

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: April 25, 2024
TOPIC: #6.13 – Lease Agreement – Student Devices 3yr
PRESENTER: Robert Berkowitz, Director of Technology
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: Policy #719

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. South Washington County Schools will be replacing 1500 6th grade student devices. The new devices will include a protective case and 3 years of accidental damage repair. This purchase will also include 3000 protective cases for 7th and 8th grade student devices. With accidental damage repair for the 2 years (7th grade) and 1 year (8th grade) which reflects the expected life cycle of these devices.

This lease will also include 1500 devices for 10th grade student use. The existing devices will be moved to elementary schools for the remaining 2 years of their lease.

- b. To finance this device lifecycle, South Washington County Schools is seeking board approval to enter a 3-year lease for 3000 Acer 311 Chromebook devices, 4500 protective cases, google management licensing, and accidental damage repair for student use. This lease is a 3-year lease with annual payments of \$338,557 starting on July 1st, 2024.
- c. This 3-year lease is budgeted and will be paid using the voter approved 2023 capital projects levy.

B. RECOMMENDATION

Administration recommends approval this lease purchase financing.

C. CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY

- a. Operations, Staffing, and Finance



DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

PLEASE EXECUTE ONE (1) ORIGINAL SET OF ALL DOCUMENTS
(NO FRONT & BACK COPIES, PLEASE)

RETURN ALL ORIGINALS TO:
PROVIDENCE CAPITAL NETWORK, LLC
JOHN VONDER
8022 PROVIDENCE ROAD, SUITE 500-100
CHARLOTTE, NC 28277
800-680-0560

- Notice and Acknowledgment of Assignment**
- Addendum/Amendment to Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement** – This document must be executed in the presence of a witness/attestor. The attesting witness does not have to be a notary, just present at the time of execution.
- Property Schedule No. 2** - This document must be executed in the presence of a witness/attestor. The attesting witness does not have to be a notary, just present at the time of execution.
- Property Description and Payment Schedule – Exhibit 1**
- Lessee’s Counsel’s Opinion – Exhibit 2.** This exhibit will need to be executed by your attorney, dated and placed on their letterhead. Your attorney will likely want to review the agreement prior to executing this opinion.
- Lessee’s General and Incumbency Certificate – Exhibit 3.** Include in your return package a copy of the board minutes or resolution for our files.
- Payment of Proceeds Instructions – Exhibit 4.** Intentionally Omitted.
- Acceptance Certificate – Exhibit 5.** Intentionally Omitted.
- Bank Qualification and Arbitrage Rebate – Exhibit 6.**
- Notification of Tax Treatment** – Please provide your State of Sales/Use tax Exemption Certificate.
- Form 8038-G** – Blank form and instructions provided to Lessee. Please consult your CPA, local legal or bond counsel to fill out. Please **provide a copy** for closing and **mail the original to the IRS** at the following address (pre-paid UPS label will be provided upon request):

Internal Revenue Service Center
Department of Treasury
1973 Rulon White Blvd
Ogden, UT 84201-1000
- Lessee’s IRS Form W9**
- Escrow Agreement** – This document needs to be executed by the Executing Official defined in the Lessee’s Certificate – Exhibit 3.
 - Investment Direction Letter – Exhibit 1.** This document needs to be executed by the Executing Official.
 - Schedule of Fees – Exhibit 2.**
 - Requisition Request – Exhibit 3.** This document should be retained by Lessee and utilized to request disbursements from the escrow account. Please make copies and fill out as many as are needed.
 - Final Acceptance Certificate - Exhibit 4.** This document should be retained by Lessee and provided to Lessor once all the proceeds have been disbursed from the escrow account.
 - Escrow Incumbency Certificate & Call-backs – Exhibit 5.**
 - Class Action Negative Consent Letter – Exhibit 6.**
 - IRS Form W-9.** This document should be retained by Lessee and submitted with the Requisition Request(s) for each vendor being paid. Please make copies and fill out as many as are needed.
- Insurance Authorization and Verification** – To be filled out by the Purchaser and sent to your insurance carrier. A valid insurance certificate, or self-insurance letter if the Purchaser self-insures, is required prior to funding.
- Invoice for First Payment** - The first payment must be received for funding to occur.

NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SALE OF RENTAL PAYMENTS AND ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

Providence Capital Network, LLC and South Washington County Schools District 833 ("Lessee") have entered into a Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement, dated July 15, 2021 and related Property Schedule No. 2 dated July 15, 2024 (together, the "Agreement") under which Lessee has, or will have prior to its execution hereof, leased Property (the "Property") described in Exhibit A to the Agreement.

Lessee is hereby notified that Providence Capital Network, LLC has assigned its interest in the Agreement, in the leased Property, and in the Rental Payments and all other amounts provided for under the Agreement.

Lessee is hereby directed to pay any and all rental payments and other amounts due with respect to which Providence Capital Network, LLC's Purchaser ("Purchaser") renders an invoice, at the address set out immediately below or as otherwise directed in said invoice:

"PURCHASER"

U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc. PO Box 959067 St. Louis, MO 63179-9067
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By signing this Notice and Acknowledgment, Lessee agrees that it will pay all amounts due under the Agreement as directed in the invoice without any set-off or deduction whatsoever notwithstanding any defect in, damage to, or requisition of any property leased under the Agreement, any other similar or dissimilar event, any defense, set-off, counterclaim or recoupment arising out of any claim against Providence Capital Network, LLC or Purchaser.

Lessee further agrees that Purchaser has not assumed any duties under the Agreement or made any warranties whatsoever as to the Agreement or the Property. Lessee agrees that no change may be made to the Agreement without the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

In signing this, Lessee warrants that its representations and warranties under the Agreement are true and correct on the date hereof.

Lessor: Providence Capital Network, LLC	Lessee: South Washington County Schools District 833
By:	By:
Printed Name:	Printed Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

ADDENDUM (MINNESOTA)
Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement

THIS ADDENDUM, which is entered into as of July 15, 2024 between Providence Capital Network, LLC ("Lessor") and South Washington County Schools District 833 ("Lessee"), is intended to modify and supplement Property Schedule No. 2 (the "Property Schedule") to the Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement between Lessor and Lessee of even date herewith (the "Master Agreement"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Master Agreement.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in the Master Agreement, title to the Property subject to each Property Schedule shall remain in Lessor during the Lease Term for each such Property Schedule, subject to Lessee's rights under the Master Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee have caused this Addendum to be executed in their names by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first above written.

Lessor: Providence Capital Network, LLC
By:
Name:
Title:

Lessee: South Washington County Schools District 833
By:
Name:
Title:

Attest:
By
Name:
Title:

Property Schedule No. 2

Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement

This **Property Schedule No. 2** is entered into as of the Commencement Date set forth below, pursuant to that certain Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement (the "Master Agreement"), dated as of July 15, 2021, between Providence Capital Network, LLC, and South Washington County Schools District 833.

1. Entire Agreement; Interpretation. The terms and conditions of the Master Agreement are incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein. The Master Agreement, this Property Schedule and the associated documents hereto constitute the entire agreement between Lessor and Lessee with respect to the Property and supersede any purchase order, invoice, request for proposal, response or other related document. Reference is made to the Master Agreement for all representations, covenants and warranties made by Lessee in the execution of this Property Schedule, unless specifically set forth herein. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the Master Agreement and the provisions of this Property Schedule, the provisions of this Property Schedule shall control. All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings provided in the Master Agreement.
2. Commencement Date. The Commencement Date for this Property Schedule is July 15, 2024.
3. Property Description and Payment Schedule. The Property subject to this Property Schedule is described in Exhibit 1 hereto. Lessee shall not remove such property from the locations set forth therein without giving prior written notice to Lessor. The Lease Payment Schedule for this Property Schedule is set forth in Exhibit 1.
4. Opinion. The Opinion of Lessee's Counsel is attached as Exhibit 2.
5. Lessee's Certificate. The Lessee's Certificate is attached as Exhibit 3.
6. Proceeds. Exhibit 4 is intentionally omitted.
7. Acceptance Certificate. Exhibit 5 is intentionally omitted.
8. Additional Purchase Option Provisions. In addition to the Purchase Option provisions set forth in the Master Agreement, Lease Payments payable under this Property Schedule shall be subject to prepayment in whole at any time by payment of the applicable Termination Amount set forth in Exhibit 1 (Payment Schedule) and payment of all accrued and unpaid interest through the date of prepayment.
9. Private Activity Issue. Lessee understands that among other things, in order to maintain the exclusion of the interest component of Lease Payments from gross income for federal income tax purposes, it must limit and restrict the rights private businesses (including, for this purpose, the federal government and its agencies and organizations described in the Code § 501(c)(3)) have to use the Property. Each of these requirements will be applied beginning on the later of the Commencement Date or date each portion of the Property is placed in service and will continue to apply until earlier of the end of the economic useful life of the property or the date the Agreement or any tax-exempt obligation issued to refund the Property Schedule is retired (the "Measurement Period"). Lessee will comply with the requirements of Section 141 of the Code and the regulations thereunder which provide restrictions on special legal rights that users other than Lessee or a state or local government or an agency or instrumentality of a state or a local government (an "Eligible User") may have to use the Property. For this purpose, special legal rights may arise from a management or service agreement, lease, research agreement or other arrangement providing any entity except an Eligible User the right to use the Property. Any use of the Property by a user other than an Eligible User is referred to herein as "Non-Qualified Use". Throughout the Measurement Period, all of the Property is expected to be owned by Lessee. Throughout the Measurement Period, Lessee will not permit the Non-Qualified Use of the Property to exceed 10%.
10. Bank Qualification and Arbitrage Rebate. Attached as Exhibit 6.
11. Expiration. Lessor, at its sole determination, may choose not to accept this Property Schedule if the fully executed, original Master Agreement (including this Property Schedule and all ancillary documents) is not received by Lessor at its place of business by August 19, 2024.

