This Preliminary Official Statement and the information contained herein are subject to completion or amendment without notice. Under no circumstances shall this Preliminary Official Statement constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED AUGUST 27, 2026

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RATING: S&P: AA- (stable outlook)

In the opinion of Friday, Eldredge & Clark, LLP, Little Rock, Arkansas, Bond Counsel, the interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is exempt from State of Arkansas income tax and the Series 2026 Bonds are exempt from property taxation in the State of Arkansas. See ***ARKANSAS TAX MATTERS*** *herein. In the opinion of Ice Miller LLP, Indianapolis, Indiana, Special Tax Counsel, under existing federal statutes, regulations and rulings, interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, such interest on the Series 2026 Bonds may be taken into account for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations. Such exclusion of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is conditioned on the continuing compliance with the Tax Covenants (as herein defined). See* ***FEDERAL TAX MATTERS*** *herein.*

$96,180,000*
CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO (ARKANSAS) PUBLIC UTILITY SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2026

Dated: Date of Delivery **Due: June 1, as shown on the inside front cover hereof**

The Series 2026 Bonds are special obligations only of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro ("CWL") and are payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues of CWL's water, wastewater and electric utility system, as described herein. The pledge in favor of the Series 2026 Bonds is on a parity with the pledge in favor of CWL's outstanding Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2020, Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 and Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025.

Interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is payable on June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing June 1, 2027, and the Series 2026 Bonds mature (on June 1 of each year), bear interest and are priced to yield as shown on the inside front cover hereof.

The Series 2026 Bonds of each maturity will be initially issued as a single registered bond registered in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. The Series 2026 Bonds will be available for purchase in book-entry form only, in denominations of $5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Except in limited circumstances described herein, purchasers of the Series 2026 Bonds will not receive physical delivery of Series 2026 Bonds. Payments of principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds will be made by Centennial Bank, Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the Trustee, directly to Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, as registered owner of the Series 2026 Bonds, to be subsequently disbursed to DTC Participants and thereafter to the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds, all as further described herein.

The Series 2026 Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approval of legality by Friday, Eldredge & Clark, LLP, Little Rock, Arkansas, as Bond Counsel. Certain federal tax matters will be passed upon by Ice Miller LLP, Indianapolis, Indiana, as Special Tax Counsel. It is expected that the Series 2026 Bonds will be available for delivery on or about September 30, 2026, through the facilities of DTC.

This cover page contains information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of the issue. Investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

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This Official Statement is dated ______________, 2026.

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$96,180,000*
CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF
THE CITY OF JONESBORO (ARKANSAS)
PUBLIC UTILITY SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS,
SERIES 2026

MATURITY SCHEDULE*

$32,055,000 Serial Bonds

Year (June 1)	Amount	Rate(%)	Yield(%)	Year (June 1)	Amount	Rate(%)	Yield(%)
2027	$ 790,000			2035	$2,270,000		
2028	1,600,000			2036	2,385,000		
2029	1,680,000			2037	2,495,000		
2030	1,765,000			2038	2,595,000		
2031	1,855,000			2039	2,705,000		
2032	1,955,000			2040	2,815,000		
2033	2,055,000			2041	2,930,000		
2034	2,160,000						

$16,710,000 _____% Term Bonds Due June 1, 2046 to Yield _____%
$20,940,000 _____% Term Bonds Due June 1, 2051 to Yield _____%
$26,475,000 _____% Term Bonds Due June 1, 2056 to Yield _____%

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No dealer, salesman or any other person has been authorized by CWL or the Underwriters to give any information or to make any representations other than as contained in this Official Statement in connection with the offering described herein, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by any of the foregoing. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale hereunder shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in the business, operations or financial condition of CWL since the date hereof. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer of any securities other than those described on the cover page or an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy in any state in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized, or in which the person making the offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so, or is made to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

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INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Introduction is subject in all respects to the more complete information contained in this Official Statement. The offering of the Series 2026 Bonds (as hereinafter defined) to potential investors is made only by means of the entire Official Statement, including the cover page hereof and appendices hereto. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement, as well as the Trust Indenture described herein.

This Official Statement of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro ("CWL") is for the purpose of setting forth certain information to all who may become holders of its Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 (the "Series 2026 Bonds") being issued in the aggregate principal amount of $96,180,000.* The Series 2026 Bonds are being issued for the purpose of financing improvements for the electric facilities of CWL's water, wastewater and electric utility system (the "System"). See **PURPOSE FOR SERIES 2026 BONDS** herein.

The Series 2026 Bonds are payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues derived from the operation of the System ("Revenues"). The pledge of Revenues in favor of the Series 2026 Bonds is on a parity with the pledge in favor of CWL's outstanding Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Series 2020 Bonds"), Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Series 2022 Bonds") and Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Series 2025 Bonds" and collectively with the Series 2020 Bonds and the Series 2022 Bonds, the "Parity Bonds"). CWL is authorized to issue other obligations with a pledge of Revenues on a parity with or subordinate to the pledge of Revenues in favor of the Series 2026 Bonds, upon compliance with the conditions set forth in the Indenture. References herein to the "Bonds" include the Series 2026 Bonds and any Additional Bonds (as described herein). See **SECURITY FOR THE SERIES 2026 BONDS** herein.

The Series 2026 Bonds are equally and ratably secured by, and entitled to the protection of, a Trust Indenture dated as of the dated date of the Series 2026 Bonds (the "Indenture") delivered by CWL to Centennial Bank, Jonesboro, Arkansas (the "Trustee").

The Series 2026 Bonds are issued pursuant to and in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas (the "State"), particularly Title 14, Chapter 217 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated (the "Act"). The Bonds are special obligations of CWL payable solely from and secured by a pledge of Revenues.

The Series 2026 Bonds will be initially issued in book-entry form and purchasers of Series 2026 Bonds will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Series 2026 Bonds purchased. See **BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM**. The Series 2026 Bonds will contain such other terms and provisions as described herein. See **THE SERIES 2026 BONDS**, Generally.

The Series 2026 Bonds are issuable only as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in the denomination of $5,000 or integral multiple thereof. Interest is payable June 1, 2027 and semiannually thereafter on each June 1 and December 1. Principal is payable at the principal office of the Trustee in Jonesboro, Arkansas. Interest is payable by the Trustee to the registered owners as of the record date for each interest payment date. The record date for payment of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds shall be the fifteenth day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date. A Series

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2026 Bond may be transferred, in whole or in part (in integral multiples of $5,000), but only upon delivery of the Series 2026 Bond, together with a written instrument of transfer, to the Trustee. See **THE SERIES 2026 BONDS**, Generally.

The Series 2026 Bonds are subject to optional redemption on and after December 1, 2033. The Series 2026 Bonds must be redeemed from proceeds of the Series 2026 Bonds not needed for the purposes intended. The Series 2026 Bonds maturing on June 1, 2046*, June 1, 2051* and June 1, 2056* are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as described herein. The Trustee shall give at least thirty (30) days notice of redemption. See **THE SERIES 2026 BONDS**, Redemption.

Under existing law and assuming compliance with certain covenants described herein, (i) interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), (ii) interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, such interest on the Series 2026 Bonds may be taken into account for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations, (iii) interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is exempt from State income tax and (iv) the Series 2026 Bonds are not subject to property taxes in the State. See **FEDERAL TAX MATTERS** and **ARKANSAS TAX MATTERS**.

It is expected that the Series 2026 Bonds will be available for delivery on or about September 30, 2026, through the facilities of the Depository Trust Company in New York, New York.

CWL and the Trustee will enter into a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in order to assist the Underwriters in complying with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement"). See **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT**.

This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. Copies of the Indenture and the Continuing Disclosure Agreement summarized herein are available upon request from Stephens Inc., 111 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, Attention: Public Finance or Crews & Associates, Inc., 4007 N Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72212, Attention: Public Finance.

PURPOSES OF THE SERIES 2026 BONDS

CWL owns an interest in the Independence Steam Electric Station ("ISES"), a coal-fired electric generation facility located in Independence County, Arkansas, which will cease to burn coal by December 31, 2030. To replace the electric generating capacity lost by the closure of ISES, a combined-cycle gas turbine power plant (the "CCGP") will be constructed in Independence County, Arkansas. CWL has acquired a 15.357% ownership interest in the CCGP and, as a co-owner, is responsible for paying its share of the costs of constructing and equipping the CCGP (the "Project"). See **CWL AND THE SYSTEM**, Electric System. The Series 2026 Bonds are being issued for the purpose of (i) financing a portion of the costs of the Project and (ii) paying the costs of issuing the Series 2026 Bonds.

CWL's share of the costs of the Project is estimated to be $353,000,000. The Series 2025 Bonds, in the original principal amount of $58,755,000, were issued to finance a portion of the costs of the Project. CWL anticipates issuing additional revenue bonds, including the Series 2026 Bonds, in the total aggregate principal amount of $194,245,000 to finance the costs of the Project with the remaining costs financed with Revenues. The additional revenue bonds are expected to be issued in multiple series over the next three years.

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SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

The sources and uses of proceeds to finance costs of the Project are estimated by CWL as follows:

SOURCES:*

Principal Amount of Bonds	$96,180,000
Net Original Issue Discount	306,690
Total Sources	$95,873,310

USES:*

Project Costs	$95,003,000
Costs of Issuance and Underwriters' Discount	870,310
Total Uses	$95,873,310

The payment of Underwriters' discount and the costs of issuing the Series 2026 Bonds relating to the payment of professional fees will be contingent on the Series 2026 Bonds being issued. See **UNDERWRITING** for a description of the Underwriters' discount. The Underwriters will also be reimbursed certain costs of closing and delivering the Series 2026 Bonds. CWL will deposit the principal amount of the Series 2026 Bonds plus any original issue premium and less Underwriters' discount, any original issue discount, and certain issuance costs into a special fund established with the Trustee designated "2026 Construction Fund" (the "Construction Fund"). Moneys contained in the Construction Fund will be expended for expenses of issuing the Series 2026 Bonds and for the payment of Project costs. Disbursements shall be on the basis of requisitions which shall contain at least the following information: the person to whom payment is being made; the amount of the payment; and a statement to the effect that the disbursement is for a proper expense of or pertaining to the Project or expenses of issuing the Series 2026 Bonds. For a description of how the Series 2026 Bond proceeds are to be invested pending use and the provisions governing those investments, see **THE INDENTURE,** Investment of Funds**.**

THE SERIES 2026 BONDS

Generally. The Series 2026 Bonds are dated, mature, bear interest and interest is payable on the Series 2026 Bonds as set forth on the inside front cover page hereof.

The Series 2026 Bonds are issuable in the form of registered Series 2026 Bonds without coupons in the denomination of $5,000 each or any integral multiple thereof, interchangeable in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture. In the event any Series 2026 Bond is mutilated, lost or destroyed, CWL shall, if not then prohibited by law, execute and the Trustee may authenticate a new Series 2026 Bond in accordance with the provisions therefor in the Indenture.

Each Series 2026 Bond is transferable by the registered owner thereof or by his attorney duly authorized in writing at the principal office of the Trustee. Upon such transfer a new fully registered Series 2026 Bond or Bonds of the same maturity, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the same aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor.

There shall be no charge to the transferor or transferee for any transfer, except an amount or amounts sufficient to reimburse CWL and the Trustee for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer. Neither CWL nor the Trustee shall be required to make transfers

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of registration with respect to any Series 2026 Bond or portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity within thirty (30) days prior to its redemption date.

The person in whose name any Series 2026 Bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and payment of or on account of the principal or premium, if any, or interest of any Series 2026 Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of the registered owner thereof or his legal representative, but such registration may be changed as hereinabove provided. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Series 2026 Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

In any case where the date of maturity of interest on or principal of the Series 2026 Bonds or the date fixed for redemption of any Series 2026 Bonds shall be a Saturday or Sunday or shall be in the State a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions are authorized by law to close, then payment of interest or principal (and premium, if any) need not be made on such date but may be made on the next succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if made on the date of maturity or the date fixed for redemption, and no interest shall accrue for the period after the date of maturity or date fixed for redemption.

Redemption. The Series 2026 Bonds are subject to optional, extraordinary and mandatory sinking fund redemption as follows:

(1) Optional Redemption. The Series 2026 Bonds are subject to redemption at the option of CWL from funds from any source, in whole or in part at any time, on and after December 1, 2033, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If fewer than all of the Series 2026 Bonds shall be called for redemption, the particular maturities of the Series 2026 Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by CWL in its discretion. If fewer than all of the Series 2026 Bonds of any one maturity shall be called for redemption, the particular Series 2026 Bonds or portion thereof to be redeemed from such maturity shall be selected by lot by the Trustee.

(2) Extraordinary Redemption. The Series 2026 Bonds must be redeemed from proceeds of the Series 2026 Bonds not needed for the purposes intended, on any interest payment date, in whole or in part, in inverse order of maturity (and by lot within a maturity in such manner as the Trustee may determine), at a price equal to the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

(3) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption.* To the extent not previously redeemed, the Series 2026 Bonds maturing on June 1, 2046, June 1, 2051 and June 1, 2056 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption by lot in such manner as the Trustee shall determine, on June 1 in the years and in the amounts set forth below, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption:

Series 2026 Bonds Maturing June 1, 2046

Year (June 1)	Principal Amount
2042	$3,055,000
2043	3,195,000
2044	3,335,000
2045	3,485,000
2046 (maturity)	3,640,000

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Series 2026 Bonds Maturing June 1, 2051

Year (June 1)	Principal Amount
2047	$3,810,000
2048	3,990,000
2049	4,180,000
2050	4,375,000
2051 (maturity)	4,585,000

Series 2026 Bonds Maturing June 1, 2056

Year (June 1)	Principal Amount
2052	$4,805,000
2053	5,035,000
2054	5,285,000
2055	5,540,000
2056 (maturity)	5,810,000

The Trustee shall give notice of the call for redemption by first class mail or other standard means, including electronic or facsimile communication, sent not less than thirty (30), nor more than sixty (60), days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of any Series 2026 Bond called for redemption. After the date specified in such call, the Series 2026 Bond or Bonds so called will cease to bear interest provided funds for their payment have been deposited with the Trustee.

BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, or its successor, will act as securities depository for the Series 2026 Bonds. The Series 2026 Bonds will each be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Series 2026 Bond certificate for each maturity will be issued in the principal amount of the maturity and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds securities that its participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates.

Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Closing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Series 2026 Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2026 Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Series 2026 Bond (referred to herein as "Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Series 2026 Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in Series 2026 Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2026 Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2026 Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Series 2026 Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2026 Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices will be sent only to Cede & Co. If fewer than all of the Series 2026 Bonds are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to CWL as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Series 2026 Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal, interest and premium, if any, payments on the Series 2026 Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from CWL or the Trustee, on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Trustee, or CWL, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal, interest and premium, if any, to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Trustee, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to CWL or the Trustee. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Series 2026 Bonds are required to be printed and delivered. CWL may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Series 2026 Bonds will be printed and delivered.

The information concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system set forth above has been obtained from DTC. Neither the Underwriters nor CWL make any representation or warranty regarding the accuracy or completeness thereof.

So long as the Series 2026 Bonds are in book-entry only form, Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, will be treated as the sole owner of the Series 2026 Bonds for all purposes under the Indenture, including receipt of all principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds, receipt of notices, voting and requesting or directing the Trustee to take or not to take, or consenting to, certain actions under the Indenture. CWL and the Trustee have no responsibility or obligation to the Participants or the Beneficial Owners with respect to (a) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC or any Participant; (b) the payment by any Participant of any amount due to any Beneficial Owner in respect of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds; (c) the delivery or timeliness of delivery by any Participant of any notice to any Beneficial Owner which is required or permitted under the terms of the Indenture to be given to owners of Series 2026 Bonds; or (d) other action taken by DTC or Cede & Co. as owner of the Series 2026 Bonds.

SECURITY FOR THE SERIES 2026 BONDS

The Bonds (including the Series 2026 Bonds) are secured by a pledge of Revenues. The pledge of Revenues in favor of the Series 2026 Bonds is on a parity with the pledge of Revenues in favor of the Parity Bonds, any Other Parity Bonds (defined below) (to the extent issued in the future) and any Additional Bonds (to the extent issued in the future).

Additional Bonds. CWL may issue, without the consent of the holders of the Bonds, one or more series of Additional Bonds to finance or refinance costs, expenses and expenditures in connection with acquiring, constructing and equipping betterments and improvements to the System and the expenses of issuing Additional Bonds. The Additional Bonds shall be issued under and subject to the requirements of the Indenture and shall rank on a parity of security in all respects with the Bonds of previously issued series.

Before any Additional Bonds may be issued, there must be delivered to the Trustee (among other things):

(a) A copy, certified by the Secretary of CWL, of the resolution authorizing the issuance of the Additional Bonds;

(b) A certificate of the Chairman of CWL stating that no event of default specified in the Indenture has happened and is continuing;

(c) A certificate of an independent certified public accountant to the effect that "adjusted gross revenues" of the System for the fiscal year immediately preceding the delivery of the Additional Bonds (the "immediately preceding fiscal year") were sufficient in amount:

(i) to pay all operation and maintenance expenses of the System for the immediately preceding fiscal year (exclusive of depreciation, interest and amortization); and

(ii) to leave a balance equal to not less than 110% of the maximum annual principal and interest requirements for (A) the then outstanding Bonds (exclusive of any Bonds that are to be refunded upon the delivery of the Additional Bonds), (B) such Additional Bonds and (C) any then outstanding Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds (exclusive of any Parity Bonds or Other Parity Bonds that are to be refunded upon the delivery of the Additional Bonds).

The term "adjusted gross revenues" means:

(1) The Revenues actually received during the immediately preceding fiscal year; plus

(2) Any additional Revenues (as projected by the accountant executing the certificate as to adjusted gross revenues) that would have been derived from a rate increase actually placed into effect after the beginning of such fiscal year if such rate increase had been in effect throughout the fiscal year; plus

(3) Any additional annual Revenues as projected in a certificate of an independent consulting engineer (on the basis of the then current System rates) to be derived from new customers to be served upon completion of improvements then under construction or to be financed from the proceeds of such Additional Bonds.

Other Parity Bonds. CWL may, in addition to Additional Bonds under the Indenture, issue other bonds with a pledge of Revenues on a parity with the pledge of Revenues in favor of the outstanding Bonds (the "Other Parity Bonds"), upon compliance with the conditions set forth in the Indenture for the issuance of Additional Bonds.

Other Bonds. Nothing in the Indenture shall prohibit CWL from issuing bonds or other obligations of indebtedness other than under the Indenture. Such obligations may be Other Parity Bonds or may be subject and subordinate to the lien, pledge and security interest of the Indenture and to all Bonds then outstanding or thereafter issued. Other obligations issued with a lien, pledge and security interest subordinate to the pledge in favor of the Bonds are collectively referred to herein as the "Subordinate Obligations." See **THE INDENTURE**.

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CWL AND THE SYSTEM

Generally. CWL is a consolidated utility district pursuant to the Act and was created as a municipal improvement district pursuant to Act 251 of the Acts of Arkansas of 1921 (the "1921 Act"). The 1921 Act consolidated Water District No. 1, Light District No. 2 and Sewer District No. 3 of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas (the "City"), each established in 1906, into CWL. As of June 2026, CWL had 200 employees.

CWL has a Board of Directors (the "Board") comprised of 16 members, of which nine are elected by the registered voters of the City (an "Elected Director") and seven are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council (one from each of the City's six wards and one from the Jonesboro School District) ("an Appointed Director"). The current members of the Board are as follows:

Name	Occupation	Term Expires
Guy Patteson III, Chairman(1)	Trumann Gin (owner)	2029
Danny McDaniel, Vice Chairman(1)	Ramson's Construction Company (owner)	2027
Danny Honnoll, Secretary(1)	Retired	2027
Steve Cox(1)	Rainwater and Cox, LLC (owner)	2029
Brian Fulkerson(1)	Atlas Asphalt (owner)	2028
Matt Garner(2)	Physician	2029
Ashleigh Givens(2)	Compass Church	2029
Russ Hannah(2)	Arkansas State University	2029
Al Heringer(1)	Star Transportation LLC	2029
Jeffrey Higgins(2)	J Town Grill (owner)	2027
Deana Osment(1)	Businesswoman	2027
Beverly Parker(1)	Businesswoman	2028
Michael Polk(2)	Huntington Bank	2028
Brian Rega(1)	St. Bernard's Village	2028
John Street(2)	Street's Appraisal Service (owner)	2028
Lloyd Wofford(2)	Engines Inc. (owner)	2027

(1) Elected Director
(2) Appointed Director

CWL lies within an area which is considered by a number of seismologists to be subject to major earthquake damage in the event of an earthquake along and in the proximity of the New Madrid Fault. Whether an earthquake might occur while any of the Series 2026 Bonds are outstanding, the extent of damage to properties located within CWL and the effect upon CWL's ability to pay debt service cannot be predicted. Property damage, should an earthquake occur, could result in a reduction in revenues collections of such significance that CWL's ability to pay debt service would be impaired or even eliminated.

Electric System. The electric system serves customers within and, to a very limited extent, outside the corporate boundaries of the City. The electric system obtains its firm power supply from CWL's ownership interests in generating facilities and from contracts for purchases of power, such as hydroelectric generation of the Southwestern Power Administration ("SWPA"). Additionally, to the extent that electric energy is practicably available from other sources on favorable terms, CWL purchases energy from such other sources, while maintaining its firm contractual supply sources. CWL has various contractual transmission arrangements, and power is distributed to customers through a distribution system owned by CWL.

In December 2013, CWL entered into an agreement with Midcontinent Independent System Operator ("MISO"). MISO is a non-profit, member based Regional Transmission Organization and an Independent System Operator, regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. MISO is the electric grid operator for the central United States and ensures power flows reliably and affordably across 15 states and the Canadian province of Manitoba. MISO does not own generators or transmission lines. However, it coordinates members' assets and manages the flow of electricity. Essentially, MISO facilitates the buying and selling of electricity in its region through the operation of wholesale energy markets. Additionally, MISO partners with stakeholders to plan for the future. CWL's transmission assets, generation facilities, and load are registered with MISO. As a load serving entity in MISO, CWL can serve its load from the MISO market daily as economically advantageous.

CWL owns a 5% interest in the White Bluff Steam Electric Station ("White Bluff"), located near Redfield, Arkansas. White Bluff consists of two 740 MW (nameplate rating) coal-fired generating units. Unit 1 has been in commercial operation since August 1980 and has an 828 MW net capability. Unit 2 began commercial operation in July 1981 and has an 831 MW net capability. CWL also owns a 5% undivided interest in Unit 1 and a 15% undivided interest in Unit 2 of ISES (together with a 10% interest in the common equipment). ISES consists of two 740 MW (nameplate rating) coal-fired generating units. Unit 1 began commercial operation in January 1983 and has an 836 MW net capability. Unit 2 began commercial operation in December 1984 and has an 842 MW net capability. White Bluff and ISES provide approximately 251 MW of electrical generation for CWL. White Bluff is scheduled to cease the combustion of coal by no later than December 31, 2028, and ISES is scheduled to cease the combustion of coal by no later than December 31, 2030.

To prepare for the White Bluff and ISES cease to burn coal dates, CWL is partnering with Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation ("AECC") and other non-Entergy co-owners to construct the CCGP at the ISES site. To make this possible, Entergy Arkansas LLC ("Entergy") and the non-Entergy co-owners have executed necessary documents to transfer ownership of the ISES site, assets and Generator Interconnection to AECC, CWL and other non-Entergy co-owners. In return, the ownership of White Bluff will be transferred to Entergy. This transfer of ownership of White Bluff and ISES will occur no later than the respective cease to burn coal dates. See **ELECTRIC SYSTEM CAPACITY, SUPPLY AND TRANSMISSION AGREEMENTS**, Ownership Agreements.

CWL is a 15.357% co-owner in the CCGP. The ownership is similar to CWL's arrangement with Entergy for the last four decades at White Bluff and ISES. As a co-owner of the CCGP, CWL has the ownership of its share of the capacity and energy to serve its customers for the life of the CCGP. The CCGP is anticipated to be roughly 1,500MW and to have a very high efficiency. The CCGP will bring reliability, stability and low cost power to CWL's customers just as White Bluff and ISES have done for the last four decades. Pursuant to an ownership agreement that identifies CWL's ownership interest in the CCGP, AECC will be the co-owners' agent to plan, design, license, permit, construct, operate, maintain, manage fuel, and market the resource in the MISO market. See **ELECTRIC SYSTEM CAPACITY, SUPPLY AND TRANSMISSION AGREEMENTS**, Ownership Agreements.

Network Integrated Transmission Service from MISO provides for the transmission of power from White Bluff and ISES as well as other generation sources within the MISO system. CWL receives power from the bulk electric system through two geographically separate substations. CWL owns five locally sited gas-fired generators with a capacity of approximately 175 MW.

CWL has provided for the firm purchase of 80 MW of capacity and related energy from SWPA. An interconnection with SWPA is the means for delivery of energy from SWPA.

CWL owns and operates two (2) 4.99 MW AC of a local solar facility that began operation in June 2022. Additionally, CWL has a Purchase Power Agreement of 40 MW in Big Cypress Solar, LLC operated by Nextera Energy Resources that began operation in December 2023.

