Trustee in any proceedings, or to join in or commence in its own name any proceedings, for the enforcement of the obligations of a Political Subdivision under and pursuant to the related Political Subdivision Obligation, if the Trustee shall so reasonably request, provided any costs of the Board (including without limitation the reasonable fees and expenses of attorneys) in connection therewith shall be paid out of the Trust Estate. Notwithstanding anything in the Bond Indenture to the contrary, the Board has retained its rights to enforce the covenants of a Political Subdivision agreed to under the related Political Subdivision Obligation, and in that connection the Trustee will cooperate with the Board in the exercise of such remedies. If an event of default shall occur and be continuing under any Political Subdivision Obligation, the Trustee may direct the Board to exercise its rights and remedies under such Political Subdivision Obligation. The Trustee acknowledges that the Board will be represented by the State Attorney General in any legal action taken by the Board to enforce its rights under a Political Subdivision Obligation.

Release of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligations; Substitution of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligations; Prepayment of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligations

- (a) <u>Release of Political Subdivision Obligations</u>. The Trustee, upon the written direction of the Board, may release Political Subdivision Obligations from the lien of this Indenture upon the satisfaction of the following:
  - (i) the delivery to the Trustee of an Officer's Certificate (A) to the effect that cash flow reports evidence the sufficiency of (1) available Revenues from the remaining Political Subdivision Obligations and interest earnings on investments for each Payment Date until maturity, and (2) any and all available revenues for each Payment Date securing all outstanding Master Trust Bonds to pay no less than 1.0 times principal and interest coming due on all Master Trust Bonds on each such Payment Date (clauses (1) and (2) of this being herein referred to as the "Coverage Requirement") and (B) specifying the Political Obligations to be released; and
  - (ii) the delivery to the Trustee of an amendment of the Bond Indenture's schedule of Political Subdivision Obligations (which amendment does not require the consent of the owners of the Bonds).
- (b) <u>Substitution of Political Subdivision Obligations</u>. The Trustee, upon the written direction of the Board may release Political Subdivision Obligations and substitute one or more Political Subdivision Obligations for such Political Subdivision Obligation upon the delivery to the Trustee of (i) the instruments described in (a) above *provided*, that the substituted Political Subdivision Obligations shall be included in the calculation of the Coverage Requirement and (ii) an Officer's Certificate stating that as a result of such substitution, the Coverage Requirement shall be not less than 1.0 times principal and interest coming due on the Bonds on each such Payment Date until maturity.
- (c) <u>Prepayment of Political Subdivision Obligations</u>. Upon receipt of any Prepayment, if the Board cannot deliver to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate to the effect that the Coverage Requirement will be satisfied after taking into account such Prepayment, then the Board may exercise its rights described in (b) above.
- (d) <u>Amendment of Terms of Political Subdivision Obligations</u>. The Board shall not consent to the amendment of the terms of a Political Subdivision Obligation unless the Board first delivers to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate to the effect that the amendment will not cause the Coverage Requirement not to be satisfied and the amendment will not cause any representation, warranty or covenant of the Board in the Indentures to be inaccurate or breached in any material respect.

No Parity or Superior Obligations

The Board shall not issue or incur any bonds, notes or other obligations payable from or secured by, in whole or in part, any or all of the Security prior to or on a parity with the pledge of the Security securing payment of the Bonds.

#### **DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES**

Defaults; Events of Default

The following events constitute an "Event of Default":

- (a) default in the due and punctual payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Bond; or
- (b) default made by the Board in the observance of any of the covenants, agreements or conditions on its part in the Bond Indenture or in the Bonds contained, except for such a default described in (a) above, and such default shall have continued for a period of 90 days after the Board shall have been given written notice of such default by the Trustee or by the owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding.

Remedies; Rights of Bondholders

- (a) Upon the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default, the Trustee may pursue any available remedy by action at law or suit in equity to enforce the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds then Outstanding, including any and all such actions arising under or by reason of the Political Subdivision Obligations by causing the Board to exercise such rights and remedies under the Political Subdivision Obligations as the Trustee shall direct, pursuant to the Bond Indenture.
- (b) If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing the Trustee may, in its discretion, and if requested so to do by the owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding and indemnified as provided by the Bond Indenture, the Trustee shall, exercise such one or more of the rights and powers conferred by the Bond Indenture as the Trustee shall deem most expedient in the interest of the owners of the Bonds.
- (c) No remedy by the terms of the Bond Indenture conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee (or to the owners of the Bonds) is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given to the Trustee or to the owners of the Bonds hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity.
- (d) No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default or Event of Default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or Event of Default or acquiescence therein; and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time as often as may be deemed expedient.
- (e) The foregoing notwithstanding, acceleration is not a remedy should a default or Event of Default occur.

Rights and Remedies of Bondholders

No owner of any Bond shall have any right to institute any suit, action or proceeding in equity or at law for the enforcement of the Bond Indenture or for the execution of any trust thereof or for any other remedy under the Bond Indenture unless a default has occurred of which the Trustee has been notified as required under the Bond Indenture and unless such default became an Event of Default and the owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding made written request to the Trustee, and provided the Trustee reasonable opportunity either to proceed to exercise the powers to institute such action, suit or proceeding to exercise the powers granted under the Bond Indenture or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its own name and unless they have also provided indemnity to the Trustee pursuant to the Bond Indenture.

Unless the Trustee thereafter fails or refuses to exercise the powers granted under the Bond Indenture, or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its, his, her or their own name or names, and such notification, request and offer of indemnity are hereby declared in every case at the option of the Trustee to be conditions precedent to any action or cause of action for the enforcement of the Bond Indenture, or for any other remedy under the Bond Indenture, all proceedings at law or in equity shall be instituted pursuant to the Bond Indenture for the equal benefit of the owners of all of the Bonds then Outstanding.

