Albuquerque Bernalillo County
Water Utility Authority

Agenda Item No. 7b

Meeting Date: October 22, 2025
Staff Contact: Marta Ortiz, Chief Financial Officer

TITLE: **R-25-42 – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement By and Between the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Borrower/Grantee), In the Total Amount of $14,000,000 ($12,600,000 Grant Amount/$1,400,000 Loan Amount), Evidencing a Special Limited Obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to Utilize the Loan/Grant Amount Solely For the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Constructing a New Arsenic Treatment Plant for Existing Wells in Thomas, Santa Barbara and Yale Wellfields, and Solely In the Manner Described In the Loan/Grant Agreement; Providing For the Pledge and Payment of the Loan Amount and an Administrative Fee Solely From a Super Subordinate Lien (But Not an Exclusive Super Subordinate Lien) On the Net System Revenues of the Water and Wastewater Utility System of the Borrower/Grantee; Certifying That the Loan/Grant Amount, Together With Other Funds Available To the Borrower/Grantee, Is Sufficient To Complete the Project; Approving the Form of and Other Details Concerning the Loan/Grant Agreement; Ratifying Actions Heretofore Taken; Repealing All Action Inconsistent With This Resolution; and Authorizing the Taking of Other Actions in Connection With the Execution and Delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement**

ACTION: **Introduction October 22, 2025, Final Action November 19, 2025**

BACKGROUND:
This Resolution authorizes the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Water Authority) to enter into a Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement with the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA), supported by the New Mexico Water Trust Board. The agreement provides a total of $14,000,000 in funding comprised of a $12,600,000 grant and $1,400,000 loan to finance the design and construction of a new arsenic treatment facilities serving existing wells in the Thomas, Santa Barbara, and Yale Wellfields.

The Water Authority Board has previously approved the funding application.

SUMMARY:
The Resolution approves the execution and delivery of a Loan/Grant Agreement between the NMFA and the Water Authority in the amount of $14,000,000 ($12,600,000 Grant / $1,400,000 Loan). These funds will be used exclusively for the construction of a new arsenic treatment plant to service wells located in Thomas, Santa Barbara and Yale Wellfields.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The Water Authority will repay the $1,400,000 loan at an interest rate of zero percent (0%), along with an administrative fee of one-quarter of one percent (0.25%) per annum of the unpaid principal. Additionally, the Water Authority will contribute $2,100,000 in matching funds toward the project.

COMMENTS:
This Resolution formally authorizes the Executive Director to finalize and execute the Loan/Grant Agreement with NMFA and the New Mexico Water Trust Board, to securing critical funding for the Arsenic Treatment Plant Project.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. ______ OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
NOVEMBER 19, 2025

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

The Board of Directors (the "Governing Body") of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (the "Borrower/Grantee") met in a regular session in full conformity with the law and the rules and regulations of the Governing Body at Vincent E. Griego Chambers located at One Civic Plaza, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102, being the meeting place of the Governing Body for the meeting held on the 19th day of November, 2025 at the hour of 5:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following members were found to be present:

Present:

Chair: ____

Vice-Chair: ____

Board Members: ____

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Absent: ____

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Also Present: ____

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Thereupon, there were officially filed with the Executive Director/Secretary copies of a proposed Resolution and Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement in final form, the proposed Resolution being as hereinafter set forth:

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ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

BILL NO. R-25-42

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A WATER PROJECT FUND LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY ("NMFA") AND THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY (THE "BORROWER/GRANTEE"), IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $14,000,000 ($12,600,000 GRANT AMOUNT/$1,400,000 LOAN AMOUNT), EVIDENCING A SPECIAL LIMITED OBLIGATION OF THE BORROWER/GRANTEE TO UTILIZE THE LOAN/GRANT AMOUNT SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING A NEW ARSENIC TREATMENT PLANT FOR EXISTING WELLS IN THOMAS, SANTA BARBARA AND YALE WELLFIELDS, AND SOLELY IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN THE LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE PLEDGE AND PAYMENT OF THE LOAN AMOUNT AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE SOLELY FROM A SUPER SUBORDINATE LIEN (BUT NOT AN EXCLUSIVE SUPER SUBORDINATE LIEN) ON THE NET SYSTEM REVENUES OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY SYSTEM OF THE BORROWER/GRANTEE; CERTIFYING THAT THE LOAN/GRANT AMOUNT, TOGETHER WITH OTHER FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE BORROWER/GRANTEE, IS SUFFICIENT TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT; RATIFYING ACTIONS HERETOFORE TAKEN; REPEALING ALL ACTION INCONSISTENT WITH THIS RESOLUTION; AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT.

Capitalized terms used in the following preambles have the same meaning as defined in this Resolution unless the context requires otherwise.

WHEREAS, the Borrower/Grantee is a legally and regularly created, established, duly organized and existing water and wastewater utility under and pursuant to the laws of the State and more specifically, NMSA 1978, Section 72-1-10, as amended, is a qualifying entity under the Water Project Finance Act and is qualified for financial assistance as determined by the NMFA and approved by the Water Trust Board pursuant to the Board Rules, the Policies and the Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board Rules the Water Trust Board has recommended the Project for funding as a Qualifying Project to the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 35 Laws 2025, being House Bill 206 of the 2025 Regular New Mexico Legislative Session, authorized the funding of the Project from the Water Project Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Water Trust Board has recommended that the NMFA enter into and administer the Loan/Grant Agreement in order to finance the Project; and

WHEREAS, the NMFA approved on May 22, 2025 that the Borrower/Grantee receive financial assistance in the form of the Loan/Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined and hereby determines that the Project may be financed with amounts granted and loaned pursuant to the Loan/Grant Agreement, that the Loan/Grant Amount, together with the Additional Funding Amount and other moneys available to the Borrower/Grantee, is sufficient to complete the Project, and that it is in the best interest of the Borrower/Grantee and the constituent public it serves that the Loan/Grant Agreement be executed and delivered and that the funding of the Project take place by executing and delivering the Loan/Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined that it may lawfully enter into the Loan/Grant Agreement, accept the Loan/Grant Amount and be bound to the obligations and by the restrictions thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Loan/Grant Agreement shall not constitute a general obligation of the Borrower/Grantee, the Water Trust Board or the NMFA or a debt or pledge of the full faith and credit of the Borrower/Grantee, the Water Trust Board, the NMFA or the State; and

WHEREAS, there have been presented to the Governing Body and there presently are on file with the Executive Director/Secretary this Resolution and the form of the Loan/Grant Agreement which is incorporated by reference and considered to be a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that the Additional Funding Amount is now available to the Borrower/Grantee to complete the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower/Grantee has met or will meet prior to the first disbursement of any portion of the Loan/Grant Amount, the Conditions and readiness to proceed requirements established for the portion of the Loan/Grant Amount disbursed or caused to be disbursed by the NMFA, including but not limited to the requirements of Executive Order 2013-006; and

WHEREAS, all required authorizations, consents and approvals in connection with (i) the use of the Loan/Grant Amount for the purposes described, and according to the restrictions set forth, in the Loan/Grant Agreement; (ii) the availability of other moneys necessary and sufficient, together with the Loan/Grant Amount, to complete the Project; and (iii) the authorization, execution and delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement which are required to have been obtained by the date of this Resolution, have been obtained or are reasonably expected to be obtained.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Definitions. As used in this Resolution, the following terms shall, for all purposes, have the meanings herein specified, unless the context clearly requires otherwise (such meanings to be equally applicable to both the singular and the plural forms of the terms defined); and, any term not defined herein shall have the definition given it by the Loan/Grant Agreement:

"ACH AUTHORIZATION" means the authorization for direct payment to the NMFA by ACH made by the Borrower/Grantee on the form required by the bank or other entity at which the account is held, from which the Pledged Revenues will be paid.

"ACT" means the general laws of the State, particularly the Water Project Finance Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 72-4A-1 through 72-4A-11, and enactments of the Governing Body relating to the Loan/Grant Agreement, including this Resolution, all as amended and supplemented.

"ADDITIONAL FUNDING AMOUNT" means the amount to be provided by the Borrower/Grantee which includes the total value of the Soft Match or Hard Match (each as defined in Section 4.2 of the Policies) which, in combination with the Loan/Grant Amount and other moneys available to the Borrower/Grantee, is sufficient to complete the Project and to provide matching funds required to complete the Project. The Additional Funding Amount is $2,100,000.

"ADMINISTRATIVE FEE" or "ADMINISTRATIVE FEE COMPONENT" means an amount equal to one-quarter of one percent (0.25%) per annum of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan Amount, taking into account both payments made by the Borrower/Grantee and hardship waivers of payments granted to the Borrower/Grantee pursuant to Section 5.1(a)(iii) of the Loan/Grant Agreement.

"AUTHORIZED OFFICERS" means any one or more of the Chair, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director/Secretary of the Borrower/Grantee.

"BOARD RULES" means Review and Eligibility of Proposed Water Projects, New Mexico Water Trust Board, 19.25.10 NMAC.

"BORROWER/GRANTEE" means the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority in Bernalillo County, New Mexico.

"CLOSING DATE" means the date of execution and delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement, by the Borrower/Grantee and the NMFA.

"COMPLETION DATE" means the date of final payment of the cost of the Project.

"CONDITIONS" has the meaning given to that term in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

"ELIGIBLE ITEMS" means eligible Project costs for which grants and loans may be made pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7(C), as amended, of the Act, the Board Rules and applicable Policies, and includes, without limitation, Eligible Legal Costs.

"ELIGIBLE LEGAL COSTS" has the meaning given to that term in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

"NMFA" means the New Mexico Finance Authority.

"GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES" means the officially established accounting principles applicable to the Borrower/Grantee consisting of the statements, determinations and other official pronouncements of the Government Accounting Standards Board, Financial Accounting Standards Board, Federal Accounting Standards Board or other principle-setting body acceptable to the Lender/Grantor establishing accounting principles applicable to the Borrower/Grantee.

"GOVERNING BODY" means the duly organized Board of Directors of the Borrower/Grantee, or any successor governing body of the Borrower/Grantee.

"GRANT" or "GRANT AMOUNT" means the amount provided to the Borrower/Grantee as a grant pursuant to the Loan/Grant Agreement for the purpose of funding the Project, and shall not equal more than $12,600,000.

"GROSS REVENUES" has the meaning given to that term in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

"HEREIN," "HEREBY," "HEREUNDER," "HEREOF," "HEREINABOVE" and "HEREAFTER" refer to this entire Resolution and not solely to the particular section or paragraph of this Resolution in which such word is used.

"LOAN" or "LOAN AMOUNT" means the amount provided to the Borrower/Grantee as a loan pursuant to the Loan/Grant Agreement for the purpose of funding the Project, in the maximum amount of $1,400,000.

"LOAN/GRANT" or "LOAN/GRANT AMOUNT" means the combined amount partially provided to the Borrower/Grantee as the Grant Amount and partially borrowed by the Borrower/Grantee as the Loan Amount pursuant to the Loan/Grant Agreement for the purpose of funding the Project, and shall not equal more than $14,000,000.

"LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT" means the Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement entered into by and between the Borrower/Grantee and the NMFA as authorized by this Resolution.

"NET SYSTEM REVENUES" means the Gross Revenues of the System minus Operation and Maintenance Expenses, indirect charges, amounts expended for capital replacements and repairs, required set asides for debt and replacement requirements, and any other payments from the gross revenues reasonably required for operation of the System.

"NMAC" means the New Mexico Administrative Code.

"NMSA 1978" means the New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978 Compilation, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

"OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES" has the meaning given to that term in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

"PLEDGED REVENUES" means the Net System Revenues of the System of the Borrower/Grantee pledged to the payment of the Loan Payments and Administrative Fee pursuant to this Resolution and the Loan/Grant Agreement and described in the Term Sheet.

"PROJECT" means the project(s) described on the Term Sheet.

"PROJECT ACCOUNT" means the book account established by the NMFA in the name of the Borrower/Grantee for purposes of tracking expenditure of the Loan/Grant Amount by the Borrower/Grantee to pay for the costs of the Project, as shown in the Term

Sheet, which account shall be kept separate and apart from all other accounts of the NMFA.