The CWL transmission system consists of approximately 52 miles of lines and poles connecting 16 substations at the 69,000 volt level. These 16 substations consist of 30- 69kV to 13.2kV transformers, ranging from 20MVA to 40MVA. The transmission system is composed of roughly 90% steel poles ranging from H1-H6 construction. CWL's transmission system is registered in MISO. CWL is 1 of 3 transmission owners in MISO in the State. CWL's Annual Transmission Revenue Requirements are calculated by methodology outlined in the Attachment O of the MISO Open Access Transmission, Energy and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff.

The CWL distribution system consists of approximately 1,200 miles of lines, poles, transformers and other facilities to serve individual customers. The system consists mainly of overhead distribution lines and feeders and underground distribution lines. The system is operated and maintained by electric department crews and equipment.

CWL's generation portfolio consists of 556 MW of coal, federal hydro, solar, and natural gas generation. CWL's historical electric system annual peak demand and energy requirements for the period 2021 through 2025 are as follows:

Year	System Peak Demand MW	Total Annual Energy Mwh
2021	299	1,482,463
2022	309	1,507,501
2023	312	1,452,860
2024	306	1,493,907
2025	316	1,536,800

Electric Customers. The following table sets forth by customer classification the average number of customers for the years indicated and average price per kWh for 2025 for electric service:

Classifications	Average Number of Customers					2025 Average Bill	2025 Average Price per kWh
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021		
Residential	35,339	35,013	34,591	34,116	33,670	$ 89.76	$0.0714
Commercial	5,635	5,617	5,595	5,569	5,472	355.47	0.0737
Industrial	39	38	38	35	34	69,461.50	0.0564

Charges for electric service consist of a fixed monthly charge for residential and small commercial customers and a demand charge for industrial and large commercial customers, plus, in each case, charges for actual usage.

The energy sales to customers by retail customer classes for 2021 through 2025 are shown below.

Classifications	Energy Sales to Customers (in kWh)				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Residential	$533,299,769	502,990,070	488,129,317	516,373,951	510,920,553
Commercial	323,712,921	321,898,406	317,491,944	329,314,100	323,716,028
Industrial	578,510,980	577,644,220	558,577,780	556,052,126	558,678,220
Security Lighting	2,149,697	2,087,024	2,163,137	2,143,661	1,900,924

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The following table shows the peak demand and annual revenues for the year 2025 for CWL's five largest power customers. These customers represent approximately 14.8% of 2025 electric revenues from sales to customers.

Largest Power Customers of CWL

Customer	2025 Peak Demand (kW)	2025 Annual Revenue
1. Anchor Packaging, LLC	12,596	$4,723,243
2. Riceland Foods, Inc.	12,344	3,637,961
3. Arkansas State University	9,358	2,965,617
4. Nestle Prepared Foods	8,526	2,648,679
5. Frito Lay, Inc.	7,409	2,616,765

Free and Discounted Services. CWL provides free electric, water, and wastewater services to the City. In 2025, the approximate direct cost value of street lights and other electric, water, and wastewater services furnished to the City was $3,015,427.

CWL provides 12,000 kWh of free electricity to the Jonesboro School District. Additional electric, water and wastewater services are provided to the Jonesboro School District at CWL's cost. CWL also provides electric, water and wastewater services to the Nettleton and Valley View School Districts at CWL's cost. The approximate direct cost value of these free and discounted services for 2025 was $24,415.

Electric Rates. CWL's electric rates are based on quantity of use, and range from 3.05 cents/kWh to 5.95 cents/kWh, with a minimum charge of $7.00 per month for residential customers and from 4.50 cents/kWh to 6.35 cents/kWh, with a minimum charge of $8.65 per month, for commercial customers. For customers with maximum demands exceeding 100 KW, there is a monthly demand charge of $4.45 /KW of maximum fifteen-minute intervals measured maximum KW demand per month. The energy charge is 2.85 cent/kWh. CWL's electric rates include an Energy Adjustment Clause (EAC) to address fluctuations in market and wholesale energy cost.

The CWL management team recently worked with a rate consultant, NewGen Strategies and Solutions, LLC, to conduct a cost of services study and design an electric rate adjustment. This was recommended and approved by the Board in August 2026. The first phase takes effect January 1, 2027, and the second phase takes effect January 1, 2028. After the first two phases, CWL plans to look at its position and see what adjustment is needed at that time. CWL believes that another one or two years adjustment after the first two phases will be needed.

The new rate adjustment was designed to meet revenue requirements and debt service coverage covenants to partially fund the Project. The anticipated change in total revenue is 8% annually.

Water System. The water system operates within and, to a limited extent, outside the corporate boundaries of the City. The water supply is obtained from 32 deep wells which can supply an aggregate of approximately 44.7 million gallons per day. Water is treated at four (4) in-city treatment plants and five (5) rural treatment facilities, which are only used during high usage periods. The in-city plants utilize aeration, chlorination, fluoridation, as well as phosphate and sodium hydroxide addition. The rural stations utilize chlorination, as well as phosphate and sodium hydroxide addition.

The water main system consists of over 1,300 miles of 2" to 30" pipe from which service lines extend to customer connections.

The following table sets forth the daily average of water pumped and the maximum amount pumped in a day for the years 2021 through 2025:

Water Pumped	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Daily Average (gallons)	15,895,905	15,799,226	15,621,887	15,916,548	15,283,107
Maximum Day (gallons)	24,985,000	25,208,000	26,030,000	29,253,000	24,940,000

Water Customers. The following table sets forth the average number of customers, annual consumption per customer and the average customer price per 1,000 gallons for 2021 through 2025:

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Average Number of Customers	39,399	39,074	38,704	38,320	37,902
Annual Consumption per Customer (in gallons)	123,539	125,581	125,254	128,742	123,452
Average Price per 1,000 Gallons of Water (in dollars)	$2.96	$2.86	$2.78	$2.59	$2.46

Charges for water service consist of a monthly meter charge based on meter size and additional charges based on usage.

CWL's five largest water customers, by amounts billed for service in 2025, were as follows:

Customer	Annual Amount Billed
1. Frito Lay, Inc.	$477,452
2. Nestle Prepared Foods	332,220
3. Nice Pak Products, Inc.	154,228
4. Post Foods, LLC	130,878
5. Riceland Foods, Inc.	126,726

Water Rates. CWL's current monthly water rates range, generally, from $2.64 per 1,000 gallons to $1.85 per 1,000 gallons (for usage over 200,000 gallons) for customers located within the City. The minimum bill is based on meter size and ranges from $7.69 per month to $474.52 per month (for a ten-inch meter). The rate for customers located outside the City is 1.2 times the City rate.

Wastewater System. The wastewater system operates within the corporate limits of the City. Wastewater is collected through an interconnected pipe system consisting of over 450 miles of 4" to 42" lines and 26 lift stations which pump the wastewater to CWL's two treatment facilities. These treatment facilities provide primary and secondary treatment with a combined design capacity of 18.55 million gallons per day and a maximum hydraulic capacity of over 53 million gallons per day. In addition, CWL has an industrial pretreatment program. The facilities treat an average of approximately 10.2 million gallons per day.

After treatment, liquid effluent is discharged into local waterways and solids are distributed over land owned by CWL. Discharges from the treatment facilities are below the limitations prescribed by CWL's current NPDES discharge permits. The permit for CWL's Eastside treatment facility expires on October 31, 2029. The permit for CWL's Westside treatment facility expires on March 31, 2028. The biosolids application to land is governed by CWL’s No Discharge Water Permit. The permit for CWLs Eastside treatment facility expires on June 30, 2028. The permit for CWL’s Westside treatment facility expires on May 31, 2027.

Wastewater Customers. The following table sets forth the average number of wastewater customers for years 2021 through 2025:

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Average Number of Customers	26,634	26,383	26,034	25,753	25,456

CWL's five largest wastewater customers, by amounts billed for service in 2025 were as follows:

Customer	Annual Amount Billed
1. Nestle Prepared Foods	$1,200,670
2. Frito Lay, Inc.	879,197
3. Post Foods, LLC	511,285
4. Riceland Foods, Inc.	240,583
5. Unilever	203,625

Wastewater Rates. CWL's current monthly wastewater rates are based on gallons of water used. They range, generally, from $4.71 per 1,000 gallons to $3.16 per 1,000 gallons (for usage over 14,000 gallons).

Rate Setting. Rates for services of the System are set by the Board and may be changed as frequently as necessary. CWL's rates are not subject to regulation or approval by the Arkansas Public Service Commission or any other governmental body.

Litigation. CWL currently has no material lawsuits or regulatory proceedings pending against it.

ELECTRIC SYSTEM CAPACITY, SUPPLY AND TRANSMISSION AGREEMENTS

Ownership Agreements. CWL owns interests in White Bluff, ISES and the CCGP under respective Ownership Agreements (the "Ownership Agreements") among the various parties thereto.

White Bluff Ownership Agreement. White Bluff is owned by Entergy, AECC, CWL, the City of Conway, Arkansas ("Conway") and the City of West Memphis, Arkansas ("West Memphis"). AECC, CWL, Conway and West Memphis are collectively referred to with reference to White Bluff as the "Participants." Each Participant is required to pay its ownership share of additions, repairs or replacements to or retirements at White Bluff. Payments are to be made monthly based on notification by Entergy of the nature and amounts of the costs incurred.

ISES Ownership Agreement. ISES is owned by Entergy (including interests owned by affiliated corporations), AECC, CWL, Conway, West Memphis, the City of Osceola, Arkansas ("Osceola") and East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("ETEC"). AECC, CWL, Conway, West Memphis, Osceola and ETEC are collectively referred to with reference to ISES as the "Participants." Each Participant is required to pay its ownership share of additions, repairs or replacements to or retirements at ISES. Payments are to be made monthly based on notification by Entergy of the nature and amounts of the costs incurred.

CCGP Ownership Agreement. AECC, CWL, Conway, West Memphis, ETEC and Osceola are parties to the Independence Combined Cycle Gas Plant Ownership Agreement dated November 17, 2025 (the "CCGP Ownership Agreement") which governs the ownership of the CCGP, including the land upon which the CCGP will be located (the "CCGP Property"). The CCGP Ownership Agreement authorizes the use of the CCGP Property for purposes of the construction and operation of the CCGP and includes a waiver by each party of its respective right to seek a partition of the CCGP Property until the CCGP is retired from commercial service.

While Osceola is a party to the CCGP Ownership Agreement, CWL, Conway, and West Memphis have acquired Osceola's interest in the CCGP (a share of 0.5%). In April 2026, CWL, Conway, West Memphis, and Osceola entered into an Interconnection and Ownership Rights Assignment Agreement pursuant to which Osceola sold and assigned its rights, title, interest, and obligations in and to the following (collectively, "Osceola's Interest") to CWL, Conway, and West Memphis: (1) all of Osceola's rights and privileges under or arising from the CCGP Ownership Agreement, and the ownership of any and all assets subject thereto including, without limitation, the CCGP, (2) all of Osceola's rights, title and interest in and to all the generator interconnection rights associated with

Osceola's ownership interest in ISES and/or under or arising from ISES ownership and marketing agreements (collectively, the "Coal Agreements") and the ISES generator interconnection agreement, reserving to Osceola only Osceola's right to energy and capacity from ISES through December 31, 2030, and (3) all of Osceola's right, title, and interest in and to any and all tangible and intangible personal property purchased, acquired, or held under, pursuant or subject to the CCGP Ownership Agreement. Osceola retained its existing obligations and liabilities related to the decommissioning of ISES and the environmental maintenance of ISES and the property subject to the Coal Agreements, before and after decommissioning of ISES. Osceola's Interest was purchased as follows: CWL – 71.4%; Conway – 19%; and West Memphis – 9.6%.

AECC, CWL, Conway, West Memphis and ETEC (collectively, the "CCGP Participants") own the CCGP and, pursuant to the CCGP Ownership Agreement, each CCGP Participant is required to pay its ownership share of the costs of constructing and equipping the CCGP. Upon completion of the CCGP, each CCGP Participant will be required to pay its ownership share of additions, repairs or replacements to or retirements at the CCGP with such payments made monthly based on notifications by AECC of the nature and amounts of the costs incurred.

The CCGP Ownership Agreement provides that unless waived in writing by each party, obtaining all requisite governmental and regulatory approvals of its execution, delivery and performance is a condition precedent to the respective obligations of the parties to the CCGP Ownership Agreement.

AECC obtained a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("CECPN") pursuant to Title 23, Chapter 18, Subchapter 5 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated from the Arkansas Public Service Commission (the "APSC") on June 15, 2026 in APSC Docket No. 25-066-U. The CECPN authorizes AECC to construct, own and operate the CCGP as well as the natural gas lateral pipeline intended to supply fuel to the CCGP. The CECPN also vests AECC with the power of eminent domain to the extend such power is necessary to secure rights of way for the construction of the natural gas lateral pipeline.

Operating Agreements. White Bluff and ISES are, and the CCGP will be, operated in accordance with respective Operating Agreements (the "Operating Agreements") among the owners of the plants.

White Bluff Operating Agreement. Operation; Payment of Operating Costs. Entergy has sole authority to manage, control, maintain and operate White Bluff. Entergy and the Participants shall discharge all obligations under the Operating Agreement in a prudent manner and in accordance with good utility practices.

Entergy and each Participant shall be responsible for a proportionate share of Operating Costs equal to its respective ownership share. The Participants are to pay Entergy for all kWh generated at White Bluff for their respective accounts (or assumed to be generated at White Bluff for billing purposes) on the basis of actual fuel costs at White Bluff and the heat rate (assuming operation at 60% loading during summer test conditions) of its units.

"Operating Costs" consist of all operation and maintenance expenses, other than fuel or financing costs, incurred by Entergy in respect of White Bluff.

The Participants are also to pay to Entergy in each year their respective proportionate shares of additional amounts representing otherwise unrecovered administrative expenses of Entergy.

Fuel. Entergy shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, the fuel supply for White Bluff. Participants shall advance to Entergy their respective ownership shares percentage of the cost of coal in inventory and pay an additional amount, based on a formula, per kWh for all kWh generated (or assumed to be generated for billing purposes) for the Participant's account.

Cost of Construction. Each Participant is responsible, on a monthly basis, for its proportionate share of the cost of additions, repairs, replacements and retirements incurred during the previous month.

Energy. Entergy and each Participant shall be entitled to its proportionate share of the net generating capacity and energy of White Bluff at any given time. Entergy shall have sole authority for the hourly scheduling and dispatching of White Bluff generation in accordance with Entergy standard scheduling and dispatching procedures.

Termination. The operating agreement shall terminate when White Bluff is retired from commercial operation, or such date as may mutually be agreed upon by the parties. White Bluff is scheduled to cease the combustion of coal by no later than December 31, 2028.

Non-Payment. In the event that any Participant at any time fails to make any payment when due to Entergy under the Operating Agreement, Entergy shall have right to give written notice of such failure to such Participant and in the event such failure continues for a period of 30 days after the giving of such notice, to withhold and use, without charge as if it were its own, such Participant's proportionate share of the capacity and energy from White Bluff until such payment has been made but with appropriate credit being given to such Participant in respect of its ownership of White Bluff for use of such capacity and energy. If such credit exceeds the payment due Entergy, Entergy will pay such Participant monthly for the difference thereof. If such overdue payments due Entergy exceed such credits, Entergy shall have a right to receive interest on the difference thereof during the period such payment was due. Such Participant shall also indemnify and hold Entergy and the other Participants harmless from and against any and all losses, costs, damages and expenses arising out of or resulting from such Participant's failure to make such overdue payments when due.

Insurance. Entergy shall maintain insurance in such amount and with such deductibles or self-insurance features as is consistent with Entergy's customary practices. Entergy may self-insure such risks as is consistent with its customary practices.

ISES Operating Agreement. Operation; Payment of Operating Costs. Entergy has sole authority to manage, control, maintain and operate ISES. Entergy and the Participants shall discharge all obligations under the Operating Agreement in a prudent manner and in accordance with good utility practices.

Entergy and each Participant shall be responsible for a proportionate share of Operating Costs equal to its respective ownership share. The Participants are to pay Entergy for all kWh generated at ISES for their respective accounts (or assumed to be generated at ISES for billing purposes) on the basis of actual fuel costs at ISES and the heat rate (assuming operation at 60% loading during summer test conditions) of its units.

"Operating Costs" consist of all operation and maintenance expenses, other than fuel or financing costs, incurred by Entergy in respect of ISES.

The Participants are also to pay to Entergy in each year their respective proportionate shares of additional amounts representing otherwise unrecovered administrative expenses of Entergy.

Cost of Construction. Each Participant is responsible, on a monthly basis, for its proportionate share of the cost of additions, repairs, replacements and retirements incurred during the previous month.

Fuel. Entergy shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, the fuel supply for ISES. The Participants shall advance to Entergy their respective ownership shares percentages of the cost of coal in inventory and pay an additional amount, based on a formula, per kWh for all kWh generated (or assumed to be generated for billing purposes) for the Participant's account.

Energy. Entergy and each Participant shall be entitled to its proportionate share of the net generating capacity and energy of ISES at any given time. Entergy shall have sole authority for the hourly scheduling and dispatching of ISES generation in accordance with Entergy standard scheduling and dispatching procedures.

Termination. The Operating Agreement shall terminate when ISES is retired from commercial operation, or such other date as may mutually be agreed upon by the parties. ISES is scheduled to cease the combustion of coal by no later than December 31, 2030.

Non-Payment. In the event that any Participant at any time fails to make any payment when due to Entergy under the Operating Agreement, Entergy shall have right to give written notice of such failure to such Participant and in the event such failure continues for a period of 30 days after the giving of such notice, to withhold and use, without charge as if it were its own, such Participant's proportionate share of the capacity and energy from ISES until such payment has been made but with appropriate credit being given to such Participant in respect of its ownership of ISES for use of such capacity and energy. If such credit exceeds the payment due Entergy, Entergy will pay such Participant monthly for the difference thereof. If such overdue payments due Entergy exceed such credits, Entergy shall have a right to receive interest on the difference thereof during the period such payment was due. Such Participant shall also indemnify and hold Entergy and the other Participants harmless from and against any and all losses, costs, damages and expenses arising out of or resulting from such Participant's failure to make such overdue payments when due.

Insurance. Entergy shall maintain insurance in such amount and with such deductibles or self-insurance features as is consistent with Entergy's customary practices. Entergy may self-insure such risks as is consistent with its customary practices.

CCGP Operating Agreement. Prior to completion of the CCGP, the CCGP Participants will negotiate and finalize the operating and marketing agreement for the CCGP, which shall appoint AECC as operator and marketing agent with the terms and conditions substantially similar to those contained in the Operating Agreement for ISES as discussed herein. Exceptions will be to account for the different fuel source (natural gas vs. coal) and such other terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by all parties.

Payment Obligations. The obligations of CWL under the Ownership Agreements and the Operating Agreements are payable solely from revenues from its electric system or proceeds of financings. However, the failure to pay due to insufficiency of revenues or financing proceeds does not excuse such non-payment. CWL has agreed to fix and maintain electric rates at levels sufficient to enable it to carry out its financial obligations under such agreements.

Peaking Power Agreement. CWL and SWPA entered into a Power Sales Agreement effective as of June 1, 1996 (the "Peaking Power Agreement") which extended and modified arrangements between such parties which have been in effect since 1986. Under the Peaking Power Agreement, CWL is allotted 80 MW of hydro-peaking capacity and an annual maximum of 1,200 kWh of energy per kW of capacity. In addition to the annual maximum, CWL is limited to 200 kWh/kW for any one month and 600 kWh/kW for any four consecutive months. The capacity and energy charges under the Peaking Power Agreement are subject to change and to the right of CWL to discontinue purchases of peaking power in the event of such a change. The Peaking Power Agreement is effective until March 31, 2029 but CWL expects to extend the term of the Peaking Power Agreement before its termination date.

An amendatory agreement was entered into on June 29, 2018 to establish terms under which CWL will self-supply 40,000 kW of its peaking energy, allowing SWPA to purchase the peaking energy self-supplied and the associated peaking self supply capacity from CWL. The terms of this amendment terminate in May 2028. CWL may extend the term of this agreement before its termination date.

Another amendatory agreement was entered into on May 31, 2023 to establish terms under which CWL will self-supply an additional 40,000 kW of its peaking energy, allowing SWPA to purchase the peaking energy self-supplied and the associated peaking self supply capacity from CWL. The terms of this amendment terminate in November 2026. CWL expects to extend the term of this agreement before its termination date.

In addition to the firm arrangements, the Peaking Power Agreement provides CWL with the opportunity to purchase supplemental peaking energy and other excess energy which SWPA may have available from its hydroelectric sources.

CWL and Tenaska Power Services entered into an agreement on March 2, 2026 to sell Zonal Resource Credits ("ZRCs") in MISO Local Resource Zone 8. CWL is selling 15 ZRCs per month from June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027.

CWL and Benton Utilities (City of Benton, Arkansas) entered into an agreement on March 1, 2026 to sell ZRCs in MISO Local Resource Zone 8. CWL is selling 5 ZRCs per month from September 1, 2026 to November 30, 2026; and 5 ZRCs per month from March 1, 2027 to May 31, 2027.

CWL and Conway entered into an agreement on March 11, 2026 to sell ZRCs in MISO Local Resource Zone 8. CWL is selling 25 ZRCs per month from December 1, 2026 to February 8, 2027.

CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS AND CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

Location. The City of Jonesboro is located in Craighead County, Arkansas (the "County"), which is in the northeast of the State. The City is situated approximately 130 miles northeast of Little Rock, Arkansas and 71 miles northwest of Memphis, Tennessee.

Population. Resident population in the City and the County has been as follows:

Year	City	County
1970	27,050	52,068
1980	31,530	63,239
1990	46,535	68,956
2000	55,515	82,148
2010	67,263	96,443
2020	78,576	111,231
2025*	83,296	116,957

* Estimate as of July 1

Medical Facilities. The City is served by two hospitals, St. Bernard's Medical Center, which has 440 licensed beds, and NEA Baptist Memorial Hospital, which has 228 licensed beds.

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Major Employers. The following are the major employers located in or near the City (200 or more employees):

Employer	Industry	Number of Employees
St. Bernards Healthcare	Healthcare	5,124
Arkansas State University	Education	3,067
NEA Baptist Health System	Healthcare	2,352
Hytrol Conveyor Company	Manufacturing	1,317
Walmart Super Centers	Retail	1,088
Frito-Lay, Inc.	Manufacturing	1,025
Jonesboro Public Schools	Education	843
City of Jonesboro	Government	800
Nettleton Public Schools	Education	749
Nestle Prepared Foods Company	Manufacturing	720
Nice-Pak Products, Inc.	Manufacturing	550
Ritter Communications	Telecommunication	450
Riceland Foods, Inc.	Manufacturing	425
Brookland Public Schools	Education	400
FMH Conveyors	Manufacturing	375
Great Dane Trailers	Manufacturing	350
Valley View Public Schools	Education	350
Unilever	Manufacturing	335
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital	Healthcare	326
Roach Conveyors	Manufacturing	300
Anchor Packaging	Manufacturing	296
Craighead County	Government	296
ABB Group	Manufacturing	285
Camfil APC	Manufacturing	265
Westside Consolidated School District	Education	250
Jonesboro Human Development Center	Healthcare	248
Arkansas Glass Container Corporation	Manufacturing	235
Post Consumer Brands	Manufacturing	205
SMA, Inc.	Distribution	200

County Economic Data. Per capita personal income estimates for the County are as follows:(1)

Year	Per Capita Personal Income
2020	$42,298
2021	47,249
2022	46,945
2023	48,693
2024	50,720

Total personal income estimates for the County are as follows: (1)

Year	Total Personal Income
2020	$4,721,458,000
2021	5,277,454,000
2022	5,296,735,000
2023	5,563,172,000
2024	5,875,983,000

(1) Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States Department of Commerce.

Unemployment Data. Set forth below are the annual average unemployment rates for the City, the County and the State since 2022, according to the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services:

		Annual Average Unemployment Rate (%)	
Year	City	County	State
2022	2.8	2.8	3.2
2023	2.9	2.8	3.1
2024	3.3	3.1	3.5
2025	4.2	4.0	4.1
2026	3.4*	3.5**	3.7**

* Preliminary as of April 2026
** Preliminary as of May 2026

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Set forth in Appendix A to this Official Statement are the audited financial statements of CWL for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024. These financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State and were audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. These financial statements should be read in their entirety, together with any notes and supplemental information affixed thereto.

The following table has been developed from CWL's financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2021 through 2025.

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Operating Revenues	$141,363,107	$127,572,508	$121,457,375	$149,983,516	$120,447,014
Operating Expenses	(133,799,008)	(116,948,234)	(114,557,049)	(143,749,156)	(115,111,959)
Plus Depreciation	24,531,599	20,420,993	18,384,544	17,025,443	19,282,446
Revenues Available for Debt Service	$32,095,698	$31,045,267	$25,284,870	$23,259,803	$24,617,501

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DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Set forth below are the debt service requirements for the Series 2026 Bonds during each final year ending December 31:

Year (Ending December 31)	Series 2026 Bond Principal*	Series 2026 Bond Interest	Total Debt Service
2027	$ 790,000		
2028	1,600,000		
2029	1,680,000		
2030	1,765,000		
2031	1,855,000		
2032	1,955,000		
2033	2,055,000		
2034	2,160,000		
2035	2,270,000		
2036	2,385,000		
2037	2,495,000		
2038	2,595,000		
2039	2,705,000		
2040	2,815,000		
2041	2,930,000		
2042	3,055,000		
2043	3,195,000		
2044	3,335,000		
2045	3,485,000		
2046	3,640,000		
2047	3,810,000		
2048	3,990,000		
2049	4,180,000		
2050	4,375,000		
2051	4,585,000		
2052	4,805,000		
2053	5,035,000		
2054	5,285,000		
2055	5,540,000		
2056	5,810,000		
TOTALS	$96,180,000		

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* Preliminary; subject to change.