Nothing in the Bond Indenture contained shall, however, affect or impair the right of any owner of any Bond to enforce the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond at the time, place, from the source and in the manner herein and in such Bond expressed.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

Supplemental Indentures Not Requiring Consent of Bondholders

The Board and the Trustee may without the consent of, or notice to, any of the owners of the Bonds, enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental to the Bond Indenture which shall not be inconsistent with the terms and provisions of the Bond Indenture for any one or more of the following purposes:

- (a) to cure any ambiguity or formal defect or omission in the Bond Indenture;
- (b) to grant to or confer upon the Trustee for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds any additional rights, remedies, powers or authority that may be lawfully granted to or conferred upon the owners of the Bonds or the Trustee or either of them:
- (c) to subject to the lien and pledge of the Bond Indenture additional revenues, properties or collateral;
- (d) to modify, amend or supplement the Bond Indenture or any indenture supplemental to the Bond Indenture in such manner as to permit the qualification of the Bond Indenture or any indenture supplemental hereto under any Federal statute hereafter in effect or under any state Blue Sky Law, and, to add to the Bond Indenture or any indenture supplemental hereto such other terms, conditions and provisions as may be permitted or required by any such Federal statute or Blue Sky Law; *provided*, that any such indenture supplemental hereto referred to in this subsection (d) shall not, in the judgment of the Trustee, which may rely on an opinion of counsel, be to the prejudice of the owners of the Bonds;
- (e) to modify, amend or supplement the Bond Indenture or any indenture supplemental hereto in such manner as to permit the qualification of the Bond Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as then amended, or any similar federal statute hereafter in effect or to permit the qualification of the Bonds for sale under the securities laws of any state of the United States of America;
- (f) to release Political Subdivision Obligations from the lien of the Bond Indenture as permitted by "GENERAL COVENANTS AND PROVISIONS Release of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligations; Substitution of Pledged Political Subdivision Obligations" above;
- (g) to evidence the appointment of a separate trustee or the succession of a new Trustee under the Bond Indenture or a successor to the Bond Registrar;
- (h) to conform the tax covenants requirements of the Board under the Bond Indenture and with any subsequent amendments of section 148 of the Code or any regulation promulgated thereunder or with respect thereto;
- (i) to make any change deemed necessary by the Board to maintain the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes;
- (j) to modify, amend or supplement the Bond Indenture or any indenture supplemental thereto in such manner to address the appointment of a Securities Depository to replace DTC and its book-entry-only system described in the Bond Indenture; or
- (k) to make any other change which, in the sole judgment of the Trustee, does not materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of the Bonds. In exercising such judgment the Trustee may rely on the opinion of such counsel as it may reasonably select.

The Board and the Trustee may without the consent of, or notice to, any of the owners of the Bonds, enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental to the Bond Indenture which shall not be inconsistent with the terms and provisions of the Bond Indenture to amend, supplement or modify any provisions of the Bond Indenture relating to

the administration or implementation of the program to finance State Water Plan Projects, or affecting the ability of the Board to finance any State Water Plan Project. No such amendment, supplement or modification shall be enacted unless each of the Rating Agencies shall advise the Board in writing that the rating or ratings assigned by the Rating Agency to the Board's then outstanding Bonds will not be lowered, reduced or withdrawn as a result of the amendment, supplement or modification proposed to be enacted. Additionally, the Board shall give notice in the manner described in the Bond Indenture within 60 days of the approval of such amendment or modification by the Board to the Bondholders, the Master Trustee and the Rating Agencies.

Such notice shall set forth the text of the amendment, supplement or modification and state that each Rating Agency has advised the Board the rating or ratings assigned by the Rating Agency to the Board's then outstanding Bonds have not or will not be lowered, reduced, or withdrawn as a result of the amendment, supplement or modification to be enacted.

# Supplemental Indentures Requiring Consent of Bondholders

- (a) Except for Supplemental Indentures Not Requiring Consent of Bondholders and subject to (b) and (c) below, the owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding shall have the right from time to time, to consent to and approve the execution by the Board and the Trustee of such other indenture or indentures supplemental hereto as shall be deemed necessary and desirable by the Board for the purpose of modifying, altering, amending, adding to or rescinding, in any particular, any of the terms or provisions contained in this Indenture or in any indenture supplemental hereto. Nothing contained in this section shall permit, or be construed as permitting, without the consent of the owners of all the Bonds then Outstanding (i) an extension of the stated maturity or reduction in the principal amount of, or reduction in the rate or extension of the time of payment of interest on, any Bonds, or (ii) the creation of any lien on the Revenues and other funds pledged under the Bond Indenture prior to or on a parity with the lien of the Bond Indenture, or (iii) a reduction in the aforesaid aggregate principal amount of the Bonds the owners of which are required to consent to any such indenture supplemental to the Bond Indenture. No such amendment shall modify the rights, duties or immunities of the Trustee without the written consent of the Trustee.
- (b) If at any time the Board shall request the Trustee to enter into any such Supplemental Indenture requiring consent of the Bondholders, the Trustee shall cause notice of the proposed execution of such Supplemental Indenture to be mailed to the Rating Agencies and to each owner of the Bonds Outstanding as shown by the Bond Register by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid. Such notice shall briefly set forth the nature of the proposed Supplemental Indenture, and shall state that copies thereof are on file at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee for inspection by all owners of the Bonds. If, within 90 days or such longer period as shall be prescribed by the Board following the mailing of such notice, the owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds Outstanding at the time of the execution of any such Supplemental Indenture shall have consented to and approved the execution of the Supplemental Indenture as provided by the Bond Indenture, no owner of any Bond shall have any right to object to any of the terms and provisions contained therein, or the operation thereof, or in any manner to question the propriety of the execution thereof, or to enjoin or restrain the Trustee or the Board from executing the same or from taking any action pursuant to the provisions thereof. Upon the execution of any such Supplemental Indenture requiring consent of the Bondholders, the Bond Indenture shall be and be deemed to be modified and amended.
- (c) The Trustee may rely upon an opinion of counsel as conclusive evidence that any Supplemental Indenture entered into by the Board and the Trustee complies with the provisions of the Bond Indenture.