(Page intentionally left blank. Signature page to follow)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee have caused this Property Schedule to be executed in their names by their duly authorized representatives as of the Commencement Date above.

Lessor: Providence Capital Network, LLC
By:
Name:
Title:

Lessee: South Washington County Schools District 833
By:
Name:
Title:

Attest:
By
Name:
Title:

EXHIBIT 1

Property Description and Payment Schedule

Re: **Property Schedule No. 2** to Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement between Providence Capital Network, LLC and South Washington County Schools District 833.

THE PROPERTY IS AS FOLLOWS: The Property as more fully described in Exhibit A incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto. It includes all replacements, parts, repairs, additions, accessions and accessories incorporated therein or affixed or attached thereto and any and all proceeds of the foregoing, including, without limitation, insurance recoveries.

PROPERTY LOCATION:

_____ Address

_____ City, State Zip Code

USE: Technology - This use is essential to the proper, efficient and economic functioning of Lessee or to the services that Lessee provides; and Lessee has immediate need for and expects to make immediate use of substantially all of the Property, which need is not temporary or expected to diminish in the foreseeable future.

Lease Payment Schedule

Total Principal Amount: \$1,020,000.00

Payment No.	Due Date	Lease Payment	Principal Portion	Interest Portion	Termination Amount (After Making Payment for said Due Date)
1	7/15/2024	338,557.00	338,557.00	0.00	NA
2	7/15/2025	338,557.00	288,165.36	50,391.64	NA
3	7/15/2026	338,557.00	309,474.74	29,082.26	86,316.99
4	7/15/2027	90,000.00	83,802.90	6,197.10	0.00
TOTAL		1,105,671.00	1,020,000.00	85,671.00	

Interest Rate: 7.39%

Lessee: South Washington County Schools District 833
By:
Name:
Title:

EXHIBIT A

Property Description

Technology

ESCROW AGREEMENT

THIS ESCROW AGREEMENT ("*Escrow Agreement*") is made as of July 15, 2024 by and among U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc. ("*Assignee*"), South Washington County Schools District 833 ("*Lessee*") and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as escrow agent ("*Escrow Agent*").

Assignee and Lessee have heretofore entered into that certain Master Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Agreement dated as of July 15, 2021 (the "*Master Agreement*") and a Property Schedule No. 2 thereto dated July 15, 2024 (the "*Schedule*" and, together with the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement incorporated therein, the "*Agreement*"). The Schedule contemplates that certain personal property described therein (the "*Equipment*") is to be acquired from the vendor(s) or manufacturer(s) thereof (the "*Vendor*"). After acceptance of the Equipment by Lessee, the Equipment is to be financed by Assignee to Lessee pursuant to the terms of the Agreement.

The Master Agreement further contemplates that Assignee will deposit an amount equal to the anticipated aggregate acquisition cost of the Equipment (the "*Purchase Price*", being \$1,020,000.00, with Escrow Agent to be held in escrow and applied on the express terms set forth herein. Such deposit, together with all interest and other additions received with respect thereto (hereinafter the "*Escrow Fund*") is to be applied to pay the Vendor its invoice cost (a portion of which may, if required, be paid prior to final acceptance of the Equipment by Lessee); and, if applicable, to reimburse Lessee for progress payments already made by it to the Vendor of the Equipment.

