This OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE does not alone constitute an invitation for bids on the Bonds but is merely notice of sale of the Bonds described herein. The invitation for bids is being made by means of this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT and the OFFICIAL BID FORM attached hereto. Information contained in this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information contained in the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

\$2,630,000 MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 178

(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Montgomery County)

UNLIMITED TAX ROAD BONDS SERIES 2022

THE BONDS WILL BE DESIGNATED AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Bids Due: Monday, December 12, 2022 at 10:15 A.M., Houston Time in Houston, Texas Bid Award: Monday, December 12, 2022 at 12:00 P.M., Houston Time in Houston, Texas

THE SALE

Bonds Offered for Sale by Competitive Bidding: The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178 (the "District") is inviting competitive bids for the purchase of \$2,630,000 Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds"). Bidders may submit bids for the Bonds by any of the following methods:

- (1) Deliver bids directly to the District as described below in "Bids Delivered to the District;"
- (2) Submit bids electronically as described below in "Electronic Bidding Procedures;" or
- (3) Submit bids by telephone as described below in "Bids by Telephone."

Bids Delivered to the District: Sealed bids, plainly marked "Bid for Bonds," should be addressed to "President and Board of Directors, Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178" and delivered in care of Masterson Advisors LLC, 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046 prior to 10:15 A.M., Houston Time, on Monday, December 12, 2022. All bids must be submitted in duplicate on the OFFICIAL BID FORM, without alteration or interlineation.

Electronic Bidding Procedures: Any prospective bidder that intends to submit an electronic bid must submit its electronic bid through the facilities of PARITY by 10:15 A.M., Houston Time, on Monday, December 12, 2022. Bidders must submit by email (spencer.day@mastersonadvisors.com/713-814-0563), prior to 10:00 A.M., Houston Time, Monday, December 12, 2022, a signed OFFICIAL BID FORM to Spencer Day, Masterson Advisors LLC, 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046. A signed OFFICIAL BID FORM received after 10:15 A.M., Houston, Texas Time will result in the electronic bid not being accepted by the Board. Subscription to the i-Deal LLC's BIDCOMP Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit an electronic bid. The District will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidder to subscribe.

An electronic bid made through the facilities of PARITY shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, and shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed, sealed bid delivered to the District. The District shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by, or as a result of the use of the facilities of, PARITY, the use of such facilities being the sole risk of the prospective bidder.

If any provisions of this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE shall conflict with information provided by PARITY as the approved provider of electronic bidding services, this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE shall control. Further information about PARITY, including any fee charged, may be obtained from PARITY Customer Support, 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, telephone: (212) 849-5000.

For purposes of both the written sealed bid process and the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by PARITY shall constitute the official time. For information purposes only, bidders are requested to state in their electronic bids the net interest cost to the District, as described under "CONDITIONS OF SALE—Basis of Award" below. All electronic bids shall be deemed to incorporate the provisions of this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE and the OFFICIAL BID FORM.

<u>Bids by Telephone</u>: Bidders must submit by email (spencer.day@mastersonadvisors.com/713-814-0563), prior to 10:00 A.M., Houston Time, on Monday, December 12, 2022, a signed OFFICIAL BID FORM to Spencer Day, Masterson Advisors LLC, 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046, and submit their bid by telephone on the date of the sale.

Telephone bidders that have provided signed bid forms will be telephoned by a representative of Masterson Advisors LLC, as financial advisor for the District, between 9:30 A.M. and 9:50 A.M., Houston Time on the date of the sale.

Facsimile bids will not be accepted.

The District and Masterson Advisors LLC are not responsible if such telephone is busy or is malfunctioning, which prevents a bid or bids from being submitted on a timely basis. **Masterson Advisors LLC will not be responsible for submitting any bids received after the above deadlines**. The District and Masterson Advisors LLC assume no responsibility or liability with respect to any irregularities associated with the submission of bids if the telephone option is exercised.

<u>Place and Time of Bid Opening</u>: The bids for the Bonds will be opened and reviewed by an authorized representative of Masterson Advisors LLC, 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046, at 10:15 A.M., Houston Time, Monday, December 12, 2022.

Award of the Bonds: The District will take action to award the Bonds or reject any and all bids or accept the qualified bid that produces the lower net effective interest rate on the Bonds at a meeting scheduled to convene at 12:00 P.M., Houston Time, on the date of the bid opening at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027. Upon awarding the Bonds to the winning bidder (the "Underwriter"), the Board will adopt a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Bond Resolution"). Sale of the Bonds will be made subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the Bond Resolution, to which Bond Resolution reference is hereby made for all purposes and subject to compliance with Texas Government Code § 2252.908 as more fully described below. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularities, except the time of filing of the bids.