"QUALIFYING WATER PROJECT" means a water project for (i) storage, conveyance or delivery of water to end-users; (ii) implementation of the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 collaborative programs; (iii) wastewater conveyance and treatment; (iv) restoration and management of watersheds; (v) flood prevention or (vi) water conservation or recycling, treatment or reuse of water as provided by law; and which has been approved by the state legislature pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-9(B), as amended.

"RESOLUTION" means this Resolution as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time.

"SENIOR OBLIGATIONS" means the outstanding "Senior Obligations" set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution and the Term Sheet, and any other obligations now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a senior lien (but not an exclusive senior lien) on the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues senior to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Subordinate Obligations and Super Subordinate Obligations.

"STATE" means the State of New Mexico.

"SUBORDINATE OBLIGATIONS" means the outstanding "Subordinate Obligations" set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution and the Term Sheet, and any other obligations now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a subordinate lien (but not an exclusive subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues subordinate to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Senior Obligations and senior to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Super Subordinate Obligations.

"SUPER SUBORDINATE OBLIGATIONS" means the Loan/Grant Agreement, the outstanding "Super Subordinate Obligations" set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution and the Term Sheet, and any other obligations, now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues on a parity with Super Subordinate Obligations and subordinate to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Senior Obligations and Subordinate Obligations.

"SYSTEM" means the joint water and wastewater utility system of the Borrower/Grantee, owned and operated by the Borrower/Grantee, and of which the Project, when completed, will form part, and as further defined in the Agreement.

"TERM SHEET" means Exhibit "A" attached to the Loan/Grant Agreement.

"USEFUL LIFE" means the structural and material design life of the Project, including planning and design features, as required by the Act and the Board Rules.

"WATER PROJECT FUND" means the fund of the same name created pursuant to the Act and held and administered by the NMFA.

"WATER TRUST BOARD" or "WTB" means the water trust board created and established pursuant to the Act.

Section 2. Ratification. All action heretofore taken (not inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution) by the Borrower/Grantee and officers of the Borrower/Grantee directed toward the acquisition and completion of the Project, the pledge of the Pledged Revenues to payment of amounts due under the Loan/Grant Agreement, and the execution and delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement shall be, and the same hereby is, ratified, approved and confirmed.

Section 3. Authorization of the Project and the Loan/Grant Agreement. The acquisition and completion of the Project and the method of funding the Project through execution and delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement and the other documents related to the transaction are hereby authorized and ordered. The Project is for the benefit and use of the Borrower/Grantee and the public whom it serves.

Section 4. Findings. The Governing Body hereby declares that it has considered all relevant information and data and hereby makes the following findings:

A. The Project is needed to meet the needs of the Borrower/Grantee and the public whom it serves.

B. Moneys available and on hand for the Project from all sources other than the Loan/Grant are not sufficient to defray the cost of acquiring and completing the Project but, together with the Loan/Grant Amount, are sufficient to complete the Project.

C. The Project and the execution and delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement pursuant to the Act to provide funds for the financing of the Project are necessary, convenient and in furtherance of the governmental purposes of the Borrower/Grantee, and in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the constituent public served by the Borrower/Grantee.

D. The Borrower/Grantee will acquire and complete the Project with the proceeds of the Loan/Grant, the Additional Funding Amount and other amounts available to the Borrower/Grantee, and except as otherwise expressly provided by the Loan/Grant Agreement, will utilize, operate and maintain the Project for the duration of its Useful Life, as required by NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7(A)(1), as amended.

E. Together with the Loan/Grant Amount, and other amounts available to the Borrower/Grantee, the Additional Funding Amount is now available to the Borrower/Grantee, and in combination with the Loan/Grant Amount, will be sufficient to complete the Project.

F. The NMFA shall maintain on behalf of the Borrower/Grantee a separate Project Account as a book account only on behalf of the Borrower/Grantee and financial records in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles during the construction or implementation of the Project.

G. The Borrower/Grantee has acquired title to or easements or rights of way on the real property upon which the Project is being constructed or located as provided in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

Section 5. Loan/Grant Agreement—Authorization and Detail.

A. Authorization. This Resolution has been adopted by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of all of the members of the Governing Body. For the purpose of protecting the public health, conserving the property, and protecting the general welfare and prosperity of the constituent public served by the Borrower/Grantee and acquiring and completing the Project, it is hereby declared necessary that the Borrower/Grantee execute and deliver the Loan/Grant Agreement evidencing the Borrower/Grantee's acceptance of the Grant Amount of $12,600,000 and borrowing the Loan Amount of $1,400,000 to be utilized solely for Eligible Items necessary to complete the Project, and solely in the manner and according to the restrictions set forth in the Loan/Grant Agreement, the execution and delivery of which is hereby authorized. The Borrower/Grantee shall use the Loan/Grant Amount to finance the acquisition and completion of the Project.

B. Detail. The Loan/Grant Agreement shall be in substantially the form of the Loan/Grant Agreement presented at the meeting of the Governing Body at which this Resolution was adopted. The Grant shall be in the amount of $12,600,000 and the Loan shall be in the amount of $1,400,000. Interest on the Loan Amount shall be zero percent (0%) per annum of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan Amount, and the Administrative Fee shall be one-quarter of one percent (0.25%) per annum of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan Amount, taking into account both payments made by the Borrower/Grantee and hardship waivers of payments granted to the Borrower/Grantee.

Section 6. Approval of Loan/Grant Agreement. The form of the Loan/Grant Agreement as presented at the meeting of the Governing Body at which this Resolution was adopted, is hereby approved. Authorized Officers are hereby individually authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Loan/Grant Agreement with such changes, insertions and omissions as may be approved by such individual Authorized Officers, and the Executive Director/Secretary is hereby authorized to attest the Loan/Grant Agreement. The execution of the Loan/Grant Agreement shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 7. Security. The Loan Amount and Administrative Fee shall be solely secured by a super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the pledge of the Pledged Revenues herein made and as set forth in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

Section 8. Disposition of Proceeds: Completion of the Project.

A. Project Account. The Borrower/Grantee hereby consents to creation of the Project Account by the NMFA. Until the Completion Date, the amount of the Loan/Grant credited to the Project Account shall be used and paid out solely for Eligible Items necessary to acquire and complete the Project in compliance with applicable law and the provisions of the Loan/Grant Agreement.

B. Completion of the Project. The Borrower/Grantee shall proceed to complete the Project with all due diligence. Upon the Completion Date, the Borrower/Grantee shall execute a certificate stating that completion of and payment for the Project has been completed. Following the Completion Date or the earlier expiration of the time allowed for disbursement of Loan/Grant funds as provided in the Loan/Grant Agreement, any balance remaining in the Project Account shall be transferred and deposited into the Water Project Fund or otherwise distributed as provided in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

C. NMFA Not Responsible. Borrower/Grantee shall apply the funds derived from the Loan/Grant Agreement as provided therein, and in particular Article VII of the Loan/Grant Agreement. The NMFA shall not in any manner be responsible for the application or disposal by the Borrower/Grantee or by its officers of the funds derived from the Loan/Grant Agreement or of any other funds held by or made available to the Borrower/Grantee in connection with the Project. NMFA shall not be liable for the refusal or failure of any other agency of the State to transfer any portion of the Loan/Grant Amount in its possession, custody and control to the NMFA for disbursement to the Borrower/Grantee, or to honor any request for such transfer or disbursement of the Loan/Grant Amount.

Section 9. Payment of Loan Amount and ACH Authorization. Pursuant to the Loan/Grant Agreement, the Borrower/Grantee shall pay the Loan Amount and Administrative Fee directly from the Pledged Revenues to the NMFA as provided in the Loan/Grant Agreement in an amount sufficient to pay principal and other amounts due under the Loan/Grant Agreement and to cure any deficiencies in the payment of the Loan Amount or other amounts due under the Loan/Grant Agreement. The Borrower/Grantee hereby consents to the creation of an ACH authorization agreement for the purpose of making regular electronic payments of the Loan Amount and Administrative Fee, if at any applicable point in time during the Agreement Term the Borrower/Grantee desires to use such payment method for the purposes of the Loan.

Section 10. Super Subordinate Lien on Pledged Revenues. The Loan/Grant Agreement shall be issued with a super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues on parity with the lien of the Super Subordinate Obligations on the Pledged Revenues and a lien inferior to the lien of the Senior Obligations and the Subordinate Obligations on the Pledged Revenues. The Pledged Revenues are hereby authorized to be pledged, and are hereby pledged, and the Borrower/Grantee grants a security interest therein, for the payment of the principal and interest and Administrative Fee due under the Loan/Grant Agreement, subject to the uses thereof permitted by and the priorities set forth in this Resolution and the Loan/Grant Agreement. The Loan/Grant Agreement constitutes an irrevocable super subordinate lien, but not necessarily an exclusive super subordinate lien, on the Pledged Revenues on a parity with the lien of the Super Subordinate Obligations on the Pledged Revenues.

Section 11. Authorized Officers. Authorized Officers are hereby individually authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, opinions, affidavits and other documents and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this Resolution, the Loan/Grant Agreement and all other transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. Authorized Officers are hereby individually authorized to do all acts and things required of them by this Resolution and the Loan/Grant Agreement for the full, punctual and complete performance of all the terms, covenants and agreements contained in this Resolution and the Loan/Grant Agreement including but not limited to, the execution and delivery of closing documents in connection with the execution and delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement.

Section 12. Amendment of Resolution. Prior to the Closing Date, the provisions of this Resolution may be supplemented or amended by resolution of the Governing Body with respect to any changes which are not inconsistent with the substantive provisions of this Resolution. On and after the Closing Date, this Resolution may be amended without receipt by the Borrower/Grantee of any additional consideration, but only with the prior written consent of the NMFA.

Section 13. Resolution Irrepealable. After the Loan/Grant Agreement has been executed and delivered, this Resolution shall be and remain irrepealable until all obligations due under the Loan/Grant Agreement shall be fully discharged, as herein provided.

Section 14. Severability Clause. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 15. Repealer Clause. All bylaws, orders, ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any bylaw, order, resolution or ordinance, or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

Section 16. Effective Date. Upon due adoption of this Resolution, it shall be recorded in the book of the Borrower/Grantee kept for that purpose, authenticated by the signatures of the Chair and Executive Director/Secretary of the Borrower/Grantee, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect thereafter, in accordance with law; provided, however, that if recording is not required for the effectiveness of this Resolution, this Resolution shall be effective upon adoption of this Resolution by the Governing Body.

Section 17. General Summary for Publication. Pursuant to the general laws of the State, the title and a general summary of the subject matter contained in this Resolution shall be published in substantially the following form:

[**Form of Notice of Adoption of Resolution for Publication**]

Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority,

Bernalillo County, New Mexico

Notice of Adoption of Resolution

Notice is hereby given of the title and of a general summary of the subject matter contained in Resolution No. ______, duly adopted and approved by the Board of Directors of Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority on November 19, 2025. A complete copy of the Resolution is available for public inspection during normal and regular business hours in the office of the Executive Director/Secretary, at One Civic Plaza, 5th Floor, Room 5027, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102.

The title of the Resolution is:

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

RESOLUTION NO. R-25-42

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A WATER PROJECT FUND LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY ("NMFA") AND THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY (THE "BORROWER/GRANTEE"), IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $14,000,000 ($12,600,000 GRANT AMOUNT/$1,400,000 LOAN AMOUNT), EVIDENCING A SPECIAL LIMITED OBLIGATION OF THE BORROWER/GRANTEE TO UTILIZE THE LOAN/GRANT AMOUNT SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING A NEW ARSENIC TREATMENT PLANT FOR EXISTING WELLS IN THOMAS, SANTA BARBARA AND YALE WELLFIELDS, AND SOLELY IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN THE LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE PLEDGE AND PAYMENT OF THE LOAN AMOUNT AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE SOLELY FROM A SUPER SUBORDINATE LIEN (BUT NOT AN EXCLUSIVE SUPER SUBORDINATE LIEN) ON THE NET SYSTEM REVENUES OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY SYSTEM OF THE BORROWER/GRANTEE; CERTIFYING THAT THE LOAN/GRANT AMOUNT, TOGETHER WITH OTHER FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE BORROWER/GRANTEE, IS SUFFICIENT TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT; RATIFYING ACTIONS HERETOFORE TAKEN;

REPEALING ALL ACTION INCONSISTENT WITH THIS RESOLUTION; AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT.

