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**Report on the Firm's System of Quality Control**

To the Shareholders of Smith, Sullivan & Brown, PC and the  
Peer Review Committee of the Massachusetts Society of CPAs:

We have reviewed the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Smith, Sullivan & Brown, PC (the Firm) in effect for the year ended January 31, 2023. Our peer review was conducted in accordance with the Standards for Performing and Reporting on Peer Reviews established by the Peer Review Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Standards).

A summary of the nature, objectives, scope, limitations of, and the procedures performed in a System Review as described in the Standards may be found at [www.aicpa.org/prsummary](http://www.aicpa.org/prsummary). The summary also includes an explanation of how engagements identified as not performed or reported in conformity with applicable professional standards, if any, are evaluated by a peer reviewer to determine a peer review rating.

**Firm's Responsibility**

The Firm is responsible for designing and complying with a system of quality control to provide the firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with the requirements of applicable professional standards in all material respects. The Firm is also responsible for evaluating actions to promptly remediate engagements deemed as not performed or reported on in conformity with the requirements of applicable professional standards, when appropriate, and for remediating weaknesses in its system of quality control, if any.

**Peer Reviewer's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the design of and compliance with the Firm's system of quality control based on our review.

**Required Selections and Considerations**

Engagements selected for review included engagements performed under Government Auditing Standards, including a compliance audit under the Single Audit Act. As a part of our peer review, we considered reviews by regulatory entities as communicated by the Firm, if applicable, in determining the nature and extent of our procedures.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the system of quality control for the accounting and auditing practice of Smith, Sullivan & Brown, PC for the year ended January 31, 2023 has been suitably designed and complied with to provide the firm with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. Firms can receive a rating of *pass*, *pass with deficiency (ies)* or *fail*. Smith, Sullivan & Brown, PC has received a peer review rating of *pass*.

*D.E. Rodrigues & Company, Inc.*

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