THE BONDS

Description of the Bonds: The Bonds will be dated December 1, 2022 and interest will accrue from the Date of Delivery (as defined herein), and interest will be payable on March 1, 2023 and on each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form only, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000 for any one maturity, and principal and interest will be paid, initially by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar," "Paying Agent" or "Registrar"). The Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Beneficial Owners of the Bonds will not receive physical certificates representing the Bonds, but will receive a credit balance on the books of the nominees of such Beneficial Owners. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Paying Agent directly to DTC, which will, in turn, remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds as described herein. See the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT (made a part hereof) for a more complete description of the Bonds. The Bonds will mature serially on September 1 in each of the years and principal amounts as follows:

YEAR	PRINCIPAL	YEAR	PRINCIPAL	YEAR	PRINCIPAL
<u>DUE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DUE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DUE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2024	\$ 150,000	2032	\$ 80,000	2040	\$ 125,000
2025	55,000	2033	85,000	2041	130,000
2026	60,000	2034	90,000	2042	140,000
2027	65,000	2035	95,000	2043	145,000
2028	65,000	2036	100,000	2044	155,000
2029	70,000	2037	105,000	2045	165,000
2030	75,000	2038	115,000	2046	175,000
2031	80,000	2039	120,000	2047	185,000

<u>Serial Bonds and/or Term Bonds</u>: Bidders may provide that all the Bonds be issued as serial bonds or may provide that any two or more consecutive annual principal amounts be combined into one or more term bonds.

Redemption Provisions: Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 2030, are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the District, in whole, or from time to time in part, on September 1, 2029, or on any date thereafter at a price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption. If fewer than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the particular maturities of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the District. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are redeemed at any time, the particular Bonds within a maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot or other customary method of selection (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form).

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption: If the Underwriter designates principal amounts to be combined into one or more term bonds, each such term bond shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption commencing on September 1 of the first year which has been combined to form such term bond and continuing on September 1 in each year thereafter until the stated maturity date of that term bond. The amount redeemed in any year shall be equal to the principal amount for such year set forth on the cover page of the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT under the caption "MATURITY SCHEDULE." Bonds to be redeemed in any year by mandatory sinking fund redemption shall be redeemed at par by lot or other customary method. The principal amount of Term Bonds to be mandatorily redeemed is subject to proportionate reduction by the amount of any prior optional redemption.

<u>Successor Paying Agent/Registrar</u>: Provision is made in the Bond Resolution for replacement of the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the Paying Agent/Registrar is replaced by the District, the new paying agent/registrar shall act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any paying agent/registrar selected by the District shall be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state authorized under such laws to exercise trust powers, and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state banking authorities.

Source of Payment: The Bonds will constitute valid and binding obligations of the District, payable as to principal and interest from the proceeds of a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against taxable property located within the District, as further described in the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT. The Bonds are obligations solely the District and are not obligations of Montgomery County, the City of Conroe, the State of Texas, or any entity other than the District.

CONDITIONS OF THE SALE

Types of Bids and Interest Rates: The Bonds will be sold in one block, "all or none" and no bid of less than ninety-seven percent (97%) of par. Bidders are to name the rate or rates of interest to be borne by the Bonds, provided that each interest rate bid must be in a multiple of 1/8 of 1% or 1/20 of 1%. No bid which results in a net effective interest rate as defined by Chapter 1204, Texas Government Code, as amended, in excess of 6.06% will be considered. No bid generating a cash premium greater than \$5,000 will be accepted. Subject to the conditions below, no limitation will be imposed upon bidders as to the number of interest rates that may be used, but each rate of interest specified shall not be less than the rate of interest specified for any earlier maturity and the highest interest rate bid may not exceed the lowest interest rate bid by more than two and one-half percent (2.5%) in rate. All Bonds maturing within a single year must bear the same rate of interest, and no bids for the Bonds involving supplemental interest rates will be considered. Each bidder shall state in its bid the total and net interest cost in dollars and the net effective interest rate determined thereby, which shall be considered informative only and not as a part of the bid.

Basis of Award: For the purpose of awarding the sale of the Bonds, the interest cost of each bid will be computed by determining, at the interest rate or rates specified therein, the total dollar value of all interest on the Bonds from the date thereof to their respective maturities and adding thereto the dollar amount of the discount bid, if any, or subtracting therefrom the dollar amount of the premium bid, if any. Subject to the District's right to reject any or all bids, the Bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid, under the above computation, produces the lowest net effective interest rate to the District, subject to compliance with Texas Government Code § 2252.908.

Provision of Texas Ethics Commission Form 1295 ("TEC Form 1295") by Bidders: Pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2252.908 (the "Interested Party Disclosure Act" or the "Act"), the District may not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder, and each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM, unless such bidder or syndicate member is exempt from such requirements pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2252.908(c)(4), have provided to the District (c/o Masterson Advisors LLC, 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046; Attn: Spencer Day, spencer.day@mastersonadvisors.com) a completed and signed TEC Form 1295 which has been assigned a certificate number by the Texas Ethics Commission (the "TEC"). Pursuant to the rules prescribed by the TEC, the TEC Form 1295 must be completed online through the TEC's website, assigned a certificate number, printed, signed and provided to the District. The TEC Form 1295 may accompany the OFFICIAL BID FORM or may be submitted separately, but must be provided to the District prior to the time prescribed for the award of the Bonds. The TEC Form 1295 may be provided to the District via facsimile or electronically, however, the original signed TEC Form 1295 complete with certificate number must be physically delivered to the District (c/o Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027, within two business days of the award. Following the award of the Bonds, the District will notify the TEC of the receipt of each completed TEC Form 1295. The District reserves the right to reject any bid that does not comply with the requirements prescribed herein or to waive any such requirements. For purposes of completing the TEC Form 1295, the entity's name is Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178, the contract ID number is MCMUD178-S2022-B and the description of the goods and services to be provided is "Underwriter." Neither the District nor its consultants have the ability to verify the information included in a TEC Form 1295, and neither have an obligation nor undertake responsibility for advising any bidder with respect to the proper completion of the TEC Form 1295. Consequently, an entity intending to bid on the Bonds should consult its own advisors to the extent it deems necessary and be prepared to submit the completed form promptly upon notification from the District that its bid is the apparent winning bid.

