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Management and Finance and Audit Committee
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District
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This letter confirms the arrangements for Crowe LLP ("Crowe" or "us" or "we" or "our") to provide the professional services discussed in this letter to Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District ("the District" or "you", "your" or "Entity" or "Client") for the year ending June 30, 2019.

AUDIT SERVICES

Our Responsibilities

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

In addition to our report on the financial statements, we plan to evaluate the presentation of the following supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and to report on whether this supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

- Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- Comparative Financial Statements and Schedules
- Schedule of Revenues, Subsidies and Expenses, Budget Versus Actual
- Schedule of Revenues and Expenses by Service Area

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

- Management's Discussion and Analysis
- Schedule of Changes in the Employer's Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
- Schedule of Employer's Pension Contributions
- Schedule of Changes in the Employer's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios
- Schedule of Employer's OPEB Contributions
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The document will also include the following additional information that will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements, and for which our auditor's report will disclaim an opinion:

- Introductory Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
- Statistical Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

The objective of the audit is the expression of an opinion on the financial statements. We will plan and perform the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards require that we obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement whether caused by error or fraud, and that we report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (as noted above), and on your compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of Federal awards and on its internal controls as required for a Single Audit. Because of inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with applicable standards. An audit is not designed to detect error or fraud that is immaterial to the financial statements.

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

In making our risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. However, we will communicate in writing to those charged with governance and management concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit. We will communicate to management other deficiencies in internal control identified during the audit that have not been communicated to management by other parties and that, in our professional judgment, are of sufficient importance to merit management's attention. We will also communicate certain matters related to the conduct of the audit to those charged with governance, including (1) fraud involving senior management, and fraud (whether caused by senior management or other employees) that causes a material misstatement of the financial statements, (2) illegal acts that come to our attention (unless they are clearly inconsequential) (3) disagreements with management and other significant difficulties encountered in performing the audit and (4) various matters related to the District's accounting policies and financial statements. Our engagement is not designed to address legal or regulatory matters, which matters should be discussed by you with your legal counsel.

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

In addition to our report on the financial statements and supplemental information, we plan to issue the following reports:

- Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* — The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.
- Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control Over Compliance -- The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.
- Independent Auditor's Report – AC Transit Financing Corporation, Measure B and BB Funds, LCTOP, and TDA and PTMISEA
- Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* — AC Transit Financing Corporation
- Independent Accountant's Report – Measure J
- Agreed Upon Procedures Reports for Proposition 111, Measure VV, Special Transit Service Districts No. 1 and No. 2, Evaluation of Board of Directors' Expenses, and FTA NTD (Separate detailed engagement letters will be provided for these reports which detail the procedures to be performed)

We will also perform tests of controls including testing underlying transactions, as required by the Uniform Guidance, to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each of your major federal awards programs. We will determine major programs in accordance with the Uniform Guidance. Our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on these controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed. We will inform you of any deficiencies or other matters involving internal control, if any, as required by the Uniform Guidance.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will also perform tests of your compliance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts and grants. However, because of the concept of reasonable assurance and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material errors, irregularities, or illegal acts, including fraud or defalcations, may exist and not be detected by us. The objective of our audit of compliance relative to the financial statements will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance with such provisions, and we will not express such an opinion. We will advise you, however, of any matters of that nature that come to our attention, unless they are clearly inconsequential.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether you have complied with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. Our procedures will consist of the applicable procedures described in the United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of your major programs. The purpose of our audit will be to express an opinion on your compliance with requirements applicable to major Federal award programs. Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable assurance, but not absolute assurance, the audit is not designed to detect immaterial violations or instances of noncompliance.

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

The working papers for this engagement are the property of Crowe and constitute confidential information pursuant to AICPA professional standards. However, we may be requested to make certain working papers available to your oversight agency or grantors pursuant to authority given to them by law, regulation, or contract. If requested, access to such working papers will be provided under the supervision of our personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide photocopies of selected working papers to your oversight agency or grantors. The working papers for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of three years after the date our report is issued or for any additional period requested by the oversight agency or pass-through entity. If we are aware that a federal awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the working papers. Finally, if requested, our working papers will be made available to the successor audit firm following the last year of the contract, if applicable.

