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November 2, 2020

Melissa Schnee, Office Manager Missoula Rural Fire District 2521 South Avenue West Missoula, MT 59804

Dear Ms. Schnee:

Enclosed are the loan closing documents for the Missoula Rural Fire District to enter into a \$350,000.00 loan on November 20, 2020. We will wire the full amount to First Interstate Bank on that date. Please have the enclosed documents signed and return the original set of documents to the Board of Investments' office by Tuesday, November 17, 2020. Please keep the second set stamped "Copy" for your files.

The enclosed checklist should satisfactorily explain how you should complete the documents and what other specific steps the District must take before closing.

Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Louise Welsh

Senior Bond Program Officer

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Enclosure



## STATE OF MONTANA BOARD OF INVESTMENTS

#### Loan Closing Instructions

Attached are two sets of the INTERCAP loan closing documents which should be properly executed (signed) by the Authorized Representatives of the Borrower. The original set of documents should be returned to the Board of Investments (the "Board"); please keep the set stamped "Copy" for your files. Please send to:

Board of Investments Bond Program Office P.O. Box 200126 Helena, Montana 59620-0126 (444-0001)

#### LOAN CLOSING DOCUMENTS:

- 1. <u>Resolution Authorizing Participation in the INTERCAP Program</u> The Borrower's governing board will have to authorize the INTERCAP loan. A Resolution is enclosed for your use. An Authorized Representative should sign and certify the Resolution.
- 2. <u>Loan Agreement</u> Check all numbers on the face of the Loan Agreement to be sure that you are in agreement. Have an Authorized Representative enter into this loan agreement and sign it where indicated.
- 3. <u>Description of the Project/Summary of Disbursements</u> Examine the information and numbers on this document. This is an informational record that will keep a running total of how much has been expended on the Project.
- 4. <u>Borrower's Draw Certificate</u> This document shows the specific funding amounts for the cash advancement and funding instructions. The certificate has been completed by the BOI; however, it should be carefully reviewed for accuracy and signed by an Authorized Representative.
- 5. <u>Promissory Note</u> Be sure that this document is signed by an Authorized Representative. Examine the schedule which shows the principal payments for the life of the loan and interest payments to the next interest adjustment date.
- 6. Opinion of Counsel Your governing body's general counsel must review the entire transaction and provide the BOI with an opinion substantially in this format on its letterhead and dated as of the day of the closing. The opinion calls for several representations and also that the Borrower has perfected a security interest for the benefit of the BOI for equipment and vehicles, if applicable.
- Security Agreement Applicable only for vehicles and equipment, not real property improvements. The last page of this agreement shows the list of the security, such as vehicles or equipment that the loan is financing. Evidence of insurance coverage for the benefit of U. S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, as discussed in Section 3(b), should be attached to the Security Agreement. In order to perfect the Trustee's security interest in the Project it will be necessary for your government to file financing statements with the Secretary of State's office or local county clerk and record's office as may be required by law. In the case of motor vehicles it will be necessary to perfect a security interest in accordance with 61-3-103 M.C.A. If your loan covers equipment, you will find one UCC1 form enclosed with BOI as the secured party. Please send the UCC1 form and \$7.00 (no cash please) filing fee to the Secretary of State. If the equipment is considered to be a fixture of real property (ex. a telephone system) there are two UCCI forms that need to be filed. Please file one with the Secretary of State and the other with your county government. All other security interests are also to show U. S. Bank National Association, Trustee, as the secured party. The Security Agreement must be signed.

8. <u>Certificate of Appropriations</u> (if applicable) - This certificate must be executed and returned to our office. A new Certificate of Appropriations must be executed and returned to our office by August 15 of each year the loan is outstanding. The Trustee will remind you in July of its submission requirement.

(GENERAL FUND LOAN)

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERCAP PROGRAM

# CERTIFICATE OF MINUTES RELATING TO RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 19

Issuer: Missoula Rural Fire District
Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A Board of Trote meeting held on 11-10-20 at 7 o'clock p.m. in Missoula, Montana.
Members present:
Members absent:
RESOLUTION NO. <u>2020-19</u>
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA ANNUAL ADJUSTABLE RATE TENDER OPTION MUNICIPAL FINANCE CONSOLIDATION ACT BONDS (INTERCAP REVOLVING PROGRAM), APPROVING THE FORM AND TERMS OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO
I, the undersigned, being the fully qualified and acting recording officer of the public body issuing the obligations referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of the public body in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that the documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body at the meeting, insofar as they relate to the obligations; and that the meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.
WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer this day of, 2020.
By Its

## RESOLUTION NO. 2020-19

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA ANNUAL ADJUSTABLE RATE TENDER OPTION MUNICIPAL FINANCE CONSOLIDATION ACT BONDS (INTERCAP REVOLVING PROGRAM), APPROVING THE FORM AND TERMS OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Trustees (the Governing Body) OF THE MISSOULA RURAL FIRE DISTRICT (the Borrower) AS FOLLOWS:

#### ARTICLE I

## **DETERMINATIONS AND DEFINITIONS**

Section 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. The following terms will have the meanings indicated below for all purposes of this Resolution unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Capitalized terms used in this Resolution and not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Loan Agreement.

