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PREFACE

This publication presents the information the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ; formerly the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, or TNRCC) has prepared on the topic of good financial management practices for water districts. Formerly, this information was presented in several different publications:

- the *Water District Accounting Manual* (TNRCC publication RG-080, December 1995),
- *Annual Audit Report Requirements for Texas Water Districts* (TNRCC publication RG-081, December 1995), and
- various editions of the annual *Water District Update* (TCEQ publication PD-003).

In consolidating this information into a single publication, we hope to make it easier for everyone who needs any part of this body of information to be sure they have the latest word. However, we realize that bits and pieces of this information will have to be revised over time. To make this consolidated publication flexible enough to accommodate those changes, we have added informative footers at the bottom of each page. These footers show:

- the short title of the publication
- the publication number
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- the page number

As our resources allow, we will edit this *Guide*, one portion at a time, to make it even more readable and user-considerate. When we publish an edited chapter or appendix, we will enter the new revision date by its entry in the table of contents as well as in the footer of that chapter or appendix. You will be able to easily determine whether you have the latest version of any part of this publication by checking your copy against the table of contents posted on our Web site: www.tceq.state.tx.us.

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