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Greenfield Power and Light
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This letter confirms the arrangements for Crowe LLP ("Crowe" or "us" or "we" or "our") to provide the professional services discussed in this letter to Greenfield Power and Light ("Utility" or "you", "your" or "Entity" or "Client") for the year ending December 31, 2018. The attached Crowe Engagement Terms is an integral part of this letter, and its terms are incorporated herein.

AUDIT SERVICES

Our Responsibilities

We will audit and report on the financial statements of the governmental and business-type activities which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Utility for the period indicated.

In addition to our report on the financial statements, we also plan to perform specified procedures in order to describe in our report whether the following required supplementary information is presented in accordance with applicable guidelines. However, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on this information due to our limited procedures.

- Schedule of the Utility's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - PERF
- Schedule of the Utility's Employer Contributions - PERF

The objective of the audit is the expression of an opinion on the financial statements. We will plan and perform the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Those standards require that we obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement whether caused by error or fraud. Because of inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with applicable standards. An audit is not designed to detect error or fraud that is immaterial to the financial statements.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment including the assessment of the risks that the financial statements could be misstated by an amount we believe would influence the financial statement users. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

In making our risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Client's internal control. However, we will communicate in writing to those charged with governance and management concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

We will communicate to management other deficiencies in internal control identified during the audit that have not been communicated to management by other parties and that, in our professional judgment, are of sufficient importance to merit management's attention. We will also communicate certain matters related to the conduct of the audit to those charged with governance, including (1) fraud involving senior management, and fraud (whether caused by senior management or other employees) that causes a material misstatement of the financial statements, (2) illegal acts that come to our attention (unless they are clearly inconsequential) (3) disagreements with management and other significant difficulties encountered in performing the audit and (4) various matters related to the Utility's accounting policies and financial statements. Our engagement is not designed to address legal or regulatory matters, which matters should be discussed by you with your legal counsel.

We expect to issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the financial statements. Our report will be addressed to Board of Directors of the Utility. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis of matter or other matter paragraph, or withdraw from the engagement.

Our audit and work product are intended for the benefit and use of the Utility only. The audit will not be planned or conducted in contemplation of reliance by any other party or with respect to any specific transaction and is not intended to benefit or influence any other party. Therefore, items of possible interest to a third party may not be specifically addressed or matters may exist that could be assessed differently by a third party.

The Utility's Responsibilities

The Utility's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Utility's management is also responsible for complying with applicable laws, regulations, contracts and grants and such responsibility extends to identifying the requirements and designing internal control policies and procedures to provide reasonable assurance that compliance is achieved.

Management has the responsibility to adopt sound accounting policies, maintain an adequate and efficient accounting system, safeguard assets, and design and implement programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud. Management's judgments are typically based on its knowledge and experience about past and current events and its expected courses of action. Management's responsibility for financial reporting includes establishing a process to prepare the accounting estimates included in the financial statements.

Management is responsible for providing to us, on a timely basis, all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, such as records, documentation, and other matters. Management is also responsible for providing such other additional information we may request for the purpose of the audit, and unrestricted access to persons within the Utility from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence. Additionally, those charged with governance are responsible for informing us of their views about the risks of fraud within the Utility, and their knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Utility.

Management is responsible for adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements related to accounts or disclosures. As part of our audit process, we will request from management written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit, including that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements and to compliance with the requirements of its Federal programs. Management acknowledges the importance of management's representations and responses to our inquiries, and that they will be utilized as part of the evidential matter we will rely on in forming our opinion. Because of the importance of management's representations to an effective audit, you agree to release Crowe and its personnel from any liability and costs relating to our services under this letter attributable to any misrepresentations by management.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the required supplementary information identified above in accordance with the applicable guidelines. We will request from management certain written representations regarding management's responsibilities in relation to the required supplementary information presented, including but not limited to whether it has been measured and presented in accordance with prescribed guidelines, the method of measurement and presentation and any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the supplementary information.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

The engagement and performance of the audit are subject to the following guidance for auditee and auditor:

AMENDED STATE EXAMINER DIRECTIVE 2015-2 -- Engagement of Private Examiners

Authority: Ind. Code §§ 5-11-1-7, 10, 24; Ind. Code Chs. 25-2.1-3, 4, 5; Ind. Code § 25-2.1-12-3