A general summary of the subject matter of the Resolution is contained in its title. This notice constitutes compliance with NMSA 1978, § 6-14-6, as amended.

[**End of Form of Notice of Adoption for Publication**]

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025. BY A VOTE OF ____ FOR AND ____ AGAINST.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

By____________________________________
Councilor Klarissa Peña, Chair

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

By____________________________________
Mark S. Sanchez, Executive Director/Secretary

Governing Body Member ____________________ then moved adoption of the foregoing Resolution, duly seconded by Governing Body Member ____________________.

The motion to adopt the Resolution, upon being put to a vote, was passed and adopted on the following recorded vote:

Yes:
No:
Excused:

Members of the Governing Body having voted in favor of the motion, the Chair declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, whereupon the Chair and Executive Director/Secretary signed the Resolution upon the records of the minutes of the Governing Body.

After consideration of matters not relating to the Resolution, the meeting upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, was adjourned.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

By_______________________________
Councilor Klarissa Peña, Chair

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

By_______________________________
Mark S. Sanchez, Executive Director/Secretary

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO)

I, Mark S. Sanchez, the duly qualified and acting Executive Director/Secretary of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (the "Borrower/Grantee"), do hereby certify:

1. The foregoing pages are a true, perfect, and complete copy of the record of the proceedings of the Board of Directors of the Borrower/Grantee (the "Governing Body"), had and taken at a duly called regular meeting held at the One Civic Plaza, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102, on November 19, 2025 at the hour of 5:00 p.m., insofar as the same relate to the adoption of Resolution No. ______ and the execution and delivery of the proposed Loan/Grant Agreement, a copy of which is set forth in the official records of the proceedings of the Governing Body kept in my office. None of the action taken has been rescinded, repealed, or modified.

2. Said proceedings were duly had and taken as therein shown, the meeting therein was duly held, and the persons therein named were present at said meeting, as therein shown.

3. Notice of the meeting was given in compliance with the permitted methods of giving notice of meetings of the Governing Body as required by the State Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1, as amended, including the Borrower/Grantee's open meetings Resolution No. R-25-1, adopted and approved on February 5, 2025 in effect on the date of the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of January, 2026.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

[SEAL]

By________________________________
Mark S. Sanchez, Executive Director/Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY
OUTSTANDING SYSTEM OBLIGATIONS
(As of November 1, 2025)

Senior Obligations	Senior Obligations Authorizing Legislation	Original Principal Amount ($)	Principal Amount Outstanding ($)
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A	O-14-2 and R-14-10	97,270,000	10,255,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2017	O-16-2 & R-16-13	87,970,000	51,185,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2018	O-18-7 & R-18-20	75,085,000	39,135,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020	O-19-3 & R-19-26	69,440,000	44,670,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2020A	O-20-2 & R-19-26	47,800,000	21,925,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2021	R-21-21	73,255,000	65,650,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2023	R-23-18	113,425,000	113,425,000
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan and Subsidy Agreement DW-6343 (2024)	R-24-7	770,000	770,000
Senior Lien Joint Water and Sewer System Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2025	R-25-24	164,420,000	164,420,000
		Total	**511,435,000**

Subordinate Obligations	Subordinate Obligations Authorizing Legislation	Original Principal Amount ($)	Principal Amount Outstanding ($)
2008 NMFA Drinking Water Loan	O-08-4 & R-08-13 as amended by F/S O-14-2	12,000,000	2,894,616
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-5103 (2021)	R-20-26	800,000	682,887
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-5401 (2021)	R-21-31	800,000	725,325
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-5659 (2023)	R-22-31	200,000	182,461
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-5660 (2023)	R-22-32	710,000	677,665
		Total	**5,162,954**

Super Subordinate Obligations	Super Subordinate Obligations Authorizing Legislation	Original Principal Amount($)	Principal Amount Outstanding ($)
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-5935 (2024)	R-23-48	370,000	370,000
NMED Loan CWSRF EQ 147 (2024)	R-23-19	4,000,000	4,000,000
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-6261 (2024)	R-24-36	200,000	200,000
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-6262 (2024)	R-24-37	20,000	20,000
Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement No. WPF-6263 (2025)	R-25-7	90,250	90,250
NMED Loan CWSRF EQ 151 (2025)	R-25-13	9,000,000	9,000,000
		Total	**13,680,250**

EXHIBIT "B"

Notice of Meeting, Meeting Agenda and

Affidavit of Publication of Notice of Adoption of Resolution

$14,000,000
($1,400,000 Loan / $12,600,000 Grant)

WATER PROJECT FUND
LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT
WPF-6545

dated

January 2, 2026

by and between the

NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY
as Lender/Grantor,

and

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY,
BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,
as Borrower/Grantee.

WATER PROJECT FUND
LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT

THIS LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT (the "Agreement" or "Loan/Grant Agreement") dated January 2, 2026, is entered into by and between the NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY (the "NMFA" or "Lender/Grantor"), and the ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY in BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO (the "Borrower/Grantee").

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the NMFA is a public body politic and corporate, separate and apart from the State, constituting a governmental instrumentality, duly organized and created under and pursuant to the laws of the State, particularly NMSA 1978, §§ 6-21-1 through 6-21-31, as amended (the "NMFA Act"); and

WHEREAS, the NMFA Act provides that the NMFA may make loans and grants from the Water Project Fund to qualifying entities for Qualifying Water Projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Water Trust Board has established the Board Rules governing the terms and conditions of loans and grants made from the Water Project Fund, as set out in Review and Eligibility of Proposed Water Projects, New Mexico Water Trust Board, 19.25.10 NMAC, pursuant to the Board Rules for Qualifying Water Projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board Rules, except as provided in the Policies, a qualifying entity is expected to receive some portion of its funding as a loan in order to maximize the potential for the return of funds to the Water Project Fund, thereby increasing the limited financial resources expected to be available in the Water Project Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower/Grantee is a legally and regularly created, established, duly organized and existing water and wastewater utility under and pursuant to the laws of the State and more specifically, NMSA 1978, § 72-1-10, as amended, is a qualifying entity under the Water Project Finance Act and is qualified for financial assistance as determined by the NMFA and approved by the Water Trust Board pursuant to the Board Rules, the Policies and the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower/Grantee has determined that it is in the best interests of the Borrower/Grantee and the public it serves that the Borrower/Grantee enter into this Agreement with the Lender/Grantor to borrow $1,400,000 from the Lender/Grantor and to accept a grant in the amount of $12,600,000 from the Lender/Grantor to finance the costs of the Project, this Project being more particularly described in the Term Sheet; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower/Grantee submitted an Application dated September 13, 2024 and January 21, 2025 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board Rules the Water Trust Board recommended the Project for funding as a Qualifying Water Project to the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 35, Laws 2025, being House Bill 206 of the 2025 Regular New Mexico Legislative Session, authorized the funding of the Project from the Water Project Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Water Trust Board has recommended that the NMFA enter into and administer this Agreement in order to finance the Project; and

WHEREAS, the NMFA approved on May 22, 2025 that the Borrower/Grantee receive financial assistance in the form of the Loan/Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower/Grantee is willing to pledge the Pledged Revenues to the payment of the Loan Payments and Administrative Fee, with a super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues on parity with the Super Subordinate Obligations and subordinate to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of the Senior Obligations and the Subordinate Obligations; and

WHEREAS, the plans and specifications for the Project will be approved by the NMFA (or by the New Mexico Environment Department or other appropriate agency or entity on behalf of the NMFA, pursuant to an agreement between such agency or entity and the NMFA), prior to the commencement of construction, and the plans and specifications for the Project incorporates available technologies and operational design for water use efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the execution and performance of this Agreement have been authorized, approved and directed by all necessary and appropriate action of the Water Trust Board and the NMFA, and their respective officers.

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

ARTICLE I
DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms defined in the foregoing recitals shall have the same meaning when used in this Agreement unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Capitalized terms not defined in the recitals and defined in this Article I shall have the same meaning when used in this Agreement including the foregoing recitals, unless the context clearly requires otherwise (such meanings to be equally applicable to both the singular and the plural forms of the terms defined).

"ACH Authorization" means the authorization for direct payment to the NMFA by ACH made by the Borrower/Grantee on the form required by the bank or other entity at which the account is held, from which the Pledged Revenues will be paid.

"Act" means the general laws of the State, particularly the Water Project Finance Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 72-4A-1 through 72-4A-11, and enactments of the Governing Body relating to this Agreement, including the Resolution, all as amended and supplemented.

"Additional Funding Amount" means the amount to be provided by the Borrower/Grantee which includes the total value of the Soft Match or Hard Match (each as defined in Section 4.2 of the Policies) which, in combination with the Loan/Grant Amount and other moneys available to the Borrower/Grantee, is sufficient to complete the Project and to provide matching funds required to complete the Project. The Additional Funding Amount is $2,100,000.

"Administrative Fee" or "Administrative Fee Component" means an amount equal to one-quarter of one percent (0.25%) per annum of the unpaid principal balance of the Loan Amount, taking into account both payments made by the Borrower/Grantee and hardship waivers of payments granted to the Borrower/Grantee pursuant to Section 5.1(a)(iii) of this Agreement.

"Agreement Term" means the term of this Agreement as provided under Article III of this Agreement.

"Application" means the New Mexico Water Trust Board Application dated September 13, 2024 and the New Mexico Water Trust Board Readiness Application dated January 21, 2025 of the Borrower/Grantee and pursuant to which the Borrower/Grantee requested funding for the Project.

"Authorized Officers" means, with respect to the Borrower/Grantee, any one or more of the Chair, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director/Secretary thereof; with respect to the NMFA, the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer or any other officer or employee of the NMFA designated in writing by an Authorized Officer.

"Board Rules" means Review and Eligibility of Proposed Water Projects, New Mexico Water Trust Board, 19.25.10 NMAC.

"Closing Date" means the date of execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Borrower/Grantee and the NMFA.

"Colonias Infrastructure Act" means NMSA 1978, §§ 6-30-1 through 6-30-8, as amended.

"Conditions" means the conditions to be satisfied prior to the submission of a request for payment or the disbursement of the Loan/Grant Amount, or any portion thereof, from the Water Project Fund, or which otherwise apply to the performance of this Agreement, including those set forth in the Term Sheet.

"Department of Finance and Administration" or "DFA" means the department of finance, and administration of the State.

"Eligible Items" means eligible Project costs for which grants and loans may be made pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7(C), as amended, of the Act, the Board Rules and applicable Policies, and includes, without limitation, Eligible Legal Costs.

"Eligible Legal Costs" means legal fees and costs for services rendered by legal counsel on behalf of the Borrower/Grantee for transaction of the Project, in an amount not exceeding ten (10) percent of the Loan/Grant Amount, but does not include adjudication services.

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

"Final Debt Service Schedule" means the schedule of Loan Payments due on this Agreement following the Final Requisition, as determined on the basis of the Loan Amount.

"Final Requisition" means the final requisition of moneys to be submitted by the Borrower/Grantee, which shall be submitted by the Borrower/Grantee on or before the expiration of the Interim Period as provided in Section 5.3 of this Agreement.

"Fiscal Year" means the period commencing on July 1 of each calendar year and ending on the last day of June of the next succeeding calendar year, or any other twelve-month period which any appropriate authority of the Borrower/Grantee may hereafter establish for the Borrower/Grantee as its fiscal year.

"Force Majeure" means acts of God and natural disasters; strikes or labor disputes; war, civil strife or other violence; an order of any kind of the Government of the United States or of the State or civil or military authority or any court of competent jurisdiction; or any other act or condition that was beyond the reasonable control of, without fault or negligence of, or not reasonably foreseeable by the party claiming the Force Majeure event; except for (i) general economic conditions; or (ii) an inability of a party claiming the Force Majeure event to pay any debts when due.

"Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" means the officially established accounting principles applicable to the Borrower/Grantee, consisting of the statements, determinations and other official pronouncements of the Government Accounting Standards Board, Financial Accounting Standards Board, Federal Accounting Standards Board, or other principle-setting body acceptable to the Lender/Grantor, establishing accounting principles applicable to the Borrower/Grantee.

"Governing Body" means the duly organized Board of Directors of the Borrower/Grantee, or any successor governing body of the Borrower/Grantee.

"Grant" or "Grant Amount" means the amount provided to the Borrower/Grantee as a grant pursuant to this Agreement for the purpose of funding the Project and shall not equal more than $12,600,000.

"Gross Revenues" means all income and revenues directly or indirectly derived by the Borrower/Grantee from the operation and use of the System, or any part of the System, for any particular Fiscal Year period to which the term is applicable, and includes, without limitation, all revenues received by the Borrower/Grantee, or any municipal corporation or agency succeeding to the rights of the Borrower/Grantee, from the System and from the sale and use of water and wastewater services or facilities, or any other service, commodity or facility or any combination thereof furnished by the System. In the event there is a conflicting description of Gross Revenues in any ordinance or resolution of the Borrower/Grantee, the language of such ordinance or resolution shall control.

Gross Revenues do not include:

(a) Any money received as (i) grants or gifts from the United States of America, the State or other sources or (ii) the proceeds of any charge or tax intended as a replacement therefor or other capital contributions from any source which are restricted as to use;

(b) Gross receipts taxes, other taxes and/or fees collected by the Borrower/Grantee and remitted to other governmental agencies; and

(c) Condemnation proceeds or the proceeds of any insurance policy, except any insurance proceeds derived in respect of loss of use or business interruption.

"Hardship Waiver" means a determination by the NMFA pursuant to Section 5.1(a)(iii) herein that the annual principal payment by the Borrower/Grantee should be forgiven because such payment would cause undue hardship for the Borrower/Grantee or the public it serves.

"Herein," "hereby," "hereunder," "hereof," "hereinabove" and "hereafter" refer to this entire Agreement and not solely to the particular section or paragraph of this Agreement in which such word is used.

"Interest Component" means the portion of each Loan Payment paid as interest on this Agreement, if any, as shown on Exhibit "B" hereto.

"Interim Debt Service Schedule" means the anticipated schedule of Loan Payments due on this Agreement following the Final Requisition, assuming disbursement of the entire Loan Amount within twenty-four (24) months of the Closing Date. The Interim Debt Service Schedule is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

"Interim Period" means the period no greater than twenty-four (24) months, unless a longer period is approved by the NMFA as provided in Section 5.3 of this Agreement, beginning on the Closing Date, during which the NMFA will disburse moneys to the Borrower/Grantee to pay costs of the Project.

"Lender/Grantor" means the New Mexico Finance Authority.

"Loan" or "Loan Amount" means the amount provided to the Borrower/Grantee as a loan pursuant to this Agreement for the purpose of funding the Project and shall not exceed more than $1,400,000.

"Loan/Grant" or "Loan/Grant Amount" means the combined amount partially provided to the Borrower/Grantee as the Grant Amount and partially borrowed by the Borrower/Grantee as the Loan Amount pursuant to this Agreement for the purpose of funding the Project and shall not equal more than $14,000,000.

"Loan Payments" means, collectively, the Principal Component and the Interest Component, if any, to be paid by the Borrower/Grantee as payment of this Agreement as shown on Exhibit "B" hereto.

"Net System Revenues" means the Gross Revenues of the System minus Operation and Maintenance Expenses, indirect charges, amounts expended for capital replacements and repairs, required set asides for debt and replacement requirements, and any other payments from the gross revenues reasonably required for operation of the System.

"NMAC" means the New Mexico Administrative Code.

"NMSA 1978" means the New Mexico Statutes Annotated, 1978 Compilation, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

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

(a) Legal and overhead expenses of the Borrower/Grantee directly related and reasonably allocable to the administration of the System;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Operation and Maintenance Expenses do not include any allowance for depreciation, payments in lieu of taxes, franchise fees payable or other transfers to the Borrower/Grantee's general fund, liabilities incurred by the Borrower/Grantee as a result of its negligence or other misconduct in the operation of the System, any charges for the accumulation of reserves for capital replacements or any Operation and Maintenance Expenses payable from moneys other than Gross Revenues. In the event there is a conflicting description of Operation and Maintenance Expenses in any ordinance or resolution of the Borrower/Grantee, the language of such ordinance or resolution shall control.

“Pledged Revenues” means the Net System Revenues of the System of the Borrower/Grantee pledged to the payment of the Loan Payments and Administrative Fee pursuant to the Resolution and this Agreement and described in the Term Sheet.

“Policies” means the Water Trust Board Water Project Fund Project Management Policies approved by the Water Trust Board and the NMFA, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

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

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

“Project Account” means the book account established by the NMFA in the name of the Borrower/Grantee for purposes of tracking expenditure of the Loan/Grant Amount by the Borrower/Grantee to pay for the costs of the Project, as shown in the Term Sheet, which account shall be kept separate and apart from all other accounts of the NMFA.

“Qualifying Water Project” means a water project for (i) storage, conveyance or delivery of water to end-users; (ii) implementation of the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 collaborative programs; (iii) wastewater conveyance and treatment; (iv) restoration and management of watersheds; (v) flood prevention; or, (vi) water conservation or recycling, treatment or reuse of water as provided by law; and which has been approved by the state legislature pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-9(B), as amended.

“Resolution” means the Borrower/Grantee Resolution No. ______ adopted by the Governing Body on November 19, 2025 authorizing the acceptance of the Loan/Grant, approving this Agreement and pledging the Pledged Revenues to the payment of the Loan Payments and the Administrative Fee as shown on the Term Sheet.

“Senior Obligations” means the outstanding “Senior Obligations” set forth in the Term Sheet, and any other obligations now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a senior lien (but not an exclusive senior lien) on the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues senior to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Subordinate Obligations and Super Subordinate Obligations.

“State” means the State of New Mexico.

“State Board of Finance” means the State board of finance created pursuant to NMSA 1978, §§ 6-1-1 through 6-1-13, as amended.

“Subordinate Obligations” means the outstanding “Subordinate Obligations” set forth in the Term Sheet, and any other obligations now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a subordinate lien (but not an exclusive subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues subordinate to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Senior Obligations and senior to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Super Subordinate Obligations.

"Super Subordinate Obligations" means this Agreement, the outstanding Super Subordinate Obligations set forth in the Term Sheet and any other obligations, now outstanding or hereafter issued or incurred, payable from or secured by a super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues and issued with a lien on the Pledged Revenues on parity with Super Subordinate Obligations and subordinate to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of any Senior Obligations and Subordinate Obligations.

"System" means the joint water and wastewater utility system of the Borrower/Grantee, owned and operated by the Borrower/Grantee, and of which the Project, when completed, will form part. The System consists of all properties, real, personal, mixed or otherwise, now owned or hereafter acquired by the Borrower/Grantee through purchase, condemnation, construction or otherwise, including all expansions, extensions, enlargements and improvements of or to the water and wastewater utility system, and used in connection therewith or relating thereto, and any other related activity or enterprise of the Borrower/Grantee designated by the Governing Body as part of the water and wastewater system, whether situated within or without the limits of the Borrower/Grantee.

"Term Sheet" means Exhibit "A" attached to this Agreement.

"Useful Life" means the structural and material design life of the Project including planning and design features as required by the Act and the Board Rules.

"Water Project Fund" means the fund of the same name created pursuant to the Act and held and administered by the NMFA.

"Water Trust Board" or "WTB" means the water trust board created and established pursuant to the Act.

ARTICLE II
REPRESENTATIONS, COVENANTS AND WARRANTIES

Section 2.1 Representations, Covenants and Warranties of the Borrower/Grantee: The Borrower/Grantee represents, covenants and warrants for the benefit of the NMFA as follows:

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

(b) Authorization of Agreement. The Borrower/Grantee is a qualifying entity as defined in the Act and the Board Rules. Pursuant to the laws of the State and in particular, the laws governing its creation and existence, as amended and supplemented from time to time, the Borrower/Grantee is authorized to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to carry out its obligations hereunder. The Borrower/Grantee has duly authorized and approved its acceptance of the Loan/Grant and the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other documents related to the transaction described in this Agreement, and this Agreement and the other documents related to the transaction to which the Borrower/Grantee is a party constitute legal, valid and binding special obligations of the Borrower/Grantee enforceable against the Borrower/Grantee in accordance with their respective terms.

(c) Nature and Use of Agreement Proceeds. The Borrower/Grantee acknowledges that the distribution of the Loan/Grant Amount shall be deemed to be a distribution to the Borrower/Grantee of proceeds representing the Loan Amount and the Grant Amount on a *pro rata* basis from the maximum Loan Amount and Grant Amount. The Borrower/Grantee shall apply the proceeds of the Loan/Grant solely to Eligible Items that will facilitate the completion of the Project, and shall not use the Loan/Grant proceeds for any other purpose. The Loan/Grant Amount, together with the Additional Funding Amount and other moneys reasonably expected to be available to the Borrower/Grantee, is sufficient to complete the Project in its entirety.

(d) Payment of Loan Amount. The Borrower/Grantee shall promptly pay the Loan Amount and Administrative Fee as provided in this Agreement, except when a Hardship Waiver is obtained pursuant to Section 5(a)(iii) of this Agreement. The Loan and Administrative Fee shall be payable solely from Pledged Revenues and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as obligating the Borrower/Grantee to make the Loan Payments and to pay the Administrative Fee from any general or other fund of the Borrower/Grantee other than the Pledged Revenues; however, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as prohibiting the Borrower/Grantee, in its sole and absolute discretion, from making such payments from any moneys which may be lawfully used, and which are legally available, for that purpose.

(e) Scope of Project; Completion of Project; Compliance with Laws. The Project is for water conservation or recycling, treatment or reuse of water as provided by law. The Loan/Grant Amount will be used only for Eligible Items necessary to complete the Project. The Project is more particularly described in the Term Sheet. The Project will be completed with all practical dispatch and will be completed, operated and maintained so as to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, resolutions and regulations and all current and future orders of all courts having jurisdiction over the Borrower/Grantee relating to the acquisition, operation, maintenance and completion of the Project and to the use of the Loan/Grant proceeds.

(f) Necessity of Project. The completion and operation of the Project under the terms and Conditions provided in this Agreement are necessary, convenient, and in furtherance of the governmental purposes of the Borrower/Grantee and are in the best interest of the Borrower/Grantee and the public it serves.

(g) Lien. The Loan Payments constitute an irrevocable super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the Pledged Revenues on a parity with the Super Subordinate Obligations and subordinate to the lien on the Pledged Revenues of the Senior

Obligations and the Subordinate Obligations, the priority of which is consistent with that shown on the Term Sheet.

(h) Agreement Term Not Less than Useful Life. The Agreement Term is not less than the Useful Life of the Project as required by NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7, as amended, of the Act.

(i) Amount of Agreement. The sum of the Grant Amount, the Loan Amount, and the Additional Funding Amount (and as set forth on the Term Sheet) does not exceed the cost of the Project.

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

(k) Irrevocable Enactments. While this Agreement remains outstanding and unpaid, any ordinance, resolution or other enactment of the Governing Body applying the Pledged Revenues for the payment of this Agreement, including the Resolution shall be irrevocable until the Project has been fully acquired and completed, and the Loan Amount, including all principal and interest has been repaid, or provision made for payment thereof, and shall not be subject to amendment or modification in any manner which would result in any use of the proceeds of this Agreement in a manner not permitted or contemplated by the terms hereof. The Borrower/Grantee shall not impair the rights of the NMFA or of any holders of bonds or other obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues while this Agreement is outstanding.

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

(m) No Event of Default. No event has occurred and no condition exists which, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or upon the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other documents related to the transaction, would constitute an Event of Default on the part of the Borrower/Grantee under this Agreement and the other documents related to the transaction.