Set forth below are the debt service requirements for the Series 2026 Bonds and the Parity Bonds during each fiscal year ending December 31.

Year (Ending December 31)	Series 2026 Bonds Debt Service	Parity Bonds Debt Service	Total Debt Service
2027		$9,430,237.50	
2028		9,428,362.50	
2029		9,427,862.50	
2030		9,423,112.50	
2031		9,433,437.50	
2032		9,429,887.50	
2033		9,428,587.50	
2034		9,423,962.50	
2035		9,425,362.50	
2036		7,457,762.50	
2037		7,453,662.50	
2038		4,456,062.50	
2039		4,456,962.50	
2040		4,457,362.50	
2041		4,457,062.50	
2042		4,455,862.50	
2043		4,458,462.50	
2044		4,454,337.50	
2045		4,457,756.25	
TOTALS		$135,416,106.25	

DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE

The following table shows the funds available for debt service, the amount of maximum annual debt service for the Series 2026 Bonds and the Parity Bonds, and the extent to which debt service on the Series 2026 Bonds is covered by such funds:

Revenues Available for Debt Service (A)[1]	$32,095,698
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements on the Series 2026 Bonds and the Parity Bonds (B)[2]	15,379,625
Debt Service Coverage (A/B)	2.09x

(1) Based on audited financial statements of CWL for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2025.
(2) Using a year ending December 31. Assuming an average coupon rate of 4.60% on the Series 2026 Bonds.

THE INDENTURE

The following, in addition to information contained above under **THE SERIES 2026 BONDS** and **SECURITY FOR THE SERIES 2026 BONDS** summarizes certain provisions of the Indenture from CWL to the Trustee, to which document in its entirety reference is made for the detailed provisions thereof.

Rate Covenant. (a) CWL covenants that it will fix, charge and collect rates, fees and charges for services furnished by the System which shall produce total Revenues in each fiscal year sufficient to (1) pay the operation, repair and maintenance expenses (excluding depreciation expenses) of the System, (2) make all required deposits to any debt service reserve funds, and (3) leave a balance equal to 110% of the maximum annual debt service requirement for all outstanding Bonds, Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds.

(b) CWL covenants that it will revise the rates, fees and charges from time to time as necessary to comply with its covenant described in (a).

(c) If CWL should fail to comply with its rate covenant, it must undertake a study of the rate revisions necessary to again be in compliance. The study must be completed and filed with the Trustee not later than the 15th day of the sixth month of the following fiscal year. Revised rates are to be put into effect not later than the 15th day of the sixth month of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the study is made. CWL will not be in default for the year in which the rate study is made and the then next year provided that total Revenues are sufficient to make the payments and deposits required and leave a balance equal to 100% of debt service in those years for all outstanding Bonds, Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds.

Revenue Fund. All Revenues shall be paid upon receipt into a special fund designated "Revenue Fund." There shall be paid from the Revenue Fund the monthly Operating Expenses (as defined below) of the System. Fixed annual charges, such as insurance premiums and the cost of major repair and maintenance expenses, may be computed and set up on an annual basis and a portion of the total amount thereof may be paid each month. CWL shall retain in the Revenue Fund an amount equal to at least 1/6 of the Operating Expenses budgeted for the current Fiscal Year. "Operating Expenses" mean all necessary and ordinary expenses of operating and maintaining the System, excluding depreciation and payments of debt service.

Bond Fund. (a) There is created a special fund to be designated "2026 Indenture Bond Fund" (the "Bond Fund") for the purpose of paying debt service on all Bonds.

(b) After providing for Operating Expenses as described above, there shall be paid from the Revenue Fund into the Bond Fund, simultaneously with the deposit into the bond funds heretofore established for payment of debt service on the Parity Bonds and with any deposit made to pay debt service on Other Parity Bonds, an amount equal to the sum of:

(1) one-sixth (1/6) of the next installment of interest on the outstanding Bonds (the required payments for the months after delivery, and before the first interest payment date, of any series of Bonds to be adjusted if necessary, so that the deposits made will be sufficient to cover the interest due);

(2) one-twelfth (1/12) of the installment of principal due on the outstanding Bonds during the then next twelve months (whether at maturity or upon mandatory redemption prior to maturity); provided, however, the monthly deposits under this paragraph for the months after delivery, and before the first principal payment date, of any series of Bonds shall be adjusted if necessary so that the deposits made will be sufficient to cover the principal due. The additional deposits required in the event of the issuance of Additional Bonds need not commence until the time necessary to accumulate the first principal maturity of the Additional Bonds in twelve monthly installments.

With respect to Bonds the interest on or principal of which is payable more frequently than semiannually or annually, respectively, monthly deposits shall be in equal amounts sufficient to assure that amounts due for such interest or principal shall be deposited in the Bond Fund on or before the dates on which such payments are due.

(c) CWL shall receive a credit against required monthly deposits into the Bond Fund for any moneys placed into the Bond Fund other than pursuant to the obligations described in paragraph (b).

(d) If for any reason the funds in the Bond Fund shall at any time be insufficient to meet any required payment, then the amount of any such deficiency shall be paid immediately from the Revenue Fund into the Bond Fund.

(e) When the moneys in the Bond Fund shall be and remain sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on all outstanding Bonds when due at maturity or at redemption prior to maturity, there shall be no obligation to make any further payments into the Bond Fund.

(f) The moneys in the Bond Fund shall be used solely for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and for no other purpose except as specifically authorized.

Subordinate Bond Funds. After making the deposits referred to above, there shall be deposited into the bond fund for any Subordinate Obligations (the "Subordinate Bond Funds") the required amounts.

Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds Payments. If there are insufficient moneys in the Revenue Fund to make the monthly payments into the Bond Fund and make monthly installments with respect to outstanding Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds (and any debt service reserves therefor), CWL shall make payments from the Revenue Fund with respect to the Bonds and outstanding Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds pro rata based upon the outstanding principal amount of the Bonds and outstanding Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds.

Revenue Fund Surplus. Any surplus remaining in the Revenue Fund on the first business day of each month, after making all payments into the above funds which are required in such month, may be used for any lawful purpose.

Depositories of Funds. The Bond Fund and the Construction Fund shall be established with and maintained by the Trustee. The Revenue Fund shall be established in such banks or trust companies as are from time to time designated by CWL, provided each must be a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Nonpresentment of Bonds. In the event any Bonds shall not be presented for payment when the principal thereof becomes due, either at maturity or otherwise, or at a date fixed for redemption thereof, if there shall have been deposited with the Trustee for the purpose, or left in trust if previously so deposited, funds sufficient to pay the principal thereof, together with all interest unpaid and due thereon, to the date of maturity thereof, or to the date fixed for redemption thereof, as the case may be, for the benefit of the holder thereof, all liability of CWL to the holder thereof for the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon shall forthwith cease, determine and be completely discharged, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Trustee to hold such fund or funds, without liability for interest thereon, for the benefit of the holder of the Bond, who shall thereafter be restricted exclusively to such fund or funds, for any claim of whatever nature on his part under the Indenture or on, or with respect to, such Bond.

Any moneys so held for a period of 2 1/2 years shall become the property of CWL and shall be paid over to CWL, free of any rights of the holder of such Bond.

The Trustee. The permissive right of the Trustee to do things enumerated in the Indenture shall not be construed as a duty of the Trustee and the Trustee shall be answerable only for its own negligence or willful default.

The Trustee shall not be required to take notice or be deemed to have notice of any default except failure by CWL to make or cause to be made any of the payments to be made to the Trustee unless the Trustee shall be specifically notified in writing of such default by CWL or by the holders of at least ten percent (10%) in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding under the Indenture (of all series but not necessarily of each series), and all notices or other instruments required by the Indenture to be delivered to the Trustee, must, in order to be effective, be delivered at the office of the Trustee, and, in the absence of such notice so delivered, the Trustee may conclusively assume there is no default except as aforesaid.

The Trustee and any successor trustee may at any time resign by giving written notice to CWL. Such resignation shall take effect upon the appointment of a successor trustee by CWL.

The Trustee may be removed at any time by CWL or by any instrument or concurrent instruments in writing delivered to the Trustee and to CWL and signed by the owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding.

In case the Trustee shall resign or be removed, or be dissolved, or shall be in course of dissolution or liquidation, or otherwise become incapable of acting, or in case it shall be taken under the control of any public officer or officers, or of a receiver appointed by a court, a successor shall be designated by CWL.

Investment of Funds. Moneys held for the credit of any fund or account may be invested and reinvested by CWL or, in the case of the Bond Fund and the Construction Fund as directed by CWL, in Permitted Investments which will mature, or which will be subject to redemption by the holder thereof at the option of the holder, not later than the date or dates on which the money held for the credit of the particular fund shall be required for the purposes intended.

"Permitted Investments" are defined to mean:

(a) bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness to which is pledged the full faith and credit of, or which are unconditionally guaranteed as to payment of principal and interest by, any state or other political subdivision, the interest which is exempt from federal income tax, and which carry a rating of at least "AAA" by a nationally recognized rating agency;

(b) direct or fully guaranteed obligations of the United States of America ("Government Obligations");

(c) federal funds, bankers' acceptances (having maturities of not more than 365 days), savings accounts, demand deposits and certificates of deposit (i) of any bank the long-term obligations of which (or, in the case of the principal bank in a bank holding company, long-term debt obligations of the bank holding company) are rated by a nationally recognized rating agency at a rating equivalent to or higher than "A" and which bank or association is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or (ii) fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

(d) Money market mutual funds consisting of Government Obligations and registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and meeting the requirements of Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940; and

(e) Other investments permitted by law.

Each investment shall be deemed at all times to be part of the fund for which the investment was made and any profit and income realized from such investments shall be credited to the fund and any loss charged to the fund.

Supplemental Indentures. CWL and the Trustee may without the approval of any Bondholder, enter into indentures supplemental to the Indenture (a) to cure any ambiguity, defect or omission in the Indenture or any supplement thereto, (b) to confer additional rights, remedies, powers and authority upon the Trustee for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds, (c) in connection with the issuance of Additional Bonds pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture, or (d) to make any modification determined by the Trustee, in its discretion, not to be to the material prejudice of the holders of the Bonds.

All other modifications and changes to the Indenture require the consent of the holders of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the principal amount of the outstanding Bonds, except for the following amendments which shall require 100% of the principal amount of the outstanding Bonds, (i) an extension of the maturity of the principal of or the interest on any Bond, (ii) a reduction in the principal amount of any Bond or the rate of interest thereon, (iii) a privilege or priority of any Bond or Bonds over any other Bond or Bonds, (iv) the creation of a lien upon the System or a pledge of Revenues, except as permitted by the Indenture, or (v) a reduction in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds required for consent to a supplement to the Indenture.

<u>Events of Default</u>. Under the Indenture, an event of default shall mean any one or more of the following events:

(a) Default in the due and punctual payment of any interest on any Bond, Parity Bond or Other Parity Bond;

(b) Default in the due and punctual payment of any moneys required to be paid to the Trustee for deposit into the Bond Fund;

(c) Default in the due and punctual payment of the principal of, and premium, if any, on any Bond, Parity Bond or Other Parity Bond, whether at the stated maturity thereof, or upon proceedings for redemption thereof, or upon the maturity thereof by declaration;

(d) Default in the performance or observance of any other of the covenants, agreements or conditions on CWL's part in the Indenture, or in the Bonds, in the Parity Bonds or in Other Parity Bonds or in any document securing any Parity Bonds or Other Parity Bonds contained, and the continuance thereof for a period of sixty (60) days after written notice to CWL by the Trustee or by the holders of not less than ten percent (10%) in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding; and

(e) Any other "event of default" as defined in any Parity Bond or any Other Parity Bond or a document securing any Parity Bond or Other Parity Bond.

<u>Remedies of Default</u>. (a) *Acceleration*. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the Trustee may, and upon the written request of the holders of twenty-five percent (25%) in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding under the Indenture (regardless of series), shall, by notice in writing delivered to CWL, declare the principal of all Bonds then outstanding under the Indenture and the interest accrued thereon immediately due and payable, and such principal and interest shall thereupon become and be immediately due and payable.

(b) *Right of Entry*. Upon the occurrence of any event of default, the Trustee may, and upon the written request of the holders of twenty-five percent (25%) in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding under the Indenture shall, demand of CWL to surrender, and CWL shall forthwith surrender to it the actual possession of, and it shall be lawful for the Trustee, by such officer or agent as it may appoint, to take possession of, all or any part of the System with the books, papers and accounts of CWL pertaining thereto and to hold, operate and manage the same, and from time to time to make all needful repairs and improvements as by the Trustee shall be deemed wise. The Trustee, with or without such permission, may collect, receive and sequester the revenues, earnings, income, products and profits therefrom and out of the same and any moneys received from any receiver of any part thereof pay, and/or set up proper reserves for the payment of, all proper costs and expenses of so taking, holding and managing the same, including reasonable compensation to the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any charges of the Trustee under the Indenture, and all taxes, assessments and other charges prior to the lien of the Indenture, and all expenses of such repairs and improvements, and apply the remainder of the money so received by the Trustee in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture. Whenever principal of and interest on the Bonds shall have been paid and all other amounts owed under the Indenture shall have been paid and no event of default is continuing, the Trustee shall surrender possession to CWL, its successors or assigns; the same right of entry, however, to exist upon any subsequent event of default.

While in possession of the System, the Trustee shall render annually to the registered owners a summarized statement of income and expenditures in connection therewith.

(c) *Other Remedies*. Upon the occurrence of an event of default the Trustee may, as an alternative, proceed either after entry or without entry, to pursue any available remedy by suit at law or equity to enforce the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds then outstanding under the Indenture, including, without limitation, receivership and mandamus.

If an event of default shall have occurred, and if it shall have been requested so to do by the holders of ten percent (10%) in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding under the Indenture and shall have been indemnified as provided in the Indenture, the Trustee shall be obliged to exercise such one or more of the rights and powers conferred upon it by the Indenture as the Trustee, being advised by counsel, shall deem most expedient in the interest of the Bondholders.

No remedy by the terms of the Indenture conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee (or to the Bondholders) is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to any other remedy given under the Indenture or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute.

No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default or event of default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or event of default or acquiescence therein; and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

No waiver of any default or event of default under the Indenture, whether by the Trustee or by the Bondholders, shall extend to or shall affect any subsequent default or event of default or shall impair any rights or remedies consequent thereon.

(d) *Bondholders May Direct Proceedings*. (i) The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding under the Indenture shall have the right, at any time, by any instrument or instruments in writing executed and delivered to the Trustee, to direct the method and place of conducting all proceedings to be taken in connection with the enforcement of the terms and conditions of the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or any other proceedings under the Indenture; provided that such direction shall not be otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of law and of the Indenture.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything set forth in the Indenture, the holder or holders of all outstanding Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds may institute any action or exercise any remedy available at law or in equity to enforce the terms of the Bonds or the Indenture, provided that any such action or remedy shall be instituted and maintained for the benefit of the holders of all Bonds, without distinction or priority.

(e) *Receiver*. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, and upon the filing of a suit or other commencement of judicial proceedings to enforce the rights of the Trustee and of the Bondholders under the Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled, as a matter of right, to the appointment of a receiver or receivers of the System and of the Revenues pending such proceedings with such powers as the court making such appointment shall confer.

(f) *Application of Moneys*. (i) Subject to the provisions of subsection (ii) below, available moneys shall be applied by the Trustee as follows:

(1) Unless the principal of all the Bonds shall have become or shall have been declared due and payable, all such moneys shall be applied:

First: to the payment to the persons entitled thereto of all installments of interest then due, in the order of the maturity of the installments of such interest, and, if the amount available shall not be sufficient to pay in full any particular installment, then to the payment ratably, according to the amounts due on such installment, to the persons entitled thereto, without any discrimination or privilege;

Second: to the payment to the persons entitled thereto of the unpaid principal of any of the Bonds which shall have become due (other than Bonds called for redemption for the payment of which moneys are held pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture), in the order of their due dates, with interest on such Bonds from the respective dates upon which they become due, and, if the amount available shall not be sufficient to pay in full Bonds due on any particular date, together with such interest, then to the payment ratably, according to the amount of principal due on such date, to the persons entitled thereto without any discrimination or privilege; and

Third: to the payment of the interest on and the principal of the Bonds, and to the redemption of Bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture.

(2) If the principal of all the Bonds shall have become due or shall have been declared due and payable, all such moneys shall be applied to the payment of the principal and interest then due and unpaid upon the Bonds, without preference or priority of principal over interest or of interest over principal, or of any installment of interest over any other installment of interest, or of any Bond over any other Bond, ratably, according to the amounts due respectively for principal and interest, to the persons entitled thereto without any discrimination or privilege.

(3) If the principal of all the Bonds shall have been declared due and payable, and if such declaration shall thereafter have been rescinded and annulled under the provisions of the Indenture, then, subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) above in the event that the principal of all the Bonds shall later become due or be declared due and payable, the moneys shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) above.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything set forth in the Indenture, any proceedings under *Application of Moneys* shall be for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds and any outstanding Parity Bonds and Other Parity Bonds, without distinction or priority.

(g) *Limitation of Bondholder Rights*. Subject to the provisions of (d)(ii) above, no holder of any Bond shall have any right to institute any suit, action or proceeding in equity or at law for the enforcement of the Indenture or for the execution of any trust hereof or for the appointment of a receiver or any other remedy under the Indenture, unless a default has occurred of which the Trustee has been notified as provided in the Indenture or of which it is deemed to have notice, nor unless such default shall have become an event of default and the holders of ten percent (10%) in aggregate principal amount of Bonds outstanding under the Indenture shall have made written request to the Trustee and shall have offered it reasonable opportunity either to proceed to exercise the powers hereinbefore granted or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its own name, nor unless also they have offered to the Trustee indemnity as provided in the Indenture nor unless the Trustee shall thereafter fail or refuse to exercise the powers granted, or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its own name; and such notification, request and offer of indemnity are declared in every such case at the option of the Trustee to be conditions precedent to the execution of the powers and trusts of the Indenture, and to any action or cause of action for the enforcement of the Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or for any other remedy.

(h) *Waivers by Trustee*. Subject to the provisions of (d)(ii) above, the Trustee may in its discretion waive any event of default under the Indenture and its consequences and rescind any declaration or maturity of principal, and shall do so upon the written request of the holders of fifty percent (50%) in principal amount of all Bonds outstanding under the Indenture (of all series but not necessarily of each series); provided, however, that there shall not be waived (i) any event of default in the payment of principal of any Bonds issued under the Indenture and outstanding under the Indenture at the date of maturity specified therein or (ii) any default in the payment of the interest or of deposits into the Bond Fund unless prior to the waiver or rescission all arrears of interest, with interest at the rate borne by the Bonds in respect of which such default shall have occurred on overdue installments of interest or all arrears of Bond Fund payments, as the case may be, and all expenses of the Trustee shall have been paid or provided for and in case of any such waiver or rescission or in case any proceeding taken by the Trustee on account of any such default shall have been discontinued or abandoned or determined adversely, then and in every such case the Trustee, CWL and the Bondholders shall be restored to their former positions and rights under the Indenture, respectively, but no such waiver or rescission shall extend to any subsequent or other default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Maintenance and Repair. CWL covenants that it will at all times cause the System to be maintained, preserved and kept in good condition, repair and working order, and that it will from time to time cause to be made all needed repairs, replacements, additional, betterments and improvements so that the operation and business pertaining to the System shall be fully maintained.

Books and Records. CWL covenants that so long as any Bonds shall be outstanding, it will keep, or cause to be kept, proper books of record and account, in which full, true and correct entries will be made of all dealings or transactions of and in relation to the System and Revenues. CWL agrees to have the books of record and account audited by an independent certified public accountant at the end of each fiscal year and to furnish a copy of the audit report to the Trustee within 180 days after the end of the fiscal year; provided, however, that if such audit is not available by such date, CWL will furnish the audit to the Trustee within 60 days after receipt thereof.

CWL further covenants that all books and documents pertaining to the System and the Revenues shall at all times be open to the inspection of such accountants or agents as the Trustee may from time to time designate.

Disposition and Encumbrance of System. CWL covenants that it will not sell or otherwise dispose of the System and that it will not encumber the same or any part thereof, or its interest therein or create or permit to be created any charge or lien on its Revenues and income except as may be expressly authorized in the Indenture; provided, however, CWL may, from time to time, sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of any properties or release, relinquish or extinguish any interest therein which is not needed or serves no useful purpose in connection with the maintenance and efficient operation of the System, and the proceeds thereof shall be applied to the replacement of the properties so sold or disposed of, if replacement is necessary or desirable, or shall be transferred to the Revenue Fund, as CWL may determine.

Insurance. CWL covenants that at all times while any Bonds are outstanding, it will at all times insure and keep insured to the full insurable value thereof in a responsible insurance company or companies authorized and qualified under the laws of the State to assume the risk thereof all insurable improvements on and constituting part of the System, at any time and from time to time, by fire and extended coverage insurance. The insurance policies are to carry a clause making them payable to the Trustee as its interest may appear, and are either to be placed in the custody of the Trustee or satisfactory evidence of said insurance shall be filed with the Trustee.

Discharge of Lien. The Bonds of any series shall be deemed to have been paid for purposes of the Indenture if (a) there has been deposited with the Trustee in trust either moneys in an amount, or Government Obligations the principal of and interest on which will, together with any moneys held by the Trustee at the same time and available for such purpose pursuant to the Indenture, without further investment or reinvestment of either the principal amounts thereof or the interest earnings thereon, provide amounts which will be sufficient to pay when due the principal, interest, and premium, if any, to become due and payable on or prior to the respective redemption dates or maturity dates of such Bonds, and (b) in case any of such Bonds are to be redeemed on any date prior to their maturity, notice of such redemption shall have been duly given or arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee shall have been made for the giving of such notice.

FEDERAL TAX MATTERS

In the opinion of Ice Miller LLP, Indianapolis, Indiana, Special Tax Counsel ("Special Tax Counsel"), under existing federal statutes, regulations and rulings, interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Code, and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, such interest on the Series 2026 Bonds may be taken into account for the purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations. This opinion relates only to the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code and is conditioned on continuing compliance by CWL with the Tax Covenants (as herein defined). Failure to comply with the Tax Covenants could cause interest on the Series 2026 Bonds to lose the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issue. The form of opinion of Special Tax Counsel is attached hereto as Appendix B.

The Code imposes certain requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds as a condition to the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds for federal income tax purposes. CWL will covenant not to take any action within its power and control, nor fail to take any action within its power and control, with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds that would result in the loss of the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds pursuant to Section 103 of the Code (collectively, the "Tax Covenants"). The Indenture and certain certificates and agreements to be delivered on the date of delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds establish procedures under which compliance with the requirements of the Code can be met.

Although Special Tax Counsel has rendered the opinion on federal tax matters above, the accrual or receipt of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds may otherwise affect a bondholder's federal income tax liability with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds. The nature and extent of these other tax consequences will depend upon the bondholder's particular tax status and a bondholder's other items of income or deduction. Taxpayers who may be affected by such other tax consequences include, without limitation, financial institutions, certain insurance companies, S corporations, certain foreign corporations, individual recipients of Social Security or railroad retirement benefits and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred (or continued) indebtedness to purchase or carry the Series 2026 Bonds. Special Tax Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any other tax consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Series 2026 Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with regard to the other tax consequences of owning the Series 2026 Bonds.

<u>Original Issue Premium Bonds.</u> The initial offering prices of the Series 2026 Bonds maturing on June 1 in the years _______________ (the "Premium Bonds") are greater than the principal amount payable at maturity or any call date. As a result, the Premium Bonds will be considered to be issued with an amortizable bond premium (the "Bond Premium"). An owner who acquires a Premium Bond in the initial public offering of the Series 2026 Bonds will be required to adjust the owner's basis in the Premium Bond downward as a result of the Bond Premium, pursuant to Section 1016(a)(5) of the Code. Such adjusted tax basis will be used to determine taxable gain or loss upon disposition of the Premium Bonds, including sale, redemption or payment at maturity. The amount of amortizable Bond Premium will be computed on the basis of the taxpayer's yield to maturity with compounding at the end of each accrual period. Rules for determining (i) yield, (ii) the amount of amortizable Bond Premium and (iii) the amount amortizable in a particular year are set forth in Section 171(b) of the Code and the related regulations. No income tax deduction for the amount of amortizable Bond Premium will be allowed pursuant to Section 171(a)(2) of the Code, but amortization of Bond Premium may be taken into account as a reduction in the amount of tax-exempt income for purposes of determining other tax consequences of owning Premium Bonds. Owners of the Premium Bonds should consult their tax advisors with respect to the precise determination for federal income tax

purposes of the treatment of Bond Premium upon the sale or other disposition of such Premium Bonds and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Premium Bonds.