This Directive applies to all audited entities subject to examination under Ind. Code Ch. 5-11-1. (See Attached)

- 1) The State Examiner will be notified immediately if there is a misappropriation of funds that is suspected to be the result of malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance discovered during the course of the private examiner's work.
- 2) The State Examiner will be notified immediately if the books and records are not in a sufficiently satisfactory condition for performing the audit.
- 3) The State Board of Accounts will receive a draft copy of the audit report for review at least 5 days prior to finalization of the audit report, as well as any separate communication to the entity's management, such as a management letter or governance communication letter.
- 4) The State Board of Accounts will also be provided the names, email addresses, and postal addresses of the governing board president, chief financial officer, and chief executive officer of the entity and the entity's private examiner contact.
- 5) Upon approval of the draft report and finalization of the audit report, a copy of the audit report will be provided to the State Board of Accounts in an unlocked pdf or Microsoft Word file. These files will be provided within 10 business days of the report being issued by the private examiner.
- 6) The State Board of Accounts will be notified of the date, time, and location the results of the audit will be discussed with entity officials (exit conference) at least 5 business days prior to the meeting by email.
- 7) All documentation used to support the audit report as well as any separate communication to the entity's management will be available for review by the State Board of Accounts at the State Examiner's discretion.
- 8) All correspondence with be via the following email address: procuredaudits@sboa.in.gov

OTHER SERVICES

Financial Statement Preparation

The Utility will provide us with the necessary information to assist in the preparation of the draft financial statements including the notes thereto. We are relying on the Entity to provide us with the detailed trial balance, note disclosure information and any other relevant report information in a timely fashion and ensure the data is complete and accurate. Management is solely responsible for the presentation of the financial statements.

With respect to the above other services, we will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards. We, in our sole professional judgment, reserve the right to refuse to do any procedure or take any action that could be construed as making management decisions or assuming management responsibilities. In connection with performing the above other services, you agree to: assume all management responsibilities including making all management decisions; oversee the service by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services performed; and accept responsibility for the results of the services.

FEES

We estimate that fees will not exceed \$19,600 for the audit of the basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018. Our invoices are due and payable upon receipt. Invoices that are not paid within 30 days of receipt are subject to a monthly interest charge of one percent per month or the highest interest rate allowed by law, whichever is less, which we may elect to waive at our sole discretion, plus costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees.

We anticipate separate billing of the audit fees to the Utility and the Indiana Municipal Power Agency based on the agreement between these parties that is communicated to us.

Circumstances may arise under which we must perform additional work and, thus, require additional billings for our services. Examples of such circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- Changing audit requirements
- New professional standards or regulatory requirements
- New financial statement disclosures
- Work caused due to the identification of, and management's correction of, inappropriate application of accounting pronouncements
- Erroneous or incomplete accounting records
- New or unusual transactions
- Change in your organizational structure or size due to merger and acquisition activity or other events
- Change in your controls
- Agreed-upon level of preparation and assistance from your personnel not provided
- Failure of your staff to prepare information in a timely manner
- Numerous revisions to your information
- Lack of availability of appropriate Utility personnel during audit fieldwork.

Additionally, to accommodate requests to reschedule audit fieldwork without reasonable notice, additional billings for our services could be required, and our assigned staffing and ability to meet agreed-upon deadlines could be impacted.

Our fee assumes that we will be provided with auditable trial balances for all funds at year end, that all bank accounts and investment accounts will be reconciled through the end of the year being audited to the trial balances, that interfund and transfer accounts will balance, that subsidiary ledgers will reconcile to the general ledger and that beginning fund equity amounts will be reconcilable to prior year audited ending fund equity. We assume that the Utility will cooperate with our requests for information such as explanations of account activity.

Additionally, we assume the Utility will provide a copy of the capital assets ledger including current year additions and dispositions and depreciation by functional expense. We assume that requested records such as invoices, contracts, grant agreements and supporting documentation will be located and provided to us. We also assume the Utility will prepare the MD&A section, if one will be provided.