#### **DEFEASANCE**

(a) When all of the Bonds shall have been paid and discharged and the Board shall have paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Board, then the requirements contained in the Bond Indenture and the pledge of Security made under the Bond Indenture and all other rights granted through the Bond Indenture shall terminate. Bonds shall be deemed to have been paid and discharged within the meaning of the Bond Indenture if there shall have been deposited with the Trustee, or other bank or trust company, having full trust powers and meeting the requirements of a successor Trustee under the Bond Indenture impressed with a first lien to the Trustee for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds at or prior to maturity or redemption date of said Bonds, in trust for an irrevocably appropriated for such bonds

- (i) moneys and/or Defeasance Securities which, together with the interest to be earned on any such obligations, as evidenced by the written report of an independent certified public accountant, will be sufficient for the payment of the principal of said Bonds, the premium thereon, if any, and interest to accrue to the date of maturity or redemption, as the case may be, or if default in such payment shall have occurred on such date, then to the date of the tender of such payments, *provided*, *however*, that if any such Bonds shall be redeemed prior to the maturity thereof:
  - (1) the Board shall have elected to redeem such Bonds, and
  - (2) either notice of such redemption shall have been given, or the Board shall have given irrevocable instructions to the Trustee to redeem such Bonds; and
- (ii) an opinion of Bond Counsel addressed to the Board and the Trustee to the effect that providing for the payment of the Series 2021 Bonds by depositing such moneys and/or Defeasance Securities with the Trustee in accordance with this section will not cause the interest on the Series 2021 Bonds to be included in gross income of the owners for federal income tax purposes.
- (b) Any moneys and obligations which at any time shall be deposited with the Trustee or other bank by or on behalf of the Board, for the purpose of paying and discharging any of the Bonds, shall be and are hereby assigned, transferred and set over to the Trustee or other bank or trust company in trust for the respective owners of the Bonds, and such moneys shall be and are hereby irrevocably appropriated to the payment and discharge of the Bond Indenture. All moneys deposited with the Trustee or other bank or trust company shall be deemed to be deposited in accordance with and subject to all of the provisions contained in the Bond Indenture.
- (c) Bonds for the payment of which moneys and/or Defeasance Securities shall have been deposited with the Trustee or such other bank or trust company (whether upon or prior to the maturity of such Bonds) shall be deemed to be paid and no longer Outstanding.

# APPENDIX C

# INFORMATION REGARDING THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD



#### TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

#### General

The Board is an agency of the State and was created by constitutional amendment in 1957. Its mission is to provide leadership, information, education, and support for planning, financial assistance, and outreach for the conservation and responsible development of water for Texas. The Board is responsible for long-range water planning in the State. The Board is primarily responsible for the State's financial programs associated with the water industry, including the establishment of policy for the financial programs.

The Board initially was given authorization to issue as general obligations of the State \$200,000,000 in "Water Development Bonds" for the "construction of dams, reservoirs and other water storage projects". Subsequent amendments to the Constitution and enabling legislation expanded the types of water-related facilities eligible for Board financial assistance to include all components of water supply, wastewater (sewage) conveyance and treatment, flood control, municipal solid waste management and agricultural water conservation projects. The Board may also execute contracts with any agency of the United States for the acquisition and development of storage facilities in the State and reservoirs constructed by the federal government, which contracts constitute general obligations of the State.

The primary focus of the Board prior to 1985 was to provide loans to assist communities that found it a hardship to obtain funding from other sources. Constitutional amendments and legislative changes implemented in 1985 broadened the eligibility criteria to include regional water, wastewater, municipal solid waste management, flood control projects, and water projects that involved the conversion from a ground water supply source to a surface supply. In 1987, with the creation of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund ("CWSRF"), all political subdivisions (no hardship or regional criteria required) became eligible to apply for financial assistance for wastewater treatment projects. In 1989, a constitutional amendment and legislation authorized the Board to provide loan and grant assistance to construct potable water supply and sanitary sewer systems in impoverished areas through the Economically Distressed Areas Program ("EDAP").

Since 1957, the Legislature and the voters of the State have approved constitutional amendments increasing the Board's bond issuance authority and authorized funding purposes, such that under the various Sections in Article III of the State Constitution (Sections 49-c, 49-d, 49-d-1, 49-d-2, 49-d-5, 49-d-6 and 49-d-7, referred to herein as the "Development Fund I Constitutional Provisions"), the Board was authorized to issue up to \$2.48 billion in Water Development Bonds to augment the Texas Water Development Fund ("Development Fund I"). Pursuant to such authorization, the Board has issued \$1,467,190,000 of Water Development Bonds. Development Fund II ("Development Fund II") was established pursuant to Section 49-d-8, which was approved by the voters of the State on November 4, 1997. Development Fund II is a fund in the State Treasury separate and legally distinct from Development Fund I. All of the liabilities and assets formerly held in the Texas Water Development Fund I have been transferred to Development Fund II.

## **Organizational Structure**

In addition to its constitutional and statutory responsibilities in providing and administering Development Fund II and other financial programs, the Board is responsible for establishing policy in connection with the State Revolving Fund programs administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("USEPA"). The Board also is responsible for administering the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas ("SWIFT") and the issuance of revenue bonds through the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas ("SWIRFT") to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions in implementing the State Water Plan. The Board is primarily responsible for the State's financial programs associated with the water and wastewater industry including the establishment of policy for the financial programs and the employment of an Executive Administrator.

# **Board Members**

The Board is composed of three full-time members who are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Texas Senate, and will serve staggered six-year terms. A person appointed to the Board may not serve for more than two six-year terms. In accordance with state law, the Board must appoint the Executive Administrator of the Board.

The Board meets at least monthly in Austin, Texas and holds additional meetings as needed. The Board considers financial assistance applications from eligible applicants, awards grants for water-related research and planning, and conducts other TWDB business such as approving the State Water Plan.

The members of the Board currently are:

Brooke T. Paup, Chairwoman. Appointed to the Board by Governor Greg Abbott, effective February 22, 2018. Reappointed to a new term by Governor Greg Abbott on February 6, 2019 and designated as Chairwoman on April 22, 2021. Ms. Paup most recently served as the Director of Legislative Affairs for the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and is formerly the Deputy Division Chief of Intergovernmental Relations for the Office of the Attorney General. While with the Office of the Attorney General, Ms. Paup was a Special Assistant for Policy and Research on public finance and legislative and special litigation issues, including SWIFT and SWIRFT. Ms. Paup is a member of the Texas State Bar and holds a Juris Doctor from Texas Tech University School of Law and is an alumna of Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Ms. Paup has been appointed for a term set to expire February 1, 2025.

