

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on March 28, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., in the offices of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority (the “*Authority*”), 330 South Poplar, Suite 102, Pierre, South Dakota, regarding a plan of finance to issue not to exceed \$465,000,000 aggregate original principal amount of Revenue Bonds in one or more series (collectively, the “*Bonds*”) of the Authority for Avera Health, a South Dakota nonprofit corporation (“*Avera Health*”), and/or any corporate affiliate thereof, including without limitation, Avera McKennan (“*Avera McKennan*”), Avera St. Luke’s (“*Avera St. Luke’s*”), Avera Queen of Peace (“*Avera Queen of Peace*”), Sacred Heart Health Services d/b/a Avera Sacred Heart (“*Avera Sacred Heart*”), each a South Dakota nonprofit corporation, and Avera Marshall, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation (“*Avera Marshall*” and, together with Avera Health, Avera McKennan, Avera St. Luke’s, Avera Queen of Peace and each other corporate affiliate of Avera Health that benefits from the proceeds of the Bonds, the “*Borrowers*”). The Bonds will be issued in one or more series pursuant to Sections 1-16A-1 through 1-16A-92 of the South Dakota Codified Laws as part of a plan of finance to provide the Borrowers with moneys to finance and refinance projects located in the States of South Dakota and Minnesota. Public approval by the City of Marshall, Minnesota will be obtained following a public notice and public hearing regarding the Bonds and the projects to be financed in the City of Marshall, Minnesota in a principal amount up to \$3,000,000. Public approval by the City of Worthington, Minnesota will be obtained following a public notice and public hearing regarding the Bonds and the projects to be refinanced in the City of Worthington, Minnesota in a principal amount up to \$14,000,000. The Bonds will be issued as qualified 501(c)(3) bonds pursuant to Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Proceeds of the Bonds will be used, together with certain other moneys, in a principal amount not to exceed \$250,000,000, to finance the costs of, or reimburse the Borrowers for the costs of, the acquisition, construction, renovation, remodeling and equipping of certain healthcare facilities owned by the Borrowers, and all appurtenances and interests in land or land improvements necessary to accomplish the same, including, but not limited to:

(a) in a principal amount not to exceed \$38,000,000, to construct, expand, and equip an approximately 86,000 square foot medical office building and free-standing emergency department located at 1600 S. Highline Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota;

(b) in a principal amount not to exceed \$85,000,000, to construct, renovate, remodel and equip the existing five-story, 24,230 square foot Avera Specialty Hospital located at 6100 South Louise Avenue in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, including (1) the build-out of 26 inpatient beds on the fifth floor, (2) the addition of seven operating rooms, (3) the construction, expansion and equipping of an approximately 127,000 square foot, three-story medical office building to be located south of the existing Avera Specialty Hospital to house services relating to digestive disease, (4) the continuation of Curae Lane, going south and connecting to Louise Avenue, adjacent to West 74th Street, (5) the addition of a 365-parking spot parking lot east of Curae Lane, and (6) the replacement of certain equipment, including perioperative scopes;

(c) in a principal amount not to exceed \$180,000,000, to acquire, construct, renovate, remodel and equip Avera McKennan’s existing 395-bed acute care hospital facility located at

1325 South Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, including (1) the renovation of the third floor to expand surgical capacity, (2) the renovation of the first floor to expand inpatient capacity by adding 10 to 12 inpatient beds, (3) the renovation, remodeling and equipping of existing space located in certain existing buildings on the Avera McKennan main hospital campus to provide facilities to house the nephrology, hepatology and transplant specialty medical groups, (4) the construction and equipping of an approximately 220,000 square foot, six-story medical office building to be located to the east of the current entrance of the hospital facility on 22nd Avenue to create a new 33-bed Women's and Children's Center, and (5) the replacement of certain equipment, including perioperative scopes;