Adjusted Interest Rate means the rate of interest on the Bonds determined in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.03 of the Indenture.

<u>Authorized Representative</u> shall mean the officers of the Borrower designated and duly empowered by the Governing Body and set forth in the application.

Board shall mean the Board of Investments of the State of Montana, a public body corporate organized and existing under the laws of the State and its successors and assigns.

Board Act shall mean Section 2-15-1808, Title 17, Chapter 5, Part 16, MCA, as amended.

Bonds shall mean the Bonds issued by the Board pursuant to the Indenture to finance the Program.

Borrower shall mean the Borrower above named.

Indenture shall mean that certain Indenture of Trust dated March 1, 1991 by and between the Board and the Trustee pursuant to which the Bonds are to be issued and all supplemental indentures thereto.

<u>Loan</u> means the loan of money by the Board to the Borrower under the terms of the Loan Agreement pursuant to the Act and the Borrower Act and evidenced by the Note.

Loan Agreement means the Loan Agreement between the Borrower and the Board, including any amendment thereof or supplement thereto entered into in accordance with the provisions thereof and hereof.

<u>Loan Agreement Resolution</u> means this Resolution or such other form of resolution that the Board may approve and all amendments and supplements thereto.

Loan Date means the date of closing a Loan.

<u>Loan Rate</u> means the rate of interest on the Loan which is initially 2.50% per annum through February 15, 2021 and thereafter a rate equal to the Adjusted Interest Rate on the Bonds and up to 1.50% per annum as necessary to pay Program Expenses.

Note means the promissory note to be executed by the Borrower pursuant to the Loan Agreement, in accordance with the provisions hereof and thereof, in substantially the form set forth in the Promissory Note, or in such form that may be approved by the Board.

<u>Program</u> shall mean the INTERCAP Program of the Board pursuant to which the Board will issue and sell Bonds and use the proceeds to make loans to participating Eligible Government Units.

Project shall mean those items of equipment, personal or real property improvements to be acquired, installed, financed or refinanced under the Program as set forth in the Description of the Project/Summary of Draws.

Security Instrument means a security agreement in substantially the form set forth, and, a Uniform Commercial Code financing statement, in a form acceptable to the Board and the Trustee granting a security interest in, or a lien on, the property constituting the Project or other real or personal properties added to or substituted therefor.

<u>Trustee</u> shall mean U. S. Bank National Association (formerly known as First Trust Company of Montana National Association) and its successors.

Section 1.02. <u>Authority</u>. The Borrower is authorized to undertake the Project and is further authorized by the Borrower Act to enter into the Loan Agreement for the purpose of obtaining a loan to finance or refinance the acquisition and installation costs of the Project.

Section 1.03. Execution of Agreement and Delivery of Note. Pursuant to the Indenture and the Board Act, the Board has issued and sold the Bonds and deposited a part of proceeds thereof in the Loan Fund held by the Trustee. The Board has, pursuant to the Term Sheet, agreed to make a Loan to the Borrower in the principal amount of \$350,000.00 and upon the further terms and conditions set forth herein, and as set forth in the Term Sheet and the Loan Agreement.

#### ARTICLE II

#### THE LOAN AGREEMENT

Section 2.01. <u>Terms.</u> (a) The Loan Agreement shall be dated as of the Loan Date, in the principal amount of \$350,000.00 and shall constitute a valid and legally binding obligation of the Borrower. The obligation to repay the Loan shall be evidenced by a Promissory Note. The Loan shall bear interest at the initial rate of 2.50% per annum through February 15, 2021 and thereafter at the Adjusted Interest Rate, plus up to 1.50% per annum as necessary to pay the cost of administering the Program (the Program Expenses). All payments may be made by check or wire transfer to the Trustee at its principal corporate trust office.

- (b) The Loan Repayment Dates shall be February 15 and August 15 of each year.
- (c) The principal amount of the Loan may be prepaid in whole or in part provided that the Borrower has given written notice of its intention to prepay the Loan in whole or in part to the Board no later than 30 days prior to the designated prepayment date.
- (d) The Prepayment Amount shall be equal to the principal amount of the Loan outstanding, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of prepayment.
- (e) Within fifteen days following an Adjustment Date, the Trustee shall calculate the respective amounts of principal and interest payable by each Borrower on and with respect to its Loan Agreement and Note for the subsequent August 15 and February 15 payments, and prepare and mail by first class mail a statement therefor to the Borrower.

Section 2.02. <u>Use and Disbursement of the Proceeds</u>. The proceeds of the Loan will be expended solely for the purposes set forth in the Description of the Project/Summary of Draws. The proceeds from the sale of the Note to the Board shall remain in the Borrower's Account pending disbursement at the request of the Borrower to pay the budgeted expenditures in anticipation of which the Note was issued. Requests for disbursement of the Loan shall be made to the Board. Prior to the closing of the Loan and the first disbursement, the Borrower shall have delivered to the Trustee a certified copy of this Resolution, the executed Loan Agreement and Note in a form satisfactory to the Borrower's Counsel and the Board's Bond Counsel and such other certificates, documents and opinions as set forth in the Loan Agreement or as the Board or Trustee may require. The Borrower will pay the loan proceeds to a third party within five business days after the date they are advanced (except for proceeds to reimburse the Borrower for previously paid expenditures, which are deemed allocated on the date advanced).