Good Faith Deposit: Each bid must be accompanied by a bank cashier's check payable to the order of "Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178" in the amount of \$52,600, which represents two percent (2%) of the principal amount of the Bonds. The check will be considered as a Good Faith Deposit, and the check of the successful bidder will be retained uncashed by the District until the Bonds are delivered. In the event the Underwriter should fail or refuse to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with its bid, or if it is determined after the acceptance of its bid by the District that the Underwriter was found not to satisfy the requirements below under "Standing Letter Requirement" herein and as a result the Texas Attorney General will not deliver its approving opinion of the Bonds, then the Good Faith Deposit shall be cashed and the proceeds accepted by the District as full and complete liquidated damages against the Underwriter. The Good Faith Deposit may accompany the OFFICIAL BID FORM or it may be submitted separately. If submitted separately, it shall be made available to the District prior to the opening of the bids and shall be accompanied by instructions from the bank on which it is drawn to authorize its use as a Good Faith Deposit by the bidder, who shall be named in such instructions. The Good Faith Deposit will be returned immediately after full payment has been made by the Underwriter to the District in federal or immediately available funds in the amount of the purchase price plus accrued interest thereon. No interest will be paid on the Good Faith Deposit. The checks accompanying bids other than the winning bid will be returned immediately after the bids are opened and an award of the Bonds has been made.

Standing Letter Requirement: Each prospective bidder must have a standing letter on file with the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and the Texas Attorney General's Office as required by the All Bond Counsel Letter of the Texas Attorney General dated September 22, 2021 (the "All Bond Counsel Letter"). In submitting a bid, a bidder represents to the District that it has filed a standing letter that conforms to the requirements set forth in the All Bond Counsel Letter and it has no reason to believe that the District may not be entitled to rely on the standing letter on file with the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and the Texas Attorney General's Office. Bidder agrees that it will not rescind its standing letter at any time before the delivery of the Bonds unless same is immediately replaced with a standing letter meeting the requirements of the All Bond Counsel Letter.

Compliance with laws prohibiting contracts with certain companies: The District will not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder verifies on behalf of itselfand each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for goods orservices within the meaning of Section 2271.002 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2271 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid and through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company that boycotts or will boycott Israel. The terms "boycotts Israel" and "boycott Israel" as used in this paragraph have the meaning assigned to the term "boycott Israel" in Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

Additionally, the District will not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder certifies that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a governmental contract within the meaning of Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company² (i) that engages in business with Iran, Sudan, or any foreign terrorist organization as described in Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code, or Subchapter F of Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code, or (ii) listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Section 2270.0201 or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code. The term "foreign terrorist organization" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code.

Additionally, the District will not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder verifies on behalf of itself and each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for goods or services within the meaning of Section 2274.002 of the Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 13, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session), as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2274 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Texas or federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid and through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company¹ that boycotts or will boycott energy companies. The terms "boycotts energy companies" and "boycott energy companies" shall have the meaning assigned to the term "boycott energy company" in Section 809.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

¹ Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit, but does not mean a sole proprietorship.

² "Company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, or other entity or business association whose securities are publicly traded, including a whollyowned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations, that exists to make a profit.

Additionally, the District will not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder verifies on behalf of itself and each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for the purchase of goods or services within the meaning of Section 2274.002 of the Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 19, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, "SB 19"), as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2274 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Texas or federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid and through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company¹ that has a practice, policy, guidance or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. The term "discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to the term "discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" in Section 2274.001(3) of the Texas Government Code (as added by SB 19).

Contracting Information: The District will not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder verifies on behalf of itself and each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for goods or services within the meaning of Section 552.371 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, the bidder and each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM will (i) preserve all contracting information related to the bid as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the District through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, (ii) promptly provide to the District any contracting information related to the bid that is in the custody or possession of the bidder or any syndicate member on request of the District, and (iii) upon delivery of the Bonds to the bidder, either (a) provide at no cost to the District all contracting information related to the bid that is in the custody or possession of the bidder or any syndicate member or (b) preserve the contracting information related to the bid as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the District. The term "contracting information" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 552.003 of the Texas Government Code.

Competitive Bidding and Certificate of Underwriter: In the event that the District does not receive sufficient qualified bids to satisfy the competitive sale requirements of Treasury Regulation § 1.148-1(f)(3)(i), allowing the District to treat the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public as of the sale date as the issue price of the Bonds, the "hold-the-offering-price rule" shall apply, which will allow the District to treat the initial offering price to the public of each maturity as of the sale date as the issue price of that maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"). So long as the hold-the-offering-price rule applies to any maturity of the Bonds, the Underwriter will neither offer nor sell that maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following: (i) the date on which the Underwriter has sold at least 10 percent of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public or (b) the close of the fifth business day after the sale date. The Underwriter agrees to promptly report to the District's financial advisor when it has sold 10 percent of a maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public if that occurs prior to the close of the fifth business day after the sale date. Alternative Certificates of Underwriter are attached for use (I) when the competitive sale requirements of Treasury Regulation § 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) are met and (II) when such requirements are not met.

