RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation Providence, Rhode Island

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation, a component unit of the State of Rhode Island, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements 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 financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 financial statements.

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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the changes in its financial position and cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information on pages 13 through 16 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 5, 2018 on our consideration of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's internal corporation's internal corporation's internal corporation's internal corporation's internal corporation's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance.

Blum, Stapino + Company, P.C.

Cranston, Rhode Island November 5, 2018

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

As management of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation (the Corporation), a component unit of the State of Rhode Island (the State), we offer readers of the Corporation's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Corporation for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. The Corporation's financial statements, accompanying notes, and supplementary information should be read in conjunction with the following discussion.

Introduction

The Corporation was organized in 1966 as a non-business corporation under Rhode Island law and in 1967 was constituted and established as a public body corporate and agency of the State by an act of the Rhode Island General Assembly. The Corporation was granted the power to issue revenue bonds, construction loan notes, and equipment acquisition notes for the financing of projects which further industrial development in Rhode Island. The powers of the Corporation are vested in a Board of Directors. The Corporation does not have any employees, but is staffed by employees of the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (Commerce RI), a component unit of the State.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Corporation's financial statements.

The Corporation engages only in business-type activities, that is, activities that are financed in whole or in part by charges to external parties for services. As a result, the Corporation's basic financial statements include the statement of net position; the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position; the statement of cash flows; and the notes to the financial statements. These basic financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Corporation's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents detail on the Corporation's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Changes in the Corporation's net position serve as a useful indicator of whether the Corporation's net position is improving or deteriorating. Readers should also consider other non-financial factors when evaluating the Corporation's net position. The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position presents information on how the Corporation's net position changed during the year.

All assets, liabilities, and changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event affecting the asset or liability or deferred outflow or inflow, and resulting change in net position occurs, regardless of the timing of when the cash is received or paid (accrual basis of accounting for governmental entities). Consequently, certain revenues and expenses reported in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position will result in cash flows in future periods.

2018 Financial Highlights

Total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$301,142 (net position) at June 30, 2018, which is unrestricted and may be used to meet the Corporation's operating requirements.

Over the last several years the revenue generated on an annual basis from bond fees has not been sufficient to offset the associated administrative costs of running the program. In 2018 net position decreased by \$22,228, \$12,660 more than in 2017.

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

Nationwide, the issuance of industrial development bonds (IDB) has continued to decrease year over year. Current market conditions including low market interest rates and tax reform make bond issuance a less attractive and sometimes more expensive option when compared to traditional bank loans.

2017 Financial Highlights

Total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$323,370 (net position) at June 30, 2017, which is unrestricted and may be used to meet the Corporation's operating requirements.

Over the last several years the revenue generated on an annual basis from bond fees has not been sufficient to offset the associated administrative costs of running the program. In 2017 net position decreased by \$9,568, \$15,055 less than in 2016.

Condensed Comparative Information

The following table reflects a summary of changes in certain balances in the statements of net position, and revenues, expenses and changes in net position (in thousands):

		Sta	atem	nents of Net	Posi	tion			
				June 30,				Increase (decrease)
		2018		2017		2016		2018 v 2017	2017 v 2016
Net position:									
Total assets	\$	356	\$	375	\$	432	\$	(19) \$	\$(57
Current liabilities		30		23		60		7	(37
Noncurrent liabilities		25		28		39		(3)	(11
Total liabilities	_	55		51	_	99		4	(48
Net Position, Unrestricted	\$	301	\$	323	\$	333	\$	(23)	\$(9
Statem	ents	of Revenu	ies,	Expenses, a	nd C	hanges in l	Net	Position	
		Increase (decrease)						
							_		

		Ye	ear	Ended June	 Increase (d	lecrease)	
	2018 2017 2016		 2018 v 2017	2017 v 2016			
Changes in net position:							
Operating revenues	\$	36	\$	47	\$ 43	\$ (11) \$	4
Operating expenses		59	_	57	 68	 2	(11)
Change in Net Position	\$	(22)	\$	(10)	\$ (25)	\$ (12) \$	15

2018 Financial Analysis

Total assets of the Corporation decreased by \$18,322 during 2018 primarily due to decreased revenue for bond administration fees without a corresponding decrease in administrative fees.