Section 2.03. Payment and Security for the Note. In consideration of the making of the Loan to the Borrower by the Board, the provisions of this Resolution shall be a part of the Agreement of the Borrower with the Board. The provisions, covenants and Agreements herein set forth to be performed by or on behalf of the Borrower shall be for the benefit of the Board. The Loan Agreement and Note shall constitute a valid and legally binding obligation of the Borrower and the principal of and interest on the Loan shall be payable from the general fund of the Borrower, and any other money and funds of the Borrower otherwise legally available therefor. [The repayment of the Loan shall be secured by a security interest in the Project being financed.] The Borrower shall enforce its rights to receive and collect all such taxes and revenues to insure the prompt payment of the Borrower obligations hereunder.

Section 2.04. Representation Regarding the Property Tax Limitation Act. The Borrower recognizes and acknowledges that the amount of taxes it may levy is limited by the state pursuant to Section 15-10-402, et. seq. (the Property Tax Limitation Act). The Borrower is familiar with the Property Tax Limitation Act and acknowledges that the obligation to repay the Loan under the Agreement and Note are not exceptions to the provisions of the Property Tax Limitation Act. The Borrower represents and covenants that the payment of principal of and interest on the Loan can and will be made from revenues available to the Borrower in the years as they become due, notwithstanding the provisions of the Property Tax Limitation Act.

Section 2.05. <u>Levy and Appropriate Funds to Repay Loan</u>. The Borrower agrees that in order to meet its obligation to repay the Loan and all other payments hereunder that it will budget, levy taxes for and appropriate in each fiscal year during the term of the Loan an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest hereon within the limitations of the Property Tax Limitation Act, as may be amended, and will reduce other expenditures if necessary to make the payments hereunder when due.

#### ARTICLE III

## CERTIFICATIONS, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY

Section 3.01. <u>Authentication of Transcript</u>. The Authorized Representatives are authorized and directed to prepare and furnish to the Board and to attorneys approving the validity of the Bonds, certified copies of this Resolution and all other resolutions and actions of the Borrower and of said officers relating to the Loan Agreement, the Note, the Security Agreement and certificates as to all other proceedings and records of the Borrower which are reasonably required to evidence the validity and marketability of the Note. All such certified copies and certificates shall be deemed the representations and recitals of the Borrower as to the correctness of the statements contained therein.

Section 3.02. <u>Legal Opinion</u>. The attorney to the Borrower is hereby authorized and directed to deliver to the Board at the time of Closing of the Loan his or her opinion regarding the Loan, the Loan Agreement, the Note and this Resolution in substantially the form of the opinion set forth in the Attorney's Opinion.

Section 3.03. <u>Execution</u>. The Loan Agreement, Note, Security Agreement and any other document required to close the Loan shall be executed in the name of the Borrower and shall be executed on behalf of the Borrower by the signatures of the Authorized Representatives of the Borrower.

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		By	
		Its Board Chair	
Attest:			
Ву			
ItsOffi	ce Manager		

#### Loan #2888

#### LOAN AGREEMENT

between

## BOARD OF INVESTMENTS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

as Lender

and

#### MISSOULA RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

as Borrower

DATE OF AGREEMENT:

November 20, 2020

LOAN AMOUNT:

THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS

(\$350,000.00)

ADDRESS OF BORROWER:

Missoula Rural Fire District 2521 South Avenue West

Missoula, MT 59804

CONTACT PERSON OF BORROWER:

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STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR BORROWING:

7-33-2109, M.C.A.

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This Loan Agreement (the "Agreement") dated as of November 20, 2020, and entered into between the Board of Investments of the State of Montana (the "Board"), a public body corporate and instrumentality of the state of Montana, and Missoula Rural Fire District ("the Borrower"), a political subdivision of the State of Montana;

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-15-1808, Montana Code Annotated and Title 17, Chapter 5, Part 16, Montana Code Annotated (the "Act") and in accordance with the Indenture of Trust, dated as of March 1, 1991, between the Board and U. S. Bank National Association (formerly known as First Trust Company of Montana National Association) (the "Trustee"), has established its INTERCAP Revolving Program pursuant to which the Board will issue, from time to time, its Annual Adjustable Rate Tender Option Municipal Finance Consolidation Act Bonds (INTERCAP Revolving Program) (the "Bonds"), for the purpose of making loans to Eligible Government Units to finance or refinance the acquisition and installation of equipment, personal and real property improvements, to provide temporary financing of projects or for other authorized corporate purposes of an Eligible Government Unit (the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has agreed to loan part of the proceeds of an issue of such Bonds to the Borrower in the amount of \$350,000.00, and the Borrower has agreed to borrow such amount from the Board, subject to the terms and conditions of and for the purposes set forth in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower is authorized under the laws of the State of Montana, and has taken all necessary action, to enter into this Agreement for the Project as identified in the Description of the Project/Summary of Disbursements attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises hereinafter contained, the parties hereby agree as follows:

## ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF INTERPRETATION.

#### Section 1.01. Definitions

The following terms will have the meanings indicated below for all purposes of this Agreement unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

"Act" means Section 2-15-1808, Montana Code Annotated and Title 17, Chapter 5, Part 16, Montana Code Annotated as now in effect and as it may from time to time hereafter be amended or supplemented.

