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Executive Office Tribal Council The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, NC

We reviewed the supply inventory held by Bottled Water in accordance with the FY25 annual audit plan.

We reviewed the inventory reports and financial transactions for the period ending September 30, 2025, and conducted a count.

The inventory report shows a total cost on hand of \$77,682.90, an 81% increase over the prior year. The program added a new can product this year which contributed to the increase. The inventory value is reasonable.

The current general ledger shows an inventory balance of \$42,874.38. An adjusting entry of \$34,808.52 is needed to increase the inventory balance to \$77,682.90 for the period ending September 30, 2025.

Please contact our office with questions regarding this report.

Sincerely, Sharon Blankenship, CIA, CGAP, IAP, CFE, LPEC Chief Audit and Ethics Executive

cc: Lori Lambert, Audit and Ethics Committee Chair Sean Ross, Secretary of Commerce Pam Sneed, Director of Enterprise Development