(n) Pledged Revenues Not Budgeted. The portion of the Pledged Revenues necessary to pay the Loan Payments, as and when due, is not needed or budgeted to pay current or anticipated Operation and Maintenance Expenses or other expenses of the Borrower/Grantee.

(o) Expected Coverage Ratio. The Pledged Revenues are reasonably expected to equal or exceed—from the Fiscal Year in which the Closing Date occurs and, on an ongoing basis during each Fiscal Year of the Agreement Term—one hundred percent (100%) of the maximum annual principal and interest due on all outstanding obligations of the Borrower/Grantee payable from the Pledged Revenues.

(p) Right to Inspect. The NMFA shall have the right to inspect at all reasonable times all records, accounts and data relating to the System and to inspect the System and all properties comprising the System, and the Borrower/Grantee shall supply such records, accounts, and data as are requested by the NMFA, within thirty (30) days of receipt of such request, written or oral.

(q) Financial Capability; Budgeting of Pledged Revenues. The Borrower/Grantee meets and will meet during the Agreement Term the requirements of financial capability set by the Water Trust Board and the NMFA. The Pledged Revenues will be sufficient to make the Loan Payments, as and when due. The Borrower/Grantee will adequately budget for the Loan Payments and other amounts payable by the Borrower/Grantee under this Agreement.

(r) Rate Covenant. The Borrower/Grantee covenants that it will at all times fix, charge and collect such rates and charges as shall be required in order that in each Fiscal Year in which the Loan is outstanding the Gross Revenues shall at least equal the Operation and Maintenance Expenses of the System for the Fiscal Year, plus one hundred percent (100%) of the maximum annual principal and interest payments due on all outstanding obligations payable from the Pledged Revenues.

(s) Borrower/Grantee's Existence. The Borrower/Grantee will maintain its legal identity and existence so long as this Agreement remains outstanding unless another political subdivision, State agency, or other entity by operation of law succeeds to the liabilities, rights and duties of the Borrower/Grantee under this Agreement without adversely affecting to any substantial degree the privileges and rights of the Lender/Grantor.

(t) Use of Project; Continuing Covenant. During the Agreement Term, the Borrower/Grantee will at all times use the Project for the benefit of the Borrower/Grantee and the public it serves. The Borrower/Grantee shall not sell, lease, mortgage, pledge, relocate or otherwise dispose of or transfer the Project or System, or any part of the Project or System so long as this Agreement is outstanding; provided, however, that if the Project is a joint project of the Borrower/Grantee and other qualifying entities (as defined by the Act), the Borrower/Grantee and the other qualifying entities may, with the express written approval of the NMFA and not otherwise, enter into an agreement allocating ownership and operational and maintenance responsibilities for the Project during the term of the Agreement. Any such agreement shall provide that the Lender/Grantor, or either of them, shall have the power to enforce the terms of this Agreement, without qualification, as to each and every qualifying entity (as defined by the Act) other than the Borrower/Grantee, owning or operating any portion of the Project during the term of the Agreement. The Borrower/Grantee will operate and maintain the Project, so that it will function properly over its Useful Life.

(u) Title and Rights of Way. As required by NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7(A)(3) of the Act, as amended, and the Board Rules, the Borrower/Grantee shall provide written assurance signed by an attorney or provide a title insurance policy ensuring that the Borrower/Grantee has proper title to, easements, rights of way or use permits on the real property upon or through which the Project is being constructed, located, completed or extended, and if any portion of the Project will be designed, constructed, located, completed or extended on real property owned by a qualifying entity (as defined by the Act) other than the Borrower/Grantee, such other qualifying entity has title to such real property, and the Borrower/Grantee shall provide written assurance signed by an attorney or provide a title insurance policy ensuring that such other qualifying entity has proper title to such real property.

(v) Additional Funding Amount. Together with the Loan/Grant Amount and other amounts available to the Borrower/Grantee, the Additional Funding Amount is now available to the Borrower/Grantee, and in combination with the Loan/Grant Amount, will be sufficient to complete the Project. If any other additional expenses are incurred, the Borrower/Grantee shall be responsible for payment of such expenses.

(w) Audit Requirement. During the Agreement Term the Borrower/Grantee shall comply with the requirements of the State Audit Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 12-6-1 through 12-6-14, as amended. Upon request by the NMFA, the Borrower/Grantee shall provide the NMFA a copy of any review or audit, report of agreed upon procedures, or any other document prepared pursuant to or required by the State Audit Act.

(x) Reserved.

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

(z) Records. So long as the Agreement remains outstanding, proper books of record and account will be kept by the Borrower/Grantee in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, separate from all other records and accounts, showing complete and correct entries of all transactions relating to the System. Such books shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, monthly records showing: (i) the number of customers for the System and the sanitary sewer facilities; (ii) the revenues separately received from charges by classes of customers, including but not necessarily limited to classification by facilities; and (iii) a detailed statement of the expenses of the System.

(aa) Billing Procedure. Bills for water and sanitary sewer utility services or facilities, or any combination, furnished by or through the System, shall be rendered to customers on a regular basis each month following the month in which the service was rendered and shall be due as required by the applicable ordinance, resolution or regulation of the Borrower/Grantee. If permitted by law, if a bill is not paid within the period of time required by such ordinance, resolution or regulation, water and sanitary sewer utility services shall be discontinued as required by such ordinance, resolution or regulation, and the rates and charges due shall be collected in a lawful manner, including, but not limited to, the cost of disconnection and reconnection. Water and sanitary sewer utility services may be billed jointly with each other, provided that each such joint bill shall show separately the water and sanitary sewer utility charges.

(bb) Competent Management. The Borrower/Grantee shall employ or contract for experienced and competent personnel to manage the System.

(cc) Readiness Requirements. The Borrower/Grantee has met the requirements of Executive Order 2013-006 and it has met or will meet prior to the first disbursement of any portion of the Loan/Grant Amount, the Conditions and the readiness to proceed requirements established for the Loan/Grant by the NMFA and the Water Trust Board.

(dd) Other Liens. Except for the Senior Obligations, Subordinate Obligations, and Super Subordinate Obligations listed in the Term Sheet, there are no liens or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, on or against the System or the Gross Revenues or Net System Revenues on parity with or senior to the lien of this Agreement. The Borrower/Grantee may incur additional Senior Obligations and Subordinate Obligations upon the satisfaction of the additional bonds test set forth in the ordinances and resolutions authorizing additional debt and may issue Super Subordinate Obligations without restriction. The additional bonds tests contained in the Borrower/Grantee's existing debt control the issuance of additional bonds and so long as they satisfy the additional bonds tests, there are no other limitations on the issuance of such debt (no consent and no notice requirements). The Borrower/Grantee shall identify any additional Obligations issued by the Borrower/Grantee after the Closing Date in any future application for financing submitted to the NMFA.

Section 2.2 Representations and Warranties of the NMFA. The NMFA represents as follows:

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

(b) Legal, Valid and Binding Obligation. This Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the NMFA enforceable in accordance with its terms.

ARTICLE III
AGREEMENT TERM

The Agreement Term shall commence on the Closing Date and shall terminate at the end of the Useful Life of the Project as required by NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7, as amended, of the Act.

ARTICLE IV
LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT CONDITIONS

Section 4.1 Conditions Precedent to Closing of Loan/Grant. Prior to the Closing Date, the following Conditions and readiness to proceed items shall be satisfied:

(a) The NMFA, on behalf of the Water Trust Board, shall have determined that the Borrower/Grantee has met the Conditions and readiness to proceed requirements established for the Loan/Grant by the NMFA and the Water Trust Board including any Conditions set out in the Term Sheet; and

(b) The Borrower/Grantee shall have provided written assurance addressed to the NMFA and signed by an attorney (or shall have provided a title insurance policy) that the Borrower/Grantee has proper title to or easements, rights of way, or permits on the real property upon or through which the Project is being constructed, located, completed or extended; and

(c) If any portion of the Project will be constructed, located, completed or extended on real property owned by a qualifying entity (as defined by the Act) other than the Borrower/Grantee, the Borrower/Grantee shall have provided written assurance addressed to the NMFA and signed by an attorney (or shall have provided a title insurance policy) that such other qualifying entity has proper title to such real property; and

(d) Prior to the disbursement of any portion of the Loan/Grant Amount for purposes of construction of the Project, the plans and specifications funded with the proceeds of this Agreement will be approved by the NMFA as required by NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7(B), as amended, or on behalf of the NMFA by the New Mexico Environment Department and the Office of the State of Engineer, and the Borrower/Grantee shall have provided written evidence of such approval to the NMFA; and

(e) Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Conditions, the Borrower/Grantee shall have certified to the Lender/Grantor that the Additional Funding Amount is available for the Project, and, in addition, shall have provided additional evidence reasonably acceptable to the Lender/Grantor of the availability of the Additional Funding Amount; and

(f) The Borrower/Grantee shall be in compliance with the provisions of this Agreement.

(g) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the NMFA shall not be obligated to execute the Agreement and may not make the Loan/Grant until the Borrower/Grantee has provided to the NMFA the documents listed on Exhibit "F" attached hereto, all of which must be in form and content acceptable to the NMFA.

Section 4.2 Determination of Eligibility Is Condition Precedent to Disbursement. No request for payment shall be made, nor shall any disbursement be made from the Water Project Fund, for any requisition of any portion of the Loan/Grant Amount, except upon a determination by the NMFA in its sole and absolute discretion that such disbursement is for payment of Eligible Items, and that the request for payment or disbursement does not exceed any limitation upon the amount payable for any Eligible Item pursuant to the Act, the Board Rules, and the Policies governing the Water Project Fund. The NMFA, as a condition precedent to submitting any request for payment to the State Board of Finance or making any requested disbursement from the Water Project Fund, may require submittal of such documentation as the NMFA deems necessary, in its sole and absolute discretion, for a determination whether any requested disbursement is for payment of Eligible Items and is fully consistent with the Act, the Board Rules, and the Policies, as applicable.

ARTICLE V
LOAN TO THE BORROWER/GRANTEE; GRANT TO THE BORROWER/GRANTEE; APPLICATION OF MONEYS

Section 5.1 Loan and Grant to the Borrower/Grantee.

(a) Loan to the Borrower/Grantee. The Lender/Grantor hereby lends to the Borrower/Grantee and the Borrower/Grantee hereby borrows from and agrees to pay to the order of the Lender/Grantor, without interest, an amount equal to the Loan Amount, with the principal amount of the Loan Amount being payable as provided by Article VI and Exhibit "B" of this Agreement.

(i) Super Subordinate Nature of Loan Amount and Administrative Fee Obligation. The obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to make the Loan Payments and to pay the Administrative Fee shall be subordinate to all other Senior Obligations and Subordinate Obligations and shall be on a parity with all Super Subordinate Obligations.

(ii) Administrative Fee. The Borrower/Grantee shall, on an annual basis beginning on the first payment date following the completion of the Project or exhaustion of all Loan/Grant Amounts as set out in Section 5.3 hereof, pay to the Lender/Grantor the Administrative Fee, taking into account both payments made by the Borrower/Grantee and Hardship Waivers granted to the Borrower/Grantee as provided by this Agreement. Any such Administrative Fee payment shall be due irrespective of whether or not a Hardship Waiver is granted to the Borrower/Grantee for the principal payment otherwise due on June 1 of the applicable year or any other year.

(iii) Hardship Waivers of Payment. Each year while any portion of the Loan Amount remains outstanding, no later than April 1 of each such year, the Borrower/Grantee may apply in writing to the NMFA for a determination of whether the annual principal payment on the Loan Amount otherwise due on the upcoming June 1 of such year should be forgiven because such payment would cause undue hardship for the Borrower/Grantee or the public it serves. The Borrower/Grantee shall submit such application to the NMFA for determination with sufficient documentation of the existence of such undue hardship as is reasonably required by the NMFA to make a determination, and the Borrower/Grantee shall promptly respond to additional requests for information from the NMFA. Such application for Hardship Waiver shall be executed by the Authorized Officers of the Borrower/Grantee. An "undue hardship" exists if the NMFA determines that the Borrower/Grantee is facing unforeseen events or an emergency that has caused the Borrower/Grantee to be unable to pay on a timely basis the annual principal payment on the Loan Amount. The NMFA may consult the Department of Finance and Administration in determining whether to grant the Hardship Waiver. The NMFA shall make a determination no later than May 15 of the applicable year, and the NMFA shall promptly communicate to the Borrower/Grantee in writing the results of its determination. Upon receipt of written notice of the determination, either the principal payment otherwise due on June 1 of such year shall be forgiven (in the event of a determination of undue hardship) or the principal payment shall remain outstanding and due and payable on June 1 (in the event no undue hardship is determined to exist).