(d) in a principal amount not to exceed \$12,000,000, to acquire, construct, renovate, remodel and equip the existing medical office building known as the Prairie Center located at 1000 East 23rd Street, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, including (1) the replacement of the existing linear accelerator and updating certain related software, (2) the purchase and installation of additional PET/CT, and (3) the replacement of CT Angiography and update of the interventional radiology suite; and

(e) in a principal amount not to exceed \$9,000,000, to acquire, construct, renovate, remodel and equip Avera St. Luke's existing 133-bed acute care hospital facility located at 305 South State Street in Aberdeen, South Dakota, including (1) the purchase of new mammography equipment, and (2) the remodeling of the current 21,280 square foot behavioral health space to expand acute psychiatric hospital beds from 10 to 18.

Proceeds of the Bonds will also be used, together with certain other moneys, to (1) in a principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000, refund all or a portion of the outstanding \$43,850,000 original principal amount South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2019A (Avera Health) (the "*Series 2019A Bonds*"); (2) in a principal amount not to exceed \$75,000,000, purchase and/or refinance all or a portion of the outstanding \$99,810,000 original principal amount South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Taxable Revenue Bonds, Series 2019B (Avera Health) (the "*Series 2019B Bonds*"); (3) in a principal amount not to exceed \$15,000,000, refinance all or a portion of a taxable term loan provided by U.S. Bank National Association (the "*2017 Taxable Loan*"); (4) in a principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000, refund all or a portion of the outstanding \$58,750,000 original principal amount South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2014 (Avera Health Issue) (the "*Series 2014 Bonds*"); (5) fund one or more debt service reserve funds, if deemed necessary or advisable; (6) pay a portion of the interest on the Bonds, if deemed necessary or advisable; (7) provide working capital, if deemed necessary or advisable; and (8) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the refunding of the Series 2019A Bonds, the purchase and/or refinancing of the Series 2019B Bonds, the refinancing of the 2017 Taxable Loan and the refunding of the Series 2014 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2019A Bonds were used, among other things, to (i) refund all of the outstanding \$61,495,000 original principal amount South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series 2008C (Avera Health Issue) (the "*Series 2008C Bonds*"); and (ii) pay a portion of the interest on the Series 2019A Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2008C Bonds were used, among other things, to (i) refund all of the Authority's outstanding \$61,075,000 original principal amount Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 (Avera Health Issue) (Auction Rate Securities) (the "*Series 2006 Bonds*"); and (ii) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2008C Bonds and the refunding of the Series 2006 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2006 Bonds were used to (i) pay or reimburse the Borrowers for the payment of the costs of certain capital projects at the facilities of the Borrowers located at the addresses listed below; (ii) currently refund a portion of the Authority's Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1996 (McKenna Hospital Issue) (the "*Series 1996 McKenna Bonds*") and the Authority's Revenue Bonds, Series 1996 (St. Luke's Midland Regional Medical Center Issue) (the "*Series 1996 St. Luke's Bonds*" and, together with the Series 1996 McKenna Bonds, the "*Series 1996 Bonds*"); (iii) advance refund a portion of the Authority's Revenue Bonds, Series 1998 (Avera McKenna Issue) (the "*Series 1998 Bonds*"); and (iv) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2006 Bonds and the refunding of the Series 1996 Bonds and the Series 1998 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 1996 McKenna Bonds were used to (i) fund a debt service reserve fund for the Series 1996 McKenna Bonds; (ii) advance refund a portion of the Authority's outstanding Revenue Bonds, Series 1990 (McKenna Hospital Issue) (the "*Series 1990 Bonds*"); (iii) refinance certain prior indebtedness of Avera McKenna incurred with respect to the facilities of Prince of Peace Retirement Community, Inc. (the "*Retirement Corporation*") acquired by Avera McKenna consisting of an approximately 90-bed nursing home located at 4500 Prince of Peace Place, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and a 25-unit congregate care apartment facility located at 4510 South Prince of Peace Place, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and (iv) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1996 McKenna Bonds. The proceeds of the Series 1990 Bonds were used by Avera McKenna to (i) pay, or reimburse Avera McKenna for the payment of, the costs of certain capital projects at the facilities of Avera McKenna at the addresses listed below; (ii) fund a debt service reserve fund for the Series 1990 Bonds; and (iii) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1990 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 1996 St. Luke's Bonds were used to (i) pay, or reimburse Avera St. Luke's for the payment of, the costs of certain capital projects at the facilities of Avera St. Luke's at the addresses listed below (including the Mother Joseph Manor nursing home); (ii) fund a debt service reserve fund; (iii) refinance certain prior indebtedness of Avera St. Luke's incurred with respect to the facilities of the Retirement Corporation acquired by Avera St. Luke's consisting of an approximately 81-bed nursing home with seven semi-independent apartments located at 1002 North Jay Street in Aberdeen, South Dakota; and (iv) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1996 St. Luke's Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 1998 Bonds were used to (i) pay, or reimburse Avera McKenna for the payment of, the costs of acquiring, constructing, remodeling, renovating and equipping portions of its acute care hospital facility, home infusion facility and home health facility at the facilities of Avera McKenna at the addresses listed below; and (ii) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1998 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2019B Bonds were used, among other things, to (i) refund all of the outstanding \$71,205,000 original principal amount South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2012A (Avera Health Issue) (the “*Series 2012A Bonds*”); (ii) refinance loans from BMO Harris Equipment Finance Company to Avera McKennan used to purchase certain aircraft, which aircraft is stored at 3401 North Aviation Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota and 4220 Airport Road, Pierre, South Dakota; and (iii) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2019B Bonds and such refunding and refinancing. No more than \$10,000,000 principal amount of the Bonds will be used to refinance the aircraft identified above.

