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November 8, 2021

The Honorable Guy J. Guzzone, Chairman
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 West Wing
11 Bladen St.
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Annual Report of Loans & Grants Issued from VCAF

Dear Chairman Guzzone:

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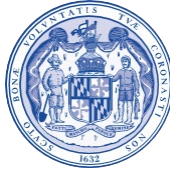
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VCAF LOANS/GRANTS SETTLED IN FY2020

FY	Purpose	Company	County	Loan/Grant	Date Settled	Amount	Term	Rate	Payment per Annum	Payment	Total Purchase Price	Balance as of 6/30/2020
2020	Engine	The Water Witch Fire Co, Inc.	Cecil	Loan	10/11/2019	\$228,000.00	20	1.00%	1	\$12,645.00	\$653,507.00	\$228,000.00
2020	Tanker	Fairmount Volunteer Fire Company, Inc.	Somerset	Loan	9/24/2019	\$187,764.00	15	1.00%	1	\$13,547.00	\$254,059.00	\$166,094.00
2020	Engine	Kentland Volunteer Fire Department Inc.	Prince George's	Loan	1/3/2020	\$205,401.00	20	1.00%	1	\$11,382.00	\$705,401.00	\$205,401.00
2020	Tanker	Fallston Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Co. Inc.	Harford	Loan	3/9/2020	\$399,537.00	15	1.00%	1	\$28,838.00	\$532,717.00	\$399,537.00