(b) Grant and Acceptance. The Lender/Grantor hereby grants to the Borrower/Grantee and the Borrower/Grantee hereby accepts from the Lender/Grantor an amount equal to the Grant Amount.

(c) Project Account. The NMFA shall establish and maintain the Project Account as a book account only, on behalf of the Borrower/Grantee, which account shall be kept separate and apart from all other accounts of the NMFA.

(d) Constitutional and Statutory Debt Limitations. No provision of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as creating a general obligation or other indebtedness of the Water Trust Board, the NMFA, the State or the Borrower/Grantee within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation.

Section 5.2 Application of Loan/Grant Amount. Following the determination by the NMFA in its sole and absolute discretion that the Conditions to the disbursement of the Loan/Grant Amount have been satisfied, the NMFA shall make an entry in its accounts, and in particular in the Project Account, reflecting the proceeds of the Loan/Grant Amount made available for disbursement from the Water Project Fund to the Borrower/Grantee at its request, and as needed by it to acquire and complete the Project, as provided in Section 7.2 of this Agreement.

Section 5.3 Final Requisition. The Final Requisition shall be submitted by the Borrower/Grantee within the Interim Period. The Interim Period may be extended only as approved in writing by an Authorized Officer of the NMFA, based on the Borrower/Grantee's demonstration, to the reasonable satisfaction of the Authorized Officer of the NMFA, that unanticipated circumstances beyond the control of the Borrower/Grantee resulted in delaying the acquisition and completion of the Project, and submission of the Borrower/Grantee's Final Requisition.

Section 5.4 Investment of Monies. Money in the Water Project Fund, representing proceeds of this Agreement, held and administered by the NMFA, may be invested by the NMFA for the credit of the Water Project Fund.

ARTICLE VI
LOAN PAYMENTS BY THE BORROWER/GRANTEE

Section 6.1 Loan to the Borrower/Grantee; Payment Obligations Limited to Pledged Revenues; Pledge of Pledged Revenues. The NMFA hereby lends to the Borrower/Grantee and the Borrower/Grantee hereby borrows from the NMFA an amount not to exceed the Loan Amount. The Borrower/Grantee promises to pay, but solely from the sources pledged herein, the Loan Payments and the Administrative Fees and other amounts owed by the Borrower/Grantee as herein provided. Subject to any outstanding Senior Obligations and Subordinate Obligations, the

Borrower/Grantee does hereby grant a super subordinate lien on and a security interest in and does hereby convey, assign and pledge unto the NMFA and unto its successors in trust forever all right, title and interest of the Borrower/Grantee in and to (i) the Pledged Revenues on a parity with the Super Subordinate Obligations and subordinate to the Senior Obligations and Subordinate Obligations, to the extent required to pay the Loan Payments, and to pay the Administrative Fees and other amounts owed by the Borrower/Grantee as herein provided; (ii) the Loan/Grant Amount including the Project Account; and (iii) all other rights hereinafter granted, for the securing of the Borrower/Grantee's obligations under this Agreement, including payment of the Loan Payments, Administrative Fees and other amounts owed by the Borrower/Grantee as herein provided, however, that if the Borrower/Grantee, its successors or assigns, shall pay, or cause to be paid, all Loan Payments and Administrative Fees at the time and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, or shall provide as permitted by Section 6.5 of this Agreement for the payment thereof, and shall pay all other amounts due or to become due under this Agreement in accordance with its terms and provisions then, upon such final payment, this Agreement and the rights created thereby shall terminate; otherwise, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. The schedule of Loan Payments, assuming the disbursal of the entire Loan/Grant Amount within twenty-four (24) months after the Closing Date, identified as the Interim Debt Service Schedule, is attached to this Agreement as Exhibit "B". Within thirty (30) days after the Final Requisition is made, the NMFA shall provide a Final Debt Service Schedule, reflecting the amount of the Loan/Grant Amount actually disbursed to the Borrower/Grantee pursuant to this Agreement. Such Final Debt Service Schedule shall supersede the schedule attached hereto as Exhibit "B". The NMFA shall additionally calculate the amount of the Administrative Fee that has accumulated during that twenty-four (24) month period from the Closing Date, and shall include such amount in the first Loan Payment due from the Borrower/Grantee on the Final Debt Service Schedule.

The pledge of the Pledged Revenues and the super subordinate lien thereon shall be effective upon the Closing Date. The Borrower/Grantee and the NMFA acknowledge and agree that the obligations of the Borrower/Grantee hereunder are limited to the Pledged Revenues; and that this Agreement with respect to the Loan Amount, the Administrative Fee and other amounts owed by the Borrower/Grantee as herein provided, and that the Agreement shall constitute a special, limited obligation of the Borrower/Grantee. No provision of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as creating a general obligation or other indebtedness of the Borrower/Grantee or the State within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation. No provision of this Agreement shall be construed to pledge or to create a lien on any class or source of Borrower/Grantee moneys other than the Pledged Revenues, nor shall any provision of this Agreement restrict the future issuance of any bonds or obligations payable from any class or source of Borrower/Grantee moneys other than the Pledged Revenues. In addition, to the extent not required for the payment of obligations of the Borrower/Grantee hereunder, the Pledged Revenues may be utilized by the Borrower/Grantee for any other purposes permitted by law.

Section 6.2 Deposit of Payments of Loan Amount to Water Project Fund. All Loan Payments made by the Borrower/Grantee to the NMFA to repay the Loan Amount and interest thereon, if any, shall be deposited into the Water Project Fund.

Section 6.3 Manner of Payment. The Loan Amount and Administrative Fee shall be payable by the Borrower/Grantee to the Lender/Grantor in annual installments on June 1 beginning after expiration of the Interim Period and continuing through the expiration of the last Loan

Payment due as outlined in the Final Debt Service Schedule. All payments of the Borrower/Grantee hereunder shall be paid in lawful money of the United States of America to the NMFA at the address designated in Section 11.1 of this Agreement or by electronic debit of the account identified in the ACH Authorization. The obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to make payments hereunder, from and to the extent of the available Pledged Revenues, shall be absolute and unconditional in all events, except as expressly provided hereunder. Notwithstanding any dispute between the Borrower/Grantee and the NMFA, any vendor or any other person, the Borrower/Grantee shall make all deposits hereunder, from and to the extent of the available Pledged Revenues, when due and shall not withhold any deposit hereunder pending final resolution of such dispute, nor shall the Borrower/Grantee assert any right of set-off or counterclaim against its obligation to make such deposits required hereunder.

Section 6.4 Borrower/Grantee May Budget for Payments. The Borrower/Grantee may, in its sole discretion, but without obligation and subject to the Constitution of the State, governing laws, and its budgetary requirements, make available properly budgeted and legally available funds to make the Loan Payments and other amounts owed by the Borrower/Grantee hereunder; provided, however, the Borrower/Grantee has not covenanted and cannot covenant to make such funds available and has not pledged any of such funds for such purpose.

Section 6.5 No Penalty for Prepayment of the Loan Amount. The Loan Amount shall be pre-payable by the Borrower/Grantee at the conclusion of the Interim Period without penalty.

Section 6.6 Lender/Grantor's Release of Lien and Further Assurances. Upon payment in full of the Loan Amount, Administrative Fee and other amounts owed by the Borrower/Grantee as herein provided in this Agreement and upon written request from the Borrower/Grantee the Lender/Grantor agrees to execute a release of lien and to give such further assurances as are reasonably necessary to ensure that the Lender/Grantor no longer holds or maintains any lien or claim against the Pledged Revenues.

ARTICLE VII
THE PROJECT

Section 7.1 Agreement to Acquire, Complete and Maintain the Project.

(a) The Borrower/Grantee hereby agrees that in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to acquire and complete the Project it shall take such steps as are necessary and appropriate to acquire, complete, operate and maintain the Project lawfully and efficiently. The Project shall be constructed and completed substantially in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, and shall fully incorporate the available technologies and operational design for water use efficiency described in the approved plans and specifications. No Loan/Grant funds shall be used for items not constituting Eligible Items.

(b) As provided by NMSA 1978, § 72-4A-7(A)(1), as amended, of the Act, the Borrower/Grantee shall operate and maintain the Project in good operating condition and repair at all times during the Useful Life of the Project, so that the Project will function properly over the Useful Life of the Project; provided, that if any portion of the Project will be constructed, located, completed, installed or extended on real property owned by a qualifying entity (as defined by the

Act) other than the Borrower/Grantee, the Borrower/Grantee may, prior to any use of the Loan/Grant funds for the Project on such real property, obtain the written agreement of such other qualifying entity to perform these obligations with respect to such real property (and the portion of the Project to be constructed, located, completed or extended on such real property), which written agreement shall be subject to approval by the Lender/Grantor and shall include an express statement by such other qualifying entity that the Lender/Grantor is a third party beneficiary of such written agreement.

Section 7.2 Accounting for Amounts Credited to the Project Account. So long as no Event of Default shall occur and provided that all Conditions to the disbursement of the Loan/Grant Amount have been satisfied (including approval of the plans and specifications), upon receipt by the NMFA of a requisition substantially in the form of Exhibit "C" attached hereto signed by an Authorized Officer of the Borrower/Grantee, supported by certification by the Borrower/Grantee's project architect, engineer, or such other authorized representative of the Borrower/Grantee that the amount of the disbursement request represents the progress of design, construction, acquisition or other Project-related activities accomplished as of the date of the disbursement request, the NMFA shall, in its sole and absolute discretion: (1) submit a request for payment to the State Board of Finance for payment; and/or (2) disburse from the Water Project Fund, amounts which together are sufficient to pay the requisition in full. The NMFA shall make the appropriate entry in the Project Account reflecting the amount of the payment. The certification provided pursuant to this Section 7.2 in support of the requisition must be acceptable in form and substance to the NMFA and, at its request, the Water Trust Board. The Borrower/Grantee shall provide such records or access to the Project as the NMFA, and, at its request, the Water Trust Board, in the discretion of each, may request in connection with the approval of the Borrower/Grantee's requisition requests made hereunder.

Section 7.3 No Disbursement for Prior Expenditures Except upon Approval. No disbursement shall be made from the Water Project Fund of the Loan/Grant Amount, or any portion thereof, without the written approval of the NMFA and, at its request, the Water Trust Board, to reimburse any expenditure made prior to the Closing Date.

Section 7.4 Borrower/Grantee Reporting to Lender/Grantor. During the acquisition implementation, installation and construction of the Project, the Borrower/Grantee shall provide the Lender/Grantor with a quarterly written report executed by an Authorized Officer of the Borrower/Grantee, in the form attached as Exhibit "D" hereto or in another form reasonably acceptable to the Lender/Grantor, describing the status of the Project as of the report date, uses of Loan/Grant funds during the quarterly period ending on the report date, and requests for distributions of Loan/Grant funds anticipated to occur during the quarterly period immediately following the report date. The first quarterly report shall be due on March 31, 2026, and subsequent reports shall be due on each March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 thereafter until the report date next following final distribution of the Loan/Grant funds. No reports shall be required after the report date next following final distribution of the Loan/Grant Funds, unless specifically required by the NMFA or the Water Trust Board. The description of the status of the Project in each quarterly report shall include, among other information, (a) a comparison of actual and anticipated requests for distributions of Loan/Grant funds as of the report date with those anticipated as of the Closing Date, (b) a description of actual and anticipated changes in the cost estimates for the Project as of the report date compared with those anticipated as of the Closing

Date, (c) a description of the percentage of completion of the Project; and (d) a timeline of projected milestones.