Government Auditing Standards require that we provide you with a copy of our most recent peer review report, which accompanies this letter.

The District's Responsibilities

The District's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The District's management is also responsible for complying with applicable laws, regulations, contracts and grants and such responsibility extends to identifying the requirements and designing internal control policies and procedures to provide reasonable assurance that compliance is achieved. Additionally, as required by the Uniform Guidance, it is management's responsibility to follow up and take corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings, which should be available for our review, and a corrective action plan.

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

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

Management is responsible for adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements related to accounts or disclosures. As part of our audit process, we will request from management written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit, including that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements and to compliance with the requirements of its Federal

programs. Management acknowledges the importance of management's representations and responses to our inquiries, and that they will be utilized as part of the evidential matter we will rely on in forming our opinion. Because of the importance of management's representations to an effective audit, you agree to release Crowe and its personnel from any liability and costs relating to our services under this letter attributable to any misrepresentations by management.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the supplementary information identified above in accordance with the applicable criteria. As part of our audit process, we will request from management certain written representations regarding management's responsibilities in relation to the supplementary information presented, including but not limited to its fair presentation in accordance with the applicable criteria, the method of measurement and presentation and any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the supplementary information. In addition, it is management's responsibility to include the auditor's report on supplementary information in any document that contains the supplementary information and that indicates that we have reported on such supplementary information. It is also management's responsibility to present the supplementary information with the audited financial statements or, if the supplementary information will not be presented with the audited financial statements, to make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance by the District of the supplementary information and the auditor's report thereon.

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

At the conclusion of the engagement, it is management's responsibility to submit the reporting package (including financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings, auditor's reports, and corrective action plan) along with the Data Collection Form to the designated federal clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be submitted within the earlier of thirty days after receipt of the auditor's reports or nine months after the end of the audit period.

OTHER SERVICES

Financial Statement Preparation

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

Preparation of the Schedule of Expenditure of Federal Awards

The District will provide us with the necessary information to prepare the draft schedule of expenditure of federal awards including the notes thereto. We are relying on the District to provide us with all information required by the Uniform Guidance for the schedule, notes and other relevant reporting information in a timely fashion and ensure the data is complete and accurate. Management is solely responsible for the presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Data Collection Form input services

We will provide assistance in completing sections of the Data Collection Form (DCF) relative to its federal award programs pursuant to the requirements of Section §200.512 of the Uniform Guidance that are promulgated to be completed by the District. While we may provide this data entry service and assist you in satisfying your electronic data communication requirements to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse, the completeness and accuracy of this information remains the responsibility of your management.

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

FEES

Our fees, including of out-of-pocket expenses, are outlined within the contract, unless otherwise agreed by both parties. Our invoices are due and payable upon receipt. Invoices that are not paid within 30 days of receipt are subject to a monthly interest charge of one percent per month or the highest interest rate allowed by law, whichever is less, which we may elect to waive at our sole discretion, plus costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees.

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

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

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

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

We assume that requested records such as invoices, contracts, grant agreements and supporting documentation will be located and provided to us. We also assume the District will prepare confirmation letters, the Introductory Section, the MD&A section and the Statistical section of the report.

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

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

OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

This engagement letter agreement complements the professional services contract between the two parties by acknowledging the scope of work, deliverables and auditor/auditee responsibilities and required communications. The provisions of the contract supersede the contents on the engagement letter.

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

ACCEPTANCE:

I have reviewed the arrangements outlined above and in the attached "Crowe Engagement Terms," and I accept on behalf of the District the terms and conditions as stated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, District and Crowe have duly executed this engagement letter as of the date below.

Crowe LLP and the Engagement Authorized Signer below are licensed or otherwise authorized by the California Board of Accountancy.

Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District

Crowe LLP

Signature



Signature

Claudia L. Allen

Printed Name

Scott R. Nickerson

Printed Name

Chief Financial Officer

Title

Partner

Title

Date

May 15, 2019

Date