Our fee does not include implementation of any other future accounting or auditing pronouncements and/or government requirements that may change, thus, the scope or amount of auditing necessary to complete our engagements may increase beyond what is currently anticipated. Should such events occur, we would present you with our estimate of any possible increase prior to beginning our audit for the given year. An equitable adjustment in the proposed fee will be negotiated if the cost of time required for performance of the audit service is increased or decreased pursuant to a change in scope of the audit requested by the Entity or required by State or Federal regulations.

Our fees are exclusive of taxes or similar charges, as well as customs, duties or tariffs, imposed in respect of the Services, any work product or any license, all of which Client agrees to pay if applicable or if they become applicable (other than taxes imposed on Crowe's income generally), without deduction from any fees or expenses invoiced to Client by Crowe.

To facilitate Crowe's presence at Client's premises, Client will provide Crowe with internet access while on Client's premises. Crowe will access the internet using a secure virtual private network. Crowe will be responsible for all internet activity performed by its personnel while on Client's premises.

MISCELLANEOUS

For purposes of this Miscellaneous section, the Acceptance section below, and all of the Crowe Engagement Terms, "Client" will mean the entity(ies) defined in the first paragraph of this letter and will also include all related parents, subsidiaries, and affiliates of Client who may receive or claim reliance upon any Crowe deliverable.

Crowe will provide the services to Client under this Agreement as an independent contractor and not as Client's partner, agent, employee, or joint venturer under this Agreement. Neither Crowe nor Client will have any right, power or authority to bind the other party.

This engagement letter agreement (the "Agreement") reflects the entire agreement between the parties relating to the services (or any reports, deliverables or other work product) covered by this Agreement. The engagement letter and any attachments (including without limitation the attached Crowe Engagement Terms) are to be construed as a single document, with the provisions of each section applicable throughout. This Agreement may not be amended or varied except by a written document signed by each party. It replaces and supersedes any other proposals, correspondence, agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, relating to the services covered by this letter, and each party agrees that in entering this Agreement, it has not relied on any oral or written representations, statements or other information not contained in or incorporated into this Agreement. Any non-disclosure or other confidentiality agreement is replaced and superseded by this Agreement. Each party shall remain obligated to the other party under all provisions of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature extend beyond and survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement. If any provision (in whole or in part) of this Agreement is found unenforceable or invalid, this will not affect the remainder of the provision or any other provisions in this Agreement, all of which will continue in effect as if the stricken portion had not been included. This Agreement may be executed in two or more actual, scanned, emailed, or electronically copied counterparts, each and all of which together are one and the same instrument. Accurate transmitted copies (transmitted copies are reproduced documents that are sent via mail, delivery, scanning, email, photocopy, facsimile or other process) of the executed Agreement or signature pages only (whether handwritten or electronic signature), will be considered and accepted by each party as documents equivalent to original documents and will be deemed valid, binding and enforceable by and against all parties. This Agreement must be construed, governed, and interpreted under the laws of the State of Illinois, without regard for choice of law principles.

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We are pleased to have this opportunity to serve you, and we look forward to a continuing relationship. If the terms of this letter and the attached Crowe Engagement Terms are acceptable to you, please sign below and return one copy of this letter at your earliest convenience. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

ACCEPTANCE

I have reviewed the arrangements outlined above and in the attached "Crowe Engagement Terms," and I accept on behalf of the Client the terms and conditions as stated. By signing below, I represent and warrant that I am authorized by Client to accept the terms and conditions as stated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Client and Crowe have duly executed this engagement letter effective the date first written above.

Greenfield Power and Light

CROWE LLP

Signature

Scott R. Nickerson
Signature

Printed Name

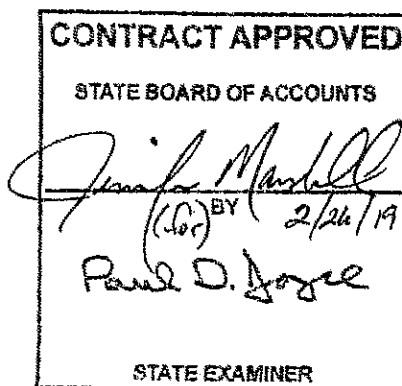
Scott R. Nickerson
Printed Name

Title

Partner
Title

Date

January 14, 2019
Date



Crowe Engagement Terms

Crowe wants Client to understand the terms under which Crowe provides its services to Client and the basis under which Crowe determines its fees. These terms are part of the Agreement and apply to all services described in the Agreement as well as all other services provided to Client (collectively, the "Services"), unless and until a separate written agreement is executed by the parties for separate services. Any advice provided by Crowe is not intended to be, and is not, investment advice.