Special rules governing the treatment of Bond Premium, which are applicable to dealers in tax-exempt securities, are found in Section 75 of the Code. Dealers in tax-exempt securities are urged to consult their tax advisors concerning treatment of Bond Premium.

Original Issue Discount Bonds. The initial offering prices of the Series 2026 Bonds maturing on June 1 in the years __________ (the "Discount Bonds") are less than the principal amount payable at maturity or any call date. As a result, the Discount Bonds will be considered to be issued with original issue discount. The difference between the initial public offering price of the Discount Bonds, as set forth on the inside cover page of this Official Statement (assuming it is the first price at which a substantial amount of that maturity is sold) (the "Issue Price for such maturity"), and the amount payable at maturity for the Discount Bonds will be treated as "original issue discount." A taxpayer who purchases a Discount Bond in the initial public offering at the Issue Price for such maturity and holds such Discount Bond to maturity may treat the full amount of original issue discount as interest which is excludable from the gross income of the owner of that Discount Bond for federal income tax purposes and will not, under present federal income tax law, realize taxable capital gain upon payment of the Discount Bond at maturity.

The original issue discount on each of the Discount Bonds is treated as accruing daily over the term of such Discount Bond on the basis of the yield to maturity determined on the basis of compounding at the end of each six-month period ending on June 1 and December 1 (with straight line interpolation between compounding dates).

Section 1288 of the Code provides, with respect to tax-exempt obligations such as the Discount Bonds, that the amount of original issue discount accruing each period will be added to the owner's tax basis for the Discount Bonds. Such adjusted tax basis will be used to determine taxable gain or loss upon disposition of the Discount Bonds (including sale, redemption or payment at maturity). Owners of Discount Bonds who dispose of Discount Bonds prior to maturity should consult their tax advisors concerning the amount of original issue discount accrued over the period held and the amount of taxable gain or loss upon the sale or other disposition of such Discount Bonds prior to maturity.

The original issue discount that accrues in each year to an owner of a Discount Bond may result in certain collateral federal income tax consequences. Owners of Discount Bonds should be aware that the accrual of original issue discount in each year may result in a tax liability from these collateral tax consequences even though the owners of such Discount Bonds will not receive a corresponding cash payment until a later date.

Owners who purchase Discount Bonds in the initial public offering but at a price different from the Issue Price for such maturity should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of the ownership of the Discount Bonds.

The Code contains certain provisions relating to the accrual of original issue discount in the case of subsequent purchasers of bonds such as the Discount Bonds. Owners who do not purchase Discount Bonds in the initial offering should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of the ownership of the Discount Bonds.

Owners of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning the Discount Bonds. It is possible under the applicable provisions governing the determination of state or local income taxes accrued interest on the Discount Bonds may be deemed to be received in the year of accrual even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment until a later year.

ARKANSAS TAX MATTERS

In the opinion of Friday, Eldredge & Clark, LLP, Little Rock, Arkansas, Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel"), under existing law, interest on the Series 2026 Bonds is exempt from State income tax, and the Series 2026 Bonds are exempt from property taxes in the State. The form of opinion of Bond Counsel is attached hereto as Appendix C.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

Past Compliance. In the past five years, CWL has been a party to continuing disclosure agreements in connection with the Parity Bonds. CWL has been obligated to file certain information with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") on its Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA") within the time periods set forth in the agreements. CWL has been in compliance with its outstanding disclosure obligations in all material respects over the past five years.

Generally. CWL will enter into a Continuing Disclosure Agreement with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds. Set forth below is a summary of certain portions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. This summary does not purport to be comprehensive and reference is made to the full text of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement for a complete description of its provisions.

Purpose of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement will be executed and delivered by CWL and the Trustee for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds and in order to assist the Underwriters in complying with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Rule 15c2-12(b)(5).

Definitions. In addition to the definitions set forth in this Official Statement, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Report" shall mean an Annual Report provided by CWL pursuant to, and as described in, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

"Beneficial Owner" of a Series 2026 Bond shall mean any person who has or shares the power, directly or indirectly, to make investment decisions concerning ownership of the Series 2026 Bond (including persons holding Series 2026 Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries).

"Dissemination Agent" shall mean the Trustee, acting in its capacity as Dissemination Agent, or any successor Dissemination Agent designated in writing by CWL and which has filed with the Trustee a written acceptance of such designation.

"EMMA" shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access System as described in 1934 Act Release No. 59062 and maintained by the MSRB for purposes of the Rule.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean a

(A) debt obligation;

(B) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or

(C) guarantee of obligations described in (A) or (B).

The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

"Listed Events" shall mean any of the events listed hereunder.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Rule" shall mean Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

Provision of Annual Reports. (a) CWL shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, not later than 180 days after the end of CWL's fiscal year (presently December 31) commencing with the report after the end of the 2026 fiscal year, provide to the MSRB, through its continuing disclosure service portal provided through EMMA at http://www.emma.msrb.org or any similar system acceptable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, an Annual Report which is consistent with the requirements of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The Annual Report shall be in electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB and shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB. Each Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package and may cross reference other information as provided in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement; provided that the audited financial statements of CWL may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Report if they are not available by that date, but, in such event, such audited financial statements shall be submitted within sixty (60) days after receipt thereof by CWL. If the fiscal year of CWL changes, it shall give notice of such change in the manner as for a Listed Event.

(b) Not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the date specified in subsection (a) for providing each Annual Report to the MSRB, CWL shall provide the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent and the Trustee for the issue (if the Trustee is not the Dissemination Agent). If by such date, the Trustee has not received a copy of the Annual Report, the Trustee shall contact CWL and the Dissemination Agent to determine if CWL is in compliance with the first sentence of this subsection (b).

(c) If the Trustee is unable to verify that an Annual Report (containing the information required in (1) under Content of Annual Reports, below) has been provided to the MSRB by the date required in subsection (a), the Trustee shall send a notice to the MSRB.

Content of Annual Reports. Each of the Annual Reports shall contain or incorporate by reference the following:

(1) Information of the type set forth in this Official Statement under the caption **CWL AND THE SYSTEM**, Electric Customers, Water Customers and Wastewater Customers; and

(2) The annual audit of CWL prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

Any or all of the items above may be incorporated by reference from other documents, including official statements of debt issues of CWL or related public entities, which are available to the public on the MSRB's website or filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. CWL shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

Reporting of Listed Events. (a) This caption describes the giving of notices of the occurrence of any of the following events:

1. Principal and interest payment delinquencies.

2. Non-payment related defaults, if material.

3. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties.

4. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties.

5. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform.

6. Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security.

7. Modifications to rights of security holders, if material.

8. Bond calls (excluding mandatory sinking fund redemptions), if material.

9. Defeasances and tender offers.

10. Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material.

11. Rating changes.

12. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person.

13. The consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material.

14. Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.

15. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the obligated person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the obligated person, any of which affect security holders, if material.

16. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the obligated person, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

(b) After the occurrence of a Listed Event (excluding an event described in (a)8 above), CWL shall promptly notify the Dissemination Agent (if other than CWL) in writing. Such notice shall instruct the Dissemination Agent to report the occurrence.

(c) After the occurrence of a Listed Event (excluding an event described in (a)8 above), whether by notice from the Trustee or otherwise, CWL shall file (or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to file), in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such Listed Event, a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB, through its continuing disclosure service portal provided through EMMA at http://www.emma.msrb.org or any other similar system that is acceptable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, with a copy to the Trustee (if the Trustee is not the Dissemination Agent). Each notice of the occurrence of a Listed Event shall be captioned "Notice of Listed Event" and shall be filed in electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB and shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB. In the event of a Listed Event described in (a)8 above, the Trustee shall make the filing in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such Listed Event.

Termination of Reporting Obligations. CWL's obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall terminate upon the defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all the affected Series 2026 Bonds.

Dissemination Agents. CWL may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, and may discharge any such Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. A Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report prepared by CWL pursuant to a Continuing Disclosure Agreement. If at any time there is not any other designated Dissemination Agent, the Trustee shall be the Dissemination Agent. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be the Trustee.

Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, CWL and the Trustee may amend the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, and any provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) If the amendment or waiver relates to the requirements for providing an Annual Report, to the contents of the Annual Report or the reporting of Listed Events, it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature or status of an obligated person with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds, or the type of business conducted;

(b) The undertaking, as amended or taking into account such waiver, would, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the original issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and

(c) The amendment or waiver either (i) is approved by the Beneficial Owners of the affected Series 2026 Bonds in the same manner as provided in the Indenture for the affected Series 2026 Bonds for amendments to the Indenture with the consent of Beneficial Owners, or (ii) does not, in the opinion of the Trustee, materially impair the interests of the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds.

In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, CWL shall describe such amendment in the next Annual Report with respect to that issue, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by CWL. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, (i) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Listed Event, and (ii) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Additional Information. Nothing in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be deemed to prevent CWL from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. If CWL chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, CWL shall have no obligation under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Default. In the event of a failure of CWL or the Trustee to comply with any provision of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, the Trustee, CWL or any Beneficial Owner may (and the Trustee, at the request of the Underwriters, or the Beneficial Owners of at least 25% aggregate principal amount of outstanding Series 2026 Bonds, shall) take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause CWL or the Trustee, as the case may be, to comply with its obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. A default under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall not be deemed a default under the Indenture, and the sole remedy under a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in the event of any failure of CWL or the Trustee to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be an action to compel performance.

Duties of Trustees and Dissemination Agents and Rights of Indemnity. The Dissemination Agent (if other than a Trustee) and the Trustee in its capacity as Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, and CWL agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent and the Trustee, their officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which they may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of their powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorney's fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's or the Trustee's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Beneficiaries. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall inure solely to the benefit of CWL, the Trustee for the affected issue, the Dissemination Agent, the Underwriters and the Beneficial Owners of the affected Series 2026 Bonds and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

UNDERWRITING

Stephens Inc. and Crews & Associates, Inc., the Underwriters, have agreed, subject to certain conditions precedent, to purchase the Series 2026 Bonds from CWL at a purchase price of $_________ (principal amount _____ net original issue _______ of $_________ less Underwriters' discount of $_________). The Underwriters are committed to purchase all of the Series 2026 Bonds if any are purchased.

The Series 2026 Bonds are being purchased by the Underwriters for reoffering in the normal course of the Underwriters' business activities. The Underwriters may offer and sell the Series 2026 Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing Series 2026 Bonds into investment accounts) and others at prices lower than the offering price stated on the cover page hereof. After the initial public offering, the public offering price may be changed from time to time by the Underwriters.

LEGAL MATTERS

Legal Opinions. Legal matters incident to the authorization and issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds are subject to the unqualified approving opinion of Bond Counsel, the form of which is attached hereto as Appendix C.

Bond Counsel will not be responsible in any manner for matters addressed in the opinion of Special Tax Counsel and, likewise, Special Tax Counsel will not be responsible in any manner for matters addressed in the opinion of Bond Counsel. Moreover, Bond Counsel and Special Tax Counsel have no joint responsibility with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds or the proceedings relating to the Series 2026 Bonds. Bond Counsel will be solely responsible for its opinion and Special Tax Counsel will be solely responsible for its opinion. Bond Counsel's and Special Tax Counsel's fees for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds are contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds.

Legal Proceedings. There is no litigation pending seeking to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds, or questioning or affecting the legality of the Series 2026 Bonds or the proceedings and authority under which the Series 2026 Bonds are to be issued, or questioning the right of CWL to execute and deliver the Indenture or to issue the Series 2026 Bonds.

RATING

S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") is expected to assign its municipal bond rating of "AA- (stable outlook)" to the Series 2026 Bonds. Any explanation of such rating may only be obtained from S&P. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings upon information and materials supplied to them and on their own investigations, studies and assumptions. There is no assurance that such rating, once assigned, will remain for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency if in its judgment circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change or withdrawal of the rating assigned to the Series 2026 Bonds by S&P may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Series 2026 Bonds. The Underwriters and CWL have undertaken no responsibility after issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds to assure the maintenance of the rating or to oppose any such revision or withdrawal.

MISCELLANEOUS

Enforceability of Remedies. Rights of the registered owners of the Series 2026 Bonds and the enforceability of the remedies available under the Indenture may depend on judicial action and may be subject to the valid exercise of the constitutional powers of the United States of America and of the sovereign police powers of the State or other governmental units having jurisdiction, and to the application of federal bankruptcy laws or other debtor relief or moratorium laws in general. Therefore, enforcement of those remedies may be delayed or limited, or the remedies may be modified or unavailable, subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any effect upon any right, title, interest or relationship created by or arising under the Indenture resulting from the application of state or federal bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar debtor relief laws affecting creditors' rights which are presently or may from time to time be in effect.

Information in the Official Statement. Any statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or of estimates, whether or not so expressly stated, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the estimates will be realized. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between CWL and the purchasers or owners of any of the Series 2026 Bonds.

The information contained in this Official Statement has been taken from sources considered to be reliable, but is not guaranteed. To the best of the knowledge of the undersigned the Official Statement does not include any untrue statement of a material fact, nor does it omit the statement of any material fact required to be stated therein, or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

The execution and delivery of this Official Statement has been authorized by CWL.

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE
CITY OF JONESBORO

By ______________________________
Chairman

Dated: As of the Cover Page hereof.

APPENDIX A

Audited Financial Statements of CWL for the Fiscal Years
Ended December 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024

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Jonesboro, Arkansas

Report on the Audits of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and aggregate fiduciary fund statements of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and aggregate fiduciary fund statements of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas), as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards ("GAS")*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas) and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe 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 GAAP, 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 City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement issuance date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits 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 auditor's 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 and *GAS* 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 and *GAS*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- 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 audits 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 City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'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 City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'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 audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audits.

Required Supplementary Information

GAAP requires that the management's discussion and analysis, other postemployment benefits, and pension information on pages 8 through 12 and 50 through 53 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements and pension. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audits of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s basic financial statements. The supplementary information on pages 54 through 59 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information Included in the Annual Report

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the statistical data (unaudited) on pages 60 through 64 but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the basic financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon. In connection with our audits of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by *GAS*

In accordance with *GAS*, we have also issued our report on pages 6 and 7 dated March 30, 2026 on our consideration of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that 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 the effectiveness of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *GAS* in considering City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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March 30, 2026

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*

Board of Directors
City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)
Jonesboro, Arkansas

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards (“GAS”)* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities and aggregate fiduciary fund statements of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 30, 2026.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control over financial reporting (“internal control”) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *GAS.*

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *GAS* in considering City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (Arkansas)'s internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

INTRODUCTION

City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas ("CWL") is a municipal improvement district that operates as a consolidated utility district, organized under general and special acts of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, decrees of the courts, and ordinances of the City of Jonesboro. CWL provides electric and wastewater services to the City of Jonesboro and water services to the City of Jonesboro and surrounding areas. CWL is governed by a board with sixteen members.

The following is a narrative, provided by management, of CWL's financial performance, current condition, and outlook.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CWL'S financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB").

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an overview of CWL's financial information for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, with certain comparative information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements. The Notes are an integral part of CWL's financial statements and provide additional information on certain components of these statements.

The financial statements include five (5) basic statements. A brief description of each of the statements is as follows:

1. The Statements of Net Position provide information about the nature and amount of resources and obligations as a specific point in time.

2. The Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position report on CWL's revenues and expenses for the periods shown.

3. The Statements of Cash Flow reports the cash provided and used by operating activities, as well as other cash sources, such as investment income and debt financing, and other cash uses such as payments for debt service and capital additions.

4. The Statements of Fiduciary Net Position provide information about the nature and amount of resources and obligations as a specific point in time for the Retirement Plan for the Employees of City Water and Light Plant of Jonesboro ("Pension Plan") and the Post-Retirement Benefits Trust for Employees of City Water and Light ("OPEB Trust").

5. The Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position report CWL's revenues and expenses for the periods shown for the Pension Plan and the OPEB Trust.

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

CWL's Condensed Statements of Net Position as of December 31, 2025, 2024, and 2023 are summarized as follows:

	2025	2024	2023
Assets and deferred outflows of resources:			
Current Assets	$186,557,132	$109,892,997	$115,448,372
Investment and long-term receivables	64,047,841	77,137,352	85,633,489
Noncurrent assets	9,894,742	8,585,156	2,841,846
Capital assets, net of depreciation	391,085,105	366,546,226	336,676,396
Deferred outflows	26,469,531	28,058,204	32,213,792
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	$678,054,351	$590,219,935	$572,813,895
Liabilities and deferred inflows of resources:			
Current liabilities	$ 35,439,338	$ 19,808,754	$ 21,082,778
Noncurrent liabilities	103,964,957	47,764,901	59,068,536
Deferred inflows	17,403,079	19,483,560	10,723,657
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	156,807,374	87,057,215	90,874,971
Net position - invested in capital assets	282,630,778	315,183,600	281,811,349
Net position - restricted	60,341,143	2,486,216	2,005,339
Net position - unrestricted	178,275,056	185,492,904	198,122,236
Total net position	521,246,977	503,162,720	481,938,924
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	$678,054,351	$590,219,935	$572,813,895

CWL's Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for the years ended December 31, 2025, 2024, and 2023 are summarized as follows:

	2025	2024	2023
Operating revenues	$141,363,107	$127,572,508	$121,457,375
Operating expenses	133,799,008	116,948,234	114,557,049
Income from operations	7,564,099	10,624,274	6,900,326
Other income (expense)	8,705,517	8,076,044	9,907,932
Contributions	1,814,641	2,523,478	7,272,610
Total changes in net position	$ 18,084,257	$ 21,223,796	$ 24,080,868

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Changes between years for noncurrent assets, deferred outflows, and deferred inflows are determined by an actuarial evaluation performed annually. Changes between years in net position invested in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted, are determined by changes in assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses that will be discussed below.

DETAILED ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

2025 Compared to 2024

Current assets and investments and long-term receivables increased a total of $63.6 million. This includes an increase in restricted cash from a new bond issue of $58.8 million and a bond premium of $1.9 million obtained to be spent on the construction of a combined-cycle natural gas plant ("CCGP"). A disbursement of $2.6 million was made from the bond funds for the construction project during the year. Investments, including temporary, decreased $26.7 million as various investments matured and were offset by an increase in cash balances.

Capital assets, net of depreciation, increased $24.5 million primarily due to construction in progress for the CCGP of $19.3 million. Other increases in capital assets include increases in electric production plant of $5.7 million, electric distribution plant of $10.5 million, and wastewater service plant of $9.1 million. These capital additions were partially offset by asset retirements and annual depreciation expense.

Current liabilities and noncurrent liabilities increased a total of $71.8 million. Increases in long-term debt include a new bond issue of $58.8 million and a bond premium of $1.9 million obtained to finance the CCGP. Increases in accounts payable includes $16.7 million for payment on construction of the CCGP. These increases have been offset by decreases in long-term debt for principal payments made on existing bonds and accretion of bond premiums of $3.6 million and a decrease in unearned revenue of $2.0 million that was earned during the year.

Changes in net position decreased a total of $3.1 million. Depreciation expenses increased $3.1 million mostly due to the West Wastewater Treatment Plant that was completed in 2024. Other changes include an increase in production and operations costs and purchase power costs of $10.9 million. Electric customer sales in operating revenues increased $10.1 million because of increased energy sales and energy adjustment charges due to fluctuation in costs. Wastewater operating revenues increase $1.3 million from a board approved rate increase that took effect in 2025.

2024 Compared to 2023

Current assets and investment and long-term receivables decreased a total of $14.1 million. This includes a decrease in temporary investments and investments of $2.4 million. During 2024, sales of investments were $5.7 million more than purchases, and investments earned, included in other income (expense), approximately $3.1 million. Inventories were reduced by about $2.6 million because less inventory was purchased throughout the year, and inventory was used on various projects during the year.

Capital assets, net of depreciation, increased $29.9 million compared to 2023. During 2024, the new West Wastewater Treatment Plant was completed, and costs associated with the plant for the year were approximately $13.1 million. Increases also include $7.1 million invested in the Production Plant for electric, water, and wastewater. These capital additions were partially offset by asset retirements and annual depreciation expense.

Noncurrent liabilities decreased $11.3 million. $7.7 million of the decrease is the removal of the 2023 net pension liability based on the plan's actuarial evaluation. In addition, long-term debt had a decrease of $3.6 million from debt payments.

Operating revenues were $6.1 million higher in 2024 compared to 2023. Electric had an increase of $3.8 million because of growth and increases in fuel and purchasing costs. Kilowatt-hours billed increase 38,266,542 (2.8%) in 2024 compared to 2023. Water and wastewater together had an increase of approximately $2.3 million primarily from rate increases.

SIGNIFICANT CAPITAL ASSET AND LONG-TERM FINANCING ACTIVITY

Significant Capital Assets

Construction in progress includes $19.3 million at December 31, 2025, for construction of the CCGP in Independence County. Construction is expected to be complete at the end of 2030 with the plant going into service in 2031. See additional information in the "Other Facts" section of this report.

Construction in progress includes $3.5 million at December 31, 2025, for construction of a 13.2 mile 69kV transmission line from Jonesboro Southwestern Power Administrations (JSPA) substation to the Farville substation to improve the reliability and flexibility of the system. Construction began in June 2025 and is scheduled for completion by the end of 2026.

Construction in progress includes $9.6 million at December 31, 2025, for utility relocations for an Arkansas Department of Transportation project on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive from I-555 to Highway 49 North. Relocations began in October 2023 and are scheduled for completion in the third quarter of 2026.

Distribution plant in the capital assets increased $6.6 million at the completion in 2025 of the sewer main rehabilitation project. This project was for the rehabilitation of approximately 60,000 feet of sewer main, through a combination of cured in place pipe lining and pipe bursting, and manholes.

Bond Issues

On July 1, 2020, special obligation bonds were issued in the amount of $21,525,000 to finance construction and improvement costs of the wastewater and electric facilities. The specific projects financed include the replacement of the Main Lift Station, construction of a new sewer gravity line, and the installation of a solar generating facility. Bonds payable for the Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2020, at December 31, 2025, were $15,990,000. Final maturity is June 1, 2035.

On May 24, 2022, special obligation bonds were issued in the amount of $33,360,000 to finance construction of a new West Wastewater Treatment Plant. Bonds payable for the Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022, at December 31, 2025, was $28,430,000. Final maturity is June 1, 2037.

On December 9, 2025, special obligation bonds were issued in the amount of $58,775,000 to finance a portion of the construction costs for the CCGP in Independence County. The first payment on the Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025, will occur in June 1, 2026, and final maturity is June 1, 2045.

OTHER FACTS

Combined-Cycle Natural Gas Plant ("CCGP")

CWL has ownership interest in White Bluff and Independence coal-fired plants which together provide 251 megawatts of capacity to CWL. Entergy is the agent of White Bluff and Independence coal-fired plants and has reached a settlement agreement and consent judgement with the Sierra Club and the National Parks Conservation Association. White Bluff coal-fired plants shall cease the combustion of coal no later than December 31, 2028, and the Independence coal-fired plants shall cease the combustion of coal no later than December 31, 2030.

In 2025, CWL entered into multiple agreements for the future reuse of the White Bluff and Independence coal plant sites, including construction of base load generation, the CCGP, that will replace the utility's long standing coal units. The agreements address transactions related to White Bluff and Independence for excess property, interconnection rights, and plant property that result in Entergy Arkansas being the sole owner of the White Bluff site and the non-Entergy co-owners being the sole owners of the Independence site. The agreements also address the decommissioning and environmental maintenance of both coal plants. Despite the transfer of ownership, all coal plant co-owners will maintain responsibility for their respective share of decommissioning and ongoing environmental costs at both sites. In addition, the agreements stipulate that both coal plants will continue operation under the terms of the current ownership and operating agreements until their respective cease to burn coal dates.

CWL owns fifteen percent undivided ownership interest in the CCGP to be constructed by Arkansas Electric Cooperative Cooperation. The CCGP is anticipated to be rated at 1500 megawatts. CWL's share of the costs of constructing and equipping the CCGP is estimated to be $345,000,000. To fund the project, CWL issued Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025, for $58,775,000 on December 9, 2025, and plans to have additional bond issues in 2026 and 2028 to finance the remainder of the project.

CONTACTING CWL

The financial report is designed to provide CWL's bondholders, customers, and other interested parties with a general overview of CWL's finances and to demonstrate its accountability for the funds it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact CWL at 400 East Monroe, P.O. Box 1289, Jonesboro, Arkansas 72403, or visit CWL's website at https://www.jonesborocwl.org.