DELIVERY OF THE BONDS AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS

Initial Delivery of Initial Bond: Initial delivery ("Initial Delivery") will be accomplished by the issuance of one initial bond (the "Initial Bond"), either in typed or printed form, in the aggregate principal amount of \$2,630,000, payable in stated installments, registered in the name of the Underwriter, manually signed by the President and Secretary of the Board, or executed by the facsimile signatures of the President and Secretary of the Board, and approved by the Attorney General of Texas, and registered and manually signed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of Texas or his authorized deputy. Initial Delivery will be at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar in Dallas, Texas. Payment for the Bonds must be made in immediately available funds for unconditional credit to the District, or as otherwise directed by the District. The Underwriter will be given three (3) business days' notice of the time fixed for delivery of the Bonds. It is anticipated that Initial Delivery can be made on or about December 22, 2022 (the "Date of Delivery"), and subject to the aforementioned notice it is understood and agreed that the Underwriter will accept delivery of and make payment for the Bonds by 10:00 A.M., Houston Time, on the Date of Delivery, or thereafter on the date the Bonds are tendered for delivery, up to and including January 21, 2023. If for any reason the District is unable to make delivery on or before January 21, 2023 then the District shall immediately contact the Underwriter and offer to allow the Underwriter to extend its offer for an additional thirty (30) days. If the Underwriter does not elect to extend its offer within three (3) business days thereafter, then its Good Faith Deposit will be returned, and both the District and the Underwriter shall be relieved of any further obligation.

The Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit, but does not mean a sole proprietorship.

² "Company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, or other entity or business association whose securities are publicly traded, including a whollyowned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations, that exists to make a profit.

<u>CUSIP Numbers</u>: It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such number on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the Underwriter to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE. The Financial Advisor will obtain CUSIP identification numbers from the CUSIP Service Bureau, New York, New York prior to the date of sale. CUSIP identification numbers will be made available to the Underwriter at the time the Bonds are awarded or as soon thereafter as practicable. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of the numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid by the Underwriter.

<u>Conditions to Delivery</u>: The Underwriter's obligation to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds is subject to the issuance of the legal opinion of the Attorney General of Texas as to the legality of the Bonds, and the legal opinion of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Houston, Texas, Bond Counsel for the District ("Bond Counsel"), and the No-Litigation Certificate, all as further described in the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

<u>Legal Opinions</u>: The District will furnish without cost to the Underwriter a transcript of certain certified proceedings incident to the issuance and authorization of the Bonds, including a certified copy of the unqualified approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of Texas, as recorded in the Bond Register of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, to the effect that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the District, and, based upon an examination of such transcript, the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing law, to the effect that, the Bonds are validly issued under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and to the effect that, under existing law, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and interest on the Bonds is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals, however, such interest is taken into account in determining the annual adjusted financial statement income of applicable corporations for the purpose of determining the alternative minimum tax imposed on corporations for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022.

Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations: The Code (as defined herein) requires a pro rata reduction in the interest expense deduction of a financial institution to reflect such financial institution's investment in tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986. An exception to the foregoing provision is provided in the Code for "qualified tax-exempt obligations," which include tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, (a) designated by the issuer as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and (b) issued by a political subdivision for which the aggregate amount of tax-exempt obligations (not including private activity bonds other than qualified 501(c)(3) bonds) to be issued during the calendar year is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000.

The District will designate the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and has represented that the aggregate amount of tax-exempt bonds (including the Bonds) issued by the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code during calendar year 2022 is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000 and that the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code have not designated more than \$10,000,000 in "qualified tax-exempt obligations" (including the Bonds) during calendar year 2022.

Notwithstanding this exception, financial institutions acquiring the Bonds will be subject to a twenty percent (20%) disallowance of allocable interest expense.

No-Litigation Certificate: The District will furnish the Underwriter a certificate executed by both the President or Vice President and Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Board, dated as of the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, to the effect that to their best knowledge no litigation of any nature is pending or threatened, either in state or federal courts, contesting or attacking the Bonds; restraining or enjoining the levy, assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes to pay the interest on or principal of the Bonds; in any manner questioning the authority or proceedings for the issuance, execution or delivery of the Bonds; or affecting the validity of the Bonds or the titles of the present officers of the District.

<u>Rule G-32 Requirements</u>: It is the responsibility of the Underwriter to comply with the Municipal Securities Rule Making Board's Rule G-32 within the required time frame. The Underwriter must send two copies of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT along with two complete Form G-32's to the appropriate address.