Kathleen Jackson, Member. Appointed to the Board by Governor Rick Perry effective March 18, 2014, and reappointed to a new term by Governor Greg Abbott on March 9, 2017. Ms. Jackson has a diverse background representing agricultural, environmental, industrial and wholesale-supply interests, which includes developing and implementing water management strategies for Southeast Texas. As a registered professional engineer, Ms. Jackson served as public affairs manager for one of the world's largest petroleum and petrochemical producers. Additionally, she was involved in production agriculture with her late husband, who ran a cattle operation and farmed rice. She served as a past member of the Lower Neches Valley Authority Board of Directors, the Texas Water Conservation Association, and participated on the Sabine and Neches Rivers Bay and Estuary Environmental Flows Assessment Program Stakeholders Committee. In August 2021, Governor Abbott appointed her to the Environmental Flows Advisory Group. She is also a board member and past president of the Lamar Institute of Technology Foundation, a sustaining member of the Junior League of Beaumont, a member of the Texas Farm Bureau, past president of the American Cancer Society of North Jefferson County, and a past board member of Junior Achievement of the Golden Triangle. Ms. Jackson received a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from North Carolina State University. Ms. Jackson's term expires February 1, 2023.

There currently exists one vacancy on the Board.

#### **Key Staff Members**

Jeff Walker, Executive Administrator. Mr. Walker was named Executive Administrator of the TWDB on May 19, 2016. He has served in various positions at the TWDB for more than 30 years, including as an agricultural conservation specialist, a financial analyst, a non-point source coordinator, and director of Project Development. In his most recent role as Deputy Executive Administrator of Water Supply and Infrastructure, his areas of responsibility included state water planning, project development, financial assistance, project funds disbursement, financial program administration, water use and population projections, facility needs assessment, project inspection, and reporting. Mr. Walker holds a Master of Business Administration from Texas State University and a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics from Texas A&M University.

Amanda Lavin, Assistant Executive Administrator. Ms. Lavin has more than 25 years of experience in public financing of infrastructure projects in Texas. She previously served as assistant deputy for the office of Water Supply and Infrastructure and helped supervise the implementation of the SWIFT program. Prior to joining the TWDB, Ms. Lavin was a financial advisor to various political subdivisions in the Austin and Houston areas.

Jessica Peña, Deputy Executive Administrator, Water Supply and Infrastructure. Ms. Peña joined the TWDB in July 2001. She was named the Deputy Executive Administrator of Water Supply and Infrastructure in May 2016. Prior to this role, she served as the director of Regional Water Planning and Development, which entailed managing seven multi-disciplined regional teams that implement water and wastewater projects across the state. Her past positions at the TWDB also include team manager for the Northeast Region of the state and financial analyst. Ms. Peña holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with the distinction of magna cum laude from St. Edward's University.

**Rebecca Trevino**, **Chief Financial Officer**. Ms. Trevino joined the Board as its Chief Financial Officer in August 2016. Prior to this appointment, she served as the Deputy Chief Financial Officer for the Texas Health & Human Services Commission. Ms. Trevino has served in various financial leadership roles during her career, including that of Chief Financial Officer for the Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services and the Texas Water Development Board. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting from The University of Texas at Austin and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Georgia Sanchez, Director, Debt and Portfolio Management, and Development Fund Manager. Ms. Sanchez joined the TWDB in March 2017. She previously served more than 23 years with the City of Austin, Texas in roles including Assistant Treasurer and Investment Officer, where she managed cash, investments, and debt programs, and Corporate Budget Manager overseeing the implementation of the city's Capital Improvements Plan. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in International Business from The University of Texas at Austin.

Ashley Harden, General Counsel. Before being hired as General Counsel of the Board in May 2020, Mr. Harden worked as General Counsel for the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts where his responsibilities involved state and local tax administration, state fiscal matters, and state procurement. Prior to working for the Texas Comptroller, Mr. Harden worked for the Texas Attorney General's Office and the Texas Department of Agriculture, where his practice included banking, public finance, and legal assistance to various federally funded programs. He is a graduate of SMU School of Law and the University of Texas at Austin.

# Financial Assistance Programs other than the SWIFT and SWIRFT

Below is a brief summary of additional financial assistance programs, other than SWIFT and SWIRFT, administered by the Board and funded with general revenues or the proceeds of general obligation bonds of the State.

## Texas Water Development Funds.

Development Fund I and Development Fund II are used to provide loans and grants to eligible applicants for the construction of local or regional water supply, wastewater treatment, flood control and municipal solid waste management projects. These funds are funded through the issuance of general obligation bonds issued by the Board on behalf of the State of Texas pursuant to Sections 49-c, 49-d, 49-d-1, 49-d-2, 49-d-5, 49-d-6, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, 49-d-9, 49-d-10, 49-d-11, and 49-d-14 of Article III of the Texas Constitution. Development Fund I is no longer active, and the Board has no current intention to issue bonds to augment Development Fund I. The Board has established the following major accounts within Development Fund II: the EDAP Account, the Financial Assistance Account, and the State Participation Account. The Board has also established the EDAP Bond Payment Account, the Financial Assistance Bond Payment Account, the State Participation Bond Payment Account, and other accounts (including specifically the Water Infrastructure Fund Bond Payment Account) necessary for the proper administration of Development Fund II, as determined by the Board.

## Water Assistance Fund.

The Water Assistance Fund is funded through appropriations made by the Legislature, and provides grants and loans at an interest rate set by Board rule to eligible political entities for water supply and treatment projects, wastewater treatment projects, flood control projects, purchasing an interest in reservoirs and providing grants up to 100% of funding for water research, and matching grants for flood protection and regional water supply and wastewater feasibility planning.

#### Water Infrastructure Fund.

In 2001, the Legislature added provisions to Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code creating the Water Infrastructure Fund in furtherance of the public purpose of conserving and developing the water resources of the State. The Water Infrastructure Fund may be used (i) to make loans to political subdivisions for projects to conserve, mitigate, convey and develop water resources of the State ("WIF Projects"); (ii) to make grants, low interest loans, or zero interest loans to political subdivisions for WIF Projects to serve areas outside metropolitan statistical areas in order to ensure that the projects are implemented, or for WIF Projects to serve economically distressed areas; (iii) to make loans for planning and design costs, permitting costs and other costs associated with State or federal regulatory activities with respect to WIF Projects; (iv) as a source of revenue or security for the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the Board if the proceeds of the sale of such bonds will be deposited in the Water Infrastructure Fund; and (v) to pay the necessary and reasonable expenses of the Board in administering the Water Infrastructure Fund. In 2003, the previously mentioned provisions were designated within Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code as Subchapter Q.