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 3)	$ 46,130,461	$ 22,040,593
Restricted cash deposits, current (Note 11)	59,791,143	1,936,216
Temporary investments (Note 4)	27,068,861	40,624,783
Accounts receivable, less allowance for credit losses (Note 5)	13,168,194	8,655,707
Accrued utility revenues	3,568,761	3,210,557
Accrued interest receivables	2,962,303	1,941,853
Inventories, net of reserve	32,308,006	29,986,250
Prepaid expenses	1,559,403	1,497,038
Total Current Assets	186,557,132	109,892,997
INVESTMENTS AND LONG-TERM RECEIVABLES		
Non-utility property	7,105,965	7,105,965
Investments (Note 4)	56,344,516	69,444,543
Restricted cash deposits, net of current (Note 11)	550,000	550,000
Installment receivables	47,360	36,844
Total Investments and Long-Term Receivables	64,047,841	77,137,352
NONCURRENT ASSETS		
Net Pension asset (Note 6)	3,254,934	1,107,911
Net OPEB asset (Note 7)	6,639,808	7,477,245
Total Noncurrent Assets	9,894,742	8,585,156
CAPITAL ASSETS		
Construction in progress	44,086,348	28,854,673
Utility plant in service	859,057,090	829,063,421
	903,143,438	857,918,094
Less accumulated depreciation	512,058,333	491,371,868
Total Capital Assets (Note 8)	391,085,105	366,546,226
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS		
Pension (Note 6)	15,897,452	17,207,393
OPEB (Note 7)	10,572,079	10,850,811
Total Deferred Outflows	26,469,531	28,058,204
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	$ 678,054,351	$ 590,219,935

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 9)	$ 4,489,370	$ 3,597,726
Unearned revenue (Note 16)	186,750	2,197,392
Accounts payable	23,945,600	7,600,325
Customer deposits	3,873,156	3,768,126
Accrued interest	368,883	174,683
Accrued taxes	263,466	234,148
Accrued salaries and leave	2,312,113	2,236,354
Total Current Liabilities	35,439,338	19,808,754
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Long-term debt, less current maturities (Note 9)	103,964,957	47,764,901
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	103,964,957	47,764,901
TOTAL LIABILITIES	139,404,295	67,573,655
DEFERRED INFLOWS		
Pension (Note 6)	8,618,805	9,241,724
OPEB (Note 7)	8,784,274	10,241,836
Total Deferred Inflows	17,403,079	19,483,560
NET POSITION		
Net investments in capital assets	282,630,778	315,183,600
Restricted	60,341,143	2,486,216
Unrestricted	178,275,056	185,492,904
Total Net Position	521,246,977	503,162,720
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION	$ 678,054,351	$ 590,219,935

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
OPERATING REVENUE	$ 141,363,107	$ 127,572,508
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Production and operations	57,477,405	45,539,873
Purchased power (Note 13)	21,518,382	22,548,372
Transmission	180,806	184,018
Distribution	15,979,214	14,462,422
Customers' accounting and collection	4,724,350	4,403,938
Administrative and general	9,161,014	8,179,231
Depreciation	24,531,599	21,406,030
Contributions in lieu of taxes (Note 10)	226,238	224,350
Total Operating Expenses	133,799,008	116,948,234
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	7,564,099	10,624,274
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest income	5,396,408	5,903,737
Investment income	5,164,718	3,062,526
Rent income (Note 12)	842,486	827,641
Miscellaneous income	294,157	405,900
Interest expense	(1,605,921)	(1,491,200)
Bond expense	(594,388)	(28,600)
Contributions to City of Jonesboro (Note 10)	(791,943)	(603,960)
Total Other Income	8,705,517	8,076,044
INCOME BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS	16,269,616	18,700,318
CONTRIBUTIONS	1,814,641	2,523,478
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	18,084,257	21,223,796
NET POSITION, JANUARY 1	503,162,720	481,938,924
NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31	$ 521,246,977	$ 503,162,720

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	$ 134,586,804	$ 123,356,134
Payments to suppliers	(98,284,273)	(78,709,476)
Payments to employees	(15,161,172)	(12,531,505)
Other payments	(784,024)	(336,136)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	20,357,335	31,779,017
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from bond issue	60,689,978	-
Principal payments on bonds issued	(2,955,000)	(2,810,000)
Bond issuance costs	(576,788)	-
Bond interest and fees	(2,266,799)	(2,223,928)
Acquisition and construction of utility plant	(31,809,045)	(49,574,535)
Proceeds from sale of utility plant in service	707,752	248,807
Contributions received	574,567	573,346
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	24,364,665	(53,786,310)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of investments and restricted bond funds	(11,244,000)	(51,480,878)
Proceeds from sale and maturities of investments	42,490,000	57,174,062
Rent income	842,486	827,641
Interest and dividends on investments and installment receivables	5,144,825	5,031,266
Principal collections on installment receivables	(10,516)	5,402
Net purchases of nonutility property	-	(79,631)
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	37,222,795	11,477,862
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	81,944,795	(10,529,431)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, JANUARY 1	24,526,809	35,056,240
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, DECEMBER 31 (NOTE 3)	$ 106,471,604	$ 24,526,809

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
RECONCILIATION OF INCOME FROM OPERATIONS TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Income from operations	$ 7,564,099	$ 10,624,274
Adjustments to reconcile income from operations to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	24,531,599	21,406,030
Recoveries for credit losses	(55,095)	(13,283)
Other receipts (payments)	(557,786)	(336,136)
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Accounts receivable	(4,457,392)	(582,533)
Accrued utility revenues	(358,204)	(81,782)
Inventories	(2,321,756)	2,572,627
Prepaid expenses	(62,365)	81,170
Unearned revenue	(2,010,642)	(3,860,519)
Accounts payable	(323,836)	1,473,187
Customer deposits	105,030	321,743
Accrued taxes	29,318	120,432
Accrued salaries and vacations	75,759	587,535
Deferred outflows of resources for pension	1,309,941	2,873,375
Deferred outflows of resources for OPEB	278,732	1,282,213
Deferred inflows of resources for pension	(622,919)	5,415,930
Deferred inflows of resources for OPEB	(1,457,562)	3,343,973
Net pension asset and liability	(2,147,023)	(8,813,820)
Net OPEB asset	837,437	(4,635,399)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	$ 20,357,335	$ 31,779,017

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES		
NONINVESTING, CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of developer built lines:		
Utility plant in service	$ 1,240,074	$ 1,950,132
Noncash Contributions	$ 1,240,074	$ 1,950,132

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025		2024	
	Pension Trust Fund	OPEB Trust Fund	Pension Trust Fund	OPEB Trust Fund
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 2,830,226	$ 1,328,582	$ 2,793,082	$ 1,763,575
Investments	81,525,442	60,319,773	72,187,611	53,995,985
Total Assets	$ 84,355,668	$ 61,648,355	$ 74,980,693	$ 55,759,560
NET POSITION				
Restricted for:				
Pensions	$ 84,355,668		$ 74,980,693	
Other Postemployment Benefits		$ 61,648,355		$ 55,759,560
Total Net Position	$ 84,355,668	$ 61,648,355	$ 74,980,693	$ 55,759,560

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025		2024	
	Pension Trust Fund	OPEB Trust Fund	Pension Trust Fund	OPEB Trust Fund
ADDITIONS				
Employer Contributions	$ 3,300,000	$ 720,000	$ 3,120,000	$ 600,000
Net Investment Income	9,470,860	6,933,546	6,671,829	5,123,242
Total Additions	12,770,860	7,653,546	9,791,829	5,723,242
DEDUCTIONS				
Pension Distributions	3,269,382		3,299,055	
Retirement Healthcare Premiums		1,661,482		1,342,156
Administrative Expenses	126,503	103,269	101,118	79,311
Total Deductions	3,395,885	1,764,751	3,400,173	1,421,467
CHANGE IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION	9,374,975	5,888,795	6,391,656	4,301,775
NET POSITION, JANUARY 1	74,980,693	55,759,560	68,589,037	51,457,785
NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31	$ 84,355,668	$ 61,648,355	$ 74,980,693	$ 55,759,560

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

NOTE 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Nature of Business

City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas ("CWL") provides electric and wastewater services to the City of Jonesboro and water services to the City of Jonesboro and surrounding areas. CWL is governed by a board with sixteen members.

With the advice and direction of legal counsel, CWL participated in and benefited from the formation of CWL Corp. I, a nonmember Arkansas nonprofit corporation formed to benefit CWL. The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of CWL Corp. I provide CWL exclusive authority to appoint directors of the corporation together with other rights and privileges. CWL Corp. I in turn participated in the formation of CWL Corp. III, a nonmember Arkansas nonprofit corporation formed to benefit CWL Corp. I. The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of CWL Corp. III provide CWL Corp. I exclusive authority to appoint directors of the corporation together with other rights and privileges. Because these affiliated entities are ultimately controlled by CWL and for the benefit of CWL they are treated as subsidiaries for accounting purposes. There were no intercompany transactions between CWL, CWL Corp. I and CWL Corp. III in 2025 or 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") as applied to enterprise funds of governmental entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting and periodically issues new or revised standards that are implemented by CWL. In addition, the financial statements are presented substantially in conformity with accounting principles and methods prescribed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC").

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounts of CWL are accounted for in an enterprise fund, which is a proprietary fund type. Enterprise funds account for activities that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises and for which periodic determination of revenues, expenses and net income is desirable. These funds render services to the general public on a user-charge basis. Enterprise funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized when incurred. All intra-departmental activities have been eliminated.

Operating revenues and expenses are distinguished from other income (expense) items in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with the principal ongoing operations. All revenues not meeting this definition are reported as other income (expense) but remain a major component of the overall revenues and expenses of CWL.

CWL utilizes fiduciary funds to report assets that are held in a trustee or agency capacity for others that cannot be used to support the general operations of the utility. Transactions and balances of the fiduciary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds include the following:

NOTE 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

1. The Retirement Plan for Employees of City Water and Light Plant of Jonesboro ("Pension Plan") is an employee benefits trust fund used to report the accumulation and use of resources to pay retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. See Note 6.

2. Post Retirement Benefits Trust for Employees of City Water and Light ("OPEB Trust") is an employee benefits trust fund used to report the accumulation and use of resources to pay for health insurance for employees who are eligible to retire and receive 100 percent of their pension. See Note 7

C. Revenue Recognition

CWL recognizes revenue when earned, based upon customer usage or when the service is provided. Customers are billed on a monthly basis as approved by the Board of Directors.

In 1998, CWL began utilizing a twelve-month rolling average fuel, operation, and maintenance cost to compute the energy adjustment for the electric customers. One-twelfth of the cumulative over-billed (or under-billed) amount is subtracted (or added) to the current month’s energy costs in computing the current month’s energy adjustment. Energy costs are billed to customers through the addition or subtraction of an energy adjustment to the base rate. Under-billed amounts are included in accounts receivable while over-billed amounts are included in unearned revenue.

D. Capital Assets

Capital assets are valued at cost or, for contributed items, at estimated fair market value on the date of contribution. Cost includes appropriate administrative and general costs and payroll related costs such as taxes, pensions, and other benefits. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the depreciable assets. CWL capitalizes assets with an initial value or cost greater than $2,500 and an estimated useful life of three years or more. Significant betterments, which increase the useful lives of capital assets, are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful life of the related asset.

E. Investment Securities

Certificates of deposit are stated at cost. Equity securities, corporate bonds and government agencies are stated at fair market value. Gains or losses on disposition are based on the net proceeds and the adjusted carrying amount of the securities sold, using the specific method. Fair value measurements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy established by GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. The hierarchy consists of three input levels. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs other than quoted prices, and Level 3 are unobservable inputs. Dividends and capital gains, as well as unrealized gains and losses, are recognized as other income (expense).

NOTE 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are primarily from sales to customers in the City of Jonesboro and surrounding areas. Monthly bills are mailed to customers for service through the respective meter reading dates.

G. Inventories

Inventories consist of materials and supplies held for consumption and values are assigned using the average cost method. The cost is recorded as an expense or to a capital project at the time of use. Inventories, net of reserve, include reductions of $253,443 and $269,296 at December 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively, for inventory that is considered obsolete.

H. Income Taxes

CWL is exempt from income taxes under various provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

I. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash Deposits

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, CWL considers petty cash and demand deposit accounts to be cash and cash equivalents. Restricted cash deposits include cash and cash equivalents that are legally restricted as to their future use as established by a bond covenant or by external parties such as creditors, contributors, or by-laws and regulations.

J. 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 amount reported in accrued revenue, allowance for doubtful accounts, depreciation, and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

K. Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources

Deferred Inflows of Resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then. The following items qualify for reporting in this category and are related to the Pension Plan and OPEB Trust:

1. Differences between expected and actual experience and
2. Differences between projected and actual earnings.

The differences will be amortized to pension and OPEB expenses.

NOTE 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Deferred Outflows of Resources represents a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses) until then. The following items qualify for reporting in this category and are related to the Pension Plan and OPEB Trust:

1. Contributions made after the measurement date,
2. Differences between expected and actual experience,
3. Differences between projected and actual earnings, and
4. Changes in assumptions.

Deferred outflows related to contributions made after the measurement date will be used in the next year to reduce net pension liability. The remaining amounts will be amortized to pension and OPEB expenses over future periods.

L. Pension

For the purpose of measuring the net pension asset or liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Pension Plan and additions to/deductions from the Pension Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they were determined by a third-party actuarial report on the Pension Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported as fair value. See Note 6.

M. Other Post-Employment Benefit

For the purpose of measuring the net Other Post-Employment Benefit ("OPEB") asset or liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-retirement benefits expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the OPEB Trust and additions to/deductions from the OPEB Trust's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they were determined by a third-party actuarial report on the OPEB Trust. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported as fair value. See Note 7.

N. Compensated Absences

CWL provides all eligible employees with paid time off benefits. Paid time off benefits are accrued when earned in the financial statements as required by GASB 101.

O. Net Position

Net Position is comprised of three categories:

1. Net investments in capital assets consists of construction in progress and capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less any related long-term debt.

2. Restricted net position consists of funds set aside in compliance with legal requirements of specific agreements.

3. Unrestricted net position consists of amounts not included in other categories.

NOTE 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

P. Net Position Flow Assumptions

At times CWL will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. To calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position on the accompanying statement of net position, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are applied. It is CWL's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

Q. Budgetary Comparisons

CWL is not legally required to adopt a budget for the enterprise fund. Therefore, budget comparison information is not included in the financial statements.

R. Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2024 amounts in order for them to conform to the 2025 presentation. These reclassifications had no impact on previously reported change in net position or results of operations.

NOTE 2: OWNERSHIP AGREEMENTS

A. White Bluff Coal Plants

In 1977, CWL entered into an Ownership Agreement with Entergy Arkansas, Inc. ("Entergy") to purchase a five percent undivided ownership interest in "White Bluff Unit No. 1" and "White Bluff Unit No. 2" coal-fired generating plants constructed by Entergy. These units, located in Jefferson County, Arkansas, are rated at 815 megawatts and 844 megawatts, respectively. Entergy has operational control of the two generating plants. As part of a settlement agreement and consent judgement between Entergy Arkansas and environmental groups, Entergy will cease burning coal at the coal units at White Bluff by the end of 2028. Accrued decommissioning costs at December 31, 2025, is $159,900. The following is a summary of CWL's proportionate share, and each participant must pay its share of expenses for the operations of the plants, which are included in the operating expenses of each participant's statements of income. Allowance for depreciation on utility plant in service is determined by each participant based on their depreciation methods and rates relating to their share of the plants. The utility plant is service will be fully depreciated by the end of 2028.

	2025	2024
Utility plant in service	$ 54,037,810	$ 53,192,534
Less accumulated depreciation	49,469,289	47,905,753
Utility plant in service, net depreciation	4,568,520	5,286,781
Inventories	5,010,186	4,862,207
Plant's Net Share	$ 9,578,706	$ 10,148,988

NOTE 2: OWNERSHIP AGREEMENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Independence Coal Plants

In 1979, CWL entered into an Ownership Agreement with Entergy to purchase a five percent undivided ownership interest in “Independence Unit No. 1” and “Independence Unit No. 2” coal-fired generating plants constructed by Entergy. During 1996, CWL purchased an additional ten percent undivided ownership in "Independence Unit No. 2." These units, located in Independence County, Arkansas, are rated at 836 megawatts and 842 megawatts, respectively. Entergy has operational control of the two generating plants. As part of a settlement agreement and consent judgement between Entergy Arkansas and environmental groups, Entergy will cease burning coal at the coal units at Independence by the end of 2030. Accrued decommissioning costs at December 31, 2025, is $193,800. The following is a summary of CWL’s proportionate share, and each participant must pay its share of expenses for the operations of the plants, which are included in the operating expenses of each participant’s statements of income. Allowance for depreciation on utility plant in service is determined by each participant based on their depreciation methods and rates relating to their share of the plants. The utility plant is service will be fully depreciated by the end of 2030.

	2025	2024
Utility plant in service	$ 113,672,438	$ 111,822,468
Less accumulated depreciation	98,570,027	95,368,739
Utility plant in service, net depreciation	15,102,411	16,453,729
Inventories	8,480,002	7,675,447
Plant's Net Share	$ 23,582,413	$ 24,129,176

C. Independence Combined-Cycle Gas Turbine Power Plant

In 2025, CWL entered into an Ownership Agreement with Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation and other co-owners for a fifteen percent undivided ownership interest of a combined-cycle natural gas plant ("CCGP") to be constructed in Independence County, Arkansas. The CCGP is anticipated to be rated for roughly 1500 megawatts. CWL's share of the costs of constructing and equipping the CCGP is estimated to be $345,000,000. CWL's proportionate share of costs, included in the Statement of Net Position as construction in progress, at December 31, 2025, was $19,448,417.

NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and temporary investments, including certificates of deposit at cost and corporate bonds at market value maturing in 2026, are carried and recorded at market value and consist of the following on December 31:

	2025	2024
Demand deposit accounts	$ 46,124,211	$ 22,034,343
Petty cash	6,250	6,250
Total cash and cash equivalents	46,130,461	22,040,593
Restricted cash deposits	60,341,143	2,486,216
Total cash and cash equivalents as reflected on the Statement of Cash Flows	$ 106,471,604	$ 24,526,809

NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, CWL would not be able to recover the funds. All demand deposit accounts and certificates of deposit are federally insured or collateralized with securities maintained by the pledging bank's trust department in CWL's name. CWL funds were not exposed to custodial credit risk.

NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS

Under state statutes and CWL's investment policy, CWL may invest in certificates of deposit with banks in the State of Arkansas, United States securities (including United States Agency, State and Local Governments and Approved Sovereign Government securities) with a maximum maturity date of six years, convertible debentures, convertible preferred stock, perpetual preferred stock and publicly traded common stock. Investments in equities are limited to 40% of assets.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rate will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. According to CWL's investment policy, all investments are monitored for changes in the effective yield.

All investments, including certificates of deposit, are insured by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), Securities Investor Protection Corporation ("SIPC"), or collateralized by current market values of pledges as prescribed in Arkansas Code Section 19-8-203.

CWL's total cash and investments include cash and cash equivalents, temporary investments, restricted cash deposits, and long-term investments. No one specific security has five percent or more of total cash and investments; however, the following institutions have five percent or more of the total cash and investments:

	2025	2024
Centennial Bank	$ 63,296,305	$ -
Stifel	38,020,576	20,824,641
Signature Bank	22,000,001	23,500,001
Charles Schwab	17,078,624	14,863,891
First Community Bank	15,414,064	11,500,000
First National Bank	13,000,000	13,000,000
Edward Jones	-	25,487,882
Vanguard	-	10,226,019
Demand Deposit, Brokerage and Other Accounts	21,075,411	15,193,701
	189,884,981	134,596,135
Less cash and cash equivalents	46,130,461	22,040,593
Less restricted deposits	60,341,143	2,486,216
Total investments	$ 83,413,377	$ 110,069,326

NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

At December 31, 2025 and 2024, CWL had the following investments and maturities:

2025	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	Greater than 1 Year
Certificates of deposit	$ 44,000,001	$ 14,500,000	$ 29,500,001
Equity securities	21,520,330	-	21,520,330
Corporate bond and government agencies	17,893,046	12,568,861	5,324,185
	$ 83,413,377	$ 27,068,861	$ 56,344,516

2024	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	Greater than 1 Year
Certificates of deposit	$ 50,500,001	$ 17,500,000	$ 33,000,001
Equity securities	18,597,892	-	18,597,892
Corporate bond and government agencies	40,971,433	23,124,783	17,846,650
	$ 110,069,326	$ 40,624,783	$ 69,444,543

Investments at December 31, 2025 and 2024, are categorized as follows:

2025	Quoted Prices in Active Markets Level 1	Significant Other Observable Inputs Level 2	Significant Unobservable Inputs Level 3
Equity securities	$ 21,520,330	$ -	$ -
Corporate bond and government agencies	-	17,893,046	-
	$ 21,520,330	$ 17,893,046	$ -

2024	Quoted Prices in Active Markets Level 1	Significant Other Observable Inputs Level 2	Significant Unobservable Inputs Level 3
Equity securities	$ 18,597,892	$ -	$ -
Corporate bond and government agencies	-	40,971,433	-
	$ 18,597,892	$ 40,971,433	$ -

Investments at December 31 for the Pension Plan, of which bonds, stocks and mutual funds are Level 1 investments, and cash and cash equivalents are Level 2 investments, including the following:

2025	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	Greater than 1 Year
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,830,226	$ 2,830,226	$ -
Bonds	3,163,467	382,641	2,780,826
Stocks	6,404,035	-	6,404,035
Mutual Funds	71,957,940	309,980	71,647,960
	$ 84,355,668	$ 3,522,847	$ 80,832,821

NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

2024	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	Greater than 1 Year
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 2,793,083	$ 2,793,083	$ -
Bonds	3,490,041	1,507,121	1,982,920
Stocks	6,523,761	-	6,523,761
Mutual Funds	62,173,808	250,365	61,923,443
	$ 74,980,693	$ 4,550,569	$ 70,430,124

Investments at December 31 for the OPEB Trust, of which bonds, stocks and mutual funds are Level 1 investments, and cash and cash equivalents are Level 2 investments, including the following:

2025	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	Greater than 1 Year
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 1,328,582	$ 1,328,582	$ -
Bonds	2,960,450	447,626	2,512,824
Stocks	5,147,324	-	5,147,324
Mutual Funds	52,211,999	309,981	51,902,018
	$ 61,648,355	$ 2,086,189	$ 59,562,166

2024	Fair Value	Less than 1 Year	Greater than 1 Year
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 1,763,575	$ 1,763,575	$ -
Bonds	3,110,245	1,198,051	1,912,194
Stocks	5,428,905	-	5,428,905
Mutual Funds	45,456,835	250,365	45,206,470
	$ 55,759,560	$ 3,211,991	$ 52,547,569

NOTE 5: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consist of the following on December 31, 2025 and 2024:

	2025	2024
Customer account receivables	$ 10,908,803	$ 7,653,979
Receivables from other utilities	2,428,518	970,605
Other receivables	240,802	385,956
Allowance for credit losses	(409,929)	(354,833)
Accounts receivable, less credit losses	$ 13,168,194	$ 8,655,707

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN

A. Plan Description

The "Retirement Plan for the Employees of City Water and Light Plant of Jonesboro, Arkansas" is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the CWL Retirement Committee. CWL provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The plan provides a normal monthly retirement benefit based on 1.75% of final average monthly compensation times the number of years credited service. It provides a temporary retirement income for participants retiring prior to age 62, which is computed by multiplying the final rate of pay times 0.50% times the number of years credited service. It also provides a monthly disability benefit for employees totally and permanently disabled prior to normal retirement date and a death benefit to the participant's beneficiary. No cost-of-living adjustments are provided to members or beneficiaries. Plan participants qualify for eligibility on the later of age 21 years or 1 year of vesting service.

CWL's Board of Directors has the sole authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. CWL maintains publicly available financial information for "Retirement Plan for Employees of City Water and Light Plant of Jonesboro, Arkansas". That information may be obtained by writing to City Water and Light, PO Box 1289, Jonesboro, Arkansas 72403 or by calling (870) 930-3346.

B. Coverage

On November 1, 2025, the plan covered a total of 275 individuals and consists of 179 active employees and 96 retired employees. On November 1, 2024, the plan covered a total of 265 individuals and consists of 180 active employees and 85 retired employees.

Covered employee payroll amounts were $14,082,510 and $13,846,314 for years ending October 31, 2025, and October 31, 2024, respectively.

C. Assumptions

determined using the RP 2014 Mortality Table. Subsequent to this date, all mortality rates were determined using the Pub-G generationally projected MP 2019 Table. The actuarial assumptions used in years prior to 2017 included (a) 7.0% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), (b) 7.0% discount rate and (c) projected salary increases of 5.0% per year. Changes in assumptions for valuation years 2017-2020 included (a) 6.5% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), (b) 6.5% discount rate and (c) projected salary increases of 4.0% per year. In 2021, changes in assumptions include (a) 6.0% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses) and (b) 6.0% discount rate. Projected salary increases remained at 4.0% annually. The actuarial value of assets was determined using the current market value of investments. The total pension liability is amortized ausing a level dollar method over a 30-year period beginning November 1, 2015, on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at November 1, 2025, is 20 years.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

D. Contribution Requirements

CWL's Board of Directors may amend the contribution requirements. The plan is totally funded by CWL and an amount approximating the actuarially determined contribution as determined under GASB 67 is contributed to the plan. The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the November 1, 2024, actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method.

