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Chester Municipal Electric Light Department
Board of Commissioners
Chester, MA

Dear Commissioners:

We have audited the financial statements of the Chester Municipal Electric Light Department (the Department) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We communicated such information to the Department's management prior to our commencement of auditing procedures. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Department are described in the notes to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted, and the application of existing policies was not changed during fiscal year 2024. We noted no transactions entered into by the Department during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the Department's financial statements were:

The presentation of the Department's total pension liability and related accounts is determined through biennial actuarial studies, which are rolled forward by an actuary to December 31 each year. We have received an AU805 report from the independent auditor of the County pension system.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements are those that describe the Department's net pension at December 31, 2024.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

The difficulties encountered in this audit are described in the internal control report dated November 15, 2025.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. None of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures were material, either individually or in aggregate, to the Department's financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated November 15, 2025.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Department's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Department's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention. Findings can be reviewed in the report on internal control dated November 15, 2025.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the Department's required supplementary information ("RSI") that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI. We also made verbal communications about matters that we deemed appropriate to Department Management throughout the course of the engagement and through the time of issuance of the financial statements.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Management of the Department and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

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