

**ERIE COUNTY**  
**WATER AUTHORITY**  
*Schedule of Overhead Percentage for the*  
*Year Ended December 31, 2018 and*  
*Independent Auditors' Report*

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

The Board of Commissioners  
Erie County Water Authority

We have audited the accompanying schedule of overhead percentage (the “schedule”) of the Erie County Water Authority (the “Authority”) for the year ended December 31, 2018.

**Management’s Responsibility for the Schedules**

The Authority’s management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this schedule in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

**Auditors’ Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the schedule based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedule is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the schedule. The procedures selected depend on the auditors’ judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the schedule, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the schedule in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the schedule.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the schedule of overhead percentage presents fairly, in all material respects, the overhead percentage of the Authority for the year ended December 31, 2018, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Other Matter**

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the Erie County Water Authority as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018, and our report thereon, dated March 26, 2019, expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements and includes an emphasis of matter paragraph regarding the implementation of GASB Statement No. 75.

March 26, 2019

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**Schedule of Overhead Percentage**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2018**

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**2018 Operating and Maintenance Expenses and Construction Costs**

Operating & maintenance expenses, gross of capitalized costs	\$ 45,992,983
Construction costs	<u>19,873,396</u>
Total operating and maintenance expenses and construction costs	<u>\$ 65,866,379</u>

Construction percentage (1) 30.17%

**Composition of Overhead:**

Design	\$ 440,353
Construction - less payments to contractors, tanks	471,342
New services - less payments to repair contractor	400,685
Restoration - less payments to restoration contractor	261,948
Administration	402,671
Central Purchasing	154,613
Information Services	628,870
Comptroller	288,112
Accounting	754,276
Legal	787,867
Secretary to the Authority	415,647
Information Services	446,375
General Expense	<u>2,013,350</u>
Total overhead	<u>\$ 7,466,109</u>

Total overhead multiplied by construction percentage \$ 2,252,696

Overhead percentage (2) 11.34%

(1) Construction costs divided by total expenses.

(2) Total overhead multiplied by construction percentage divided by construction cost.

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