E. Long-Term Expected Rate of Return and Single Discount Rate

The expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 6.00%. The municipal bond rate is 4.37%. Since assets are projected to be sufficient to meet benefit payments, the resulting single discount rate to measure Total Pension Liability is 6.00%. The Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on pension plan investments was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return. The target allocation and the long-term expected rates of return are shown in the table below:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term
Equity	60.00%	5.00%
Fixed Income	30.00%	3.00%
Alternatives	5.00%	6.00%
Cash	5.00%	
Subtotal	100.00%	4.20%
Assumed inflation		2.25%
Total		6.45%
Rounded and adjusted for investment expenses		6.00%

F. Net Pension Asset (Liability)

Regarding the sensitivity of the Net Pension Asset (Liability) to changes in the single discount rate, the following presents the plan's net pension liability, calculated using a single discount rate of 6.0%, as well as what the plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a single discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher:

	1% Decrease to 5.0%	Current Single Rate of 6.0%	1% Increase to 7.0%
Total Pension Asset (Liability)	$ (90,631,749)	$ (80,074,881)	$ (69,710,125)
Net Pension Asset (Liability)	$ (7,301,934)	$ 3,254,934	$ 13,619,690

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

G. Summary of Financial Information

	Plan year ended October 31, 2025	Plan year ended October 31, 2024
a. Income		
1. Employer contributions	$ 3,270,000	$ 3,100,000
2. Investment income		
Interest/dividends	3,514,954	2,466,410
Realized gain	125,667	6,274,333
Unrealized gain (loss)	4,764,846	4,246,018
Investment expense	(115,946)	(86,101)
Net Investment Income	8,289,521	12,900,660
Total Income	$ 11,559,521	$ 16,000,660
b. Expenses		
1. Administrative	$ 9,025	$ 7,655
2. Monthly benefits	3,142,609	2,624,369
3. Lump sum distributions	19,526	631,506
Total Expenses	$ 3,171,160	$ 3,263,530

	Plan year ended October 31, 2025	Plan year ended October 31, 2024
c. Assets (Market)		
1. Short-term		
Cash and money market	$ 2,920,381	$ 2,664,758
Institutional (cd's, savings, etc.)	-	-
2. Mutual funds		
Equity funds	47,718,164	42,237,448
Fixed income funds	21,149,786	19,580,733
3. Equities - common stocks	5,773,038	3,930,922
4. Bonds	2,966,970	3,804,792
5. Real estate funds	2,351,401	2,341,616
6. Hedge funds	450,075	381,185
Total Assets	$ 83,329,815	$ 74,941,454
d. Ratio of assets to annual expenses:	26.3	23.0
e. Annual investment return:	11.1%	20.8%

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

f. Total Pension Liability

1. Active Lives		
Regular retirement benefits	$ 37,767,396	$ 39,758,897
Voluntary termination benefits	491,076	447,525
Survivor's benefits	60,758	56,083
Disability benefits	695,646	637,799
Total Active Lives	39,014,876	40,900,304
2. Inactive Lives		
Vested terminations	-	-
Retirees and beneficiaries	41,060,005	32,933,239
Total Inactive Lives	41,060,005	32,933,239
Total Liability	$ 80,074,881	$ 73,833,543

H. Changes in the Net Pension Asset (Liability)

	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Asset (Liability)
Changes for year ended 10/31/2024:			
a. Service Cost	$ (1,492,314)	$ -	$ (1,492,314)
b. Interest	(4,141,707)	-	(4,141,707)
c. Difference between expected and actual experience	(1,545,164)	-	(1,545,164)
d. Employer contributions	-	(3,100,000)	3,100,000
e. Employee contributions	-	-	-
f. Net investment income	-	(12,900,660)	12,900,660
g. Benefits and refunds	3,255,875	3,255,875	-
h. Administrative expenses	-	7,655	(7,655)
i. Assumption change	-	-	-
j. Other	-	-	-
Net Changes	(3,923,310)	(12,737,130)	8,813,820
Balance at 10/31/2023	(69,910,233)	(62,204,324)	(7,705,909)
Balance at 10/31/2024	$ (73,833,543)	$ (74,941,454)	$ 1,107,911

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Changes for year ended 10/31/2025:			
a. Service Cost	$ (1,578,095)	$ -	$ (1,578,095)
b. Interest	(4,382,491)	-	(4,382,491)
c. Difference between expected and actual	(3,442,887)	-	(3,442,887)
d. Employer contributions	-	(3,270,000)	3,270,000
e. Employee contributions	-	-	-
f. Net investment income	-	(8,289,521)	8,289,521
g. Benefits and refunds	3,162,135	3,162,135	-
h. Administrative expenses	-	9,025	(9,025)
i. Assumption change	-	-	-
j. Other	-	-	-
Net Changes	(6,241,338)	(8,388,361)	2,147,023
Balance at 10/31/2024	(73,833,543)	(74,941,454)	1,107,911
Balance at 10/31/2025	$ (80,074,881)	$ (83,329,815)	$ 3,254,934

I. Pension Expense/(Income) Under GASB 68

	2025	2024
1. Net Pension Asset (Liability) at beginning of year	$ 1,107,911	$ (7,705,909)
2. Net Pension Asset at end of year	3,254,934	1,107,911
3. Increase (Decrease) in Net Pension Liability in year = (2) - (1)	2,147,023	8,813,820
4. Decrease in Net Pension Liability due to Employer Contributions during the measurement period	(3,270,000)	(3,100,000)
5. Change to reflect in Pension Expense (Income) = (3) + (4)	(1,122,977)	5,713,820
6. Adjust for Actual vs Expected experience		
a) Remove (loss)	3,442,887	1,545,164
b) Add amortization	(1,746,634)	(1,402,345)
7. Adjust for Actual vs. Projected investment income		
a) Remove (loss)	(3,780,773)	(9,165,422)
b) Add amortization	1,367,498	713,298
8. Pension Expense = (5) + (6) + (7)	$ (1,839,999)	$ (2,595,485)

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

J. Detail of Outflow/(Inflow) of Resources

Description	Year	Original Amount	Recognition Period	Outflow (Inflow) In Current Expense	Deferred Outflow (Inflow) 11/1/2025
1. Actual vs. Expected	2015	$ 352,112	15	$ 23,474	$ 93,898
2. Actual vs. Expected	2016	154,952	15	10,330	51,652
3. Actual vs. Expected	2017	(237,322)	15	(15,821)	(94,933)
4. Assumption Change	2017	1,350,507	15	90,034	540,201
5. Actual vs. Expected	2018	599,307	12	49,942	199,771
6. Actual vs. Expected	2019	1,124,052	12	93,671	468,355
7. Actual vs. Expected	2020	209,653	12	17,471	104,827
8. Assumption Change	2020	1,643,497	12	136,958	821,749
9. Actual vs. Expected	2021	802,665	11	72,970	437,815
10. Proj vs Actual earnings	2021	(8,993,164)	5	(1,798,633)	-
11. Assumption Change	2021	4,062,023	11	369,275	2,215,648
12. Actual vs. Expected	2022	2,092,324	11	190,211	1,331,480
13. Proj vs Actual earnings	2022	13,793,049	5	2,758,610	2,758,609
14. Actual vs. Expected	2023	2,093,135	10	209,314	1,465,193
15. Proj vs Actual earnings	2023	1,308,813	5	261,764	523,524
16. Actual vs. Expected	2024	1,545,164	10	154,516	1,236,132
17. Proj vs Actual earnings	2024	(9,165,422)	5	(1,833,084)	(5,499,254)
18. Actual vs. Expected	2025	3,442,887	10	344,289	3,098,598
19. Proj vs Actual earnings	2025	(3,780,773)	5	(756,155)	(3,024,618)
Total				$ 379,136	$ 6,728,647
Due to Liabilities				$ 1,746,634	$ 11,970,386
Due to Assets				$ (1,367,498)	$ (5,241,739)

K. Detail of Deferred Outflow/(Inflow) of Resources

Description	2025 Deferred Outflows of Resources	2025 Deferred Inflows of Resources	2024 Deferred Outflows of Resources	2024 Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	$ 8,487,721	$ -	$ 6,211,022	$ 110,754
Changes of assumptions	3,577,598	-	4,173,865	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	3,282,133	$ 8,618,805	6,302,506	9,130,970
Subtotal	15,347,452	8,618,805	16,687,393	9,241,724
Adj for contributions after 10/31 and before 12/31	550,000	-	520,000	-
Total	$ 15,897,452	$ 8,618,805	$ 17,207,393	$ 9,241,724

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ending December 31:	Net Deferred Outflow of Resources
2026	$ 2,177,767
2027	(580,844)
2028	(842,607)
2029	990,486
2030	1,673,220
Thereafter	3,310,625
Total	$ 6,728,647

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. Plan Description

The "Post Retirement Benefits Trust for Employees of City Water and Light" is an Other Post-Employment Benefits ("OPEB") health care plan administered by the CWL Retirement Committee. This single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan provides and pays for health insurance for employees who are eligible to retire and receive 100 percent of their pension. Employees hired after January 1, 2008, must retire with a minimum of 25 years of service to be eligible. This coverage is provided for the retiree and the spouse of record at the time of retirement. CWL pays 50 percent of the premium for up to two years for employees who are on long-term disability. CWL is a secondary provider for those retirees and/or their spouses who are eligible for Medicare benefits. OPEB benefits are subject to medical inflation, which is reflected in the actuarial assumptions.

B. Funding Policy

CWL is currently advance funding the benefits on an actuarially determined basis. CWL's Board of Directors has the sole authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. CWL maintains publicly available financial information for "Post-Retirement Benefits Trust for Employees of City Water and Light Plant of Jonesboro, Arkansas". That information may be obtained by writing to City Water and Light, PO Box 1289, Jonesboro, Arkansas 72403 or by calling (870) 930-3346.

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

C. Assumptions

The valuation date is as of November 1, 2025, and the entry age normal cost method was used. Valuations before November 1, 2017, used the projected unit credit method. Mortality assumptions are based on the Pub-G 2010 Mortality Table (headcount basis), projected generationally using Scale MP-2019. Prior to November 1, 2019, mortality assumption was based on the RP-2014 Mortality Table. Subsequent to that date, mortality assumptions were updated to the Pub-G generational mortality table with MP-2019 projection scale. The actuarial assumptions used in years prior to 2021 included (a) 6.5% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), (b) 6.5% discount rate and (c) projected salary increases of 4.0% per year. In 2021, changes in assumptions include (a) 6.0% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses) and (b) 6.0 % discount rate. Projected salary increases remained at 4.0% annually. The actuarial value of assets was determined using the current market value of investments.

Actuarial valuations, which reflect a long-term perspective, involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

D. Coverage

On November 1, 2025, the plan had 198 active employee participants and covered a total of 176 retirees and beneficiaries. On November 1, 2024, the plan had 199 active employee participants and covered a total of 169 retirees and beneficiaries.

E. Contribution Requirements

CWL's Board of Directors may amend the contribution requirements. The plan is completely funded by CWL and an amount approximating the annual required contribution as determined under GASB 75 is contributed to the plan. The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the November 1, 2024, actuarial valuation using the entry age normal actuarial cost method.

F. Long-Term Expected Rate of Return and Single Discount Rate

The expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments is 6.00%. The municipal bond rate is 4.37%. Since assets are projected to be sufficient to meet benefit payments, the resulting single discount rate to measure Total OPEB Liability is 6.00%. The Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on OPEB plan investments was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return. The target allocation and the long-term expected rates of return are shown in the table below:

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term
Equity	60.00%	5.00%
Fixed Income	30.00%	3.00%
Alternatives	5.00%	6.00%
Cash	5.00%	
Subtotal	100.00%	4.20%
Assumed inflation		2.25%
Total		6.45%
Rounded and adjusted for investment expenses		6.00%

G. Net OPEB Liability

Regarding the sensitivity of the net OPEB asset to changes in the single discount rate, the following presents the plan's net OPEB asset, calculated using a single discount rate of 6.0%, as well as what the plan's net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a single discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher:

	1% Decrease to 5.0%	Current Single Rate of 6.0%	1% Increase to 7.0%
Total OPEB Asset (Liability)	$ (62,443,947)	$ (54,429,528)	$ (46,358,272)
Net OPEB Asset (Liability)	$ (1,374,613)	$ 6,639,808	$ 14,711,064

Regarding the sensitivity the health care cost trend rate ("HCCTR"), the following presents the plan's total OPEB liability and the plan's net OPEB liability if the HCCTR fluctuates 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher:

	1% Decrease in HCCTR	Assumed HCCTR	1% Increase in HCCTR
Total OPEB Asset (Liability)	$ (45,057,432)	$ (54,429,528)	$ (64,556,942)
Net OPEB Asset (Liability)	$ 16,011,904	$ 6,639,808	$ (3,487,606)

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

H. Summary of Financial Information

	Plan year ended October 31, 2025	2024
a. Income		
1. Employer contributions	$ 720,000	$ 480,000
2. Investment income		
Interest/dividends	2,650,746	1,839,818
Realized gain	407,598	5,085,659
Unrealized gain	3,155,848	3,031,699
Investment expense	(100,123)	(71,893)
Net Investment Income	6,114,069	9,885,283
Total Income	$ 6,834,069	$ 10,365,283
b. Expenses		
1. Administrative	$ 1,800	$ 500
2. Benefits	1,604,706	1,316,713
Total Expenses	$ 1,606,506	$ 1,317,213
c. Assets (Market)		
1. Short-term		
Cash and money market	$ 1,544,540	$ 1,983,620
Institutional (cd's, savings, etc.)		
2. Mutual funds		
Equity funds	33,980,596	30,111,602
Fixed income funds	16,143,229	14,813,256
3. Equities - common stocks	4,561,205	3,533,451
4. Bonds	2,818,941	3,474,449
5. Real estate funds	1,570,749	1,544,210
6. Hedge funds	450,076	381,185
Total Assets	$ 61,069,336	$ 55,841,773
d. Ratio of assets to annual expenses:	38.0	42.4
e. Annual investment return:	11.0%	21.3%

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

I. Changes in the Net OPEB Asset (Liability)

	Total OPEB Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Asset (Liability)
Changes for year ended 10/31/2024:			
a. Service Cost	$ (970,844)	$ -	$ (970,844)
b. Interest	(2,626,735)	-	(2,626,735)
c. Difference between expected and actual experience	(2,131,805)	-	(2,131,805)
d. Employer contributions	-	(480,000)	480,000
e. Employee contributions	-	-	-
f. Net investment income	-	(9,885,283)	9,885,283
g. Benefits and refunds	1,316,713	1,316,713	-
h. Administrative expenses	-	500	(500)
i. Assumption change	-	-	-
j. Other	-	-	-
Net Changes	(4,412,671)	(9,048,070)	4,635,399
Balance at 10/31/2023	(43,951,857)	(46,793,703)	2,841,846
Balance at 10/31/2024	$ (48,364,528)	$ (55,841,773)	$ 7,477,245
Changes for year ended 10/31/2025:			
a. Service Cost	$ (1,063,736)	$ -	$ (1,063,736)
b. Interest	(2,885,643)	-	(2,885,643)
c. Difference between expected and actual experience	(3,720,327)	-	(3,720,327)
d. Employer contributions	-	(720,000)	720,000
e. Employee contributions	-	-	-
f. Net investment income	-	(6,114,069)	6,114,069
g. Benefits and refunds	1,604,706	1,604,706	-
h. Administrative expenses	-	1,800	(1,800)
i. Assumption change	-	-	-
j. Other	-	-	-
Net Changes	(6,065,000)	(5,227,563)	(837,437)
Balance at 10/31/2024	(48,364,528)	(55,841,773)	7,477,245
Balance at 10/31/2025	$ (54,429,528)	$ (61,069,336)	$ 6,639,808

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

J. OPEB Expense/(Income) Under GASB 75

		2025	2024
1.	Net Pension Asset (Liability) at beginning of year	$ 7,477,245	$ 2,841,846
2.	Net Pension Asset at end of year	6,639,808	7,477,245
3.	Increase (Decrease) in Net Pension Liability in year = (2) - (1)	(837,437)	4,635,399
4.	Decrease in Net OPEB Liability due to Employer Contributions during the measurement period	(720,000)	(480,000)
5.	Change to reflect in OPEB Expense (Income) = (3) + (4)	(1,557,437)	4,155,399
6.	Adjust for Actual vs Expected experience		
	a) Remove (loss)	3,720,327	2,131,805
	b) Add amortization	(836,050)	(371,009)
7.	Adjust for Actual vs. Projected investment income		
	a) Remove (loss)	(2,788,304)	(7,102,262)
	b) Add amortization	1,082,857	595,280
8.	OPEB Expense = (5) + (6) + (7)	$ (378,607)	$ (590,787)

K. Detail of Outflow/(Inflow) of Resources

	Description	Year	Original Amount	Recognition Period	Outflow (Inflow) In Current Expense	Deferred Outflow (Inflow) 11/1/2025
1.	Actual vs. Expected	2017	$ (888,903)	14	$ (63,493)	$ (317,466)
2.	Actual vs. Expected	2018	(3,330,087)	9	(370,010)	(370,007)
3.	Actual vs. Expected	2019	487,608	9	54,179	108,355
4.	Actual vs. Expected	2020	1,580,637	9	175,626	526,881
5.	Assumption Change	2020	2,946,133	9	327,348	982,045
6.	Actual vs. Expected	2021	(2,147,441)	9	(238,605)	(954,416)
7.	Proj vs Actual earnings	2021	(7,327,843)	5	(1,465,569)	-
8.	Assumption Change	2021	2,824,825	9	313,869	1,255,480
9.	Actual vs. Expected	2022	(1,170,693)	9	(130,077)	(650,385)
10.	Proj vs Actual earnings	2022	10,874,718	5	2,174,944	2,174,942
11.	Actual vs. Expected	2023	285,564	8	35,696	178,476
12.	Proj vs Actual earnings	2023	929,401	5	185,881	371,761
13.	Actual vs. Expected	2024	2,131,805	8	266,476	1,598,853
14.	Proj vs Actual earnings	2024	(7,102,262)	5	(1,420,452)	(4,261,357)
15.	Actual vs. Expected	2025	3,720,327	8	465,041	3,255,286
16.	Proj vs Actual earnings	2025	(2,788,304)	5	(557,661)	(2,230,643)
	Total				$ (246,807)	$ 1,667,805
	Due to Liabilities				$ 836,050	$ 5,613,102
	Due to Assets				$ (1,082,857)	$ (3,945,297)

NOTE 7: OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

L. Detail of Deferred Outflow/(Inflow) of Resources

	2025		2024	
Description	Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources	Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	$ 5,667,851	$ 2,292,274	$ 2,944,542	$ 3,094,459
Changes of assumptions	2,237,525	-	2,878,742	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB investments	2,546,703	6,492,000	4,907,527	7,147,377
Subtotal	10,452,079	8,784,274	10,730,811	10,241,836
Adj for contributions after 10/31 and before 12/31	120,000	-	120,000	-
Total	$ 10,572,079	$ 8,784,274	$ 10,850,811	$ 10,241,836

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ending December 31:	Net Deferred Outflow of Resources
2026	$ 1,218,762
2027	(586,175)
2028	(826,229)
2029	91,255
2030	573,638
Thereafter	1,196,554
Total	$ 1,667,805

NOTE 8: CAPITAL ASSETS

	12/31/2024	Additions	Retirements	Transfers	12/31/2025
Capital Assets - Nondepreciable					
Construction in progress	$ 28,854,673	$ 42,289,671	$ -	$ (27,057,996)	$ 44,086,348
Land and land rights	13,498,701	91,420	-	657,828	$ 14,247,949
Total Nondepreciable	42,353,374	42,381,091	-	(26,400,168)	58,334,297
Capital Assets - Depreciable					
Intangible plant	37,238	-	-	-	$ 37,238
Production plant	398,395,665	3,199,313	2,286,348	5,229,384	$404,538,014
Transmission plant	28,760,272	-	-	851,184	$ 29,611,456
Distribution plant	354,054,209	2,811,853	1,290,839	18,688,895	$374,264,118
General plant	20,582,712	196,469	331,186	1,630,705	$ 22,078,700
Transportation	13,734,624	1,129,504	584,513	-	$ 14,279,615
Total Depreciable	815,564,720	7,337,139	4,492,886	26,400,168	844,809,141
Accumulated Depreciation	491,371,868	24,471,599	3,785,134	-	$512,058,333
Total Depreciable, net of depreciation	324,192,852	(17,134,460)	707,752	26,400,168	332,750,808
Total Capital Assets	$366,546,226	$ 25,246,631	$ 707,752	$ -	$391,085,105

	12/31/2023	Additions	Retirements	Transfers	12/31/2024
Capital Assets - Nondepreciable					
Construction in progress	$ 78,251,648	$ 18,894,817	$ -	$ (68,291,792)	$ 28,854,673
Land and land rights	11,336,502	2,162,199	-	-	13,498,701
Total Nondepreciable	89,588,150	21,057,016	-	(68,291,792)	42,353,374
Capital Assets - Depreciable					
Intangible plant	8,968,374	-	8,931,136	-	37,238
Production plant	323,163,624	7,123,018	182,769	68,291,792	398,395,665
Transmission plant	27,022,217	1,738,055	-	-	28,760,272
Distribution plant	335,778,671	19,179,525	903,987	-	354,054,209
General plant	20,416,670	1,026,149	860,107	-	20,582,712
Transportation	12,855,436	1,400,904	521,716	-	13,734,624
Total Depreciable	728,204,992	30,467,651	11,399,715	68,291,792	815,564,720
Accumulated Depreciation	481,116,746	21,406,030	11,150,908	-	$491,371,868
Total Depreciable, net of depreciation	247,088,246	9,061,621	248,807	68,291,792	324,192,852
Total Capital Assets	$336,676,396	$ 30,118,637	$ 248,807	$ -	$366,546,226

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT AND COMMITMENTS

The Series 2020 Bonds were issued on July 21, 2020, in the amount of $21,525,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of improvements to the wastewater and electric facilities of the system. These improvements specifically included the replacement of the Main Lift Station, construction of a new gravity sewer line and the installation of a solar generating facility. The Series 2020 Bonds are special obligations only of CWL and are payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues from the system. Bonds mature at varying amounts and are due annually from June 1, 2021, through June 1, 2035. Interest payments are due semiannually beginning on December 1, 2020, and ending on June 1, 2035, at rates from 4.0% to 5.0%.

The Series 2022 Bonds were issued on May 24, 2022, in the amount of $33,360,000 for the purpose of financing a portion of the costs of improvements to the wastewater facilities of the system. These improvements specifically included the replacement of the West Wastewater Treatment Plant facility. The Series 2022 Bonds are special obligations only of CWL and are payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues from the system. Bonds mature at varying amounts and are due annually from June 1, 2023, through June 1, 2037. Interest payments are due semiannually beginning on December 1, 2022, and ending on June 1, 2037, at rates from 4.0% to 5.0%.

The Series 2025 Bonds were issued on December 9, 2025, in the amount of $58,775,000 for the purpose of financing a portion of the construction costs for a combined-cycle gas turbine power plant in Independence County. The Series 2025 Bonds are special obligations only of CWL and are payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues from the system. Bonds mature at varying amounts and are due annually from June 1, 2026, through June 1, 2045. Interest payments are due semiannually beginning on June 1, 2026, and ending on June 1, 2045, at rates from 4.0% to 5.0%.

A. A summary of long-term debt is as follows:

	2025	2024
Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2020; bearing interest at rates from 4.0% to 5.0% due semiannually and payable through June 1, 2035; callable after December 1, 2030.	$ 15,990,000	$ 17,210,000
Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022; bearing interest at rates from 4.0% to 5.0% paid semiannually payable through June 1, 2037; callable after December 1, 2030.	28,430,000	30,165,000
Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025; bearing interest at rates from 4.0% to 5.0% paid semiannually payable through June 1, 2045.	58,755,000	-
Unaccreted Premiums	5,279,327	3,987,627
	108,454,327	51,362,627
Less Current Maturities	4,489,370	3,597,726
Total Long-Term Debt	$ 103,964,957	$ 47,764,901

NOTE 9: LONG-TERM DEBT AND COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Annual maturities of long-term debt and interest expense as of December 31, 2025, are as follows:

	Bonds			
Year	Principal	Original Issue Premium	Interest	Total
2026	$ 3,730,000	$ 759,370	$ 4,385,045	$ 8,874,415
2027	5,205,000	704,655	4,203,550	10,113,205
2028	5,470,000	640,988	3,935,571	10,046,559
2029	5,750,000	574,074	3,653,904	9,977,978
2030	6,040,000	503,749	3,357,946	9,901,695
2031-2035	34,640,000	1,528,944	12,374,808	48,543,752
2036-2040	22,220,000	423,575	5,987,746	28,631,321
2041-2045	20,120,000	143,972	2,094,634	22,358,606
	$ 103,175,000	$ 5,279,327	$ 39,993,204	$ 148,447,531

C. Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended December 31, 2025, are as follows:

	Balance at 12/31/2024	Issued	Paid	Balance at 12/31/2025	Due within One Year
Series 2020 Bonds	$ 17,210,000	$ -	$ 1,220,000	$ 15,990,000	$ 1,280,000
Series 2020 Bond Issuance Premium	2,512,205	-	430,581	2,081,624	393,871
Series 2022 Bonds	30,165,000	-	1,735,000	28,430,000	1,820,000
Series 2022 Bond Issuance Premium	1,475,422	-	212,697	1,262,725	197,800
Series 2025 Bonds	-	58,755,000	-	58,755,000	630,000
Series 2025 Bond Issuance Premium	-	1,934,978	-	1,934,978	167,699
	$ 51,362,627	$ 60,689,978	$ 3,598,278	$ 108,454,327	$ 4,489,370

NOTE 10: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, City Council selects seven of the sixteen members of the Board of Directors of CWL (one from each of the six wards and one from the Jonesboro Special School District). CWL made the following cash distributions and nonmonetary contributions to the city:

NOTE 10: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

	December 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
City's Capital Improvement Fund	$ 178,962	$ 179,584
City's Fire Truck Fund	21,038	21,038
Total contributions in lieu of taxes to City	200,000	200,622
Payroll, inventory and utilities for various special city projects	129,671	48,461
Payment toward the purchase of a new fire truck	600,000	500,000
Payment of sales tax on free services to the city	53,136	44,311
Refunds of utility bills for the City Library	9,136	11,188
Total monetary contributions to City	791,943	603,960
Streetlights	557,926	1,547,108
Fire hydrants	395,350	282,839
Free utility service to City buildings	1,070,208	900,678
Total nonmonetary contributions	2,023,484	2,730,625
Total contributions to City	$ 3,015,427	$ 3,535,207

NOTE 11: RESTRICTED ASSETS

In December 2013, CWL entered into an agreement with Midcontinent Independent System Operator ("MISO"). MISO provides open-access transmission service and monitoring of the high-voltage transmission system in the Midwest United States and part of Canada. Pursuant to the agreement, funds are placed in a third party escrow account as collateral for certain types of transactions between the parties. The amount required is reviewed and adjusted annually by MISO based upon the transaction level.