CLIENT'S ASSISTANCE – For Crowe to provide Services effectively and efficiently, Client agrees to provide Crowe timely with information requested and to make available to Crowe any personnel, systems, premises, records, or other information as reasonably requested by Crowe to perform the Services. Access to such personnel and information are key elements for Crowe's successful completion of Services and determination of fees. If for any reason this does not occur, a revised fee to reflect additional time or resources required by Crowe will be mutually agreed. Client agrees Crowe will have no responsibility for any delays related to a delay in providing such information to Crowe. Such information will be accurate and complete, and Client will inform Crowe of all significant tax, accounting and financial reporting matters of which Client is aware.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS – As a regulated professional services firm, Crowe must follow professional standards when applicable, including the Code of Professional Conduct of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA"). Thus, if circumstances arise that, in Crowe's professional judgment, prevent it from completing the engagement, Crowe retains the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue other work product or terminating the engagement.

REPORTS – Any information, advice, recommendations or other content of any memoranda, reports, deliverables, work product, presentations, or other communications Crowe provides under this Agreement ("Reports"), other than Client's original information, are for Client's internal use only, consistent with the purpose of the Services. Client will not rely on any draft Report. Unless required by an audit or other attestation professional standard, Crowe will not be required to update any final Report for circumstances of which we become aware or events occurring after delivery.

CONFIDENTIALITY – Except as otherwise permitted by this Agreement or as agreed in writing, neither Crowe nor Client may disclose to third parties the contents of this Agreement or any information provided by or on behalf of the other that ought reasonably to be treated as confidential and/or proprietary. Client use of any Crowe work product will be limited to its stated purpose and to Client business use only. However, Client and Crowe each agree that either party may disclose such information to the extent that it: (i) is or becomes public other than through a breach of this Agreement, (ii) is subsequently received by the recipient from a third party who, to the recipient's knowledge, owes no obligation of confidentiality to the disclosing party with respect to that information, (iii) was known to the recipient at the time of disclosure or is thereafter created independently, (iv) is disclosed as necessary to enforce the recipient's rights under this Agreement, or (v) must be disclosed under applicable law, regulations, legal process or professional standards.

THIRD PARTY PROVIDER – Crowe may use a third-party provider in providing Services to Client, which may require Crowe to share Client confidential information with the provider. If Crowe uses a third-party provider, Crowe will enter into a confidentiality agreement with the provider to require the provider to protect the confidentiality of Client's confidential information, and Crowe will be responsible to Client for maintaining its confidentiality. The limitations on Client's remedies, vis-à-vis Crowe, in this Agreement will also apply to any subcontractors.

CLIENT-REQUIRED CLOUD USAGE – If Client requests that Crowe access files, documents or other information in a cloud-based or web-accessed hosting service or other third-party system accessed via the internet, including, without limitation iCloud, Dropbox, Google Docs, Google Drive, a data room hosted by a third-party, or a similar service or website (collectively, "Cloud Storage"), Client will confirm with any third-parties assisting with or hosting the Cloud Storage that either such third-party or Client (and not Crowe) is responsible for complying with all applicable laws relating to the Cloud Storage and any information contained in the Cloud Storage, providing Crowe access to the information in the Cloud Storage, and protecting the information in the Cloud Storage from any unauthorized access, including without limitation unauthorized access to the information when in transit to or from the Cloud Storage. Client represents that it has authority to provide Crowe access to information in the Cloud Storage and that providing Crowe with such access complies with all applicable laws, regulations, and duties owed to third-parties.