"Adjusted Interest Rate" shall mean the interest rate on the Loan determined and established pursuant to the Promissory Note hereto and the Loan Agreement or Bond Resolution.

"Adjustment Date" means the Initial Adjustment Date or a Subsequent Adjustment Date.

"Adjustment Period" means the period beginning on an Adjustment Date and ending on the day before the next succeeding Adjustment Date.

"Amortization Schedule" means the schedule prepared for a loan advance to the Borrower showing the principal amount advanced, the amortization of the principal, and the interest and principal payments due to the Subsequent Interest Adjustment Date.

"Authorized Representative" shall mean the officers of the Borrower designated by the Governing Body and set forth in the Application and signed on behalf of the Borrower by a duly authorized official.

"Board" means the Board of Investments of the State of Montana, a public body corporate organized and existing under the laws of the State and its successors and assigns.

"Bonds" means the Board of Investments of the State of Montana's Annual Adjustable Rate Tender Option Municipal Finance Consolidation Act Bonds (INTERCAP Revolving Program) authorized to be issued for the Program.

"Borrower" means Missoula Rural Fire District, the Eligible Government Unit, which is borrowing and using the proceeds of the Loan to finance, refinance or be reimbursed for, all or a portion of the Cost of the Total Project.

"Borrower Act" means 7-33-2109, the section of Montana Code Annotated that authorizes an Eligible Government Unit to borrow money on terms consistent with the Program.

"Borrower Resolution" means a resolution, duly and validly adopted by a Borrower authorizing the execution and delivery to the Board of an Agreement and Note, in substantially the form provided, or such other form of Resolution that the Board may approve and all amendments and supplements thereto.

"Commencement Date" means November 20, 2020, the date of the Agreement when the term of this Agreement begins and the obligation of the Borrower to make Loan Repayments begins to accrue.

"Counsel" means an attorney or firm of attorneys duly admitted to practice law before the highest court of any state.

"Default" means an event or condition the occurrence of which would, with the lapse of time or the giving of notice or both, become an Event of Default.

"Eligible Government Unit" shall mean any municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state, including without limitation any city, town, county, school district, or other special taxing district or assessment or service district authorized by law to borrow money or any board, agency, or department of the state, or the board of regents of the Montana university system when authorized by law to borrow money.

"Event of Default" means any occurrence or event described in Article X hereof.

"Fiscal Year" means the fiscal year of the Borrower beginning on July 1 and ending June 30.

"Governing Body" shall mean (i) with respect to a county, the Board of County Commissioners, (ii) with respect to a city, the City Council or Commission, and (iii) with respect to a school district, county water or sewer district, hospital district, rural fire district, or any other special purpose district, the Board of Trustees.

"Indenture" means that certain Indenture of Trust, dated as of March 1, 1991, by and between the Board and the Trustee, as originally executed or as it may from time to time be supplemented, modified or amended in accordance with its terms.

"Initial Adjustment Date" means the first February 16 following the date of the Agreement.

"Initial Interest Rate" means the Loan Rate from the date of the Agreement to the Initial Adjustment Date.

"Loan" means the loan of money by the Board to the Borrower under the terms of this Agreement pursuant to the Act and the Borrower Act, evidenced by the Note.

"Loan Agreement" or "Agreement" means this Agreement, including, the attachments hereto, and the Security Instrument, if any, as originally executed or as they may from time to time be supplemented, modified or amended in accordance with the terms hereof and of the Indenture.

"Loan Date" means the date of closing a Loan.

"Loan Rate" means the rate of interest on the Loan as provided for in Section 5.01 of this Agreement.

"Loan Repayment Date" means February 15th and August 15th or, if any such day is not a Business Day, the next Business Day thereafter, during the term of the Loan.

"Loan Repayments" means the payments payable by the Borrower pursuant to Article V of this Agreement.

"Loan Term" means the term provided for in Article VI of this Agreement.

"Maximum Interest Rate" means the maximum rate of interest on the Bonds which shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) per annum.

" $\underline{\text{Note}}$ " means the promissory note executed and delivered by the Borrower attached hereto and made a part hereof.

"Program" means the Board's INTERCAP Program established under the Act and pursuant to which the Board finances Projects for Eligible Government Units.

"Program Expenses" means the expenses of the Program, including (without limitation) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and such other fees and expenses of the Program or of the Board relating thereto as shall be approved by the Board.

"Project" means those items of equipment, personal or real property improvements to be acquired, installed, financed or refinanced under the Program and set forth in the Description of the Project/Summary of Disbursements attached hereto.

