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March 8, 2024

Senator Terry Rice, Co-Chair Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair Arkansas Legislative Council State Capitol, Room 315 Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Re: Quarterly Report on Arkansas State Hospital Storm Repairs Utilizing Restricted Reserve Funds

Dear Senator Rice and Representative Wardlaw:

The Department of Human Services is submitting its quarterly report on Arkansas State Hospital storm repairs utilizing restricted reserve funds. To date, DHS has incurred expenses for damage remediation services using disaster clean up companies on state contracts and design professional fees totaling \$359,560.28 which leaves a remaining balance of \$4,640,439.72. Asbestos abatement of all three of the affected units is underway. The vendor, Environmental Protection Associates, is on site and performing the contracted asbestos abatement.

The plans and specifications development phase of the flood damage remediation for unit #4 is due to the DHS Office of Procurement on Friday, March 8, and will be hand delivered to TSS Division of Building Authority (DBA) Design Review Section on that date. The plans and specifications development phase of the flood damage remediation for units #3 and #5 are under development now. The process will progress more quickly now that DHS and DBA are about to complete the document submittal package for the flood damage remediation for unit #4. This was by far the most damaged area with the most extensive engineering needs.

Thank you for your assistance and interest in this critical project. Please contact Misty Eubanks, Deputy Secretary for Operations and Budget and Interim CFO, if you need additional information.

Respectfully,

Kristi Putnam, Secretary

Arkansas Department of Human Services

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cc: Robert Brech, Administrator

DFA—Office of Budget

Andy Babbitt, Administrator DFA—Office of Accounting

Arkansas State Hospital (ASH)

ASH Storm Damage Repair Status as of 02/29/2024

			To DBA	To DBA		Est. Cost	Project Exp. As of		AASIS Funds	Approv.		Design	Div. to
<u>Unit</u>	DBA Proj. #	Project Description	For Review	For Bid Date	MOF#	Of Const.	02.29.2024	Cost String	Obligated by Req/PO	In AASIS	<u>Status</u>	<u>Professional</u>	Proceed Y/N
ASH	7102311 EM	Damage Remediation			05182	\$ 723,600.00	\$ 185,180.34	418081-02/BV9/NHS2023	In Progress	Approv.	Work In Progress	Various	Υ
	In Const.	Phase I - Asbestos Batement Units 3, 4,5	28-Sep-23	18-Jan-24	05182	433,000.00	21,250.31	418081-02/BV9/NHS2023	4502204077	Approv.	In Construction	Morris AE/Lockeby Eng.	Construction
		Phase II - Flood Damage Remediation Unit #4	Pending		05182	1,967,900.00	81,391.75	418081-02/BV9/NHS2023	Funds Available		Pending Design Prof. Sub. Package	Morris AE/Lockeby Eng.	Υ
		Phase III - Flood Damage Rem. Unit #3 & #5	Pending		05182	1,875,500.00	71,737.88	418081-02/BV9/NHS2023	Funds Available		Pending Design Prof. Sub. Package	Morris AE/Lockeby Eng.	Υ
			ASH Total Est. BV9 Funds:			\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 359,560.28						