Independent Service Auditor's Report on Financial Management Services' Description of Its Financial Systems and the Suitability of the Design and Operating Effectiveness of Controls for the period October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022



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This report presents the results of the Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements No. 21 examination for the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Financial Management Services (FMS) description of its financial systems used to process user entities financial transactions throughout the period October 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. The report contains an unmodified opinion on the description and controls that were suitably designed to provide reasonable assurance that the control objectives would be achieved.

An independent certified public accounting firm conducted the audit. In connection with the contract, we reviewed the independent firm's report and related documentation and inquired of its representatives. Our review, as differentiated from an audit in accordance with Government Auditing Standards (issued by the Comptroller General of the United States), was not intended to enable us to express, and we do not express, opinions on the USDA FMS' description of its financial systems used to process user entities financial transactions throughout the period October 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. The independent firm is responsible for the attached auditor's report, dated September 6, 2022, and the conclusions expressed in the report. However, our review disclosed no instances where the independent firm did not comply, in all material respects, with Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and relevant attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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