"Project Costs" shall mean the portion of the costs of the Total Project to be financed by the INTERCAP Loan. The Project Costs may not exceed the Loan Amount as set forth on the cover hereof.

"Security Instrument" means a Security Agreement in substantially the form set forth hereto, and, a Uniform Commercial Code financing statement, in a form acceptable to the Board and the Trustee granting a security interest in, or a lien on, the property constituting the Project or other real or personal properties added to or substituted therefor.

"Series Supplemental Indenture of Trust" means a Supplemental Indenture of Trust authorizing the issuance of an additional series of bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture.

"State" means the state of Montana.

"Subsequent Interest Adjustment Date or Subsequent Adjustment Date" means February 16 in the years the Loan remains outstanding.

"Term Sheet" shall mean the document containing the terms and conditions issued by the Board to the Borrower that must be satisfied prior to entering into a Loan Agreement.

"<u>Term Sheet Issuance Date</u>" means the date the Board executes its Term Sheet under the Board's Program.

"Total Project" shall mean the project as described in Section 14 of the Term Sheet and/or Section 2 of the application, of which some or all is to be financed by the INTERCAP Loan.

"<u>Total Project Costs</u>" shall mean the entire cost of acquiring, completing or constructing the project as further described in Section 14 of the Terms & Conditions Sheet and/or Section 2 of the application.

"Trustee" means the U. S. Bank National Association (formerly known as First Trust Company of Montana National Association), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States, or its successor as trustee as provided in the Indenture.

## Section 1.02. Rules of Interpretation.

For all purposes of this Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) "This Agreement" means this instrument as originally executed and as it may from time to time be modified or amended.
- (b) All references in this instrument to designated "Articles", "Sections" and other subdivisions are to the designated Articles, Sections and other subdivisions of this instrument as originally executed. The words "herein", "hereof", "hereunder", and "herewith" and other words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision.
- (c) The terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to them in this Article and include the plural as well as the singular.
- (d) All accounting terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- (e) The terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement shall have the meanings therein prescribed for them.
- (f) Words of the masculine gender shall be deemed and construed to include correlative words of the feminine and neuter gender.
- (g) The headings or captions used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not define or limit or describe any of the provisions hereof or the scope or intent hereof.
  - (h) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

#### Section 1.03. Attachments

The following are attachments and a part of this Agreement:

Description of the Project/Summary of Disbursements. Borrower's Draw Certificate.
Promissory Note.
Opinion of Borrower's Counsel.
Certificate of Appropriation (if applicable).
Form of Security Instrument (if applicable).

## ARTICLE II. REPRESENTATIONS, COVENANTS AND WARRANTIES OF BORROWER.

## Section 2.01. Representations and Warranties.

Borrower represents and warrants for the benefit of the Board, the Trustee and the Bondholders as follows:

- (a) Organization and Authority. The Borrower:
  - (1) is a political subdivision of the State of Montana; and
- (2) has complied with all public bidding and other State and Federal laws applicable to this Agreement and the acquisition or installation of the Project.
- (b) <u>Full Disclosure</u>. There is no fact that the Borrower has not disclosed to the Board or its agents in writing that materially adversely affects or (so far as the Borrower can now foresee), except for pending or proposed legislation or regulations that are a matter of public information affecting the ability of the Borrower to levy property taxes, collect fees and charges for services provided by the Borrower or otherwise receive revenues, that will materially adversely affect the properties, activities, prospects or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Borrower or the ability of the Borrower to make all repayments and otherwise perform its obligations under this Agreement, the Note, and the Security Instrument.
- (c) <u>Pending Litigation</u>. There are no proceedings pending, or to the knowledge of the Borrower threatened against or affecting the Borrower in any court or before any governmental authority or arbitration board or tribunal that, if adversely determined, would materially adversely affect the properties, activities, prospects or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Borrower, or the ability of the Borrower to make all Loan Repayments and otherwise perform its obligations under this Agreement, the Note, and the Security Instrument, and that have not been disclosed in writing to the Board.
- (d) <u>Borrowing Legal and Authorized</u>. The transaction provided for in this Agreement, the Note, and the Security Instrument:
  - (1) are within the powers of the Borrower and have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of the Borrower, including the adoption of a resolution substantially in the form provided hereto with such modification as may be provided by the Board; and
  - (2) will not result in any breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Borrower pursuant to any indenture, loan agreement or other instrument (other than this Agreement, the Note, and the Security Instrument) to which the Borrower is a party or by which the Borrower may be bound, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of any state laws, or ordinances or resolutions of the Borrower; and
  - (3) the amount of the Loan represented hereby has been added to the amount of all other outstanding debt of the Borrower and together therewith does not result in the Borrower exceeding its statutory debt limitation.
- (e) <u>No Violation</u>. No event has occurred and no condition exists that, upon execution of this Agreement, the Note, and the Security Instrument or receipt of the Loan, would constitute a Default or an Event of Default. The Borrower is not in violation in any material respect, and has not received notice of any claimed violation, of any term of any agreement, statute, ordinance, resolution, bylaw or other instrument to which it is a party or by which it or its property may be bound.
- (f) <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. The Borrower will apply the proceeds of the Loan solely to finance the Project Costs described in the Description of the Project/Summary of Disbursements attached hereto. In

addition, the Borrower will pay the loan proceeds to a third party within five business days after the date they are advanced (except for proceeds to reimburse the Borrower for previously paid expenditures, which are deemed allocated on the date advanced). Investment of proceeds by the Borrowers within the five business day period of disbursement to a third party (except for proceeds to reimburse the Borrower for previously paid expenditures) should be in Non-AMT Obligations as that term is defined in the Board's tax certificates.