DATA PROTECTION – If Crowe holds or uses Client information that can be linked to specific individuals who are Client's customers ("Personal Data"), Crowe will treat it as confidential as described above and comply with applicable US state and federal law and professional regulations in disclosing or using such information to carry out the Services. Crowe has implemented and will maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards reasonably designed to (i) protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of the Personal Data, (ii) prevent unauthorized access to or use of the Personal Data, and (iii) provide proper disposal of the Personal Data (collectively, the "Safeguards"). Client warrants (i) that it has the authority to provide the Personal Data to Crowe in connection with the Services, (ii) that Client has processed and provided the Personal Data to Crowe in accordance with applicable law, and (iii) will limit the Personal Data provided to Crowe to Personal Data necessary to perform the Services. To provide the Services, Client may also need to provide Crowe with access to Personal Data consisting of protected health information, financial account numbers, Social Security or other government-issued identification numbers, or other data that, if disclosed without authorization, would trigger notification requirements under applicable law ("Restricted Personal Data"). In the event Client provides Crowe access to Restricted Personal Data, Client will consult with Crowe on appropriate measures (consistent with legal requirements and professional standards applicable to Crowe) to protect the Restricted Personal Data, such as: deleting or masking unnecessary information before making it available to Crowe, using encryption when transferring it to Crowe, or providing it to Crowe only during on-site review on Client's site. Client will provide Crowe with Restricted Personal Data only in accordance with mutually agreed protective measures. Otherwise, Client and Crowe agree each may use unencrypted electronic media to correspond or transmit information and such use will not in itself constitute a breach of any confidentiality obligations under this Agreement.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION COMPLIANCE – If and to the extent that Client provides personal data to Crowe subject to the European Union General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), then in addition to the requirements of the above Data Protection section, this section will apply to such personal data ("EU Personal Data"). The parties agree that for purposes of processing the EU Personal Data, (a) Client will be the "Data Controller" as defined by the GDPR, meaning the organization that determines the purposes and means of processing the EU Personal Data; (b) Crowe will be the "Data Processor" as defined by GDPR, meaning the organization that processes the EU Personal Data on behalf of and under the instructions of the Data Controller; or (c) the parties will be classified as otherwise designated by a supervisory authority with jurisdiction. Client and Crowe each agree to comply with the GDPR requirements applicable to its respective role. Crowe has implemented and will maintain technical and organizational security safeguards reasonably designed to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of the EU Personal Data. Client represents it has secured all required rights and authority, including consents and notices, to provide such EU Personal Data to Crowe, including without limitation authority to transfer such EU Personal Data to the U.S. or other applicable Country or otherwise make the EU Personal Data available to Crowe, for the duration of and purpose of Crowe providing the Services. The types of EU Personal Data to be processed include name, contact information, title, and other EU Personal Data that is transferred to Crowe in connection with the Services. The EU Personal Data relates to the data subject categories of individuals connected to Client, Client customers, Client vendors, and Client affiliates or subsidiaries ("Data Subjects"). Crowe will process the EU Personal Data for the following purpose: (x) to provide the Services in accordance with this Agreement, (y) to comply with other documented reasonable instructions provided by Client, and (z) to comply with applicable law. In the event of a Crowe breach incident in connection with EU Personal Data in the custody or control of Crowe, Crowe will promptly notify Client upon knowledge that a breach incident has occurred. Client has instructed Crowe not to contact any Data Subjects directly, unless required by applicable law. In the event that a supervisory authority with jurisdiction makes the determination that Crowe is a data controller, Client will reasonably cooperate with Crowe to enable Crowe to comply with its obligations under GDPR. Crowe will reasonably cooperate with Client in responding to or addressing any request from a data subject, a supervisory authority with jurisdiction, or the Client, to the extent necessary to enable Client to comply with its obligations under GDPR as the Data Controller. Client will promptly reimburse Crowe for any out-of-pocket expenses and professional time at Crowe's then-current hourly rates. Client will provide prompt written notice to Crowe (with sufficient detailed instructions) of any data subject request or other act that is required to be performed by Crowe as the Data Processor on behalf of Client as the Data Controller. Crowe shall promptly delete or procure the deletion of any EU Personal Data after the cessation of any Services involving the processing of Client's EU Personal Data. Notwithstanding the forgoing, Crowe may retain a copy of the EU Personal Data as permitted by applicable law or professional standards, provided that such EU Personal Data remain subject to the terms of this Agreement.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY – Crowe may use ideas, concepts, methodologies, data, software, designs, utilities, tools, models, techniques, systems, Reports, or other know-how that it develops, owns or licenses ("Materials") in performing the Services. Crowe retains all intellectual property rights in the Materials (including any improvements or knowledge developed while performing the Services), and in any working papers compiled in providing the Services, but not in the Client information reflected in them. Upon payment for Services and subject to the other terms of this Agreement, Client will use Reports, as well as any Materials therein, only to the extent necessary and permitted under this Agreement.