Public Utility System Revenue Bonds were issued in 2020, 2022, and 2025 as indicated in Note 9 above. The bond funds are maintained in accordance with the Trust Indentures, wherein a bond fund account was established for each bond issue to provide funds for payment of the bond principal and interest. In addition to those funds for the 2025 bond issue, a construction fund is maintained to pay the construction costs for a combined-cycle gas turbine power plant, and a cost of issuance fund is maintained for initial bond issuance costs.

Restricted assets at December 31, 2025 and 2024, consist of the following:

	2025	2024
MISO Escrow Account	$ 550,000	$ 550,000
2020 Revenue Bond Funds	818,157	790,967
2022 Revenue Bond Funds	1,183,399	1,145,249
2025 Revenue Bond Funds	57,789,587	-
Restricted cash deposits	60,341,143	2,486,216
Less current restricted cash deposits	59,791,143	1,936,216
Restricted cash deposits, net of current	$ 550,000	$ 550,000

NOTE 12: RENT INCOME

CWL has a lease agreement to rent an old wastewater treatment plant to Arkansas Rice Growers Cooperative Association. This agreement is renewable annually and has been extended through August 31, 2026. The annual rent payments, $33,036 for the year beginning September 1, 2025, are payable in advance. This lease covers utility plant in service at a total cost of $178,292, including $4,939 in land, with accumulated depreciation of $173,353 at December 31, 2025. The asset is fully depreciated.

CWL owns facilities at 310 East Street. Utility plant in service is $3,769,252, including $450,000 in land, with accumulated depreciation of $2,1070,024 at Dcember 31, 2025. There are three separate lease agreements for separate areas of the building. The first lease became effective in January 2010 for a period of 10 years with a renewal option. Tenant has renewed the lease through December 2029 at an annual amount of $41,580. The second lease became effective in November 2012 with occupancy beginning in September 2013. It is a 12 year initial lease agreement with a three year renewable option after the initial term. Annual rental for years 1-5 is $187,077; years 6-10 is $208,198; and years 11 and 12 is $225,132. Rent payments are due in monthly installments in advance. The third lease became effective in August 2015 with occupancy beginning in March 2016. It is a 10 year lease agreement. Annual rental for years 1-5 is $55,800 and years 6-10 is $61,380. Rental payments are due in monthly installments in advance.

CWL owns facilities at 315/317 East Street. Utility plant in service is $793,738, including $77,189 in land, with accumulated depreciation of $441,311 at December 31, 2025. In July 2015, CWL entered into an initial three year lease agreement with occupancy beginning October 2015. The lease agreement has been extended through September 2027. Monthly lease payments paid in advance were $8,000 through September 30, 2024, and are $8,500 through September 30, 2027.

In January 2015, CWL entered into a six year lease agreement with occupancy beginning February 2015 for a facility at 5601 East Nettleton. The facility was destroyed by fire on November 6, 2025, and the lease has been terminated due to the loss. Immaterial insurance proceeds are expected to be received in the subsequent year, and a gain or loss will be recorded at that time. Annual rent per the lease agreement was $15,000 and was due in monthly installments in advance.

CWL owns facilities at 404 Creath Street. Utility plant in service is $982,126 with accumulated depreciation of $314,014 at December 31, 2025. In June 2021, CWL entered into an initial five year lease agreement with occupancy beginning June 2021. The lease is renewable for five years after the initial term. Annual rental is $72,516 for the initial term and $79,764 for the renewal term. Rent payments are due in monthly installments in advance.

Other sources of rental income are leases for vacant land used for farming and leases for space on CWL water towers used for attachment of wireless communication antennas. Due to the nature of cash crop rents, farm rental income can vary from year to year.

NOTE 12: RENT INCOME (CONTINUED)

Total rental income for 2025 and 2024 is as follows:

	2025	2024
Old Wastewater Treatment Plant	$ 33,036	$ 32,073
310 East Street	322,982	328,092
315/317 East Street	103,500	97,500
5601 East Nettleton	12,708	15,000
404 Creath Street	72,516	72,516
Other sources of rental income	297,744	282,460
	$ 842,486	$ 827,641

NOTE 13: CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

CWL entered into a power sale contract dated May 28, 1986, with the United States Department of Energy Southwestern Power Administration ("SPA") to purchase 80,000 kilowatts of hydroelectric power and 96,000,000 kilowatt-hours of hydro peaking energy annually through May 31, 1996. On January 27, 1995, CWL entered into a new contract with SPA that superseded the previous contract. The new contract provided for the continued purchase by CWL of federal power and energy and associated services from SPA with an original term of June 1, 1996 through May 31, 2011. On February 9, 2000, the agreement was extended to May 31, 2015. On January 13, 2006, the agreement was extended through May 31, 2020. On March 30, 2007, the end date of the agreement was modified to March 31, 2020 to facilitate a shift to a new contract year. On January 14, 2013, the agreement was extended to March 31, 2028. On June 25, 2014, the agreement was extended to March 31, 2029 and relocated CWL into the Balancing Authority Area of the MISO. Total incurred under the contract and amendatory agreements was $8,190,707 and $6,678,997 during 2025 and 2024, respectively.

An Amendatory Agreement was entered into on May 11, 2022 to establish terms under which CWL will self-supply 40,000kW of its peaking energy, allowing SPA to purchase the peaking energy self-supplied and the associated peaking self-supply demand from CWL. The terms of this amendment terminate on May 31, 2026. An additional short-term agreement was entered into effective June 1, 2023, with extensions through May 31, 2026, wherein CWL will self-supply an additional 40,000kW during this term.

CWL entered into an Interconnection and Transmission Service Agreement during 1995 with SPA, which allows SPA to lease the Water Valley Transmission Line from CWL through 2045 and to take title to the line anytime from June 1, 1996, until the contract expires in 2045.

NOTE 14: CONCENTRATION

CWL had two suppliers that comprised greater than 10% of total operating expenses as follows:

	2025	2024
MISO	$ 25,489,018	$ 27,045,735
% of total operating expenses	19.1%	22.7%
Entergy	$ 32,411,560	$ 23,333,667
% of total operating expenses	24.2%	19.5%

NOTE 14: CONCENTRATION (CONTINUED)

When it is more cost effective to do so, CWL purchases energy from MISO to serve customers. CWL pays Entergy for fuel costs and operation and maintenance costs for the coal plants as detailed in Note 2. CWL has a very diverse portfolio with energy generation from coal, simple-cycle natural gas, solar, and hydro plants. In the event of a loss of an energy source, other energy sources are adequate to cover the loss, and it would not impact our customers.

NOTE 15: ADVANCES TO JONESBORO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

CWL entered into a contract of sale with Jonesboro Economic Development Corporation (JEDC) in November 1990, for 160 acres for development and sale as an industrial site. The agreement has been extended in five year increments with the most recent extension dated through November 17, 2030, for the west ½ of the acreage that has not already been sold. CWL has agreed to convey to JEDC title to any part of this property at $4,000 an acre.

NOTE 16: UNEARNED REVENUE

CWL entered into an agreement on March 10, 2025, with Benton Utilities regarding the sale of Zonal Resource Credits as defined by MISO for a prepaid amount of $432,000. The term of the contract is from June 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026. $245,250 in Zonal Resource Credits were sold in 2025, leaving an unearned revenue balance of $186,750 at December 31, 2025.

NOTE 17: RISK MANAGEMENT

CWL is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. CWL purchases commercial insurance to cover these risks of loss. CWL is immune from tort liability but has chosen to provide up to $1,000,000 of liability coverage for persons claiming to be damaged by CWL operations.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage during the past year. No significant claims liabilities were outstanding at December 31, 2025, or December 31, 2024.

NOTE 18: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

CWL is party to various claims and legal proceedings incidental to its business. While the outcome of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, it is the opinion of management and legal counsel of CWL, that the ultimate resolution of these matters, after consideration of insurance coverage or other indemnification arrangements, will not have a materially adverse effect on the financial position or operations of the company.

NOTE 19: RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

GASB Statement No. 102, "Certain Risk Disclosures." The objective of this statement is to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about risks related to a government's vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations or constraints. The requirements of this statement will improve financial reporting by providing users of the financial statements with essential information that currently is not often provided. The disclosures will provide users with timely information regarding certain concentrations or constraints and related events that have occurred or have begun to occur that make a government vulnerable to a substantial impact. As a result, users will have better information with which to understand and anticipate certain risks to a government's financial condition. The requirements of this statement effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, with earlier adoption encouraged. During the year ended December 31, 2025, CWL adopted this statement and identify concentrations that are disclosed in Note 14 which meet the disclosure criteria of this statement.

GASB Statement No. 103, "Financial Reporting Model Improvements." The objective of this statement is to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision-making and assessing a government's accountability. For governments engaged in business-type activities, the primary impact of this statement will be changes to the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in net position ("SRECNP"). This statement not only changes the required sections and subtotals to be included in the SRECNP but creates new definitions for subsidies and operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses. Upon adoption, the new definitions may cause reclassifications of revenues and expenses within the SRECNP. This statement also impacts other financial statement presentation requirements, including major component units, unusual or infrequent items, and management's discussion and analysis. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025, and all reporting periods thereafter with earlier adoption encouraged. CWL has reviewed the impact on the financial statements and will expand disclosures in the notes to the financial statement as necessary.

GASB Statement No. 104 "Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets." The objective of this statement is to establish requirements for certain types of capital assets to be disclosed separately in the capital assets foot note disclosure required by Statement No. 34 "Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments." It also establishes requirements for capital assets held for sales, including additional disclosures for those capital assets. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025, and all reporting periods thereafter with earlier adoption encouraged. CWL has reviewed the impact on the financial statements and will expand disclosures in the notes to the financial statement as necessary.

GASB Statement No. 105 "Subsequent Events." The objective of this statement is to improve the financial reporting requirements for subsequent events, thereby enhancing consistency in their application and better meeting the information needs of financial statement users. This statement defines subsequent events as transactions or other events that occur after the date of the financial statements but before the date the financial statements are available to be issued. This statement clarifies the subsequent events that constitute recognized and nonrecognized events and establishes specific note disclosure requirements for nonrecognized events. This statement is for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2026, with earlier adoption encouraged. CWL has not determined the impact, if any, this statement could have on its financial statements.

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE EMPLOYERS' NET PENSION ASSET (LIABILITY) AND RELATED RATIOS

	OCTOBER 31,									
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY										
Service Cost	$ 1,578,095	$ 1,492,314	$ 1,430,185	$ 1,341,713	$ 1,154,728	$ 1,059,843	$ 1,025,959	$ 1,024,589	$ 1,056,252	$ 984,284
Interest	4,382,491	4,141,707	3,881,395	3,624,202	3,455,273	3,184,629	2,985,191	2,832,117	2,837,793	2,675,669
Difference between actual and expected										
Experience	3,442,887	1,545,164	2,093,135	2,092,324	802,665	209,653	1,124,052	599,307	(237,322)	154,952
Assumption changes					4,062,023	1,643,497			1,350,507	
Benefit payments	(3,162,135)	(3,255,875)	(2,938,621)	(2,693,225)	(1,952,503)	(2,010,116)	(2,157,612)	(2,045,816)	(1,874,726)	(1,194,941)
Net change in Total Pension Liability	6,241,338	3,923,310	4,466,094	4,365,014	7,522,186	4,087,506	2,977,590	2,410,197	3,132,504	2,619,964
Total Pension Liability, November 1	73,833,543	69,910,233	65,444,139	61,079,125	53,556,939	49,469,433	46,491,843	44,081,646	40,949,142	38,329,178
Total Pension Liability, October 31	$ 80,074,881	$ 73,833,543	$ 69,910,233	$ 65,444,139	$ 61,079,125	$ 53,556,939	$ 49,469,433	$ 46,491,843	$ 44,081,646	$ 40,949,142
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION										
Employer contributions	$ 3,270,000	$ 3,100,000	$ 2,970,000	$ 2,800,000	$ 2,685,000	$ 2,595,000	$ 2,520,000	$ 2,440,000	$ 2,030,000	$ 1,970,000
Net investment income (loss)	8,289,521	12,900,660	2,362,614	(9,550,845)	12,726,180	3,941,022	4,869,867	1,095,793	5,632,090	1,238,360
Benefit payments	(3,162,135)	(3,255,875)	(2,938,621)	(2,693,225)	(1,952,503)	(2,010,116)	(2,157,612)	(2,045,816)	(1,874,726)	(1,194,941)
Administrative expense	(9,025)	(7,655)	(77,232)	(74,625)	(68,185)	(61,411)	(57,833)	(54,928)	(50,067)	(46,794)
Net change in Net Position	8,388,361	12,737,130	2,316,761	(9,518,695)	13,390,492	4,464,495	5,174,422	1,435,049	5,737,297	1,966,625
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - November 1	74,941,454	62,204,324	59,887,563	69,406,258	56,015,766	51,551,271	46,376,849	44,941,800	39,204,503	37,237,878
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - October 31	$ 83,329,815	$ 74,941,454	$ 62,204,324	$ 59,887,563	$ 69,406,258	$ 56,015,766	$ 51,551,271	$ 46,376,849	$ 44,941,800	$ 39,204,503
NET PENSION ASSET (LIABILITY) - OCTOBER 31	$ 3,254,934	$ 1,107,911	$ (7,705,909)	$ (5,556,576)	$ 8,327,133	$ 2,458,827	$ 2,081,838	$ (114,994)	$ 860,154	$ (1,744,639)
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PENSION LIABILITY	104.06%	101.50%	88.98%	91.51%	113.63%	104.59%	104.21%	99.75%	101.95%	95.74%
COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL - OCTOBER 31	$ 14,082,510	$ 13,846,314	$ 13,346,520	$ 12,737,816	$ 11,924,942	$ 11,803,588	$ 11,122,618	$ 10,867,030	$ 10,682,072	$ 10,654,910
NET PENSION LIABILITY AS A PERCENTAGE OF COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL	-23%	-8%	58%	44%	-70%	-21%	-19%	1%	-8%	16%

NOTES TO SCHEDULE:

Changes in assumptions

At 11/1/2021, assumed discount rate lowered from 6.50% to 6.00%.

At 11/1/2020, assumed mortality table changed to Pub-G with MP 2019.

At 11/1/2017, assumed discount rate lowered from 7.00% to 6.50%; assumed annual pay growth lowered from 5.00% to 4.00%.

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYERS' PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

	OCTOBER 31,									
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Actuarially determined contribution	$ 1,672,781	$ 2,221,794	$ 1,967,626	$ 1,422,216	$ 1,229,785	$ 1,128,733	$ 1,101,791	$ 1,091,187	$ 1,272,288	$ 1,141,128
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	3,270,000	3,100,000	2,970,000	2,800,000	2,685,000	2,595,000	2,520,000	2,440,000	2,030,000	1,970,000
CONTRIBUTION EXCESS	$ 1,597,219	$ 878,206	$ 1,002,374	$ 1,377,784	$ 1,455,215	$ 1,466,267	$ 1,418,209	$ 1,348,813	$ 757,712	$ 828,872
COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL - OCTOBER 31	$ 14,082,510	$ 13,846,314	$ 13,346,520	$ 12,737,816	$ 11,924,942	$ 11,803,588	$ 11,122,618	$ 10,867,030	$ 10,682,072	$ 10,654,910
CONTRIBUTION AS A PERCENTAGE OF COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL	23%	22%	22%	22%	23%	22%	23%	22%	19%	18%

NOTES TO SCHEDULE:

Valuation date:	Actuarially determined contributions are calculated as of October 31 after the valuation date.
Actuarial cost method:	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method:	Level Dollar over 30 years from November 1, 2015, grading to a 20 year payoff for 2025-26.
Remaining amortization period:	20 years at 11/1/2025
Asset valuation method:	Market Value
Assumed inflation:	4.00% per year.
Assumed salary increases:	4.00% per year.
Assumed investment return:	6.00% (7.00% for year ended 10/31/2016 and 6.50% for years ending 2017 through 2020).
Assumed retirement age:	Retirement rate of 10% for ages 55 to 59, 15% for 60 & 61, 25% for 62, 20% for 63 & 64, and 100% for age 65 and over.
Mortality:	Pub-G with MP 2019 (RP 2014 Healthy Mortality Table before 11/1/2020. 1983 GAM before 11/1/2014.)

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE EMPLOYERS' NET OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS ASSET (LIABILITY) AND RELATED RATIOS

	OCTOBER 31,									
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
TOTAL OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) LIABILITY										
Service Cost	$ 1,063,736	$ 970,844	$ 964,008	$ 927,525	$ 763,842	$ 713,876	$ 662,100	$ 639,296	$ 603,506	
Interest	2,885,643	2,626,735	2,478,727	2,416,519	2,428,172	2,015,139	1,872,679	1,968,610	1,906,950	
Difference between actual and expected										
Experience	3,720,327	2,131,805	285,564	(1,170,693)	(2,147,441)	1,580,637	487,608	(3,330,087)	(888,903)	
Assumption changes					2,824,825	2,946,133				
Benefit payments	(1,604,706)	(1,316,713)	(1,213,116)	(1,096,455)	(968,369)	(884,480)	(828,671)	(701,492)	(680,173)	
Net change in Total OPEB Liability	6,065,000	4,412,671	2,515,183	1,076,896	2,901,029	6,371,305	2,193,716	(1,423,673)	941,380	
Total OPEB Liability, November 1	48,364,528	43,951,857	41,436,674	40,359,778	37,458,749	31,087,444	28,893,728	30,317,401	29,376,021	
Total OPEB Liability, October 31	$ 54,429,528	$ 48,364,528	$ 43,951,857	$ 41,436,674	$ 40,359,778	$ 37,458,749	$ 31,087,444	$ 28,893,728	$ 30,317,401	$ 29,376,021
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION										
Employer contributions	$ 720,000	$ 480,000								
Net investment income (loss)	6,114,069	9,885,283	$ 1,863,983	$ (7,555,160)	$ 10,318,201	$ 3,191,728	$ 4,174,718	$ 1,051,626	$ 5,060,786	$ 1,098,052
Benefit payments	(1,604,706)	(1,316,713)	(1,213,116)	(1,096,455)	(968,369)	(884,480)	(828,671)	(701,492)	(680,173)	(668,627)
Administrative expense	(1,800)	(500)	(57,743)	(57,849)	(56,729)	(51,584)	(50,502)	(48,648)	(45,183)	(42,854)
Net change in Net Position	5,227,563	9,048,070	593,124	(8,709,464)	9,293,103	2,255,664	3,295,545	301,486	4,335,430	386,571
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - November 1	55,841,773	46,793,703	46,200,579	54,910,043	45,616,940	43,361,276	40,065,731	39,764,245	35,428,815	35,042,244
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - October 31	$ 61,069,336	$ 55,841,773	$ 46,793,703	$ 46,200,579	$ 54,910,043	$ 45,616,940	$ 43,361,276	$ 40,065,731	$ 39,764,245	$ 35,428,815
NET OPEB ASSET (LIABILITY) - OCTOBER 31	$ 6,639,808	$ 7,477,245	$ 2,841,846	$ 4,763,905	$ 14,550,265	$ 8,158,191	$ 12,273,832	$ 11,172,003	$ 9,446,844	
PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY	112.20%	115.46%	106.47%	111.50%	136.05%	121.78%	139.48%	138.67%	131.16%	120.60%
COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL - OCTOBER 31	$ 14,082,510	$ 13,846,314	$ 13,346,520	$ 12,737,816	$ 11,924,942	$ 11,803,588	$ 11,122,618	$ 10,867,030	$ 10,682,072	$ 10,654,910
NET OPEB LIABILITY AS A PERCENTAGE OF COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL	-47.1%	-54.0%	-21.3%	-37.4%	-122.0%	-69.1%	-110.4%	-102.8%	-88.4%	-56.8%

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYERS' OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS CONTRIBUTIONS

	OCTOBER 31,									
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Actuarially determined contribution	$ 615,101	$ 476,177	$ 218,560							
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	720,000	480,000								
CONTRIBUTION EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)	$ 104,899	$ 3,823	$ (218,560)	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL - OCTOBER 31	$ 14,082,510	$ 13,846,314	$ 13,346,520	$ 12,737,816	$ 11,924,942	$ 11,803,588	$ 11,122,618	$ 10,867,030	$ 10,682,072	$ 10,654,910
CONTRIBUTION AS A PERCENTAGE OF COVERED EMPLOYEE PAYROLL	5.1%	3.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

NOTES TO SCHEDULE:

Plan years ending prior to 11/1/2018:	The actuarially determined contribution shown above is the Other Post-employment benefits (OPEB) Annual Pension Cost under GASB 45.
Valuation date:	Actuarially determined contributions are calculated as of October 31 after the valuation date.
Actuarial cost method:	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method:	Level Dollar over remaining work life
Remaining amortization period:	6 years
Asset valuation method:	Market Value
Assumed inflation:	2.25% per year.
Assumed single discount rate:	6.00% per year
Assumed retirement age:	Retirement rate of 10% for ages 55 to 59, 15% for 60 & 61, 25% for 62, 20% for 63 & 64, and 100% for age 65 and over. If hired after January 1, 2008, retiree must have 25 years of service.
Mortality:	Pub-G projected generationally with MP 2019

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Electric Department	Water Department	Wastewater Department	Total
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 46,130,461	$ -	$ -	$ 46,130,461
Restricted cash deposits, current	59,199,443	-	591,700	59,791,143
Investments, current	27,068,861	-	-	27,068,861
Accounts receivable, less allowance	-	-	-	-
for credit losses	11,355,700	892,734	919,760	13,168,194
Accrued utility revenues	2,512,604	547,875	508,282	3,568,761
Accrued interest receivables	2,770,912	184,268	7,123	2,962,303
Inventories, net of reserve	25,614,331	5,827,424	866,251	32,308,006
Prepaid expenses	937,593	183,962	437,848	1,559,403
Total Current Assets	175,589,905	7,636,263	3,330,964	186,557,132
INVESTMENTS AND LONG-TERM RECEIVABLES				
Non-utility property	7,105,965	-	-	7,105,965
Investments, net of current	52,344,516	2,000,000	2,000,000	56,344,516
Restricted cash deposits, net of current	550,000	-	-	550,000
Installment receivables	-	16,162	31,198	47,360
Total Investments and Long-term Receivables	60,000,481	2,016,162	2,031,198	64,047,841
NONCURRENT ASSETS				
Net Pension Asset	1,621,934	897,385	735,615	3,254,934
Net OPEB Asset	3,308,616	1,830,595	1,500,597	6,639,808
Total Noncurrent Assets	4,930,550	2,727,980	2,236,212	9,894,742
CAPITAL ASSETS				
Construction in progress	29,687,700	9,209,911	5,188,737	44,086,348
Utility plant in service	530,315,114	98,114,434	230,627,542	859,057,090
	560,002,814	107,324,345	235,816,279	903,143,438
Less accumulated depreciation	379,201,376	58,282,605	74,574,352	512,058,333
Total Capital Assets	180,801,438	49,041,740	161,241,927	391,085,105
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS				
Pension	7,921,700	4,382,928	3,592,824	15,897,452
OPEB	5,268,067	2,914,722	2,389,290	10,572,079
Total Deferred Outflows	13,189,767	7,297,650	5,982,114	26,469,531
INTERDEPARTMENT RECEIVABLE (PAYABLE)	83,907,697	6,096,349	(90,004,046)	-
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	$ 518,419,838	$ 74,816,144	$ 84,818,369	$ 678,054,351

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STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Electric Department	Water Department	Wastewater Department	Total
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Current maturities of long-term debt	$ 3,480,470	$ -	$ 1,008,900	$ 4,489,370
Unearned revenue	186,750	-	-	186,750
Accounts payable	22,191,996	1,569,042	184,562	23,945,600
Customer deposits	3,873,156	-	-	3,873,156
Accrued interest	317,306	-	51,577	368,883
Accrued taxes	263,466	-	-	263,466
Accrued salaries and leave	1,152,019	637,549	522,545	2,312,113
Total Current Liabilities	31,465,163	2,206,591	1,767,584	35,439,338
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term debt	90,127,494	-	13,837,463	103,964,957
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	90,127,494	-	13,837,463	103,964,957
TOTAL LIABILITIES	121,592,657	2,206,591	15,605,047	139,404,295
DEFERRED INFLOWS				
Pension	4,294,750	2,376,205	1,947,850	8,618,805
OPEB	4,377,204	2,421,824	1,985,246	8,784,274
Total Deferred Outflows	8,671,954	4,798,029	3,933,096	17,403,079
NET POSITION				
Net capital assets	87,193,474	49,041,740	146,395,564	282,630,778
Restricted	59,749,444	-	591,699	60,341,143
Unrestricted	241,212,309	18,769,784	(81,707,037)	178,275,056
Total Net Position	388,155,227	67,811,524	65,280,226	521,246,977
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION	$ 518,419,838	$ 74,816,144	$ 84,818,369	$ 678,054,351