The Board may direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State ("Comptroller") to transfer amounts to the Water Infrastructure Fund to provide financial assistance under the Texas Water Code for the purposes provided in Subchapter Q, specifically for the uses described above, as listed in Section 15.974, Texas Water Code, as amended. Subchapter Q further provides that the Water Infrastructure Fund may be used as a source of revenue for the repayment

of debt service on "Financial Assistance Bonds," the proceeds of which have been deposited into the Water Infrastructure Fund.

#### Rural Water Assistance Fund.

Chapter 15, Subchapter R, of the Texas Water Code authorizes and governs the Rural Water Assistance Fund ("RWAF"), which is a special fund in the State Treasury. The RWAF may be used, among other purposes, to (i) provide low interest loans to Rural Political Subdivisions (as defined below) for water or water related projects and for water quality enhancement projects, including the construction of infrastructure facilities for wholesale or retail water and sewer service, desalination projects, the purchase or lease of well water fields; the construction of infrastructure facilities for wholesale purchase or lease of rights to produce groundwater; onsite or wetland wastewater treatment facilities; and interim financing of construction projects, (ii) finance water projects in the State Water Plan or regional water plan or (iii) enable a Rural Political Subdivision to obtain water or wastewater service supplied by larger political subdivisions or to finance the consolidation or regionalization of neighboring political subdivisions, or both. The RWAF may also be used to (a) contract for outreach, financial, planning, and technical assistance to assist Rural Political Subdivisions in obtaining financial assistance from any source for any purpose that could be funded by the RWAF and (b) buy down interest rates on loans or provide grants to Rural Political Subdivisions. A "Rural Political Subdivision" is a nonprofit water supply or sewer service corporation, district, or municipality with a service area of 10,000 or less in population; or that otherwise qualifies for financing from a federal agency; or a county in which no urban area exceeds 50,000 in population.

The Board may direct the Comptroller to transfer amounts from the Financial Assistance Account to the RWAF to provide financial assistance under the Texas Water Code for the purposes provided in Subchapter R, specifically for the uses described above, as listed in Section 15.994, Texas Water Code, as amended. Subchapter R further provides that the RWAF may be used as a source of revenue for the repayment of debt service on Financial Assistance Bonds, the proceeds of which have been deposited into the RWAF.

#### Texas Agricultural Water Conservation Bond Program.

Article III, Section 50-d of the Constitution (adopted in 1985) authorizes the Board to issue general obligation Texas Agricultural Water Conservation Bonds. Subchapter J was added to Chapter 17 of the Texas Water Code, implementing the Agricultural Water Conservation Bond Program and creating the Agricultural Water Conservation Fund (the "Agriculture Fund").

Money in the Agriculture Fund may be used to provide grants to State agencies to fund conservation programs or conservation projects, provide grants or loans to certain political subdivisions for conservation programs or conservation projects, provide linked deposits to certain financial institutions for loans to certain entities and individuals for conservation projects, pay for the Board's conservation programs, pay costs of issuance for and debt service due on Texas Agricultural Water Conservation Bonds, and to pay the Board's related administrative expenses. Conservation programs, certain costs of which may be financed from the Agriculture Fund, include: (a) agricultural water conservation technical assistance programs; (b) research, demonstration, technology transfer, or educational programs relating to agricultural water use and conservation; (c) precipitation enhancement programs; and (d) any other agricultural water conservation program defined by Board rule. Conservation projects, certain costs of which may be financed from the Agriculture Fund, include projects that: (a) improve water use efficiency; (b) prepare irrigated land for conversion to dry land conditions; (c) prepare dry land for more efficient use of precipitation; (d) purchase and fund the acquisition and installation of devices on public or private property to indicate the amount of water withdrawn for irrigation; (e) prepare and maintain land to be used for brush control activities; and (f) implement any other agricultural water conservation project defined by Board rule.

#### Flood Infrastructure Fund.

Article III, Section 49-d-14 of the Texas Constitution (adopted in 2019) created the Flood Infrastructure Fund ("FIF") as a special fund in the State treasury outside the general revenue fund. Subchapter I was added to Chapter 15 of the Texas Water Code to implement the FIF program and establish the FIF. The FIF is administered by the Board and has been funded with a transfer of \$793 million from the State's economic stabilization fund. The Board may utilize the proceeds of general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued for an authorized purpose of the FIF.

The FIF program provides grants and zero interest loans for flood control, flood mitigation, and drainage projects. Eligible projects include structural, nonstructural, and nature-based solutions which fall into one of four

categories: (1) flood protection planning for watersheds; (2) planning, acquisition, design, construction, and rehabilitation; (3) federal award matching funds; and (4) measures immediately effective in protecting life and property. Project funding is available to eligible political subdivision applicants, including a city, county, district or authority created under Article III, Section 52, or Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution. In addition, funding for flood protection planning for watersheds is also available to any other political subdivision of the state, any interstate compact commission to which the state is a party, and any nonprofit water supply corporation created and operating under Chapter 67 of the Texas Water Code.

#### **Revenue Bonds**

The Board is authorized to issue an unlimited amount of revenue bonds to fund certain eligible projects. The Board has the authority to sell revenue bonds for the following purposes: (1) to finance the construction of water and wastewater projects of political subdivisions and nonprofit water supply corporations; (2) to provide interim financing to political subdivisions which are also receiving long term financing from the Board; (3) to finance projects of nonprofit water supply corporations; (4) to provide the state matching funds for federal funds provided to the CWSRF, the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund ("DWSRF"), and any additional State revolving fund hereafter established by the Board to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for public works in accordance with a federal capitalization grant program; and (5) to finance water and sewer projects in economically distressed areas to the extent such assistance will not adversely affect the current or future integrity of financial assistance programs of the Board. The Board's revenue bonds do not constitute a debt of the State, and neither the full faith and credit nor the taxing authority of the State is in any manner pledged, given or loaned to the payment of the Board's revenue bonds. Further, the Board's revenue bonds are not secured by or payable from money in either Development Fund I or Development Fund II.

#### **State Revolving Funds**

#### State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund.

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Water Quality Act of 1987, as amended (the "Federal Act"), established the Federal Loan Program (described below) as a joint federal and state program. Under the Federal Loan Program, the USEPA is authorized to make grants (the "SRF Capitalization Grants") to states to aid in providing financial assistance to municipalities; intermunicipal, interstate or state agencies; or other public entities eligible for assistance under the Federal Act (the "Eligible Borrowers") for eligible projects including the construction of publicly owned treatment works, managing stormwater, measures to reduce the demand for publicly owned treatment works capacity through water conservation, efficiency, or reuse, and nonpoint source pollution control projects and other authorized purposes pursuant to the Federal Act. As a condition to receipt of an SRF Capitalization Grant, a state is required to establish a perpetual state revolving fund into which the SRF Capitalization Grant must be deposited, and to provide state matching funds at least equal to 20% of the SRF Capitalization Grant. Historically, proceeds of Water Development Bonds and Financial Assistance Bonds have been used to provide such matching funds. Funds in a state revolving fund are permitted to be applied to provide financial assistance to Eligible Borrowers in a number of ways, including making direct loans, purchasing or refinancing debt obligations and providing loan guarantees.

Pursuant to Chapter 15, Subchapter J of the Texas Water Code ("Subchapter J"), which became effective June 17, 1987, the State created the CWSRF for the purpose of providing financial assistance to Eligible Borrowers for authorized activities and uses. The Board currently provides financial assistance by purchasing political subdivision obligations from Eligible Borrowers, or by providing loans or principal forgiveness.

The Board purchases political subdivision obligations or provides loans under the State Revolving Fund program with terms up to thirty (30) years from project completion, but in no event longer than the expected design life of the project financed or refinanced.

## State Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund.

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act ("SDWA") established national primary drinking water regulations to protect the safety of the public's drinking water. Under the SDWA, the USEPA is authorized to make grants ("DWSRF Capitalization Grants") to states to assist communities in meeting established drinking water standards. As a condition to receipt of a DWSRF Capitalization Grant, a state is required to establish a drinking water state revolving fund into which the DWSRF Capitalization Grant must be deposited, provide state matching funds at least

equal to 20% of the DWSRF Capitalization Grant for deposit in the safe drinking water revolving fund and comply with certain other requirements of the SDWA. Historically, proceeds of Water Development Bonds and Financial Assistance Bonds have been used to provide all or a portion of such matching funds. The Board does not expect to issue general obligation bonds to provide matching funds in the future. Pursuant to Subchapter J, Texas created the DWSRF for the purpose of providing financial assistance to political subdivisions and water supply corporations. The Legislature expanded the program to allow funding for privately owned corporations for loan subsidies, provided that only appropriated funds and federal grants are utilized for such purpose.

DWSRF funds are permitted to be applied to provide financial assistance to community water systems and non-profit community water systems in a number of ways, including making direct loans, retiring existing debt through refinancing, and providing loan guarantees for expenditures that facilitate compliance with the primary national drinking water regulations. Under the SDWA, no less than 15% of money credited to the DWSRF must be provided to public water systems which serve fewer than 10,000 persons to the extent such funds can be obligated for eligible projects. Additional set asides may be made for source water protection loans and programs for capacity development and for state administration of the SDWA. The Board currently provides financial assistance by purchasing political subdivision obligations from Eligible Borrowers, or by providing loans or principal forgiveness. The maximum term of such form of financial assistance may not exceed thirty (30) years from project completion, but in no event longer than the expected design life of the project financed or refinanced.

## 2021 Legislative Session

In odd-numbered years, the Legislature meets in a regular session lasting 140 days. On January 12, 2021, the Legislature convened in its 87th Regular Session which ended May 31, 2021. The Governor has the authority to call a special session to address specific issues as determined by the Governor. Such special sessions may last no longer than 30 days. The Governor has called a special session beginning on September 20, 2021.

#### Cybersecurity

The State's Office of the Chief Information Security Officer, in conjunction with the Statewide Information Security Advisory Committee, created a strategic plan for the State that focuses on cybersecurity initiatives. The plan, adopted January 2018, addresses the goals of engagement, tooling, staffing, response and outreach. In addition to compliance with such plan, the Board has adopted information technology policies and procedures, including risk management policies and procedures that are reviewed and updated annually. The Board employs other routine and standard processes that ensure the security of information resources as well, such as an annual controlled penetration test, a biennial Information Security Risk Assessment conducted by a third-party and a Board Security Plan that is updated every two years. In addition, the Board requires annual security awareness training of all employees and contractors and conducts quarterly phishing exercises to reinforce awareness concepts. There have been no material cybersecurity incidents that have impacted the operation or financial condition of the Board.

# Sunset Review of the Board

The Board is subject to review, but not abolishment, under the Texas Sunset Act, Chapter 325, Texas Government Code (the "Sunset Act"), by the Sunset Advisory Commission (the "Commission"). The Board was most recently reviewed in 2011 and is subject to review every 12<sup>th</sup> year with the next review of the Commission expected to be completed in 2023. Pursuant to the Sunset Act, the Commission has initiated a process to conduct its review and provide any recommendations to the Legislature for consideration during the 2023 legislative session. The Legislature, however, is not prohibited from considering legislation addressing the programs performed by the Board prior to such date. Pursuant to the Sunset Act, the Commission is required to make recommendations to the Legislature regarding the reorganization, consolidation or transfer of programs administered by the Board. The Sunset Act further prohibits the Legislature from enacting legislation which would in any way affect the Board's continuing obligations, including those to the Bondholders pursuant to the 2021 Bond Indenture.

# APPENDIX D

# PROPOSED FORM OF OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL



#### **Proposed Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel**

An opinion in substantially the following form will be delivered by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, upon the delivery of the Bonds, assuming no material changes in facts or law.

# TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD STATE WATER IMPLEMENTATION REVENUE FUND FOR TEXAS REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2021 (MASTER TRUST), IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$444,735,000

AS BOND COUNSEL for the Texas Water Development Board (the "Issuer"), the issuer of the Bonds described above (the "Bonds"), we have examined into the legality and validity of the issue of bonds described above, which bear interest from the date, mature on the dates, and are subject to redemption, all as specified on the face of the Bonds, all in accordance with the resolution of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Authorizing Resolution").