The parties desire to set forth the terms on which the Escrow Fund is to be created and to establish the rights and responsibilities of the parties hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Escrow Agent hereby agrees to serve as escrow agent upon the terms and conditions set forth herein. The moneys and investments held in the Escrow Fund are for the benefit of Lessee and Assignee, and such moneys, together with any income or interest earned thereon, shall be expended only as provided in this Escrow Agreement, and shall not be subject to levy or attachment or lien by or for the benefit of any creditor of either Lessee or Assignee. Assignee, Lessee and Escrow Agent intend that the Escrow Fund constitute an escrow account in which Lessee has no legal or equitable right, title or interest until satisfaction in full of all conditions contained herein for the disbursement of funds by the Escrow Agent therefrom. However, if the parties' intention that Lessee shall have no legal or equitable right, title or interest until all conditions for disbursement are satisfied in full is not respected in any legal proceeding, the parties hereto intend that Assignee have a security interest in the Escrow Fund, and such security interest is hereby granted by Lessee to secure payment of all sums due to Assignee under the Master Agreement. For such purpose, Escrow Agent hereby agrees to act as agent for Assignee in connection with the perfection of such security interest and agrees to note, or cause to be noted, on all books and records relating to the Escrow Fund, the Assignee's interest therein.

2. On such day as is determined to the mutual satisfaction of the parties (the "*Closing Date*"), Assignee shall deposit with Escrow Agent cash in the amount of the Purchase Price, to be held in escrow by Escrow Agent on the express terms and conditions set forth herein.

On the Closing Date, Escrow Agent agrees to accept the deposit of the Purchase Price by Assignee, and further agrees to hold the amount so deposited together with all interest and other additions received with respect thereto, as the Escrow Fund hereunder, in escrow on the express terms and conditions set forth herein.

3. Escrow Agent shall at all times segregate the Escrow Fund into an account maintained for that express purpose, which shall be clearly identified on the books and records of Escrow Agent as being held in its capacity as Escrow Agent. Securities and other negotiable instruments comprising the Escrow Fund from time to time shall be held or registered in the name of Escrow Agent (or its nominee). The Escrow Fund shall not, to the extent permitted by applicable law, be subject to levy or attachment or lien by or for the benefit of any creditor of any of the parties hereto (except with respect to the security interest therein held by Assignee).

4. The cash comprising the Escrow Fund from time to time shall be invested and reinvested by Escrow Agent in one or more investments as directed by Lessee. Absent written direction from Lessee, the cash will be invested in the U.S. Bank National Association Money Market Deposit Fund. See Exhibit 1 Investment Direction Letter. Lessee represents and warrants to Escrow Agent and Assignee that the investments selected by Lessee for investment of the

Escrow Fund are permitted investments for Lessee under all applicable laws. Escrow Agent will use due diligence to collect amounts payable under a check or other instrument for the payment of money comprising the Escrow Fund and shall promptly notify Lessee and Assignee in the event of dishonor of payment under any such check or other instruments. Interest or other amounts earned and received by Escrow Agent with respect to the Escrow Fund shall be deposited in and comprise a part of the Escrow Fund. Escrow Agent shall maintain accounting records sufficient to permit calculation of the income on investments and interest earned on deposit of amounts held in the Escrow Fund. The parties acknowledge that to the extent regulations of the Comptroller of Currency or other applicable regulatory entity grant a right to receive brokerage confirmations of security transactions of the escrow, the parties waive receipt of such confirmations, to the extent permitted by law. The Escrow Agent shall furnish a statement of security transactions on its regular monthly reports. Attached as Exhibit 6 is the Class Action Negative Consent Letter to be reviewed by Lessee.

5. Upon request by Lessee and Assignee, Escrow Agent shall send monthly statements of account to Lessee and Assignee, which statements shall set forth all withdrawals from and interest earnings on the Escrow Fund as well as the investments in which the Escrow Fund is invested.

6. Escrow Agent shall take the following actions with respect to the Escrow Fund:

(a) Upon Escrow Agent's acceptance of the deposit of the Purchase Price, an amount equal to Escrow Agent's acceptance fee, as set forth on Exhibit 2 hereto, shall be disbursed from the Escrow Fund to Escrow Agent in payment of such fee.