(g) <u>Completion of the Total Project; Payment of Total Project Costs</u>. The Borrower shall proceed diligently to complete the Total Project and to obtain the necessary funds to pay the Total Project Costs thereof. The Borrower shall pay any amount required for the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Total Project in excess of the Loan Amount as set forth on the cover hereof.

## Section 2.02. Particular Covenants of Borrower.

- (a) <u>Compliance with Statutory Requirements, Competitive Bidding, Montana Labor Laws, Environmental Review, and Other Legal Requirements.</u> The Borrower has complied with all statutory requirements, including competitive bidding and labor requirements and environmental review, applicable to the acquisition and construction of the Project.
- (b) <u>Maintenance and Use of Project</u>. The Borrower shall maintain the Project in good condition, make all necessary renewals, replacements, additions, betterments and improvements thereto and maintain insurance with respect to the Project, its other properties and its operations in such amounts and against such risks as are customary for governmental entities such as the Borrower.
- (c) <u>Financial Reports and Audits.</u> The Borrower shall comply with the provisions of Title 2, Chapter 7, Part 5 Montana Code Annotated.
- (d) <u>Security Interest</u>. The Borrower shall grant the Board a first security interest in the Project being financed by the Loan to the extent allowed by law, by executing and delivering the Security Instrument.
- (e) <u>Liens</u>. The Borrower shall not create, incur or suffer to exist any lien, charge or encumbrance on the property constituting the Project prior to the security interest granted hereunder other than (i) any security interest or lien pursuant to a loan agreement, mortgage, deed of trust, indenture or similar financing agreement of the Borrower in force and effect as of the date of this Agreement which creates a security interest or lien in after-acquired property of the Borrower and which is approved in writing by the Board, (ii), any security interest, mortgage or deed of trust permitted in writing by the Trustee, or (iii) any security interest or lien imposed or arising by statute or operation of law.
- (f) <u>Expenses</u>. The Borrower will, at the request of the Board, pay all expenses relating to the Loan, the Note, and the Security Instrument and this Agreement, including but not limited to:
  - (1) The Borrower will cause all financing statements necessary to be filed in connection with the security interest granted in the Security Instrument, if any is required hereunder, to be executed and filed, at Borrower's expense.

## ARTICLE III. LOAN TO BORROWER.

Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Board hereby agrees to loan and advance to the Borrower, and the Borrower agrees to borrow and accept from the Board, the Loan in the principal amount not to exceed \$350,000.00.

#### ARTICLE IV. LOAN PROVISIONS.

## Section 4.01. Commencement of Loan Agreement

This Agreement shall commence on the date hereof unless otherwise provided in this Agreement.

## Section 4.02. Termination of Agreement.

This Agreement will terminate upon payment in full of all amounts due under this Agreement and upon the full and complete performance and payment of all of the Borrower's other obligations hereunder. Until such termination, all terms, conditions, and provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

## Section 4.03. Term of Loan Agreement.

This Agreement shall be valid for the entire loan amount approved for one year from the Term Sheet Issuance Date. Beginning one year after the Term Sheet Issuance Date, the Board may refuse to make a loan advance if the Board determines that there has been a material adverse change in the circumstances of the Borrower.

#### Section 4.04. Loan Closing Submissions.

Concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the Borrower is providing to the Board and the Trustee, the following documents (except that the Board may waive any of such documents):

- (a) A certified resolution of the Borrower in form and substance substantially identical to that provided hereto; provided, however, that the Board may permit variances in such certified resolution from the form or substance of such resolution if, in the good faith judgment of the Board, such variance is not to the material detriment of the interests of the Program, the Bondholders and such certified resolutions are acceptable to the Trustee;
- (b) An opinion of the Borrower's counsel in form and substance substantially identical to the Attorney's Opinion hereto; provided, however, that the Board may permit variances in such opinion from the form or substance of such Attorney's Opinion if, in the good faith judgment of the Board, such variance is not to the material detriment of the interests of the Program, the Bondholders and such opinion is acceptable to the Trustee;
- (c) The executed Security Instrument, attached hereto, required by the Board, including evidence of filing of a financing statement, if any, in every office in which it is required to be filed in order to perfect the security interest of the Board in the personal property pledged pursuant to the Security Instrument;
- (d) A bill, or bills of sale, construction contract or contracts, invoice or invoices, purchase order or purchase orders or other evidence satisfactory to the Board that the Project has been purchased, ordered, constructed or installed by the Borrower or that any construction has been substantially completed and that payment therefor is due and owing or, if the Borrower is to be reimbursed, that payment has been made; and for any debt being refinanced, the canceled note or other financing document or other evidence satisfactory to the Board of such refinancing;
  - (e) Such other closing documents and certificates as the Board may reasonably request.

## Section 4.05. Initial and Subsequent Draws of Loan.

For the initial draw of the Loan, the Borrower shall deliver to the Board an executed copy of the Agreement, complete with all attachments as listed in Section 4.04 including the Note and the Agreement Resolution and other documents the Board requires.

For subsequent draws, if applicable, the Borrower shall deliver to the Board, an executed copy of a Disbursement Request and Security Instrument, if required, and any other documents the Board requires.

#### ARTICLE V. LOAN REPAYMENTS AND NOTE.

## Section 5.01. Payment of Loan Repayments

(a) The Loan Repayment Dates shall be on February 15 and August 15 of each year with the first Loan Repayment Date determined as follows:

<u>Date of Draw</u> February 15 through April 17	First Loan Repayment Date August 15	Payment <a href="Consisting of: Principal and Interest">Consisting of: Principal and Interest</a>
April 18 through June 16	August 15	Interest only
June 17 through August 14	February 15	Principal and interest from date of draw
August 15 through October 18	February 15	Principal and Interest
October 19 through December 17	February 15	Interest only
December 18 through February 14	August 15	Principal and Interest from date of draw

- (b) Borrower hereby agrees to make Loan Repayments to the Trustee on each Loan Repayment Date to be calculated by the Trustee and consisting of the sum of the following items:
  - (i) Principal in an amount based upon the initial Amortization Schedule, the Amortization Schedule being initially determined utilizing the Initial Interest Rate. Each advance of the principal of the Loan as shown on the Amortization Schedule shall be repaid in semiannual installments on each Loan Repayment Date commencing on the first Loan Repayment Date following the date thereof and ending on the final maturity date set forth on the Amortization Schedule. Principal payments will not be adjusted but the interest payment will be adjusted as provided in Section 5.01 hereof.
    - (ii) Interest for each Adjustment Period at the Loan Rate.
- (c) The Loan Rate shall equal the interest rate on the Board's bonds, as determined pursuant to Section 3.03 of the Indenture, plus up to 1.50% per annum as is necessary to pay the Borrower's share of Program Expenses as determined by the Board. The interest rate on the Bonds shall not exceed 15% per annum.
- (d) Within thirty days of the Adjustment Date the Trustee shall calculate the new interest component of the Loan Repayments and shall send a revised Amortization Schedule to the Borrower showing the amount of the Borrower's semiannual Loan Repayments.
- (e) Loan Repayments may be made by check, wire transfer, or Automatic Clearing House (ACH) of funds to the Trustee.

## Section 5.02. Delinquent Loan Payments.

From and after any Loan Repayment Date, until repaid, the Loan shall bear interest at a rate equal to two percent on the yield (coupon equivalent) as of the Loan Repayment Date, on United States of America Treasury Bills of a duration as close as possible to the term over which the Loan Repayment is delinquent.

#### Section 5.03. The Note.

On the date of this Agreement, the Borrower shall execute the attached Note. The obligations of the Borrower under the Note shall be deemed to be amounts payable under Section 5.01. Each payment made to the Trustee pursuant to the Note shall be deemed to be a credit against the corresponding obligation of the Borrower under Section 5.01 and any such payment made to the Trustee shall fulfill the Borrower's obligation to pay such amount hereunder and under the Note.

#### ARTICLE VI. TERM.

The term of the Loan will be a maximum of 10 years and the specific term for each loan draw will be set forth in the Borrower's Draw Certificate.

## ARTICLE VII. OBLIGATIONS OF BORROWER UNCONDITIONAL

## Section 7.01. Obligations of Borrower.

The obligations of the Borrower to make the payments required hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional without any defense or right of set off, counterclaim or recoupment by reason of any default by the Board under the Loan Agreement or under any other indebtedness or liability at any time owing to the Borrower by the Board or for any other reason.

## ARTICLE VIII. FINANCIAL COVENANTS (GENERAL FUND).

## Section 8.01. Representation Regarding the Property Tax Limitation Act.

The Borrower recognizes and acknowledges that the amount of taxes it may levy is limited by the state pursuant to Section 15-10-420, as amended (the Property Tax Limitation Act). The Borrower is familiar with the Property Tax Limitation Act and acknowledges that the Loan Repayments to be made under the Agreement and Note are not exceptions to the provisions of the Property Tax Limitation Act. The Borrower represents and covenants that such Loan Repayments can and will be made from revenues available to the Borrower, notwithstanding the provisions of the Property Tax Limitation Act.

## Section 8.02. Levy and Appropriate Funds to Repay Loan.

The Borrower agrees that in order to meet its obligation to make the Loan Repayments and all other payments hereunder that it will budget for as authorized and appropriate from taxes or any other available sources in each fiscal year during the term of this Agreement an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest hereon within the limitations of the Property Tax Limitation Act and will reduce other expenditures if necessary to make the payments hereunder when due.

## Section 8.03. Reports and Opinion; Inspections.

(a) The Borrower shall deliver to the Board by no later than August 15 of each year during the term of this Agreement, a certificate in substantially the form attached hereto that the Governing Body of the Borrower has budgeted and appropriated for the then current Fiscal Year an amount sufficient to make the Loan Repayments due in that Fiscal Year, as required in Article VIII hereof.

(b) The Borrower agrees to permit the Board and the Trustee to examine, visit and inspect, at any reasonable time, the property constituting the Project, and the Borrower's facilities, and any accounts, books and records, including its receipts, disbursements, contracts, investments and any other matters relating thereto and to its financial standing, and to supply such reports and information as the Board or the Trustee may reasonably require.

#### ARTICLE IX. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES.

THE BOARD AND ITS AGENTS MAKE NO WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE VALUE, DESIGN, CONDITION, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY OR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR FITNESS FOR USE OF THE PROJECT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF OR ANY OTHER WARRANTY WITH RESPECT THERETO. In no event shall the Board or the Trustee or their respective agents be liable for any incidental, indirect, special or consequential damages in connection with or arising out of this Agreement or the Project or the existence, furnishing, functioning or Borrower's use of the Project or any item or products or services provided for in this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE X. OPTION TO PREPAY LOAN.

The Borrower may prepay the Loan in whole or in part upon giving 30 days prior written notice to the Board.

If the Loan is prepaid in part, the principal amount of the Loan shall be reduced by the portion of the prepayment representing principal and the Loan shall be reamortized by ratably reducing the principal portion of each remaining Loan Repayment.

#### ARTICLE XI. ASSIGNMENT.

#### Section 11.01. Assignment by Board or Trustee.

- (a) The Borrower expressly acknowledges that all right, title and interest of the Board in and to this Agreement (except for the rights of the Board to indemnification pursuant to Section 13.08 hereof) the Note, and the Security Instrument have been assigned to the Trustee, as security for the Bonds, under and as provided in the Indenture, and that if any Event of Default shall occur, the Trustee shall be entitled to act hereunder in the place and stead of the Board. In addition, the Borrower acknowledges that the Board has appointed the Trustee as servicer entitled to act hereunder in the place and stead of the Board. This Agreement, the Note, and the Security Instrument, including (without limitation) the right to receive payments required to be made by the Borrower hereunder and to compel or otherwise enforce performance by the Borrower of its other obligations hereunder, may be further assigned and reassigned in whole or in part to one or more assignees or subassignees by the Trustee at any time subsequent to their execution without the necessity of obtaining the consent of the Borrower. Forthwith upon any such assignment the Trustee shall notify the Borrower thereof.
- (b) The Borrower acknowledges that payment of the Bonds does not constitute payment of the amounts due under this Agreement.

#### Section 11.02. Assignment by Borrower.

This Agreement may not be assigned or encumbered by the Borrower for any reason without the express written consent of the Trustee and the Board.

## ARTICLE XII. EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES.

## Section 12.01. Events of Default Defined.

If any of the following events occur, it is hereby defined as and declared to be and to constitute an "Event of Default":

- (a) Failure by the Borrower to pay any Loan Repayment required to be paid hereunder at the time specified herein and the continuation of such failure for a period of three (3) days after telephonic or e-mail notice by the Trustee that such payment has not been received;
- (b) Failure by the Borrower to observe and perform any covenant, condition or agreement on its part to be observed or performed under this Agreement, other than as referred to in Section 12.01(a) for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice, specifying such failure and requesting that it be remedied, is given to the Borrower by the Trustee, unless the Trustee shall agree in writing to an extension of such time prior to its expiration; provided, however, if the failure stated in the notice cannot be corrected within the applicable period, the Trustee will not unreasonably withhold their consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by the Borrower within the applicable period and diligently pursued until the Default is corrected;
- (c) Any warranty, representation or other statement by or on behalf of the Borrower contained in this Agreement or in any instrument furnished in compliance with or in reference to this Agreement or in connection with the Loan, is false or misleading in any material respect;
- (d) The Borrower files a petition in voluntary bankruptcy under the United States Bankruptcy Code or seeks relief under any provision of any bankruptcy, 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 such law;
- (e) The Borrower 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 or 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 30 days;
  - (f) A default occurs under the Security Instrument, if any.

## Section 12.02. Notice of Default.

The Borrower agrees to give the Trustee and the Board prompt written notice if any petition referred to in Section 12.01(d) is filed by the Borrower or of the occurrence of any other event or condition which constitutes a Default or an Event of Default immediately upon becoming aware of the existence thereof.

#### Section 12.03. Remedies on Default.

If an Event of Default referred to in Section 12.01(d) shall have occurred, the Trustee shall declare the Loan and all other amounts due hereunder to be immediately due and payable, and upon notice to the Borrower the same shall become due and payable without further notice or demand. Whenever any Event of Default referred to in Section 12.01 hereof shall have happened and be continuing, the Trustee or the Board shall have the right to take any action permitted or required pursuant to the Indenture and shall take one or any combination of the following remedial steps:

(a) Declare the Loan and all other amounts due hereunder to be immediately due and payable, and upon notice to the Borrower the same shall become immediately due and payable by Borrower without further notice or demand; and