The Series 2012A Bonds were part of a single issue, for federal income tax purposes, with the \$131,265,000 original principal amount South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2012B (Avera Health Issue) (the “*Series 2012B Bonds*” and, together with the Series 2012A Bonds, the “*Series 2012AB Bonds*”). The proceeds of the Series 2012AB Bonds were used, among other things, to (i) pay or reimburse the Borrowers for the costs of acquiring, constructing, remodeling, renovating and equipping certain health care facilities owned by the Borrowers, including, but not limited to (a) the construction, remodeling, renovation and equipping of Avera Flandreau Hospital, an 18-bed acute care facility located at 214 North Prairie Street in Flandreau, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the remodeling, renovation and equipping of approximately 17,100 square feet of space within the existing facility and the acquisition, construction and equipping of approximately 15,700 square feet of additional space within such facility, each of which projects will, among other things, update and modernize the emergency, radiology, laboratory, clinic, physical therapy, surgery, pharmacy and outpatient service areas; (b) the renovation and equipping of Avera St. Luke’s existing 133-bed acute care hospital facility located at 305 South State Street in Aberdeen, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the acquisition and installation of an MRI machine, and the renovation and equipping of the Avera St. Luke’s Therapy Center located at 805 1st Ave SE in Aberdeen, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the construction of an approximately 14,000 square foot addition thereto and the renovation of the physical therapy and aquatics areas therein; (c) the remodeling, renovation and equipping of Avera Sacred Heart’s existing 144-bed acute care hospital facility located at 501 Summit Street in Yankton, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the renovation of 27,850 square feet of the current facility and the construction and equipping of an approximately three story, 38,660 square foot addition to the current facility, which will include, without limitation, space for laboratory, pharmacy, sleep lab and physical, speech and occupational therapy services and new kitchen and cafeteria space; and (d) the remodeling, renovation and equipping of the Avera Brady Health and Rehabilitation facility located at 500 South Ohlman Street in Mitchell, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the construction of an approximately 16,350 square foot addition to the current facility for use as resident rooms and renovations to the common space; (ii) currently refund all of the outstanding principal amount of the \$59,620,000 South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2002 (Avera Health Issue) (the “*Series 2002 Bonds*”); (iii) currently refund all of the outstanding principal amount of the \$139,205,000 South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series 2008A (Avera Health Issue) (the “*Series 2008A Bonds*”); and (iv) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2012AB Bonds and the refunding of the Series 2002 Bonds and the Series 2008A Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2002 Bonds were used to (i) pay or reimburse Avera McKennan and Avera Sacred Heart for the payment of the costs of certain capital projects; (ii) fund a debt service reserve fund; (iii) pay a premium for a financial guaranty insurance policy on the Series 2002 Bonds; (iv) currently refund all of the Authority's Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1991 (St. Luke's Midland Regional Medical Center Issue) (the "*St. Luke's Series 1991 Bonds*"); and (v) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2002 Bonds and the current refunding of the St. Luke's Series 1991 Bonds.