Total liabilities of the Corporation increased by \$3,906 during 2018, due to increased insurance costs.

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

2018 Operating Activity

Operating revenues of the Corporation decreased by \$10,582 compared to 2017 due to a declining base of bonds and notes outstanding, generating less bond fee income.

Total operating expenses remained relatively flat increasing by \$2,078 or just under 4% due to an increased insurance costs.

The Corporation's operating loss was \$22,228 in 2018, compared to an operating loss of \$9,568 in 2017.

2017 Financial Analysis

Total assets of the Corporation decreased by \$57,823 during 2017 primarily due to higher legal expenditures related to existing bond issuances.

Total liabilities of the Corporation decreased by \$48,255 during 2017, due to a combination of lower accounts payable and unearned revenues.

2017 Operating Activity

Operating revenues of the Corporation increased by \$3,573 compared to 2016 due new commitment fees.

Total operating expenses decreased by \$11,482 due to a decrease in administrative and insurance expenses.

The Corporation's operating loss was \$9,568 in 2017, compared to operating loss of \$24,623 in 2016.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed as a general overview of the Corporation's financial picture for external and internal shareholders. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or public requests for information should be addressed to the Treasurer, Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation, 315 Iron Horse Way, Suite 101, Providence, Rhode Island 02908.

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

	 2018	. <u> </u>	2017
Assets:			
Current assets:			
Cash	\$ 113,189	\$	268,532
Bond administration fees receivable			19,250
Due from Rhode Island Industrial-Recreational			
Building Authority (RIIRBA)	240,888		84,615
Prepaid insurance	 2,171		2,173
Total assets	 356,248	· _	374,570
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	20,219		2,174
Unearned revenue	2,539		2,812
Due to Rhode Island Commerce Corporation			
(Commerce RI)	 7,104		18,431
Total current liabilities	29,862		23,417
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Unearned revenue	 25,244		27,783
Total liabilities	 55,106		51,200
Net Position, Unrestricted	\$ 301,142	\$	323,370

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

	 2018	 2017
Operating Revenues, Charges for Services:		
Bond administration fees	\$ 34,898	\$ 44,546
Other	 1,580	 2,514
Total operating revenues, charges for services	 36,478	 47,060
Operating Expenses:		
Administrative	26,400	26,374
Insurance	13,035	10,863
Contractual services	19,271	18,703
Other		 688
Total operating expenses	 58,706	 56,628
Change in Net Position	(22,228)	(9,568)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	 323,370	 332,938
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 301,142	\$ 323,370

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RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

		2018	_	2017
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Cash received for services	\$	55,728	\$	27,810
Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services		(54,798)		(107,056)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	_	930	_	(79,246)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Advances to RIIRBA		(156,273)		(585,859)
Repayment of advances to RIIRBA				583,520
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	_	(156,273)	_	(2,339)
Net Decrease in Cash		(155,343)		(81,585)
Cash, Beginning of Year		268,532		350,117
Cash, End of Year	\$	113,189	\$_	268,532
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash				
Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities:				
Operating loss	\$	(22,228)	\$	(9,568)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net				
cash provided by (used in) operating activities:				
Changes in assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable		19,250		(10.250)
Prepaid expenses		19,250		(19,250) (2,173)
Accounts payable		18,045		(36,489)
Unearned revenue		(2,812)		(13,910)
Due to Commerce RI		(11,327)		2,144
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	\$	930	\$_	(79,246)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Business

The Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation (the Corporation) was organized in 1966 as a nonbusiness corporation under Rhode Island law, and in 1967 was constituted and established as a public body corporate and agency of the State of Rhode Island (the State) by an act of the Rhode Island General Assembly. The Corporation was granted the power to issue revenue bonds, construction loan notes and equipment acquisition notes for the financing of projects, which further industrial development in Rhode Island. The Corporation is a component unit of the State for financial reporting purposes. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Corporation are included in the State's comprehensive annual financial report.