AGGREGATED DATA – Client hereby acknowledges and agrees that Crowe may aggregate Client content and data with content and data from other clients ("Data Aggregations") for purposes including, without limitation, product and service development, commercialization, industry benchmarking, or quality improvement initiatives. Crowe will scrub Client content and data so that Client sensitive information is not disclosed and so that all data is anonymized. All Data Aggregations will be the sole and exclusive property of Crowe.

LEGAL AND REGULATORY CHANGE – Crowe may periodically communicate to Client changes in laws, rules or regulations. However, Client has not engaged Crowe, and Crowe does not undertake an obligation, to advise Client of changes in (a) laws, rules, regulations, industry or market conditions, or (b) Client's own business practices or other circumstances (except to the extent required by professional standards). The scope of Services and the fees for Services are based on current laws and regulations. If changes in laws or regulations change Client's requirements or the scope of the Services, Crowe's fees will be modified to a mutually agreed amount to reflect the changed level of Crowe's effort.

PUBLICATION – Client agrees to obtain Crowe's specific permission before using any Report or Crowe work product or Crowe's firm's name in a published document, and Client agrees to submit to Crowe copies of such documents to obtain Crowe's permission before they are filed or published.

CLIENT REFERENCE – From time to time Crowe is requested by prospective clients to provide references for Crowe service offerings. Client agrees that Crowe may use Client's name and generally describe the nature of Crowe's engagement(s) with Client in marketing to prospects, and Crowe may also provide prospects with contact information for Client personnel familiar with Crowe's Services.

NO PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES – Any liability of Crowe will not include any consequential, special, incidental, indirect, punitive, or exemplary damages or loss, nor any lost profits, goodwill, savings, or business opportunity, even if Crowe had reason to know of the possibility of such damages.

LIMIT OF LIABILITY – Except where it is judicially determined that Crowe performed its Services with gross negligence or willful misconduct, Crowe's liability will not exceed fees paid by Client to Crowe for the portion of the work giving rise to liability. A claim for a return of fees paid is the exclusive remedy for any damages. This limit of liability will apply to the full extent allowed by law, regardless of the grounds or nature of any claim asserted, including, without limitation, to claims based on principles of contract, negligence or other tort, fiduciary duty, warranty, indemnity, statute or common law. This limit of liability will also apply after this Agreement.

INDEMNIFICATION FOR THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS – In the event of a legal proceeding or other claim brought against Crowe by a third party, except where it is judicially determined that Crowe performed Services with gross negligence or willful misconduct, Client agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Crowe and its personnel against all costs, fees, expenses, damages and liabilities, including attorney fees and any other fees or defense costs, associated with such third-party claim, relating to or arising from any Services performed or work product provided by Crowe that Client uses or discloses to others or this engagement generally. This indemnification is intended to apply to the full extent allowed by law, regardless of the grounds or nature of any claim, liability, or damages asserted, including, without limitation, to claims, liability or damages based on principles of contract, negligence or other tort, fiduciary duty, warranty, indemnity, statute or common law. This indemnification will also apply after termination of this Agreement.

NO TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS – No claim against Crowe, or any recovery from or against Crowe, may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part.

TIME LIMIT ON CLAIMS – In no event will any action against Crowe, arising from or relating to this engagement letter or the Services provided by Crowe relating to this engagement, be brought after the earlier of 1) two (2) years after the date on which occurred the act or omission alleged to have been the cause of the injury alleged; or 2) the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations or repose.

RESPONSE TO LEGAL PROCESS – If Crowe is requested by subpoena, request for information, or through some other legal process to produce documents or testimony pertaining to Client or Crowe's Services, and Crowe is not named as a party in the applicable proceeding, then Client will reimburse Crowe for its professional time, plus out-of-pocket expenses, as well as reasonable attorney fees, Crowe incurs in responding to such request.

MEDIATION – If a dispute arises, in whole or in part, out of or related to this engagement, or after the date of this agreement, between Client or any of Client's affiliates or principals and Crowe, and if the dispute cannot be settled through negotiation, Client and Crowe agree first to try, in good faith, to settle the dispute by mediation administered by the American Arbitration Association, under its mediation rules for professional accounting and related services disputes, before resorting to litigation or any other dispute-resolution procedure. The results of mediation will be binding only upon agreement of each party to be bound. Costs of any mediation will be shared equally by both parties. Any mediation will be held in Chicago, Illinois.