The proceeds of the St. Luke's Series 1991 Bonds were used to (i) pay or reimburse Avera St. Luke's for the payment of the costs of certain capital projects; (ii) provide a portion of the funds necessary to advance refund the outstanding portion of the Authority's Revenue Bonds, Series 1988 (St. Luke's Midland Regional Medical Center Issue) (the "*Series 1988 Bonds*") and the outstanding portion of the Authority's Revenue Bonds, Series 1977 (St. Luke's Hospital Project) (the "*Series 1977 Bonds*"); (iii) fund a debt service reserve fund; and (iv) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the St. Luke's Series 1991 Bonds and the advance refunding of the Series 1988 Bonds and the Series 1977 Bonds, including a bond insurance premium.

The proceeds of the Series 1988 Bonds were used to (i) currently refund the Authority's Revenue Bonds, Series 1988A (St. Luke's Hospital Issue), the proceeds of which were used to pay a portion of the cost of acquiring and equipping certain facilities for the operation of a health care institution, including the cost of acquiring the Dakota Midland Hospital in Aberdeen, South Dakota; (ii) refinance certain indebtedness of Avera St. Luke's which was incurred to pay a portion of the cost of certain facilities acquired or constructed by Avera St. Luke's; (iii) provide certain funds to reimburse Avera St. Luke's for, and to pay, certain capital expenditures; (iv) fund a debt service reserve fund; and (v) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof.

The proceeds of the Series 1977 Bonds were used to (i) pay the costs of constructing and equipping certain capital improvements and additions to hospital facilities of Avera St. Luke's; (ii) fund capitalized interest on the Series 1977 Bonds during the construction of such improvements and additions; (iii) refinance certain outstanding indebtedness of Avera St. Luke's; (iv) fund a debt service reserve fund; and (v) pay expenses incurred in connection with the issuance thereof.

The proceeds of the Series 2008A Bonds were used to: (i) pay, or reimburse Avera McKennan for the payment of, the costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, remodeling and equipping Avera McKennan's facilities; (ii) currently refund the outstanding principal amount of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series 1994 (McKenna Hospital Issue) (the "*Series 1994 Bonds*"); (iii) currently refund the outstanding principal amount of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 (Avera Health Issue) (the "*Series 2000 Bonds*"); (iv) refinance a taxable bridge loan, the proceeds of which were used to redeem the outstanding principal amount of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 2004 (Avera Health Issue) (Auction Rate Securities) (the "*Series 2004 Bonds*"); and (v) pay certain of the expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2008A Bonds, including certain credit enhancement fees.

The proceeds of the Series 1994 Bonds were used to: (i) pay or reimburse Avera McKennan for the payment of the costs of certain capital projects at its facilities; and (ii) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1994 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2000 Bonds were used to: (i) pay or reimburse Avera McKennan, Avera Queen of Peace and Avera St. Luke's for the payment of the costs of certain capital projects at their facilities; (ii) fund a debt service reserve fund; and (iii) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 2000 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 2004 Bonds were used to: (i) pay or reimburse Avera McKennan and Avera St. Luke's for the payment of, the costs of certain capital projects at their facilities; (ii) pay a premium for a financial guaranty insurance policy for the Series 2004 Bonds; (iii) currently refund a portion of the outstanding principal amount of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 1992 (Queen of Peace Hospital Issue) (the "*Series 1992 Bonds*") and the outstanding principal amount of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series 1993 (Prince of Peace Issue) (the "*Series 1993 Bonds*"); and (iv) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with issuance of the Series 2004 Bonds and the current refunding of the Series 1992 Bonds and the Series 1993 Bonds.