THE BONDS are issued and are equally secured as to payment of principal and interest under a Master Trust Indenture dated as of October 1, 2015, between the Issuer and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, as Master Trustee (the "Master Trust Indenture"), and a Bond Indenture dated as of October 1, 2021, between the Issuer and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee (the "Bond Indenture"). Terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meaning given in the Master Trust Indenture and the Bond Indenture.

WE HAVE EXAMINED the applicable and pertinent provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and a transcript of certified proceedings of the Issuer, and other pertinent instruments authorizing and relating to the issuance of the Bonds, including one of the executed Bonds (Bond No. T-1).

BASED ON SAID EXAMINATION, IT IS OUR OPINION that the Issuer is duly created and validly exists as a body corporate and politic and instrumentality, agency and department of the State of Texas, and is vested with full right and power to adopt the Authorizing Resolution, enter into the Master Trust Indenture, the Bond Indenture and that certain SWIFT Funds Transfer Agreement dated as of August 31, 2021, between the Issuer and the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company (the "Transfer Agreement"), and perform the agreements on its part contained therein and to issue the Bonds; the Authorizing Resolution has been duly adopted by the Issuer and the Bond Indenture has been duly executed and delivered on behalf of the Issuer; the Bond Indenture creates a valid lien on the Political Subdivision Obligations, and the moneys, securities and funds held and pledged thereunder as security for the Bonds are on a parity with other bonds issued under the Master Trust Indenture, subject to the application thereof to the purposes and on the conditions permitted by the Bond Indenture; the Bonds have been authorized and issued in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, specifically Subchapter H of Chapter 15, Texas Water Code (the "Act"), and constitute valid and binding special obligations of the Issuer secured by and payable solely from the security described in the Bond Indenture; and that the Bonds, the Transfer Agreement, the Master Trust Indenture and the Bond Indenture are enforceable in accordance with their respective terms and conditions, except to the extent that the rights and remedies of the owners of the Bonds may be limited by laws now existing or hereafter enacted relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors, and certain equitable remedies, including specific performance, or legal remedies awarded, as may be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion.

IN OUR OPINION, except as discussed below, the interest on the Bonds is excludable from the gross income of the owners for federal income tax purposes under the statutes, regulations, rulings, and court decisions existing on the date of this opinion. We are further of the opinion that the Bonds are not "specified private activity bonds" and that, accordingly, interest on the Bonds will not be included as an individual alternative minimum tax preference item under section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). In expressing the aforementioned opinions, we have relied on certain representations, the accuracy of which we have not independently verified, and assume compliance by the Issuer with certain covenants, regarding the use and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds and the use of the project refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds. We call your attention to the fact that if such representations are determined to be inaccurate or if the Issuer fails to comply with such covenants, interest on the Bonds may become includable in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

EXCEPT AS STATED ABOVE, we express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences of acquiring, carrying, owning or disposing of the Bonds. In particular, but not by way of limitation, we express no opinion with respect to the federal, state or local tax consequences arising from the enactment of any pending or future legislation.

WE EXPRESS NO OPINION as to any insurance policies issued with respect to the payments due for the principal of and interest on the Bonds, nor as to any such insurance policies issued in the future.

OUR SOLE ENGAGEMENT in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is as Bond Counsel for the Issuer, and, in that capacity, we have been engaged by the Issuer for the sole purpose of rendering an opinion with respect to the legality and validity of the Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and with respect to the exclusion from gross income of the interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes, and for no other reason or purpose. The foregoing opinions represent our legal judgment based upon a review of existing legal authorities that we deem relevant to render such opinions and are not a guarantee of a result. We have not been requested to investigate or verify, and have not independently investigated or verified any records, data, or other material relating to the financial condition or capabilities of the Issuer, or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Bonds, and have not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto. We express no opinion and make no comment with respect to the marketability of the Bonds and have relied solely on certificates executed by officials of the Issuer as to the current outstanding indebtedness of the Issuer and the Security available for the payment of debt service on the Bonds. Our role in connection with the Issuer's Official Statement prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Bonds has been limited as described therein.

OUR OPINIONS ARE BASED ON EXISTING LAW, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"); rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that we deem relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures the Service is likely to treat the Issuer as the taxpayer. We observe that the Issuer has covenanted not to take any action, or omit to take any action within its control, that if taken or omitted, respectively, may result in the treatment of interest on the Bonds as includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

# APPENDIX E

# DESCRIPTION OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM AND GLOBAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES



#### APPENDIX E

#### BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM AND GLOBAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES

The information set out in this Appendix E is subject to any change in or reinterpretation of the rules, regulations and procedures of DTC (as defined below), Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear System ("Euroclear") or Clearstream Banking, S.A. ("Clearstream Banking") (DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream Banking together, the "Clearing Systems" currently in effect). The information in this Appendix E concerning the Clearing Systems has been obtained from sources that the Board believes to be reliable, but none of the Board, the Financial Advisor, the 2021 Bond Indenture Trustee or the Underwriters take any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or adequacy of the information in this Appendix E. Investors wishing to use the facilities of any of the Clearing Systems are advised to confirm the continued applicability of the rules, regulations and procedures of the relevant Clearing System. The Board will not have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial ownership interests in the Series 2021 Bonds held through the facilities of any Clearing System or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

## DTC Book-Entry Only System

Below is a description of how ownership of the Series 2021 Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal and interest on the Series 2021 Bonds are to be paid to and credited by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") while the Series 2021 Bonds are registered in its nominee name. The information in this section concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been provided by DTC for use in disclosure documents such as the Official Statement.

The Board and the Underwriters cannot and do not give any assurance that (1) DTC will distribute payments of debt service on the Series 2021 Bonds, or redemption or other notices, to DTC Participants, (2) DTC Participants or others will distribute debt service payments paid to DTC or its nominee (as the registered owner of the Series 2021 Bonds), or redemption or other notices, to the Beneficial Owners, or that they will do so on a timely basis, or (3) DTC will serve and act in the manner described in the Official Statement. The current rules applicable to DTC are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the current procedures of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC. Termination of the DTC Book-Entry-Only System by the Board may require consent of the Participants under DTC Operational Arrangements.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Series 2021 Bonds. The Series 2021 Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully registered Bond will be issued for each maturity and series of the Series 2021 Bonds, as set forth on the inside of the cover page hereof, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose Trust Company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants" and, together with the Direct Participants, the "Participants"). The DTC rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Series 2021 Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2021 Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Series 2021 Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Series 2021 Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Series 2021 Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2021 Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2021 Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Series 2021 Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2021 Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2021 Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Beneficial Owners of the Series 2021 Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of the Series 2021 Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Series 2021 Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners, in the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of the notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Series 2021 Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor such other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Board as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Series 2021 Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

All payments on the Series 2021 Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts, upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Board or the Paying Agent/Registrar on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC nor its nominee, the Paying Agent/Registrar, or the Board, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. All payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) are the responsibility of the Board or the Paying Agent/Registrar, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Series 2021 Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Board or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Series 2021 Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Board may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Board believes to be reliable, but the Board takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof and the information is not to be construed as a representation by the Board, the Financial Advisor or the Underwriters.