JURY TRIAL WAIVER – FOR ALL DISPUTES RELATING TO OR ARISING BETWEEN THE PARTIES, THE PARTIES AGREE TO WAIVE A TRIAL BY JURY TO FACILITATE JUDICIAL RESOLUTION AND TO SAVE TIME AND EXPENSE. EACH PARTY AGREES IT HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE ITS LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW THIS WAIVER. THIS WAIVER IS IRREVOCABLE, MAY NOT BE MODIFIED EITHER ORALLY OR IN WRITING, AND APPLIES TO ANY SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS, RENEWALS, OR MODIFICATIONS TO THIS AGREEMENT. IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, THIS AGREEMENT MAY BE FILED AS WRITTEN CONSENT TO A BENCH TRIAL WITHOUT A JURY. HOWEVER, AND NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, IF ANY COURT RULES OR FINDS THIS JURY TRIAL WAIVER TO BE UNENFORCEABLE AND INEFFECTIVE IN WAIVING A JURY, THEN ANY DISPUTE RELATING TO OR ARISING FROM THIS ENGAGEMENT OR THE PARTIES' RELATIONSHIP GENERALLY WILL BE RESOLVED BY ARBITRATION AS SET FORTH IN THE PARAGRAPH BELOW REGARDING "ARBITRATION."

ARBITRATION – If any court rules or finds that the JURY TRIAL WAIVER section is not enforceable, then any dispute between the parties relating to or arising from this Agreement or the parties' relationship generally will be settled by binding arbitration in Chicago, Illinois (or a location agreed in writing by the parties). Any issues concerning the extent to which any dispute is subject to arbitration, or concerning the applicability, interpretation, or enforceability of any of this Section, will be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act and resolved by the arbitrator(s). The arbitration will be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act and resolved by the arbitrator(s). Regardless of the amount in controversy, the arbitration will be administered by JAMS, Inc. ("JAMS"), pursuant to its Streamlined Arbitration Rules & Procedures or such other rules or procedures as the parties may agree in writing. In the event of a conflict between those rules and this Agreement, this Agreement will control. The parties may alter each of these rules by written agreement. If a party has a basis for injunctive relief, this paragraph will not preclude a party seeking and obtaining injunctive relief in a court of proper jurisdiction. The parties will agree within a reasonable period of time after notice is made of initiating the arbitration process whether to use one or three arbitrators, and if the parties cannot agree within fifteen (15) business days, the parties will use a single arbitrator. In any event the arbitrator(s) must be retired federal judges or attorneys with at least 15 years commercial law experience and no arbitrator may be appointed unless he or she has agreed to these procedures. If the parties cannot agree upon arbitrator(s) within an additional fifteen (15) business days, the arbitrator(s) will be selected by JAMS. Discovery will be permitted only as authorized by the arbitrator(s), and as a rule, the arbitrator(s) will not permit discovery except upon a showing of substantial need by a party. To the extent the arbitrator(s) permit discovery as to liability, the arbitrator(s) will also permit discovery as to causation, reliance, and damages. The arbitrator(s) will not permit a party to take more than six depositions, and no depositions may exceed five hours. The arbitrator(s) will have no power to make an award inconsistent with this Agreement. The arbitrator(s) will rule on a summary basis where possible, including without limitation on a motion to dismiss basis or on a summary judgment basis. The arbitrator(s) may enter such prehearing orders as may be appropriate to ensure a fair hearing. The hearing will be held within one year of the initiation of arbitration, or less, and the hearing must be held on continuous business days until concluded. The hearing must be concluded within ten (10) business days absent written agreement by the parties to the contrary. The time limits in this section are not jurisdictional. The arbitrator(s) will apply substantive law and may award

injunctive relief or any other remedy available from a judge. The arbitrator(s) may award attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party, and in the event of a split or partial award, the arbitrator(s) may award costs or attorney fees in an equitable manner. Any award by the arbitrator(s) will be accompanied by a reasoned opinion describing the basis of the award. Any prior agreement regarding arbitration entered by the parties is replaced and superseded by this agreement. The arbitration will be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. §§ 1 et seq., and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof. All aspects of the arbitration will be treated by the parties and the arbitrator(s) as confidential.