(b) Escrow Agent shall pay costs of the Equipment upon receipt of a duly executed Requisition Request (substantially in the format of Exhibit 3) signed by Assignee and Lessee. Lessee's authorized signatures are provided in Exhibit 5 attached hereto. Escrow Agent will use best efforts to process requests for payment within one (1) business day of receipt of requisitions received prior to 2:00 p.m. Central Time. The final Requisition shall be accompanied by a duly executed Final Acceptance Certificate form attached as Exhibit 4 hereto.

Escrow Agent is authorized but shall not be required to seek confirmation of such instructions by telephone call-back to any person designated by the instructing party on Exhibit 5 hereto, and Escrow Agent may rely upon the confirmation of anyone purporting to be a person so designated. The persons and telephone numbers for call-backs may be changed only in writing actually received and acknowledged by Escrow Agent and shall be effective only after Escrow Agent has a reasonable opportunity to act on such changes. If Escrow Agent is unable to contact any of the designated representatives identified in Exhibit 5, Escrow Agent is hereby authorized but shall be under no duty to seek confirmation of such instructions by telephone call-back to any one or more of Lessee's or Assignee's executive officers ("Executive Officers"), as Escrow Agent may select. Such Executive Officer shall deliver to Escrow Agent a fully executed incumbency certificate, and Escrow Agent may rely upon the confirmation of anyone purporting to be any such officer. Lessee and Assignee agree that Escrow Agent may at its option record any telephone calls made pursuant to this Section. Escrow Agent in any funds transfer may rely solely upon any account numbers or similar identifying numbers provided by Lessee and Assignee to identify (i) the beneficiary, (ii) the beneficiary's bank, or (iii) an intermediary bank, even when its use may result in a person other than the beneficiary being paid, or the transfer of funds to a bank other than the beneficiary's bank or an intermediary bank so designated. Lessee and Assignee acknowledge that these optional security procedures are commercially reasonable.

(c) Upon receipt by Escrow Agent of written notice from Assignee that an Event of Default or an Event of Nonappropriation (if provided for under the Master Agreement) has occurred under the Agreement, all funds then on deposit in the Escrow Fund shall be paid to Assignee for application in accordance with the Master Agreement, and this Escrow Agreement shall terminate.

(d) Upon receipt by Escrow Agent of written notice from Assignee that the purchase price of the Equipment has been paid in full, Escrow Agent shall pay the funds then on deposit in the Escrow Fund to Assignee to be applied first to the next Lease Payment due under the Master Agreement, and second, to prepayment of the principal component of Lease Payments in inverse order of maturity without premium. To the extent the Agreement is not subject to prepayment, Assignee consents to such prepayment to the extent of such prepayment amount from the Escrow Fund. Upon disbursement of all amounts in the Escrow Fund, this Escrow Agreement shall terminate.

(e) This Escrow Agreement shall terminate upon the distribution of all the amounts in the Escrow Fund pursuant to any applicable provision of this Agreement, and Escrow Agent will thereafter have no further obligation or liability whatsoever with respect to this Agreement.

7. The fees and expenses, including any legal fees, of Escrow Agent incurred in connection herewith shall be the responsibility of Lessee. The basic fees and expenses of Escrow Agent shall be as set forth on Exhibit 2 and Escrow Agent is hereby authorized to deduct such fees and expenses from the Escrow Fund as and when the same are incurred without any further authorization from Lessee or Assignee. Escrow Agent may employ legal counsel and other experts as it deems necessary for advice in connection with its obligations hereunder. Escrow Agent waives any claim against Assignee with respect to compensation hereunder.

8. Escrow Agent shall have no liability for acting upon any written instruction presented by Assignee in connection with this Escrow Agreement, which Escrow Agent in good faith believes to be genuine. Furthermore, Escrow Agent shall not be liable for any act or omission in connection with this Escrow Agreement except for its own negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith. Escrow Agent shall not be liable for any loss or diminution in value of the Escrow Fund as a result of the investments made by Escrow Agent.

9. Escrow Agent may resign at any time by giving thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Assignee and Lessee. Assignee may at any time remove Escrow Agent as Escrow Agent under this Escrow Agreement upon written notice to Lessee and Escrow Agent. Such removal or resignation shall be effective on the date set forth in the applicable notice. Upon the effective date of resignation or removal, Escrow Agent will transfer the Escrow Fund to the successor Escrow Agent selected by Assignee.