The proceeds of the Series 1992 Bonds were used to: (i) pay or reimburse expenditures related to Avera Queen of Peace's health facilities; (ii) establish a reserve fund; and (iii) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1992 Bonds, including a bond insurance premium.

The proceeds of the Series 1993 Bonds were used to: (i) advance refund the outstanding principal amount of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1989B (Prince of Peace Issue) (the "*Series 1989B Bonds*"); and (ii) pay related expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Series 1993 Bonds and the advance refunding of the Series 1989B Bonds, including the payment of premium for a municipal bond insurance policy.

The proceeds of the Series 1989B Bonds were used to: (i) construct and equip certain healthcare facilities of the Prince of Peace Retirement Community, Inc., the corporate predecessor of Avera McKennan; (ii) fund working capital; (iii) currently refund the outstanding portion of the City of Sioux Falls Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Prince of Peace Retirement Community, Inc. Project) (the "*Series 1985 Bonds*"); (iv) fund a debt service reserve fund; and (v) pay related expenses in connection therewith.

The proceeds of the Series 1985 Bonds were used to: (i) construct and equip certain healthcare facilities of the Prince of Peace Retirement Community, Inc., the corporate predecessor of Avera McKennan; (ii) fund a debt service reserve fund; and (iii) pay related expenses in connection therewith.

The proceeds of the 2017 Taxable Loan were used, among other things, to purchase an approximately 22,950 square foot hospital building and an approximately 26,100 square foot medical office building on the Avera Sacred Heart Fox Run Campus located at 2601 Fox Run

Parkway, Yankton, South Dakota and the real property upon which such buildings are located and finance certain renovations to and equipping of such buildings.

The proceeds of the Series 2014 Bonds were used, among other things, to (i) pay or reimburse the Borrowers for, or refinance certain taxable indebtedness the proceeds of which were used for, the costs of acquiring, constructing, remodeling, renovating and equipping certain health care facilities owned by the Borrowers, and all appurtenances and interests in land or land improvements necessary to accomplish the same, including, but not limited to (a) the construction and equipping of an approximately two story, 48,000 square foot professional medical services building located at 6215 South Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, at which facility family practice, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, laboratory, x-ray and mammography services are provided; (b) the construction, remodeling, renovation and equipping of the replacement for the existing Prince of Peace Retirement Community previously located at 4500 Prince of Peace Place, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the construction of an approximately 19,000 square foot 20-bed assisted living facility, the construction of an approximately 102,000 square foot 90-bed skilled nursing facility, the addition of approximately 3,600 square feet to the existing senior living facilities and the construction of an approximately 4,900 square foot parking garage; (c) the construction, remodeling, renovation and equipping of the existing Avera Sacred Heart Majestic Bluffs Senior Community located at 2111 West 11th Street in Yankton, South Dakota, including, without limitation, the construction of an approximately 50,000 square foot addition to the existing facility to house 73 relocated skilled nursing beds, the construction of an approximately 6,000 square foot 6-bed hospice facility, the construction of common areas for resident use and the renovation of existing resident rooms; (d) the construction and equipping of an approximately one story, 28,000 square foot cancer care facility addition located at the Avera St. Luke's acute care hospital facility located at 305 South State Street in Aberdeen, South Dakota, at which facility medical oncology, radiation oncology and cancer support and ancillary services are provided; (e) the construction and equipping of an approximately three story, 70,000 square foot outpatient and clinic facility located on the west side of Langdon Street between Cabela Drive and Spruce Street in Mitchell, South Dakota, at which facility internal medicine, imaging, laboratory, urgent care, home medical equipment, family practice and pediatrics services are provided; and (f) routine capital expenditures at Avera St. Luke's existing 133-bed acute care hospital facility located at 305 South State Street in Aberdeen, South Dakota, at Avera Sacred Heart's existing 144-bed acute care hospital facility located at 501 Summit Street in Yankton, South Dakota, at Avera McKennan's existing 395-bed acute care hospital facility located at 1325 South Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and at Avera Queen of Peace's existing 120-bed acute care hospital facility located at 525 North Foster Street in Mitchell, South Dakota; and (ii) pay certain expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