Certification Regarding Offering Price of Bonds: In order to provide the District with information to enable it to comply with certain conditions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") relating to the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the Underwriter will be required to complete, execute and deliver to the District (on or before the Date of Delivery of the Bonds) a certification regarding "issue price" in the form accompanying this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE. Each bidder, by submitting its bid, agrees to complete, execute and deliver such a certificate by the Date of Delivery of the Bonds if its bid is accepted by the District. It will be the responsibility of the Underwriter to institute such syndicate reporting requirements, to make such investigation, or otherwise to ascertain the facts necessary to enable it to make such certification with reasonable certainty. Any questions concerning such certification should be directed to Bond Counsel.

RULE 15c2-12 COMPLIANCE

Continuing Disclosure: The District will agree in the Bond Resolution to provide certain periodic information and notices of certain specified events in accordance with United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Rule 15c2-12, as described in the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT under "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION." The Underwriter's obligation to accept and pay for the Bonds is conditioned upon delivery to the Underwriter or its agent of a certified copy of the Bond Resolution containing the agreement described under such heading.

<u>Substantive Requirements for Official Statement:</u> To the best knowledge and belief of the District, the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT contains information, including financial information or operating data, concerning every entity, enterprise, fund, account, or person that is material to an evaluation of the offering of the Bonds. This is the District's first issuance of municipal securities. Therefore, the District has not previously entered into a continuing disclosure agreement in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12.

Final Official Statement: The District has approved and authorized distribution of the accompanying PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT for dissemination to potential purchasers of the Bonds, but does not intend to prepare any other document or version thereof for such purpose, except as described below. Accordingly, the District intends the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT to be final as of its date, within the meaning of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), except for information relating to the offering prices, interest rates, final debt service schedule, selling compensation, identity of the Underwriter and other similar information, terms and provisions to be specified in the competitive bidding process. The Underwriter shall be responsible for promptly informing the District of the initial offering yields of the Bonds. Thereafter, the District will complete and authorize distribution of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT identifying the Underwriter and containing such omitted information. The District does not intend to amend or supplement the OFFICIAL STATEMENT otherwise, except to take into account certain subsequent events, if any, as described below. By delivering the final OFFICIAL STATEMENT or any amendment or supplement thereto in the requested quantity to the Underwriter on or after the sale date, the District intends the same to be final as of such date, within the meaning of SEC Rule 15c2-12(f)(3). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the only representations concerning the absence of material misstatements or omissions from the OFFICIAL STATEMENT which are being or which will be made by the District are those described and contained in the OFFICIAL STATEMENT under the caption "PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT—Certification of Official Statement."

Changes to Official Statement: If subsequent to the date of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT, the District learns, through the ordinary course of business and without undertaking any investigation or examination for such purposes, or is notified by the Underwriter, of any adverse event which causes the OFFICIAL STATEMENT to be materially misleading, and unless the Underwriter elects to terminate its obligation to purchase the Bonds, as described above under "DELIVERY OF THE BONDS AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS—Conditions to Delivery," the District will promptly prepare and supply to the Underwriter an appropriate amendment or supplement to the OFFICIAL STATEMENT satisfactory to the Underwriter provided, however, that the obligation of the District to so amend or supplement the OFFICIAL STATEMENT will terminate when the District delivers the Bonds to the Underwriter, unless the Underwriter notifies the District on or before such date that the Underwriter retains an unsold balance of the Bonds for sale to the public, in which case the District's obligations hereunder will extend for an additional period of time as provided in SEC Rule 15c2-12 (but not more than the earlier of (i) 90 days after the end of the underwriting period (as described in SEC Rule 15c2-12(f)(2)) or (ii) the time the Official Statement is available to any person from the MSRB, but in no case less than 25 days after the end of the underwriting period.

Delivery of Official Statements: The District shall furnish to the Underwriter (and to each participating underwriter of the Bonds, within the meaning of SEC Rule 15c2-12(a), designated by the Underwriter), within seven (7) business days after the sale date, the aggregate number of OFFICIAL STATEMENTs specified in the winning bid, in sufficient quantity to comply with Rule 15c2-12(b)(4). The District also shall furnish to the Underwriter a like number of any supplements or amendments approved and authorized for distribution by the District for dissemination to potential purchasers of the Bonds, as well as such additional copies of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT or any such supplements or amendments as the Underwriter may reasonably request prior to the earlier of (i) 90 days after the end of the underwriting period (as described in SEC Rule 15c2-12(f)(2)) or (ii) the time the Official Statement is available to any person from the MSRB, but in no case less than 25 days after the end of the underwriting period. The District shall pay the expense of preparing the number of copies of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT specified in the winning bid and an equal number of any supplements or amendments issued on or before the Date of Delivery, but the Underwriter shall pay for all other copies of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT or any supplement or amendment thereto.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

<u>Risk Factors</u>: The Bonds involve certain risk factors. Prospective bidders are urged to examine carefully the entire PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT, with respect to the risk factors associated with the Bonds. Particular attention should be given to the information set forth therein under the caption "RISK FACTORS."

<u>Municipal Bond Rating</u>: The District has not applied for an underlying rating nor is it expected that the District would have received an investment grade rating had such application been made.

Reservation of Rights: The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all irregularities, except time of filing.

Not an Offer to Sell: This OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE does not alone constitute an offer to sell the Bonds but is merely notice of sale of the Bonds. The invitation for bids on the Bonds is being made by means of this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT and the OFFICIAL BID FORM.

