

June 26,2026

Office of the Minnesota State Auditor
525 Park Street, Suite 500
St. Paul, MN 55103

RE: Request for an extension of time to file Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission
2025 audited financial statements

Dear Ms. Julie Blaha, State Auditor

The Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission (GRPUC) is requesting an extension of
time to file our 2025 audited financial statements due to new software implementation.

GRPUC contracted to purchase new enterprise resource planning and utility billing
software in early 2024. This was a joint purchase with the City of Grand Rapids, which
had many months of collaborative planning and preparation. Our implementation
started in August 2025 and continued through the end of 2025. The capital asset
software will be implemented in 2026. It is taking longer than planned to balance our
software implementations between our legacy system and new software.

Yet, the five identified functional themes for the new ERP and utility billing software of
transparency, self-service portals, interface with other key software platforms, and
automation of critical processes are becoming a reality and will continue to benefit our
customers in the future.

This request for an extension of time to file the 2025 GRPUC audited financial
statements has been ratified by the GRPU Commission.

Thank you for your consideration to approve an extension of time to file the GRPUC
2025 audited financial statements with the Office of the State Auditor.

Sincerely,

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General Manager

Taylor L. Bird
Finance Manager