Section 7.5 Completion of Disbursement of Loan/Grant Funds. Upon completion of the Project an Authorized Officer of the Borrower/Grantee shall deliver a certificate to the NMFA substantially in the form of Exhibit "E" attached hereto, stating that, to his or her knowledge, either (1) the Project has been completed, or (2) that the portion of the Loan/Grant Amount needed to complete the Project has been disbursed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. No portion of the Loan/Grant Amount shall be disbursed after expiration of the Interim Period.

Section 7.6 Application of Project Account Subsequent to Disbursement of Loan/Grant Funds; Termination of Pledge.

(a) Upon the completion of the Project as signified by delivery of the completion certificate required by Section 7.5 hereof, the NMFA shall determine, by reference to the Project Account, whether any portion of the authorized Loan/Grant Amount remains unexpended and shall dispose of such unexpended proceeds in accordance with law.

(b) In the event that a portion of the Loan/Grant Amount remains unexpended after the expiration of the Interim Period, the NMFA shall dispose of such funds in accordance with law.

Upon the occurrence of either event described in (a) or (b) above, the NMFA shall make the appropriate entry in the Project Account and, upon such entry, the pledge of the Loan/Grant Amount established in this Agreement shall terminate.

ARTICLE VIII
COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND RULES; OTHER COVENANTS

Section 8.1 Further Assurances and Corrective Instruments. The Lender/Grantor and the Borrower/Grantee agree that they will, from time to time, execute, acknowledge and deliver, or cause to be executed, acknowledged and delivered, such supplements hereto and such further instruments as may reasonably be required for correcting any inadequate or incorrect description of the Project or of the Pledged Revenues and for carrying out the intention hereof.

Section 8.2 Representatives of Lender/Grantor or of Borrower/Grantee. Whenever under the provisions hereof the approval of the Lender/Grantor or the Borrower/Grantee is required, or the Borrower/Grantee, or the Lender/Grantor is required to take some action at the request of either of them, such approval or such request shall be given for the Lender/Grantor or for the Borrower/Grantee, by an Authorized Officer of the Lender/Grantor or the Borrower/Grantee, as the case may be, and any party hereto shall be authorized to act on any such approval or request.

Section 8.3 Selection of Contractors. All contractors providing services or materials in connection with the Project shall be selected in accordance with applicable provisions of the New Mexico Procurement Code, NMSA 1978, §§ 13-1-28 through 13-1-199, as amended, or, if the Borrower/Grantee is not subject to the New Mexico Procurement Code, shall be selected in accordance with a documented procurement process duly authorized and established pursuant to laws and regulations applicable to the Borrower/Grantee.

Section 8.4 Non-Discrimination in Employment. Except as otherwise specifically provided in the laws, statutes, ordinances or regulations of the Borrower/Grantee, the Borrower/Grantee shall require in any contract or subcontract executed in connection with the Project to which the Borrower/Grantee is a party that there shall be no discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, sex, religion, sexual preference, ancestry or national origin.

Section 8.5 Little Miller Act. To the extent NMSA 1978, § 13-4-1 et seq., (the "Little Miller Act") is applicable to the Project, the Borrower/Grantee shall comply with the requirements of the "Little Miller Act". If bonding requirements of the Little Miller Act are not applicable to the Project, the Borrower/Grantee will require that the contractor to whom is given any contract for construction appertaining to the Project supply a performance bond or bonds satisfactory to the Borrower/Grantee. Any sum or sums derived from said performance bond or bonds shall be used within six (6) months after such receipt for the completion of said construction, and if not so used within such period, shall be treated as Gross Revenues.

Section 8.6 Required Contract Provisions. The Borrower/Grantee shall require the following provisions in any contract or subcontract executed in connection with the Project to which the Borrower/Grantee is a party:

(a) There shall be no discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, sex, religion, sexual preference, ancestry or national origin; and

(b) Any contractor or subcontractor providing construction services in connection with the Project shall post a performance and payment bond in accordance with the requirements of NMSA 1978, § 13-4-18, as amended.

(c) Any contractor or subcontractor providing construction services in connection with the Project shall comply with the prevailing wage laws in accordance with the requirements of NMSA 1978, § 13-4-11, as amended.

Section 8.7 Application of Act and Board Rules. While this Agreement is outstanding, the Lender/Grantor and the Borrower/Grantee expressly acknowledge that this Agreement is governed by provisions and requirements of the Act and the Board Rules, as amended and supplemented, and all applicable provisions and requirements of the Act and Board Rules are incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

Section 8.8 Continuing Disclosure. The Borrower/Grantee shall provide continuing disclosure to the NMFA, as the NMFA may require and request, that shall include, but not be limited to: annual audits and notification of any event deemed material by the NMFA, including but not limited to, any event which may or does affect the Pledged Revenues, the ability of the Borrower/Grantee to repay the loan, and the default of the Borrower/Grantee in performance or observance of any covenant, term, or condition contained in any other loan agreement with the NMFA.

ARTICLE IX
INSURANCE; NON-LIABILITY OF LENDER/GRANTOR

Section 9.1 Insurance. The Borrower/Grantee shall carry general liability insurance or participate in the State's risk-management program and, to the extent allowed by the New Mexico Tort Claims Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 41-4-1 through 41-4-30, as amended, shall and hereby agrees to name the Lender/Grantor as an additional insured with respect to all claims, by or on behalf of any person, firm, corporation or other legal entity arising from the acquisition, completion or implementation of the Project or otherwise during the Agreement Term; provided, that if any portion of the Project will be constructed, located, completed or extended on real property owned by a qualifying entity (as defined by the Act) other than the Borrower/Grantee, the Borrower/Grantee may obtain the written agreement of such other qualifying entity to perform these insurance/risk-management program requirements for Borrower/Grantee with respect to such real property (and the portion of the Project to be constructed, located, completed or extended on such real property), which written agreement shall include an express statement by such other qualifying entity that the Lender/Grantor is a third party beneficiary of such written agreement.

Section 9.2 Non-Liability of Lender/Grantor.

(a) Lender/Grantor shall not be liable in any manner for the Project, Borrower/Grantee's use of the Loan/Grant, the acquisition, implementation, construction, installation, ownership, operation or maintenance of the Project, or any failure to act properly by the Borrower/Grantee or any other owner or operator of the Project.

(b) Lender/Grantor shall not be liable for the refusal or failure of any other agency of the State to transfer any portion of the Loan/Grant Amount in its possession, custody and control to the NMFA for disbursement to the Borrower/Grantee, or to honor any request for such transfer or disbursement of the Loan/Grant Amount.

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

ARTICLE X
EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

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

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

(b) Failure by the Borrower/Grantee to observe and perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed under this Agreement for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice, specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied, is given to the Borrower/Grantee by the Lender/Grantor unless the Lender/Grantor shall agree in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration; provided, however, if the failure stated in the notice can be wholly cured within a period of time not materially detrimental to the rights of the Lender/Grantor but cannot be cured within the applicable thirty (30) day period, the Lender/Grantor will not unreasonably withhold their consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by the Borrower/Grantee within the applicable period and diligently pursued until the failure is corrected; and provided, further, that if by reason of force majeure the Borrower/Grantee is unable to carry out the agreements on its part herein contained, the Borrower/Grantee shall not be deemed in default under this paragraph 10.1(b) during the continuance of such inability (but force majeure shall not excuse any other Event of Default); or

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

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

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

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

(g) Default by the Borrower/Grantee in performance or observance of any covenant contained in any other loan agreement, document or instrument of any type whatsoever evidencing or securing obligations of the Borrower/Grantee to the NMFA.

Section 10.2 Remedies on Default. Whenever any Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and subject to Section 10.3 hereof, the Lender/Grantor may take any or all of the following actions as may appear necessary or desirable to collect the payments then due and to become due or to enforce performance of any obligations of the Borrower/Grantee in this Agreement:

(a) File a mandamus proceeding or other action or proceeding or suit at law or in equity to compel the Borrower/Grantee to perform or carry out its duties under the law and the agreements and covenants required to be performed by it contained herein;

(b) Terminate this Agreement;

(c) Cease disbursing any further amounts from the Project Account;

(d) Demand that the Borrower/Grantee immediately repay the Loan/Grant Amount or any portion thereof if such funds were not utilized in accordance with this Agreement;

(e) File a suit in equity to enjoin any acts or things which are unlawful or violate the rights of the Lender/Grantor;

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

(g) Cause the Borrower/Grantee to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for all of the Pledged Revenues;

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

(i) Apply any amounts in the Project Account toward satisfaction of any and all fees and costs incurred in enforcing the terms of this Agreement.

Section 10.3 Limitations on Remedies. A judgment requiring payment of money entered against the Borrower/Grantee shall be paid from only available Pledged Revenues unless the Borrower/Grantee in its sole discretion pays the judgment from other available funds.

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

Section 10.5 Waivers of Events of Default. The Lender/Grantor may, in its sole discretion, waive any Event of Default hereunder and the consequences of any such Event of Default; provided, however, all expenses of the Lender/Grantor in connection with such Event of Default shall have been paid or provided for. Such waiver shall be effective only if made by a written statement of waiver issued by the NMFA. In case of any such waiver or rescission, or in case any proceeding taken by the Lender/Grantor, on account of any such Event of Default shall have been discontinued or abandoned or determined adversely, then and in every such case, the Lender/Grantor shall be restored to its former position and rights hereunder, respectively, but no such waiver or rescission shall extend to any subsequent or other Event of Default, or impair any right consequent thereon.

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

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

ARTICLE XI
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 11.1 Notices. All notices, certificates or other communications hereunder shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when delivered as follows:

If to the Borrower/Grantee, to:

Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority
Attn.: Chair
PO Box 568
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103

If to the NMFA, then to:

New Mexico Finance Authority
Attn.: Chief Executive Officer
810 W. San Mateo Road
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

The Borrower/Grantee or the Lender/Grantor may, by notice given hereunder, designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates or other communications shall be sent.

Section 11.2 Binding Effect. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Lender/Grantor and the Borrower/Grantee and their respective successors and assigns, if any.

Section 11.3 Integration. This Agreement and any other agreements, certifications and commitments entered into between the Lender/Grantor and the Borrower/Grantee on the Closing Date constitute the entire agreement of the parties regarding the Loan/Grant and the funding of the Project through the Loan/Grant as of the Closing Date, and the terms of this Agreement supersede any prior applications, discussions, understandings or agreements between or among the parties in connection with the Loan/Grant, to the extent such prior applications, discussions, understandings or agreements are inconsistent with this Agreement.

Section 11.4 Amendments. This Agreement may be amended only with the written consent of both of the parties hereto. The consent of the NMFA for amendments not affecting the terms of payment of the loan component of this Agreement may be given by an Authorized Officer of the NMFA. The execution of any such consent by an Authorized Officer of the NMFA shall constitute his or her determination that such amendment does not affect the terms of payment of the loan component of this Agreement.

Section 11.5 No Liability of Individual Officers, Directors or Trustees. No recourse under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Agreement shall be had against any member, employee, director or officer, as such, past, present or future, of the Lender/Grantor, either directly or through the NMFA, or against any officer, employee, director or member of the Borrower/Grantee, past, present or future, as an individual so long as such individual was acting in good faith. Any and all personal liability of every nature, whether at common law or in equity, or by statute or by constitution or otherwise, of any such officer, employee, director or member of the Borrower/Grantee or of the NMFA is hereby expressly waived and released by the Borrower/Grantee and by the NMFA as a condition of and in consideration for the execution of this Agreement.

Section 11.6 Severability. In the event that any provision of this Agreement, other than the obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to make the Loan Payments and the Administrative Fee hereunder, shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

Section 11.7 Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 11.8 Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

Section 11.9 Captions. The captions or headings herein are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions or sections of this Agreement.

Section 11.10 Further Assurances and Corrective Instruments. The NMFA and the Borrower/Grantee will, from time to time, execute, acknowledge and deliver, or cause to be executed, acknowledged and delivered, such supplements hereto and such further instruments as may reasonably be required for correcting any inadequate or incorrect description of the Project or of the Pledged Revenues, or for otherwise carrying out the intention hereof.