Registration and Qualification of Bonds for Sale: The offer and sale of the Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemptions provided thereunder. The Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein, and the Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction. The District assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Bonds may be sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Bonds shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions. By submission of its bid, the Underwriter represents that the sale of the Bonds in states other than the State of Texas will be made pursuant to exemptions from registration or qualification, or where necessary, the Underwriter will register the Bonds in accordance with the securities laws of the state in which the Bonds are offered or sold. The District agrees to cooperate with the Underwriter, at the Underwriter's written request and expense, in registering or qualifying the Bonds or obtaining an exemption from registration or qualification (other than filing a consent to service of process in such state), in any state where such action is necessary.

Additional Copies of Documents: Additional copies of this OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT and the OFFICIAL BID FORM may be obtained from the Financial Advisor, Masterson Advisors LLC, 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77046.

Mr. Darrin T. Warr President, Board of Directors Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178 Montgomery County, Texas

OFFICIAL BID FORM

President and Board of Directors Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178 c/o Masterson Advisors LLC 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100 Houston, Texas 77046

Board Members:

We have read in detail the OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE and PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT December 2, 2022, relating to the \$2,630,000 Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178 (the "District") Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds"). We realize that the Bonds involve certain investment risks, and we have made inspections and investigations as we deem necessary relating to the District and to the investment quality of the Bonds.

	Principal	Interest		Principal	Interest
Maturity	Amount	Rate	Maturity	Amount	Rate
2024	\$ 150,000	<u>%</u>	2036	\$ 100,000 *	%
2025	55,000	%	2037	105,000 *	%
2026	60,000	%	2038	115,000 *	%
2027	65,000	%	2039	120,000 *	%
2028	65,000	%	2040	125,000 *	%
2029	70,000	%	2041	130,000 *	%
2030	75,000 *	%	2042	140,000 *	%
2031	80,000 *	%	2043	145,000 *	%
2032	80,000 *	%	2044	155,000 *	%
2033	85,000 *	%	2045	165,000 *	%
2034	90,000 *	%	2046	175,000 *	%
2035	95,000 *	%	2047	185,000 *	%

^{*} Subject to optional redemption on September 1, 2029, and thereafter.

Of the principal maturities set forth in the table above, we have created term bonds as indicated in the following table (which may include multiple term bonds, one term bond or no term bond if none is indicated). For those years which have been combined into a term bond, the principal amount shown in the table above shall be the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts in such years except that the amount shown in the year of the term bond maturity date shall mature in such year. The term bonds created are as follows:

	Term Bond	Year of	Principal		
	Maturity Date	First Mandatory	Amount of	Interest	
	September 1	<u>Redemption</u>	Term Bond	Rate	
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	Gross Interest Cost fi Plus Dollar Amount on NET INTEREST CO	ch is not a part of this bid) of the com December 22, 2022 (the conf Discount (or Less: Dollar Ass	'Date of Delivery") Amount of Premium)	\$ \$	
	NET EFFECTIVE IN	NTEREST RATE			
by the	The Bonds [are] [are Initial Purchaser. The I	not] being insured byating fees associated with the	at a premium o	f \$_ onsibility of the In	_, said premium to be paid itial Purchaser.
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The initial Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co. We will advise The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. in Dallas, Texas, the Paying Agent/Registrar, of our registration instructions at least five (5) business days prior to the date set for Initial Delivery.

A Cashier's Check payable to the order of the District in the amount of \$52,600 has been made available to you prior to the opening of this bid, as a Good Faith Deposit, and is submitted in accordance with the OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE. Should we fail or refuse to make payment for the Bonds in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, this check shall be cashed and the proceeds retained as complete liquidated damages against us.

Unless the bidder is exempt from such requirements pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2252.908(c)(4), the District may not accept this bid until it has received from the bidder a completed and signed TEC Form 1295 and Certification of Filing pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2252.908 and the rules promulgated thereunder by the Texas Ethics Commission. The undersigned understands that failure to provide said form and Certification of Filling, when required, will result in a non-conforming bid and will prohibit the District from considering this bid for acceptance.

By executing this OFFICIAL BID FORM, the bidder represents and verifies that, to the extent this OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for goods or services within the meaning of Section 2271.002 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2271 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid and through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company¹ that boycotts or will boycott Israel. The term "boycotts Israel" and "boycott Israel" as used in this paragraph have the meanings assigned to the term "boycott Israel" in Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

Additionally, by executing this OFFICIAL BID FORM, the bidder also represents and certifies that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a governmental contract within the meaning of Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter2252 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company¹ (i) that engages in business with Iran, Sudan, or any foreign terrorist organization as described in Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code, or Subchapter F of Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code, or (ii) listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Section 2270.0201 or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code. The term "foreign terrorist organization" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code. The undersigned agrees to execute, at the request of the District, further written certifications as may be necessary or convenient for the District to establish compliance with these laws.