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Electric Department	Water Department	Wastewater Department	Total
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 22,040,593	$ -	$ -	$ 22,040,593
Restricted cash deposits, current	1,936,216	-	-	1,936,216
Investments, current	40,624,783	-	-	40,624,783
Accounts receivable, less credit losses	-	-	-	-
from doubtful accounts	6,948,068	829,999	877,640	8,655,707
Accrued utility revenues	2,273,252	507,162	430,143	3,210,557
Accrued interest receivables	1,854,775	79,955	7,123	1,941,853
Inventories, net of reserve	24,910,029	4,242,005	834,216	29,986,250
Prepaid expenses	1,497,038	-	-	1,497,038
Total Current Assets	102,084,754	5,659,121	2,149,122	109,892,997
INVESTMENTS AND LONG-TERM RECEIVABLES				
Non-utility property	7,105,965	-	-	7,105,965
Investments, net of current	65,444,543	2,000,000	2,000,000	69,444,543
Restricted cash deposits, net of current	550,000	-	-	550,000
Installment receivables	-	462	36,382	36,844
Total Investments and Long-term Receivables	73,100,508	2,000,462	2,036,382	77,137,352
NONCURRENT ASSETS				
Net Pension Asset	546,089	305,008	256,814	1,107,911
Net OPEB Asset	3,685,534	2,058,486	1,733,225	7,477,245
Total Noncurrent Assets	4,231,623	2,363,494	1,990,039	8,585,156
CAPITAL ASSETS				
Construction in progress	11,533,146	6,824,244	10,497,283	28,854,673
Utility plant in service	512,204,572	96,011,675	220,847,174	829,063,421
	523,737,718	102,835,919	231,344,457	857,918,094
Less accumulated depreciation	365,412,654	56,851,948	69,107,266	491,371,868
Total Capital Assets	158,325,064	45,983,971	162,237,191	366,546,226
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS				
Pension	8,481,524	4,737,195	3,988,674	17,207,393
OPEB	5,348,365	2,987,228	2,515,218	10,850,811
Total Deferred Outflows	13,829,889	7,724,423	6,503,892	28,058,204
INTERDEPARTMENT RECEIVABLE (PAYABLE)	79,994,662	7,828,012	(87,822,674)	-
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	$ 431,566,500	$ 71,559,483	$ 87,093,952	$ 590,219,935

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Electric Department	Water Department	Wastewater Department	Total
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Current maturities of long-term debt	$ 2,623,877	$ -	$ 973,849	$ 3,597,726
Unearned revenue	2,197,392	-	-	2,197,392
Accounts payable	7,068,688	91,148	440,489	7,600,325
Customer deposits	3,720,450	21,377	26,299	3,768,126
Accrued interest	119,492	-	55,191	174,683
Accrued taxes	147,393	47,099	39,656	234,148
Accrued salaries and vacations	1,102,299	615,668	518,387	2,236,354
Total Current Liabilities	16,979,591	775,292	2,053,871	19,808,754
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term debt	32,918,538	-	14,846,363	47,764,901
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	32,918,538	-	14,846,363	47,764,901
TOTAL LIABILITIES	49,898,129	775,292	16,900,234	67,573,655
DEFERRED INFLOWS				
Pension	4,555,246	2,544,247	2,142,231	9,241,724
OPEB	5,048,201	2,819,577	2,374,058	10,241,836
Total Deferred Outflows	9,603,447	5,363,824	4,516,289	19,483,560
NET POSITION				
Net capital assets	122,782,648	45,983,971	146,416,981	315,183,600
Restricted	2,486,216			2,486,216
Unrestricted	246,796,060	19,436,396	(80,739,552)	185,492,904
Total Net Position	372,064,924	65,420,367	65,677,429	503,162,720
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS AND NET POSITION	$ 431,566,500	$ 71,559,483	$ 87,093,952	$ 590,219,935

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

	Electric Department	Water Department	Wastewater Department	Total
OPERATING REVENUE	$ 112,347,816	$ 14,501,949	$ 14,513,342	$ 141,363,107
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Production and operations	51,604,040	2,441,821	3,431,544	57,477,405
Purchased power	21,518,382	-	-	21,518,382
Transmission	180,806	-	-	180,806
Distribution	9,643,134	3,960,287	2,375,793	15,979,214
Customers' accounting and collection	2,379,688	1,792,511	552,151	4,724,350
Administrative and general	6,235,497	1,155,101	1,770,416	9,161,014
Depreciation	14,821,576	2,786,534	6,923,489	24,531,599
Contributions in lieu of taxes	226,238	-	-	226,238
Total Operating Expenses	106,609,361	12,136,254	15,053,393	133,799,008
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	5,738,455	2,365,695	(540,051)	7,564,099
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)				
Interest income	5,290,898	104,322	1,188	5,396,408
Investment income	5,164,718	-	-	5,164,718
Rent income	591,178	124,560	126,748	842,486
Miscellaneous income (expense)	295,121	(964)	-	294,157
Interest expense	(1,075,272)	-	(530,649)	(1,605,921)
Bond expense	(594,388)	-	-	(594,388)
Contributions to City of Jonesboro	(191,943)	(600,000)	-	(791,943)
Total Other Income (Expense)	9,480,312	(372,082)	(402,713)	8,705,517
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS	15,218,767	1,993,613	(942,764)	16,269,616
CONTRIBUTIONS	871,536	397,544	545,561	1,814,641
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	16,090,303	2,391,157	(397,203)	18,084,257
NET POSITION, JANUARY 1	372,064,924	65,420,367	65,677,429	503,162,720
NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31	$ 388,155,227	$ 67,811,524	$ 65,280,226	$ 521,246,977

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	Electric Department	Water Department	Wastewater Department	Total
OPERATING REVENUE	$ 100,228,430	$ 14,128,725	$ 13,215,353	$ 127,572,508
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Production and operations	39,935,201	2,210,817	3,393,855	45,539,873
Purchased power	22,548,372	-	-	22,548,372
Transmission	184,018	-	-	184,018
Distribution	9,069,082	3,284,623	2,108,717	14,462,422
Customers' accounting and collection	2,245,917	1,645,749	512,272	4,403,938
Administrative and general	5,721,412	1,124,859	1,332,960	8,179,231
Depreciation	13,728,919	2,708,293	4,968,818	21,406,030
Contributions in lieu of taxes	224,350	-	-	224,350
Total Operating Expenses	93,657,271	10,974,341	12,316,622	116,948,234
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	6,571,159	3,154,384	898,731	10,624,274
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)				
Interest income	5,703,742	178,695	21,300	5,903,737
Investment income	3,062,526	-	-	3,062,526
Rent income	589,845	123,454	114,342	827,641
Miscellaneous income	383,320	16,255	6,325	405,900
Interest expense	(925,155)	-	(566,045)	(1,491,200)
Bond expense	(28,600)	-	-	(28,600)
Contributions to City of Jonesboro	(103,960)	(500,000)	-	(603,960)
Total Other Income (Expense)	8,681,718	(181,596)	(424,078)	8,076,044
INCOME BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS	15,252,877	2,972,788	474,653	18,700,318
CONTRIBUTIONS	632,841	352,617	1,538,020	2,523,478
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	15,885,718	3,325,405	2,012,673	21,223,796
NET POSITION, JANUARY 1	356,179,206	62,094,962	63,664,756	481,938,924
NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31	$ 372,064,924	$ 65,420,367	$ 65,677,429	$ 503,162,720

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULES OF ENERGY SOURCES AND USES - ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT (UNAUDITED)
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

(In Kilowatt-Hours)

	2025	2024	Increase (Decrease)
ENERGY SOURCES FOR DISTRIBUTION			
Production plant output	1,005,062,200	772,702,200	232,360,000
Purchased power	607,862,850	803,264,800	(195,401,950)
Energy available	1,612,925,050	1,575,967,000	36,958,050
Less sales to other utilities	76,124,750	82,060,200	(5,935,450)
TOTAL FOR DISTRIBUTION	1,536,800,300	1,493,906,800	42,893,500
ENERGY USES			
Sales to Customers			
City:			
Residential	533,299,769	502,999,070	30,300,699
Commercial	323,712,921	321,898,406	1,814,515
Industrial	578,510,980	577,644,220	866,760
Security lighting	2,149,697	2,087,024	62,673
	1,437,673,367	1,404,628,720	33,044,647
Rural:			
Residential	142,816	107,345	35,471
Commercial	385,188	384,776	412
	528,004	492,121	35,883
Total Sales to Customers	1,438,201,371	1,405,120,841	33,080,530
Interdepartment Sales	29,677,488	29,315,140	362,348
Total Sales	1,467,878,859	1,434,435,981	33,442,878
Contributions to City of Jonesboro			
Street lighting	3,049,267	2,960,458	88,809
City department	12,018,732	11,430,155	588,577
Total free service	15,067,999	14,390,613	677,386
Total Usage	1,482,946,858	1,448,826,594	34,120,264
Distribution losses	53,853,442	45,080,206	8,773,236
TOTAL DISTRIBUTED	1,536,800,300	1,493,906,800	42,893,500

CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF CUSTOMER STATISTICAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

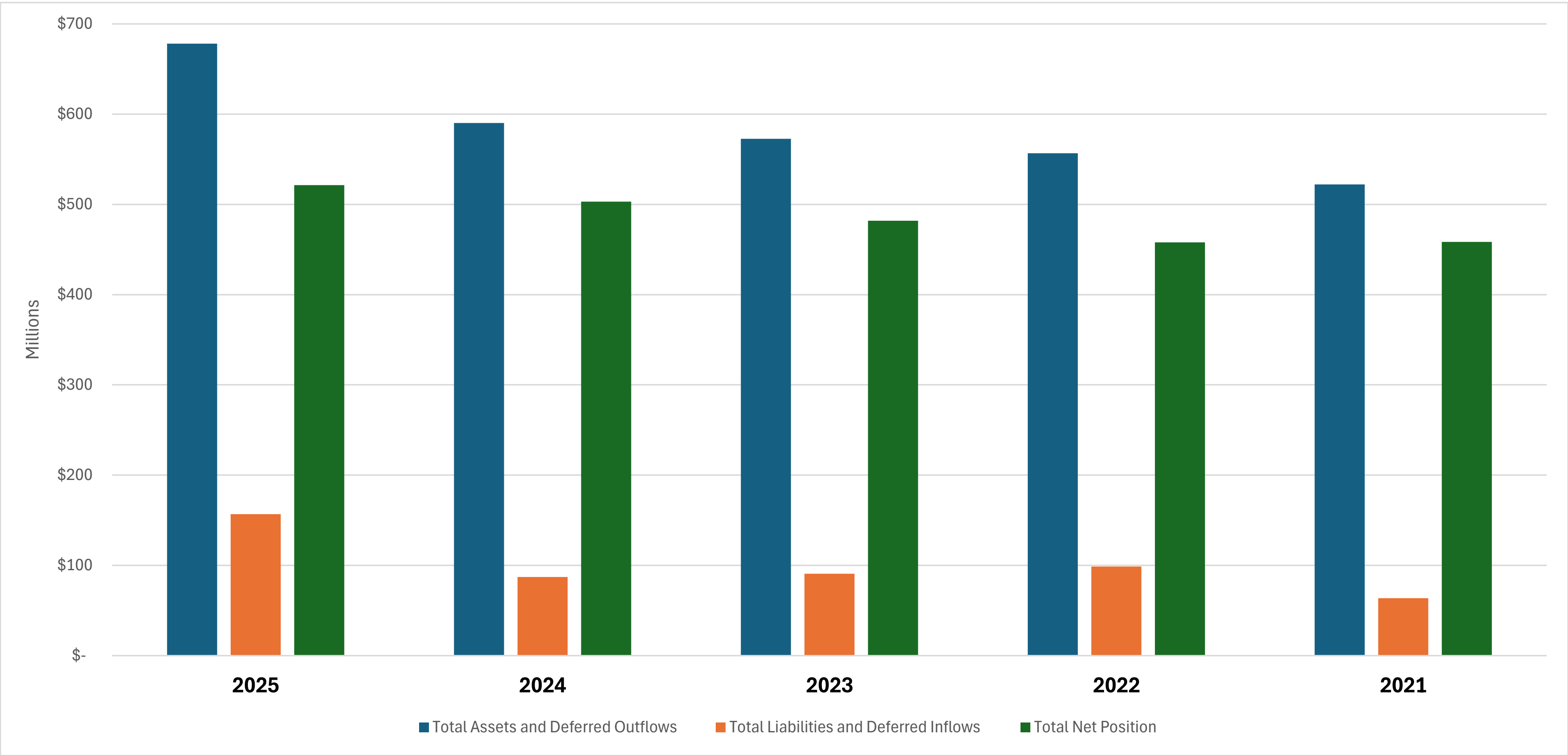
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
AVERAGE NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS:					
Residential	35,339	35,013	34,591	34,116	33,670
Commercial	5,635	5,617	5,595	5,569	5,472
Industrial	39	38	38	35	34
ELECTRIC ENERGY SALES TO CUSTOMERS (IN KWH):					
Residential	533,299,769	502,999,070	488,129,317	516,373,951	510,920,553
Commercial	323,712,921	321,898,406	317,491,944	329,314,100	323,716,028
Industrial	578,510,980	577,644,220	558,577,780	556,052,126	558,678,220
Security Lighting	2,149,697	2,087,024	2,163,137	2,143,661	1,900,924
AVERAGE BILL FOR ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS:					
Residential	$ 89.76	$ 79.38	$ 92.92	$ 107.35	$ 86.38
Commercial	$ 355.47	$ 325.87	$ 381.93	$ 428.33	$ 346.96
Industrial	$ 69,461.50	$ 63,702.86	$ 77,951.50	$ 91,262.73	$ 73,322.91
AVERAGE PRICE PER KWH FOR ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS:					
Residential	$ 0.0714	$ 0.0663	$ 0.0790	$ 0.0850	$ 0.0683
Commercial	$ 0.0737	$ 0.0677	$ 0.0801	$ 0.0864	$ 0.0700
Industrial	$ 0.0564	$ 0.0508	$ 0.0636	$ 0.0689	$ 0.0535
AVERAGE NUMBER OF WATER CUSTOMERS	39,399	39,074	38,704	38,320	37,902
WATER CONSUMPTION PER CUSTOMER (IN GALLONS)	123,534	125,581	125,254	128,742	123,452
AVERAGE PRICE PER 1,000 GALLONS OF WATER	$ 2.96	$ 2.86	$ 2.78	$ 2.59	$ 2.46
AVERAGE NUMBER OF WASTEWATER CUSTOMERS	26,634	26,383	26,034	25,753	25,456

CWL's five largest customer's billed for service in each department in 2025 were as follows:

	ELECTRIC	WATER	WASTEWATER	PEAK DEMAND KW
Riceland Foods Inc	$ 3,637,961	$ 126,726	$ 240,583	12,344
Anchor Packaging Inc.	4,723,243			12,596
Frito Lay Inc.	2,616,765	477,452	879,197	7,409
Post Foods LLC		130,878	511,285	
Arkansas State University	2,965,617			9,358
Nestle Prepared Foods	2,648,679	332,220	1,200,670	8,526
Unilever			203,625	
Nice Pak Products Inc.		154,228		
	$ 16,592,265	$ 1,221,504	$ 3,035,360	
% of Sales to Customers	17.51%	8.48%	21.00%	

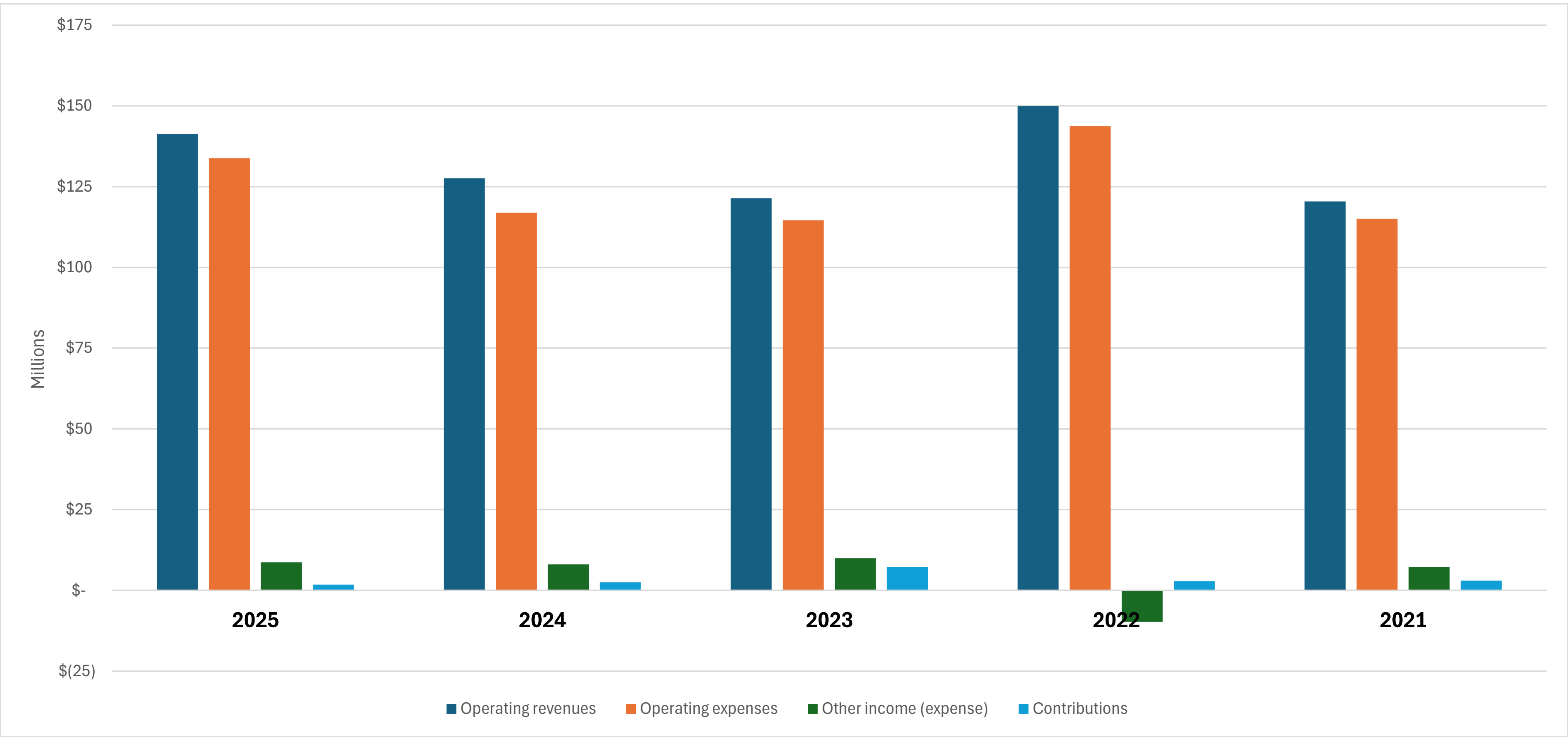
CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR LAST FIVE YEARS (UNAUDITED)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows	$ 678,054,351	$ 590,219,935	$ 572,813,895	$ 556,658,746	$ 522,118,319
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows	156,807,374	87,057,215	90,874,971	98,800,691	63,666,290
Total Net Position	521,246,977	503,162,720	481,938,924	457,858,055	458,452,029



CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR LAST FIVE YEARS (UNAUDITED)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Operating revenues	$ 141,363,107	$ 127,572,508	$ 121,457,375	$ 149,983,516	$ 120,447,014
Operating expenses	133,799,008	116,948,234	114,557,048	143,749,156	115,111,959
Other income (expense)	8,705,517	8,076,044	9,907,932	(9,701,949)	7,236,278
Contributions	1,814,641	2,523,478	7,272,610	2,873,615	3,040,249



CITY WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RATIOS (UNAUDITED)
FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

Financial and Operating Ratios:

		2025	2024
1.	Debt to Asset Ratio	21.39%	12.02%
2.	Debt to Equity Ratio	26.74%	13.43%
3.	Current Ratio	5.26	5.55
4.	Return on Investment	3.18%	3.80%
5.	Operating Margin	5.35%	8.33%
6.	Plant In Service Per Retail Customer	$ 6,726	$ 6,517

Definition of Financial and Operating Ratios:

1. Debt to Asset Ratio
   Total liabilities divided by total assets (excluding deferred outflows). A financial leverage ratio that indicates the proportion of a company's assets that are being funded through debt.

2. Debt to Equity Ratio
   Total liabilities divided by total equity. A financial leverage ratio that indicates the degree to which operations are financed through debt versus owned funds.

3. Current Ratio
   Total current assets divided by total current liabilities. A liquidity ratio that measures a company's ability to cover its short-term obligations with its current assets.

4. Return on Investment
   Income before contributions divided by average net position. A performance measure used to evaluate the efficiency of investments.

5. Operating Margin
   Income from operations divided by operating revenues. A profitability ratio that measures the profit a company makes on a dollar of sales after accounting for the direct costs involved in earning those revenues.

6. Plant In Service Per Retail Customer
   Undepreciated cost of utility plant divided by the average number of customers.

APPENDIX B

Form of Opinion of Special Tax Counsel

September 30, 2026

Stephens Inc.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Crews & Associates, Inc.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Centennial Bank
Jonesboro, Arkansas, as Trustee

Re: $96,180,000* City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special tax counsel in connection with the issuance by City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (the "Issuer") of $96,180,000* City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 (the "Bonds") pursuant to Title 14, Chapter 217 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and a Trust Indenture dated as of the date hereof (the "Indenture") between the Issuer and Centennial Bank, Jonesboro, Arkansas, as Trustee (the "Trustee"). We have examined the law and the certified transcript of proceedings relative to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds and such other papers and certificates as we deem necessary to render this opinion, including the tax covenants and representations of the Issuer (the "Tax Covenants"), without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

Based upon our examination, we are of the opinion, as of the date hereof, as follows:

Under existing federal statutes, regulations and rulings, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, such interest on the Bonds may be taken into account for the purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations. This opinion relates only to the excludability from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code and is conditioned on continuing compliance by the Issuer with the Tax Covenants. Failure to comply with the Tax Covenants could cause interest on the Bonds to lose the excludability from gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issue.

We have relied on the opinion of Friday, Eldredge & Clark, LLP Bond Counsel to the Issuer, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A as to those matters addressed therein.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention, or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

Very truly yours,

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* Preliminary; subject to change.

EXHIBIT A

September 30, 2026

Ice Miller LLP
Indianapolis, Indiana

Re: $96,180,000* City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel to City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (the "Issuer") in connection with the above-styled bonds (the "Bonds"). You may rely upon our Bond Counsel opinion approving the Bonds, dated the date hereof, to the same extent as if addressed to you.

We are of the opinion that the Issuer is a political subdivision within the meaning of United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.103-1. The opinion given herein is given as of the date set forth above, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement it to reflect any facts or circumstances that may later come to our attention or any changes in law that may later occur.

Sincerely,

FRIDAY, ELDREDGE & CLARK, LLP

* Preliminary; subject to change.

APPENDIX C

Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel

September 30, 2026

Stephens Inc.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Crews & Associates, Inc.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Centennial Bank
Jonesboro, Arkansas, as Trustee

Re: $96,180,000* City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance by City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro (the "Issuer") of $96,180,000* City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 (the "Bonds") pursuant to Title 14, Chapter 217 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and a Trust Indenture dated as of the date hereof (the "Indenture") between the Issuer and Centennial Bank, Jonesboro, Arkansas, as Trustee (the "Trustee"). In such capacity, we have examined such law and such certified proceedings and other papers as we deem necessary to give the opinions below.

Regarding questions of fact material to the opinions below, we have relied upon the representations of the Issuer contained in the Indenture and on the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials and others furnished to us without undertaking to verify them by independent investigation.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Issuer has been duly created and is validly existing under the laws of the State of Arkansas with the power to enter into the Indenture, perform the agreements on its part contained therein and issue the Bonds.

2. The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Issuer and is a valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable upon the Issuer. The Indenture creates a valid pledge of revenues derived from the operation of the water, wastewater and electric utility system of the Issuer ("Revenues"). The pledge of Revenues in favor of the Bonds is on a parity with the pledge of Revenues in favor of the Issuer's Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2020, the Issuer's Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 and the Issuer's Public Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025.

3. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Issuer and are valid and binding obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from Revenues.

4. The interest on the Bonds is exempt from State of Arkansas income tax and the Bonds are not subject to property taxes in the State of Arkansas.

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* Preliminary; subject to change.

5. The Bonds are exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Indenture is exempt from qualification under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

The rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds and the Indenture are limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, and other similar laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors, and by equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

The opinions given in this opinion letter are given as of the date set forth above, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement them to reflect any facts or circumstances that may later come to our attention, or any changes in law that may later occur.

Sincerely,

FRIDAY, ELDREDGE & CLARK, LLP