10. Lessee hereby represents, covenants and warrants that pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.148-7(d), the gross proceeds of the Agreement will be expended for the governmental purposes for which the Agreement was entered into, as follows: at least 15% within six months after the Commencement Date, such date being the date of deposit of funds into the Escrow Fund, at least 60% within 12 months after the Commencement Date, and 100% within 18 months after the Commencement Date. If Lessee is unable to comply with Section 1.148-7(d) of the Treasury Regulations, Lessee shall, at its sole expense and cost, compute rebatable arbitrage on the Agreement and pay rebatable arbitrage to the United States at least once every five years, and within 60 days after payment of the final rental or Lease Payment due under the Agreement.

11. In the event of any disagreement between the undersigned or any of them, and/or any other person, resulting in adverse claims and demands being made in connection with or for any moneys involved herein or affected hereby, Escrow Agent shall be entitled at its option to refuse to comply with any such claim or demand, so long as such disagreement shall continue, and in so refusing Escrow Agent may refrain from making any delivery or other disposition of any moneys involved herein or affected hereby and in so doing Escrow Agent shall not be or become liable to the undersigned or any of them or to any person or party for its failure or refusal to comply with such conflicting or adverse demands, and Escrow Agent shall be entitled to continue so to refrain and refuse so to act until:

(a) the rights of the adverse claimants have been finally adjudicated in a court assuming and having jurisdiction of the parties and the moneys involved herein or affected hereby; or

(b) all differences shall have been adjusted by Master Agreement and Escrow Agent shall have been notified thereof in writing signed by all of the persons interested.

12. All notices (excluding billings and communications in the ordinary course of business) hereunder shall be in writing, and shall be sufficiently given and served upon the other party if delivered (a) personally, (b) by United States registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, (c) by an overnight delivery by a service such as Federal Express or Express Mail from which written confirmation of overnight delivery is available, (d) by facsimile with a confirmed receipt or (e) by email by way of a PDF attachment thereto. Notice shall be effective upon receipt except for notice via email, which shall be effective only when the Recipient, by return email or notice delivered by other method provided for in this Section, acknowledges having received that email (with an automatically generated receipt or similar notice not constituting an acknowledgement of an email receipt for purposes of this Section).

Escrow Agent shall have the right to accept and act upon any notice, instruction, or other communication, including any funds transfer instruction, (each, a "Notice") received pursuant to this Agreement by electronic transmission (including by e-mail, facsimile transmission, web portal or other electronic methods) and shall not have any duty to confirm that the person sending such Notice is, in fact, a person authorized to do so. Electronic signatures believed by Escrow Agent to comply with the ESIGN Act of 2000 or other applicable law (including electronic images of handwritten signatures and

digital signatures provided by DocuSign, Orbit, Adobe Sign or any other digital signature provider identified by any other party hereto and acceptable to Escrow Agent) shall be deemed original signatures for all purposes. Each other party assumes all risks arising out of the use of electronic signatures and electronic methods to send Notices to Escrow Agent, including without limitation the risk of Escrow Agent acting on an unauthorized Notice, and the risk of interception or misuse by third parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Escrow Agent may in any instance and in its sole discretion require that a Notice in the form of an original document bearing a manual signature be delivered to Escrow Agent in lieu of, or in addition to, any such electronic Notice.

13. This Escrow Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. No rights or obligations of Escrow Agent under this Escrow Agreement may be assigned without the prior written consent of Assignee.

14. This Escrow Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws in the state of the Escrow Agent's location. This Escrow Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and no waiver, consent, modification or change of terms hereof shall bind any party unless in writing signed by all parties.

15. This Escrow Agreement and any written direction may be executed in two or more counterparts, which when so executed shall constitute one and the same agreement or direction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Escrow Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above set forth.

U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc., as Assignee
By:
Name:
Title:
Address: 13010 SW 68 th Parkway, Suite 100 Portland, OR 97223

South Washington County Schools District 833, as Lessee
By:
Name:
Title:
Address: 7362 E. Point Douglas Road S Cottage Grove, MN 55016

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Escrow Agent
By:
Name:
Title:
Address: U.S. Bank National Association Global Corporate Trust 950 17 th Street, 5 th Floor Denver, CO 80202