The facilities and assets to be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds are or will be located on land owned by one of the Borrowers (except as otherwise provided in this paragraph), respectively, at: 4500, 4510 and 4513 Prince of Peace Place, 1325 South Cliff Avenue, 6215 South Cliff Avenue, 800 East 21st Street, the 1000 block of East 20th Street, 1001 East 21st Street, 1100 East 21st Street, 2812 South Louise Avenue, 6100 South Louise Avenue, 1000 East 23rd Street, the 4400 block of West 69th Street, 3932 South Western Avenue, 1016 and 1020 South Cliff Avenue, 2100 South Marion Road, and 1600 South Highline Avenue, all in Sioux Falls, South Dakota; 909 North Iowa Avenue in Dell Rapids, South Dakota; 305 South

State Street, 709 6th Avenue Southeast, 1400 15th Avenue, Northwest, the intersection of north Highway 281 and 15th Avenue Northwest, 1002 North Jay Street, 620 3rd Avenue Southeast and 805 1st Avenue SE, all in Aberdeen, South Dakota; 500 South Ohlman, the 1400 block of West Cedar Avenue, the 600 block of North Foster Street, 525 North Foster Street, and the land located on the west side of Langdon Street between Cabela Drive and Spruce Street, each in Mitchell, South Dakota; 2111 West 11th Street, 501 Summit Street, 1212 West 8th Street, 1115 West 9th Street and 2601 Fox Run Parkway, each in Yankton, South Dakota; 214 North Prairie Street in Flandreau, South Dakota; and 801 East Sioux Avenue in Pierre, South Dakota. All such assets and facilities will be owned or principally used by the respective Borrowers, except that the Dell Rapids Clinic facilities located at 909 North Iowa Avenue, Dell Rapids, South Dakota, are owned or principally used by Avera McKennan but built on land owned by, and leased from, Dells Area Health Center, a South Dakota nonprofit corporation, and except the facilities located at 1016 and 1020 South Cliff in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, which are leased by and operated by Avera McKennan and where movable equipment of Avera McKennan financed with proceeds of the Authority's Revenue Bonds, Series 1998 (Avera McKennan Issue) is located. The assets consisting of aircraft to be refinanced by the Bonds are owned and principally used by one of the Borrowers and are located at 3401 North Aviation Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota and 4220 Airport Road, Pierre, South Dakota.

The Bonds shall not be deemed to constitute a debt or liability of the State of South Dakota or of any political subdivision thereof other than the Authority or a pledge of the faith and credit of the State of South Dakota or of any such political subdivision other than the Authority, and neither the State of South Dakota nor any political subdivision thereof will be liable on the Bonds nor will the Bonds be payable out of any funds other than those pledged and assigned under the Loan Agreement between the Authority and Avera Health and Third Amended and Restated Master Trust Indenture among the Borrowers, certain other affiliates of Avera Health and the master trustee named therein, as amended, supplemented or restated.

The public hearing is required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Written comments may be submitted to the Executive Director of the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority at his office located at 330 South Poplar, Suite 102, Pierre, South Dakota 57501, until March 27, 2024.

Notice dated: March 20, 2024

/s/ Donald A. Templeton
Executive Director, South Dakota Health
and Educational Facilities Authority