Additionally, by executing this OFFICIAL BID FORM, the bidder also represents and verifies that, to the extent this OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for goods or services within the meaning of Section 2274.002 of the Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 13, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session), as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2274 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Texas or federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid and through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company¹ that boycotts or will boycott energy companies. The terms "boycotts energy companies" and "boycott energy companies" as used in this paragraph have the meaning assigned to the term "boycott energy company" in Section 809.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

Additionally, by executing this OFFICIAL BID FORM, the bidder also represents and verifies that, to the extent this OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for the purchase of goods or services within the meaning of Section 2274.002 of the Texas Government Code (as added by Senate Bill 19, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, "SB 19"), as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2274 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Texas or federal law, at the time of execution and delivery of its bid and through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM is a Company¹ that has a practice, policy, guidance or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. The term "discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to the term "discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" in Section 2274.001(3) of the Texas Government Code (as added by SB 19).

By submitting a bid, bidder makes and certifies to the representations necessary and convenient for the compliance with the aforementioned laws and, at the request the Issuer, agrees to execute further written certifications as may be necessary or convenient for Issuer to establish compliance with the aforementioned laws.

¹ "Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit, but does not mean a sole proprietorship.

² "Company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, or other entity or business association whose securities are publicly traded, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations, that exists to make a profit.

Additionally, by executing this OFFICIAL BID FORM, the bidder also represents and certifies that, to the extent the OFFICIAL BID FORM represents a contract for goods or services within the meaning of Section 552.371 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, the bidder and each syndicate member listed on the OFFICIAL BID FORM will (i) preserve all contracting information related to the bid as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the District through the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, (ii) promptly provide to the District any contracting information related to the bid that is in the custody or possession of the bidder or any syndicate member on request of the District, and (iii) upon delivery of the Bonds to the bidder, either (a) provide at no cost to the District all contracting information related to the bid that is in the custody or possession of the bidder or any syndicate member or (b) preserve the contracting information related to the bid as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the District. The term "contracting information" as used in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 552.003 of the Texas Government Code.

The undersigned agrees to complete, execute, and deliver to the District, by the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, a certificate relating to the "issue price" of the Bonds in the form accompanying the Official Notice of Sale.

We understand the sale of the Bonds has not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemptions provided thereunder. We understand further that the Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein, nor have the Bonds been registered or qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction.

We further understand that the District assumes no responsibility or obligation for the distribution or delivery of any copies of the OFFICIAL STATEMENT or other information concerning the District and the Bonds to anyone other than to us.

We agree to accept delivery of and make payment for the Bonds in immediately available funds at the offices of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas, not later than ten o'clock A.M., Houston Time, on the Date of Delivery, or thereafter on the date the Bonds are tendered for delivery, pursuant to the terms set forth in the "OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE."

	Respectfully submitted	d,
Syndicate Members (if any):	Ву:	
	ACCEPTANCE CLAUSE	
The above and foregoing bid is hereby in all this day of December, 2022.	ngs accepted by Montgomery County Municip	pal Utility District No. 178, this 12th
ATTEST:		
Secretary, Board of Directors	President, Board	of Directors

BOND YEARS

Due: September 1, Annually Dated: December 1, 2022

			Cumulative
<u>Year</u>	Principal	Bond Years	Bond Years
2024	\$ 150,000	275.000	275.000
2025	55,000	155.833	430.833
2026	60,000	230.000	660.833
2027	65,000	314.167	975.000
2028	65,000	379.167	1,354.167
2029	70,000	478.333	1,832.500
2030	75,000	587.500	2,420.000
2031	80,000	706.667	3,126.667
2032	80,000	786.667	3,913.333
2033	85,000	920.833	4,834.167
2034	90,000	1,065.000	5,899.167
2035	95,000	1,219.167	7,118.333
2036	100,000	1,383.333	8,501.667
2037	105,000	1,557.500	10,059.167
2038	115,000	1,820.833	11,880.000
2039	120,000	2,020.000	13,900.000
2040	125,000	2,229.167	16,129.167
2041	130,000	2,448.333	18,577.500
2042	140,000	2,776.667	21,354.167
2043	145,000	3,020.833	24,375.000
2044	155,000	3,384.167	27,759.167
2045	165,000	3,767.500	31,526.667
2046	175,000	4,170.833	35,697.500
2047	185,000	4,594.167	40,291.667
Total	\$ 2,630,000		

Average Maturity: 15.320 Years

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE—FEDERAL TAX COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS MET

The undersigned hereby certifies as follows with respect to the sale of \$2,630,000 Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178 (the "District") Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds"):

- 1. The undersigned is the Underwriter or the manager of the syndicate of purchasers (the "Underwriter") that has purchased the Bonds from the District at competitive sale.
- 2. The Underwriter was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid, and the bid submitted by the Underwriter constituted a firm bid to purchase the Bonds.
- 3. As of the sale date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the public by the Underwriter (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and exclusive of accrued interest) is as set forth below:

	Principal	Offering		Principal	Offering
Maturity	Amount	Price	Maturity	Amount	Price
2024	\$ 150,000	%	2036	\$ 100,000 *	%
2025	55,000	%	2037	105,000 *	%
2026	60,000	%	2038	115,000 *	%
2027	65,000	<u>%</u>	2039	120,000 *	%
2028	65,000	%	2040	125,000 *	%
2029	70,000	%	2041	130,000 *	%
2030	75,000 *	%	2042	140,000 *	%
2031	80,000 *	%	2043	145,000 *	%
2032	80,000 *	%	2044	155,000 *	%
2033	85,000 *	%	2045	165,000 *	%
2034	90,000 *	%	2046	175,000 *	%
2035	95,000 *	%	2047	185,000 *	%

^{*} Subject to optional redemption on September 1, 2029 and thereafter.

