

Report on the Firm's System of Quality Control

To the Shareholders of Pugh & Company, P.C. d/b/a Pugh CPAs
and the National Peer Review Committee

We have reviewed the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Pugh & Company, P.C. d/b/a Pugh CPAs (the "Firm") applicable to engagements not subject to Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") permanent inspection in effect for the year ended May 31, 2023. Our peer review was conducted in accordance with the Standards for Performing and Reporting on Peer Reviews established by the Peer Review Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("Standards").

A summary of the nature, objectives, scope, limitations of, and the procedures performed in a system review as described in the Standards may be found at www.aicpa.org/prsummary. The summary also includes an explanation of how engagements identified as not performed or reported on in conformity with applicable professional standards, if any, are evaluated by a peer reviewer to determine a peer review rating.

Firm's Responsibility

The Firm is responsible for designing and complying with a system of quality control to provide the Firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with the requirements of applicable professional standards in all material respects. The Firm is also responsible for evaluating actions to promptly remediate engagements deemed as not performed or reported on in conformity with the requirements of applicable professional standards, when appropriate, and for remediating weaknesses in its system of quality control, if any.

Peer Reviewer's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the design of and compliance with the Firm's system of quality control based on our review.

Required Selections and Considerations

Engagements selected for review included engagements performed under *Government Auditing Standards*, including a compliance audit under the Single Audit Act; audits of employee benefit plans; an audit performed under FDICIA; and an examination of a service organization (SOC 1[®] engagement).

As a part of our peer review, we considered reviews by regulatory entities as communicated by the Firm, if applicable, in determining the nature and extent of our procedures.

Opinion

In our opinion, the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Pugh & Company, P.C. d/b/a Pugh CPAs applicable to engagements not subject to PCAOB permanent inspection in effect for the year ended May 31, 2023, has been suitably designed and complied with to provide the Firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. Firms can receive a rating of *pass*, *pass with deficiency(ies)* or *fail*. Pugh & Company, P.C. d/b/a Pugh CPAs has received a peer review rating of *pass*.

Cherry Bekaert LLP

Atlanta, Georgia
November 6, 2023



March 13, 2024

Barrett Simonis
Pugh & Company, P.C. d/b/a Pugh CPAs
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Dear Barrett Simonis:

It is my pleasure to notify you that on March 06, 2024, the National Peer Review Committee accepted the report on the most recent System Review of your firm. The due date for your next review is November 30, 2026. This is the date by which all review documents should be completed and submitted to the administering entity.

As you know, the report had a peer review rating of pass. The Committee asked me to convey its congratulations to the firm.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Wagner". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Michael Wagner
Chair, National PRC

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cc: John Klisch, Barron Kennedy

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