NON-SOLICITATION – Each party acknowledges that it has invested substantially in recruiting, training and developing the personnel who render services with respect to the material aspects of the engagement (“Key Personnel”). The parties acknowledge that Key Personnel have knowledge of trade secrets or confidential information of their employers that may be of substantial benefit to the other party. The parties acknowledge that each business would be materially harmed if the other party was able to directly employ Key Personnel. Therefore, the parties agree that during the period of this Agreement and for one (1) year after its expiration or termination, neither party will solicit Key Personnel of the other party for employment or hire the Key Personnel of the other party without that party’s written consent unless hiring or engaging party pays to the other party a fee equal to the hired or engaged Key Personnel’s compensation for the prior twelve-month period with the other party.

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AMENDED STATE EXAMINER DIRECTIVE 2015-2

Date: April 7, 2016

Subject: Engagement of Private Examiners

Authority: Ind. Code §§ 5-11-1-7, 10, 24; Ind. Code Chs. 25-2.1-3, 4, 5; Ind. Code § 25-2.1-12-3

Application: This Directive applies to all audited entities subject to examination under Ind. Code Ch. 5-11-1.


From: Paul D. Joyce, CPA, State Examiner

Indiana Code Ch. 5-11-1 contains several provisions regarding the engagement of a private examiner. First, the State Examiner may allow the engagement of a private examiner to the extent the State Examiner determines necessary to satisfy the requirements of Ind. Code Art. 5-11. Ind. Code § 5-11-1-7(b). Second, a private examiner is subject to the direction of the State Examiner while performing examinations under Ind. Code Art. 5-11. *Id.* Third, if the State Examiner authorizes the engagement of a private examiner to perform an examination under Ind. Code Art. 5-11, the examination and report must comply with the uniform compliance guidelines established by the State Board of Account under Ind. Code § 5-11-1-24(a). Ind. Code § 5-11-1-24(d). Fourth, if an audited entity subject to examination under Ind. Code Ch. 5-11-1 engages a private examiner, the contract with the private examiner must require the examination and report to comply with the uniform compliance guidelines established by the State Board of Accounts. *Id.* Finally, if proposals for performing a private examination of an audited entity are required, an entity may not request such proposals unless the request has been submitted to and approved by the State Board of Accounts first. Ind. Code § 5-11-1-24(e). In addition, uniform compliance guidelines require that contracts agreed upon between an audited entity and a private examiner be submitted to and approved by the State Board of Accounts. *See* Ind. Code § 5-11-1-24(d); *Guidelines for the Audits of Charter Schools Performed by Private Examiners*; *Uniform Compliance Guidelines for Audit of Hospitals and State and Local Governments by Authorized Independent Public Accountants*; and *Uniform Compliance Guidelines for Examination of Entities Receiving Financial Assistance From Governmental Sources*.

A private examiner engaged under Ind. Code § 5-11-1-7 must hold (1) a valid certificate for a certified public accountant (CPA) or public accountant issued or renewed under Ind. Code Chs. 25-2.1-3 or 4, and (2) a permit issued under Ind. Code Ch. 25-2.1-5 in order to provide applicable reports on financial or attested statements of an audited entity. Individuals and firms not holding a valid CPA or public accountant certificate and permit are prohibited from issuing a report conventionally used by licensees with respect to: (1) a review of financial statements and (2) a compilation of financial statements. Ind. Code § 25-2.1-12-3.

In summary, before engaging a private examiner, an audited entity must: (1) obtain the prior approval of the State Examiner, (2) submit any required requests for proposals to the State Board of Accounts for approval prior to issuing the requests, (3) ensure the contract with the private examiner requires the examination and report to comply with the uniform compliance guidelines established by the State Board of Accounts, (4) submit the agreed upon contract for approval by the State Board of Accounts, and (5) ensure that the private examiner has the required certificate and permit issued under Ind. Code Chs. 25-2.1-3, 4, and/or 5. Failure to follow the steps outlined above will prevent the accountant from being considered a private examiner engaged under Ind. Code § 5-11-1-7.

This Directive may be amended from time to time and may be rescinded at any time in writing by the State Examiner or a Deputy State Examiner.


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