Section 11.11 NMFA and Borrower/Grantee Representatives. Whenever under the provisions hereof the approval of the NMFA or the Borrower/Grantee is required, or the Borrower/Grantee or the NMFA is required to take some action at the request of the other, such approval or such request shall be given for the NMFA or for the Borrower/Grantee by an Authorized Officer of the NMFA or the Borrower/Grantee, as the case may be, and any party hereto shall be authorized to act on any such approval or request.

Section 11.12 CONSENT TO JURISDICTION. THE BORROWER/GRANTEE IRREVOCABLY AGREES THAT ALL ACTIONS OR PROCEEDINGS IN ANY WAY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE DOCUMENTS SIGNED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS TRANSACTION WILL BE LITIGATED IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, SANTA FE COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, PURSUANT TO NMSA 1978, § 6-21-26.

[Signature pages follow]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the NMFA, on behalf of itself, has executed this Agreement, which was approved by the Water Trust Board on April 22, 2025 and by the NMFA's Board of Directors on May 22, 2025, in its corporate name by its duly authorized officer; and the Borrower/Grantee has caused this Agreement to be executed in its corporate name and the seal of the Borrower/Grantee affixed and attested by its duly authorized officers. All of the above are effective as of the date first above written.

LENDER/GRANTOR:

NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY

By____
Marquita D. Russel, Chief Executive Officer

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

Sutin, Thayer & Browne A Professional Corporation
As Loan/Grant Counsel

By____
Suzanne Wood Bruckner

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

By____
Mark Chaiken, General Counsel

BORROWER/GRANTEE:

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY
WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY,
BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

By_______________________________________
Councilor Klarissa Peña, Chair

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

By_______________________________________
Mark S. Sanchez, Executive Director/Secretary

<u>EXHIBIT "A"</u>

TERM SHEET

$14,000,000 WATER PROJECT FUND LOAN/GRANT TO THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Project Description:	The Project is for water conservation or recycling, treatment or reuse of water as provided by law. The Loan/Grant Amount will be used only for Eligible Items necessary to complete the Project. In particular, the Project will consist of constructing a new arsenic treatment plant for existing wells in Thomas, Santa Barbara and Yale wellfields and shall include such other related work and revisions necessary to complete the Project. The Project may be further described in the Application and in the final plans and specifications for the Project approved by the Water Trust Board and the NMFA as provided by this Agreement. However, in the event of any inconsistency, the description of the Project as stated in this Term Sheet shall control.
Grant Amount:	$12,600,000
Loan Amount:	$1,400,000
Pledged Revenues:	A super subordinate lien (but not an exclusive super subordinate lien) on the Net System Revenues of the System of the Borrower/Grantee pledged to the payment of the Loan Payments and Administrative Fees pursuant to the Resolution and the Agreement.
Outstanding Senior Obligations for Pledged Revenues:	Series 2014A maturing in 2026 Series 2017 maturing in 2034 Series 2018 maturing in 2030 Series 2020 maturing in 2032 Series 2020A maturing in 2038 Series 2021 maturing in 2046 PPRF-6194 maturing in 2048 DWL-6343 maturing in 2036 PPRF-6799 maturing in 2050

Outstanding Subordinate Obligations For Pledged Revenues:	DW-1727 maturing in 2030 WPF-5103 maturing in 2042 WPF-5401 maturing in 2043 WPF-5659 maturing in 2043 WPF-5660 maturing in 2043
Outstanding Super Subordinate Obligations for Pledged Revenues:	WPF-5935 maturing in 2045 NMED Loan CWSRF EQ 147 WPF-6261 maturing in 2046 WPF-6262 maturing in 2046 WPF-6263 maturing in 2047 NMED Loan CWSRF EQ 151 This Agreement (WPF-6545)
Authorizing Legislation:	Borrower/Grantee Resolution No.______, adopted November 19, 2025
Additional Funding Amount:	$2,100,000
Closing Date:	January 2, 2026
Project Account Amount:	$14,000,000
Expense Account Deposit:	$0.00
Administrative Fee:	0.25%

Conditions to be satisfied prior to first disbursement of Loan/Grant funds: Delivery to NMFA of (i) a copy of the agenda of the meeting of the Governing Body at which the Resolution was adopted and at which this Agreement, the Resolution and all other Loan/Grant documents were authorized by the Governing Body (the "Meeting"), certified as a true and correct copy by the Executive Director/Secretary of the Borrower/Grantee, (ii) a copy of the minutes or record of proceedings of the Meeting, approved and signed by the Chair and attested to by the Executive Director/Secretary of the Borrower/Grantee, and (iii) a copy of the notice of meeting for the Meeting evidencing compliance with the Borrower/Grantee's Open Meetings standards in effect on the date of the Meeting.

Other Conditions applicable to the Loan/Grant: All Conditions defined in the Agreement.

<u>**EXHIBIT “B”**</u>

PAYMENT PROVISIONS OF THE LOAN

The Loan Amount and Administrative Fee shall be payable by the Borrower/Grantee to the Lender/Grantor in twenty (20) annual installments of principal pursuant to the attached debt service schedule, beginning June 1, 2028 and ending June 1, 2047. The Loan Amount shall be pre-payable upon expiration of the Interim Period without penalty. The Administrative Fee shall be due and payable annually on June 1 of each year while the Loan, or any portion thereof, remains outstanding.

[INTERIM DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE ATTACHED]

EXHIBIT "C"

FORM OF REQUISITION
(Water Project Fund)

RE: $14,000,000 Loan/Grant Agreement by and between the New Mexico Finance Authority, as Lender/Grantor, and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority, Bernalillo County, New Mexico, as Borrower/Grantee (the "Agreement" or "Loan/Grant Agreement")

Loan/Grant No. WPF-6545 Closing Date: January 2, 2026

TO: NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY

You are hereby authorized to disburse from the Project Account with regard to the above-referenced Agreement, the following:

I. PAYMENT INFORMATION

REQUISITION NO. ____________ PAYMENT AMOUNT: $_______________

PAYEE'S NAME: ____
PAYEE'S ADDRESS: ____
____

II. REQUISITION INFORMATION (complete for all payments)

- *Attach proof of expenditures (cancelled check, wire transfer receipt, bank ledger, etc.).*
- *List all Vendors, Payment Purposes, or Eligible Item Categories below or attach separate page or spreadsheet if needed.*

Vendor Name ____
Total Amount $______________________ Invoice No.(s) ________________________
Purpose of Payment ____
Eligible Item Category ____

Vendor Name ____
Total Amount $______________________ Invoice No.(s) ________________________
Purpose of Payment ____
Eligible Item Category ____

Vendor Name ____
Total Amount $______________________ Invoice No.(s) ________________________
Purpose of Payment ____
Eligible Item Category ____

III. WIRING INFORMATION:

BANK NAME:	
ABA ROUTING NUMBER:	
ACCOUNT NUMBER:	

IV. MATCH INFORMATION

AMOUNT OF LOCAL MATCH EXPENDED SINCE LAST REQUISITION: $____________

Attach proof of expenditures for hard match (detailed invoices, cancelled checks, wire transfer receipt, bank statement, etc.) and written certification of type and value of any soft match.

AMOUNT OF LOCAL MATCH EXPENDED TO DATE: $________________

TOTAL REQUIRED MATCH: $2,100,000

V. VERIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION

Each obligation, item of cost or expense mentioned herein is for a loan/grant made by the Lender/Grantor pursuant to the Water Project Finance Act to the Borrower/Grantee within the State of New Mexico, is due and payable, has not been the subject of any previous requisition, and is a proper charge against the Project Account. All representations contained in the Agreement and the related closing documents remain true and correct, and the Borrower/Grantee is not in breach of any of the covenants contained therein.

The proceeds of the Loan/Grant are to be used to pay the costs of Eligible Items, as defined in the Agreement. Eligible Items include (1) planning, designing, construction, improving or expanding a qualified project; (2) developing engineering feasibility reports for Qualified Projects; (3) inspecting construction of Qualified Projects; (4) providing professional services; (5) completing environmental assessments or archeological clearances and other surveys for Qualified Projects; (6) acquiring land, easements or rights of way; (7) eligible legal costs associated with development of Qualified Projects, within limits set forth in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

All construction and all installation of equipment with proceeds of the Loan/Grant has or will be used in accordance with plans and/or specifications approved on behalf of the New Mexico Finance Authority by the New Mexico Environment Department and/or the Office of the State Engineer, has or will be acquired in compliance with applicable procurement laws and regulations, and has or will be inspected and approved in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

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

DATE: _________________

____

AUTHORIZED OFFICER
(As Provided in the Loan/Grant Agreement)
Print Name:________________________________
Print Title: ________________________________

EXHIBIT "D"

WATER PROJECT FUND STATUS REPORT
PREPARED FOR THE
NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY

Fund Recipient: Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority **Contact Name:** **Title:** **Email Address:**	**Project Number**: WPF-6545 **Project Name**: Arsenic Treatment Facilities Phase I **Project Type**: Construction

Reporting Period: From ______________________ **To**______________________

☐ Quarterly Project Report: ☐1st ☐2nd ☐3rd ☐4th

☐ Final Project Report ☐ Other ______________________________

WPF Funding Expiration: ______________________

Total WPF Award: $14,000,000 **Current Balance**: $____________________

Loan 10% Grant 90% Match $2,100,000

Expected WPF Award Expenditure Next Quarter: $______________________________

Local Match Expenditure: To Date $____________ **Next Quarter** $_______________

Project Phase: ☐Planning ☐ Design ☐ Construction

PROJECT COMPLETION: Original Date ______________ **Current Date**______________

______**% Complete** **Days Remaining to Complete** _____ **On Schedule?** ☐**Yes** ☐**No**

Briefly Describe Project Progress During This Reporting Period:

Issues Addressed During This Reporting Period, including any current or anticipated issues that remain unresolved:

Goals/Milestones, With Timeline or Dates, For The Next Reporting Period:

Authorized Officer **PRINT NAME:**__________________________________

PRINT TITLE:__________________________________

SIGNATURE: **Date:**

All fields must be completed.

EXHIBIT "E"

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

RE: $14,000,000 Loan/Grant Agreement by and between the NMFA, as Lender/Grantor, and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority, Bernalillo County, New Mexico as Borrower/Grantee (the "Agreement" or "Loan/Grant Agreement")

Loan/Grant No. WPF-6545

Closing Date: January 2, 2026

TO: NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY

I, ________________________________, the ________________________________ of the
[Name] [Title or position]

Borrower/Grantee, hereby certify as follows:

1. The project described in the Loan/Grant Agreement (the "Project"), or the applicable phase of the project if funding was for a phased Project, was completed and placed in service on _________________________, 20___.

2. The total cost of the Project was $ ___________.

3. Cost of the Project paid from the Loan/Grant Amount was $ ______________.

4. Cost of the Project paid from the Additional Funding Amount was $ _________.

5. The portion of the Loan/Grant Amount unexpended for the Project is $ ________.

6. The Project was completed and is and shall be used consistent with and subject to the covenants set forth in the Loan/Grant Agreement.

This certificate shall not be deemed to prejudice or affect any rights of or against third parties which exist at the date of this certificate or which may subsequently come into being.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

By: _____________________________________

Its: _____________________________________

EXHIBIT "F"

DOCUMENTS

1. Open Meetings Act Resolution No. R-25-1 adopted by the Borrower/Grantee on February 5, 2025

2. Resolution No. ______ adopted on November 19, 2025, Notice of Meeting, Meeting Agenda, Minutes and Affidavit of Publication of Notice of Adoption of Resolution in the *Albuquerque Journal*

3. Loan/Grant Agreement

4. General and No Litigation Certificate of the Borrower/Grantee

5. Delivery, Deposit and Cross-Receipt Certificate

6. Right of Way Certificate (to be executed prior to construction funding)

7. Final Opinion of Counsel for the Borrower/Grantee

8. Approving Opinion of Sutin, Thayer & Browne A Professional Corporation, Loan/Grant Counsel to the NMFA

9. NMFA Application and Project Approval (informational only)