- 4. The Underwriter [has/has not] purchased bond insurance for the Bonds. The bond insurance has been purchased from ______ (the "Insurer") for a fee of \$______ (net of any nonguarantee cost, e.g., rating agency fees). The amount of such fee is set forth in the Insurer's commitment and does not include any payment for any direct or indirect services other than the transfer of credit risk, unless the compensation for those other services is separately stated, reasonable, and excluded from such fee. Such fee does not exceed a reasonable, arms-length charge for the transfer of credit risk. The present value of the debt service savings expected to be realized as a result of such insurance exceeds the amount of the fee set forth above. For this purpose, present value is computed using the yield on the Bonds, determined by taking into account the amount of the fee set forth above, as the discount rate. No portion of the fee payable to the Insurer is refundable upon redemption of any of the Bonds in an amount which would exceed the portion of such fee that had not been earned.
- 5. The term "public" means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company or corporation) other than an underwriter or a related party to an underwriter. A related party generally means two or more persons with greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- 6. Sale date means the first date on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of the Bonds. The sale date of the Bonds is December 12, 2022.

The undersigned understands that the statements made herein will be relied upon by the District and Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP in complying with the conditions imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, on the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from the gross income of their owners for federal income tax purposes.

EXECUTED and DELIVERED this	day of _	, 2022.
		Name of Underwriter or Manager
		Ву:
		Title:

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE—FEDERAL TAX COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS NOT MET

The undersigned hereby certifies as follows with respect to the sale of \$2,630,000 Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 178 (the "District") Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2022 (the "Bonds"):

- 1. The undersigned is the Underwriter or the manager of the syndicate of purchasers (the "Underwriter") that has purchased the Bonds from the District at competitive sale.
- 2. As of the date of this Certificate, for each of the following maturities (the "Sold Maturities"), the first price at which a substantial amount (at least ten percent) of such maturity was sold to the public (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and exclusive of accrued interest) is set forth below:

	Principal	Offering		Principal	Offering
Maturity	Amount	Price	Maturity	Amount	Price
2024	\$ 150,000	%	2036	\$ 100,000 *	%
2025	55,000	%	2037	105,000 *	%
2026	60,000	%	2038	115,000 *	%
2027	65,000	%	2039	120,000 *	%
2028	65,000	%	2040	125,000 *	%
2029	70,000	_%	2041	130,000 *	_%
2030	75,000 *	_%	2042	140,000 *	_%
2031	80,000 *	%	2043	145,000 *	%
2032	80,000 *	%	2044	155,000 *	%
2033	85,000 *	_%	2045	165,000 *	%
2034	90,000 *	_%	2046	175,000 *	_%
2035	95,000 *	%	2047	185,000 *	%

^{*} Subject to optional redemption on September 1, 2029, and thereafter.

3. As of the sale date for the Bonds, each of the following maturities (the "Unsold Maturities") was offered to the public for purchase at the price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and exclusive of accrued interest) set forth below:

	Principal	Offering		Principal	Offering
Maturity	Amount	Price	Maturity	Amount	Price
2024	\$ 150,000	%	2036	\$ 100,000 *	%
2025	55,000	%	2037	105,000 *	%
2026	60,000	%	2038	115,000 *	%
2027	65,000	%	2039	120,000 *	%
2028	65,000	%	2040	125,000 *	%
2029	70,000		2041	130,000 *	%
2030	75,000 *		2042	140,000 *	%
2031	80,000 *		2043	145,000 *	%
2032	80,000 *		2044	155,000 *	%
2033	85,000 *		2045	165,000 *	%
2034	90,000 *		2046	175,000 *	%
2035	95,000 *	%	2047	185,000 *	%

^{*} Subject to optional redemption on September 1, 2029, and thereafter.

4. As set forth in the OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, the Underwriter has agreed in writing that, for each of the Unsold Maturities, the Underwriter would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price for each maturity, as set forth in the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds attached to this Certificate, during the Offering Period for such maturity, nor would the Underwriter permit a related party to do so. Pursuant to such agreement, the Underwriter has neither offered nor sold any of the Unsold Maturities at a price higher than the respective initial offering price for that maturity of the Bonds during the Offering Period.

5. The Underwriter [has/has not] purchased bond insurance for the Bonds. The bond insurance has been purchased from
6. The term "public" means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company or corporation) other than an underwriter or a related party to an underwriter. A related party generally means two or more persons with greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
7. Sale date means the first date on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of the Bonds. The sale date of the Bonds is December 12, 2022.
8. Offering Period means, with respect to an Unsold Maturity, the period beginning on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (a) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date or (b) the date on which the Underwriter has sold at least 10 percent of such Unsold Maturity to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price for such Unsold Maturity.
The undersigned understands that the statements made herein will be relied upon by the District and Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP in complying with the conditions imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, on the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from the gross income of their owners for federal income tax purposes.
EXECUTED and DELIVERED this day of 2022.
Name of Underwriter or Manager
By:
Title: