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EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF DERBY, KANSAS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of
El Paso Water Company, Inc.
Derby, Kansas

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of El Paso Water Company, Inc. (the Company), a component unit of the City of Derby, Kansas, which comprise the balance sheets as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the related statements of income, retained earnings, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Company and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued (or within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued when applicable).

An Independently Owned Member, RSM US Alliance

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Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The schedules of operation and maintenance expenses are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

BT + Co., P.A.

March 22, 2022
Topeka, Kansas

EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
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BALANCE SHEETS
December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Utility plant:		
Land and land improvements	\$ 75,059	\$ 75,059
Wells, pumphouses and equipment	995,839	995,839
Mains and storage tanks	4,457,556	4,457,556
Meters	673,283	685,738
Warehouse building	58,954	58,954
Office furniture and equipment	25,213	25,213
Automotive and other equipment	357,665	357,665
	6,643,569	6,656,024
Less allowance for depreciation	(5,569,110)	(5,475,878)
Total	1,074,459	1,180,146
Current assets:		
Cash	833,785	787,370
Accounts receivable	513,562	481,347
Unbilled receivables	305,191	283,630
Materials and supplies	10,938	39,386
Prepaid insurance	3,362	3,362
Total current assets	1,666,838	1,595,095
	\$ 2,741,297	\$ 2,775,241

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BALANCE SHEETS
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December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
<u>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY</u>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 312,337	\$ 276,625
Stockholder's equity:		
Common stock, no par value, stated value \$ 25 per share: authorized 40,000 shares; issued and outstanding 34,860 shares	871,500	871,500
Additional paid-in capital	303,054	303,054
Retained earnings	1,854,397	1,924,053
	3,028,951	3,098,607
Treasury stock at cost - 3,545 shares	(599,991)	(599,991)
Total stockholder's equity	2,428,960	2,498,616
	\$ 2,741,297	\$ 2,775,241

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
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STATEMENTS OF INCOME
Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Operating revenues	\$ 7,054,121	\$ 6,755,183
Operating expenses:		
Operation and maintenance	4,481,711	4,425,624
Depreciation	105,687	116,084
Total operating expenses	4,587,398	4,541,708
Net income	\$ 2,466,723	\$ 2,213,475

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
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STATEMENTS OF RETAINED EARNINGS
Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,924,053	\$ 1,943,947
Net income	2,466,723	2,213,475
Cash dividends to the City of Derby, Kansas	(2,536,379)	(2,233,369)
Balance, end of year	\$ 1,854,397	\$ 1,924,053

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 2,466,723	\$ 2,213,475
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities:		
Depreciation	105,687	116,084
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts and unbilled receivables	(53,776)	(32,899)
Materials and supplies	28,448	16,049
Accounts payable	35,712	27,544
	2,582,794	2,340,253
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Dividends paid	(2,536,379)	(2,233,369)
Net increase in cash	46,415	106,884
Cash, beginning of year	787,370	680,486
Cash, end of year	\$ 833,785	\$ 787,370

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2021 and 2020

1 - Nature of Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization and Operations

El Paso Water Company, Inc. (the Company) is a water utility company serving customers located in Derby, Kansas. The Company is a component unit of the City of Derby, Kansas. Water sales comprise the majority of the Company's operating revenues, which could be adversely affected by the amount of local rainfall, conservation measures by customers or an interruption of service from the City of Wichita, Kansas water supply. On January 27, 1999, all stock of the company not redeemed as treasury stock was acquired by the City of Derby, Kansas.

Deposits

The Company maintains deposits in banks. These deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$ 250,000 per bank. At times, the Company's deposits may exceed the FDIC insurance limits. To date, the Company has not experienced losses in any of these accounts.

Utility Plant

Utility plant assets are reflected at cost as of the time of acquisition. The Company generally capitalizes all expenditures for utility plant assets in excess of \$ 2,500.

Maintenance and repair costs are charged to income as incurred, and significant renewals and betterments are capitalized. When assets are retired or disposed of, the related costs and accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts and any gain or loss is credited or charged to income.

Depreciation is provided for in amounts sufficient to charge the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated service lives. For substantially all capital assets acquired prior to 1987, an accelerated method of depreciation (declining-balance) is used for financial reporting purposes, except for assets acquired prior to January 1, 1976, which are depreciated using the straight-line method for financial reporting purposes. All capital assets acquired subsequent to 1987 are depreciated using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Land improvements	20
Wells, pumphouses and equipment	40
Mains and storage tanks	50
Meters	5 - 15
Warehouse building	40
Office furniture and equipment	5 - 7
Other	3 - 10

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In previous years, purchased water meters were classified as capital assets and depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Beginning on January 1, 2013, the Company determined that new meter costs going forward will be recognized as expenses in the period incurred as the individual meter costs are below the capitalization threshold of the Company.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is primarily derived from the sale of water to customers. Revenues are recognized as services are provided. Sales and other taxes the Company collects concurrently are excluded from revenue. The Company does not have a significant financing component. The Company recognizes revenue in accordance with ASC Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which provides a five-step model for recognizing revenue from contracts with customers as follows: 1) identify the contract, 2) identify performance obligations, 3) determine the transaction price, 4) allocate the transaction price, and 5) recognize revenue.

The Company's customers consist of private customers, primarily located within the City of Derby, Kansas.

For performance obligations related to water sales, control transfers to the customer over time. Revenue under water sales contracts is recognized on the basis of gallons used using rates approved by the City of Derby, Kansas city council.

The Company has elected as a practical expedient the accounting policy under which it excludes from the transaction price taxes it collects from its customers that were assessed by a government authority on (or contemporaneous with) the Company's revenue-generating transactions with its customers. The Company therefore reports sales revenue net of sales tax.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of both residential and commercial water sales. Unbilled receivables are recorded for services provided for which customers have not been billed at December 31, 2021 and 2020. The Company utilizes the direct write-off method of accounting for bad debts. Accounts greater than 90 days past due are considered uncollectible and are written off. Management has determined that an allowance for doubtful accounts is not necessary at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Materials and Supplies

Inventories of materials and supplies are stated at the lower of cost or market; cost is determined using the last-in, first-out method.

Income Tax Matters

The Company has received a Private Letter Ruling from the Internal Revenue Service concluding that the Company is a public utility for purposes of Internal Revenue Code 115(1) and, accordingly, its income from the operation of the public utility is excludable from taxation.

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The Company's policy is to evaluate uncertain tax positions annually. Management evaluated the Company's tax positions and concluded that the Company had taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and Kansas state jurisdiction. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal or state and local income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2017.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities recognized and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Pending Accounting Pronouncement

In February 2016, FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. The guidance in this ASU supersedes the leasing guidance in Topic 840, *Leases*. Under the new guidance, lessees are required to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for all leases with terms longer than 12 months. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement. In January 2018, FASB issued ASU 2018-01, *Leases (Topic 842): Land Easement Practical Expedient for Transition to Topic 842*. This ASU clarifies how land easements should be treated. The new standards are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Management is currently evaluating the effect that the standards will have on the financial statements.

2 - Related Party Transactions

The Board of Directors of El Paso Water Company, Inc. is comprised of the Mayor and City Council members of the City of Derby, Kansas. The City of Derby, Kansas bills the water charges for the Company. All employees of the Company are employees of the City of Derby, Kansas. The Company makes a monthly reimbursement to the City of Derby, Kansas for contract labor. The total contract labor reimbursement from the Company to the City of Derby, Kansas for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 was \$ 649,783 and \$ 688,506, respectively.

The City of Derby, Kansas receives dividends from the Company. Cash dividends paid to the City of Derby, Kansas from the Company were \$ 2,536,379 and \$ 2,233,369 for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

The Company also leases office space from the City of Derby, Kansas. Total rental expense included in operations was \$ 14,300 for the years 2021 and 2020.

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3 - Water Rights

As of December 31, 1996, the Company hired a consultant to prepare a business valuation of the Company. Included in the valuation were water rights with a value of \$ 851,600. This value was based upon transactions in water rights in the area. The Company does not have a cost basis in the water rights, and therefore, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, they are not reflected on the balance sheets.

4 - Commitments

In April 2004, the City of Derby, Kansas issued \$ 9,455,000, 1.10% - 5.00% General Obligation Water System Refunding Bonds, Series 2004-A, with varying maturities up to December 1, 2022. Principal payments for 2016 through 2022 were refunded in September 2013, when the City of Derby, Kansas issued \$ 3,375,000, 2.50% - 3.00% General Obligation Water System Refunding Bonds, Series 2013-B, with varying maturities up to December 1, 2022. All of the Series 2013-B issuance pertained to the Company.

In September 2012, the City of Derby, Kansas issued \$ 3,165,000, 1.00% - 2.125% General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012-B, with varying maturities up to December 1, 2027. Of the \$ 3,165,000 Series 2012-B issuance, \$ 708,120 pertained to the Company.

In December 2018, the City of Derby, Kansas issued both \$ 6,900,000, 3.00% - 3.35% General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018-A, with varying maturities up to December 1, 2038 and \$ 5,680,000, 3.50% - 5.00% General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018-B, with varying maturities up to December 1, 2039. Of the \$ 6,900,000 Series 2018-A bond issuance, \$ 775,000 pertained to the Company. Of the \$ 5,680,000 Series 2018-B bond issuance, \$ 2,710,000 pertained to the Company.

The Company paid dividends to the City of Derby, Kansas of \$ 2,536,379 and \$ 2,233,369 for the years 2021 and 2020, respectively, related to principal and interest payments on the Series 2012-B, Series 2013-B, Series 2018-A and Series 2018-B bond issues. Future dividend payments to the City of Derby, Kansas are anticipated in order to retire the Series 2012-B, Series 2013-B, Series 2018-A and Series 2018-B bonds.

5 - Water Purchased from City of Wichita

All water sold is purchased from the City of Wichita, Kansas. The original wholesale water services contract contained a 100% “take or pay” provision. In March 2014, the City of Wichita, Kansas modified the “take or pay” provision to reduce the threshold to 50% for one year. This modification was extended through the remainder of the contract. In November 2020, the Company entered into a new contract with the City of Wichita, Kansas for wholesale water services. The contract contained a 50% “take or pay” provision based on the volume of water specified in a schedule of projected water usage. The term of the contract is 23 years, and it has the option to extend for an additional 10 years. No amounts were paid under the “take or pay” provision for 2021 or 2020.

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6 - Risks and Contingencies

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern" and, on March 11, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. Actions taken around the world to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus include restrictions on travel, quarantines in certain areas, and forced closures for certain types of public places and businesses. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate the spread of it have had and are expected to continue to have an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries, including the geographical area in which the Company operates. On March 27, 2020, the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act* (CARES Act) was enacted to, amongst other provisions, provide emergency assistance for individuals, families and businesses affected by the pandemic.

It is unknown how long the adverse conditions associated with the pandemic will last and what the complete financial effect will be to the Company. Accordingly, while management cannot quantify the financial or other impacts to the Company as of December 31, 2021, management believes that a material impact on the Company's financial position and results of future operations is reasonably possible.

7 - Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the independent auditors' report, which is the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

EL PASO WATER COMPANY, INC.
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SCHEDULES OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES
Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Contract labor	\$ 649,783	\$ 688,506
Repairs and maintenance	197,939	201,988
Wichita water purchases	3,355,916	3,245,257
Electric power	21,969	26,566
Other utilities	3,717	5,148
Office supplies and postage	14,601	11,390
Rentals/operating leases	14,300	14,300
Water treating supplies	-	854
Insurance	20,431	20,504
Professional fees	89,785	85,856
Dues and subscriptions	3,241	2,957
Other taxes	20	20
Miscellaneous	110,009	122,278
	<u>110,009</u>	<u>122,278</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,481,711</u>	<u>\$ 4,425,624</u>