Use of certain terms in other sections of the Official Statement. In reading the Official Statement it should be understood while the Series 2021 Bonds are in the book-entry-only system, references in other sections of the Official Statement to registered owners should be read to include the person for which the Participant acquires an interest in the Series 2021 Bonds, but (i) all rights of ownership must be exercised through DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System, and (ii) except as described above, notices that are to be given to registered owners under the Resolution will be given only to DTC.

#### Euroclear and Clearstream Banking

The information in this section concerning Euroclear and Clearstream Banking has been provided by such Clearing Systems for use in disclosure documents such as the Official Statement:

Euroclear and Clearstream Banking each hold securities for their customers and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions by electronic book-entry transfer between their respective account holders. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking provide various services including safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking also deal with domestic securities markets in several countries through established depositary and custodial relationships. Euroclear and Clearstream Banking have established an electronic bridge between their two systems across which their respective participants may settle trades with each other.

Euroclear and Clearstream Banking customers are worldwide financial institutions, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Indirect access to Euroclear and Clearstream Banking is available to other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with an account holder of either system, either directly or indirectly.

#### Clearing and Settlement Procedures

The Series 2021 Bonds sold in offshore transactions will be initially issued to investors through the bookentry facilities of DTC, or Clearstream Banking and Euroclear in Europe if the investors are participants in those systems, or indirectly through organizations that are participants in the systems. For any of such Series 2021 Bonds, the record holder will be DTC's nominee. Clearstream Banking and Euroclear will hold omnibus positions on behalf of their participants through customers' securities accounts in Clearstream Banking's and Euroclear's names on the books of their respective depositories.

The depositories, in turn, will hold positions in customers' securities accounts in the depositories' names on the books of DTC. Because of time zone differences, the securities account of a Clearstream Banking or Euroclear participant as a result of a transaction with a participant, other than a depository holding on behalf of Clearstream Banking or Euroclear, will be credited during the securities settlement processing day, which must be a business day for Clearstream Banking or Euroclear, as the case may be, immediately following the DTC settlement date. These credits or any transactions in the securities settled during the processing will be reported to the relevant Euroclear participant or Clearstream Banking participant on that business day. Cash received in Clearstream Banking or Euroclear as a result of sales of securities by or through a Clearstream Banking participant or Euroclear participant to a Participant, other than the depository for Clearstream Banking or Euroclear, will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Clearstream Banking or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Transfers between Participants will occur in accordance with DTC rules. Transfers between Clearstream Banking participants or Euroclear participants will occur in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures. Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream Banking participants or Euroclear participants, on the other, will be effected in DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant European international clearing system by the relevant depositories; however, cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant European international clearing system by the counterparty in the system in accordance with its rules and

procedures and within its established deadlines in European time. The relevant European international clearing system will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving securities in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Clearstream Banking participants or Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the depositories.

The Board will not impose any fees in respect of holding the Series 2021 Bonds; however, holders of book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds may incur fees normally payable in respect of the maintenance and operation of accounts in the Clearing Systems.

#### **Initial Settlement**

Interests in the Series 2021 Bonds held in the Euroclear and Clearstream Clearing Systems will be held in uncertified book-entry form. Purchasers electing to hold book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds through Euroclear and Clearstream Banking accounts will follow the settlement procedures applicable to conventional Eurobonds. Book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds will be credited to Euroclear and Clearstream Banking participants' securities clearance accounts on the business day following the date of delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds against payment (value as on the date of delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds). Participants acting on behalf of purchasers electing to hold book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds through DTC will follow the delivery practices applicable to securities eligible for DTC's Same Day Funds Settlement system. Participants' securities accounts will be credited with book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds following confirmation of receipt of payment to the Board on the date of delivery of the Series 2021 Bonds.

#### Secondary Market Trading

Secondary market trades in the Series 2021 Bonds will be settled by transfer of title to book-entry interests in the Clearing Systems. Title to such book-entry interests will pass by registration of the transfer within the records of Euroclear, Clearstream Banking or DTC, as the case may be, in accordance with their respective procedures. Book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds may be transferred within Euroclear and within Clearstream Banking and between Euroclear and Clearstream Banking in accordance with procedures established for these purposes by Euroclear and Clearstream Banking. Book-entry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds may be transferred within DTC in accordance with procedures established for this purpose by DTC. Transfer of bookentry interests in the Series 2021 Bonds between Euroclear or Clearstream Banking and DTC may be effected in accordance with procedures established for this purpose by Euroclear, Clearstream Banking and DTC.

#### **Special Timing Considerations**

Investors will only be able to make and receive deliveries, payments and other communications involving the Series 2021 Bonds through Euroclear or Clearstream Banking on days when those systems are open for business. In addition, because of time-zone differences, there may be complications with completing transactions involving Clearstream Banking and/or Euroclear on the same business day as in the United States. U.S. investors who wish to transfer their interests in the Series 2021 Bonds, or to receive or make a payment or delivery of Series 2021 Bonds, on a particular day, may find that the transactions will not be performed until the next business day in Luxembourg if Clearstream Banking is used, or Brussels if Euroclear is used.

# General

None of DTC, Euroclear, or Clearstream Banking is under any obligation to perform or continue to perform the procedures referred to above, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time.

None of the Board, the Financial Advisor, the Bond Indenture Trustee or the Underwriters will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC, Euroclear, or Clearstream Banking or their respective direct or indirect participants or account holders of their respective obligations, including the timely transfer of funds to pay interest on and principal of the Series 2021 Bonds when due, under the rules and procedures governing their operations or the arrangements referred to above.