The Corporation is exempt from federal and state income taxes.

Financial Statement Presentation, Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The Corporation engages only in business-type activities. Business-type activities are activities that are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The Corporation uses the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting.

The Corporation distinguishes between operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services relating to the Corporation's principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses include the cost of services provided and administrative expenses. All other revenues and expenses are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Corporation considers all highly liquid investments, including restricted assets, with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Revenue Recognition and Concentrations

Bond administration fees paid by participants in the Corporation's revenue bond and note programs, calculated as one-eighth of one percent of the principal amount outstanding under conduit debt obligations determined at specified measurement dates, are recognized when earned over the terms of the respective bonds and notes. In certain instances, bond administration fees are paid in full by participants upon the Corporation issuing conduit debt obligations. In these instances, bond administration fees are generally calculated by the Corporation as the present value of one-eighth of one percent of the principal amount outstanding, based upon respective amortization schedules, under such conduit debt obligations at specified measurement dates. Such fees are reported as unearned revenue and recognized as revenue ratably over the term of the conduit debt. Other revenue is recognized when received.

For the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, bond administration fees from one participant represents 55% and 43%, respectively, of the Corporation's bond administration fees.

The Corporation also earns other fees from participants upon application for and payoff of conduit debt obligations.

2. CONDUIT DEBT

From time to time, the Corporation issues revenue bonds, notes, equipment acquisition notes and construction loan notes to provide financial assistance to private-sector entities for the acquisition and construction of industrial and commercial facilities. The bonds and notes are secured by the property financed and are payable solely from payments received on the underlying mortgage loans and lease agreements. Upon repayment of the bonds and notes, ownership of the acquired facilities transfers to the private-sector entity served by the bond or note issuance. The Corporation is not obligated in any manner for repayment of the bonds and notes. Accordingly, the bonds and notes are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

In December 2015, the Corporation was authorized by its Board of Directors to issue up to \$4,022,500 in taxable industrial revenue bonds. These bonds were issued on July 5, 2016. The interest rates for outstanding debt range from fixed rates of 4.40% to 6.25%, as well as floating rates set as a percentage of the prime interest rate. Maturity dates for the bonds and notes range from 2017 to 2034.

Under the terms of the various indentures and related loan and lease agreements, the business entities make loan and lease payments directly to the trustees of the related bond and note issues in amounts equal to interest and principal payments due on the respective issues. Accordingly, the payments are not shown as receipts and disbursements of the Corporation. The aggregate amount of conduit debt outstanding at June 30, 2018 and 2017, was approximately \$41,102,000 and \$44,181,000, respectively.

3. CASH

Cash, including restricted amounts, consists of the following:

	 2018	 2017
Bank balance in checking account Bank balance insured by federal depository insurance	\$ 113,189 250,000	\$ 268,532 250,000
Bank Balance Uninsured and Uncollateralized	\$ 	\$ 18,532

The Corporation assumes levels of custodial credit risk for its cash. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the Corporation's deposits may not be recovered. The Corporation is authorized to invest excess funds by the provisions of the General Laws of the State, Chapter 37, Section 45-37.1-6, in obligations of the State and of the United States Government or certain agencies thereof, and in certificates of deposit. The Corporation also is authorized to enter into repurchase agreements.

In accordance with State of Rhode Island General Laws, Chapter 35-10.1, depository institutions holding deposits of the State, its agencies or governmental subdivisions are required, at a minimum, to insure or pledge eligible collateral equal to one-hundred percent of time deposits with maturities greater than sixty days. Any of these institutions that do not meet minimum capital standards prescribed by federal regulators are required to insure or pledge eligible collateral equal to one-hundred percent of deposits, regardless of maturity. The Corporation does not have a separate deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

4. DUE FROM RIIRBA

The Rhode Island Industrial-Recreational Building Authority (RIIRBA), a component unit of the State, guarantees principal and interest payments required under first mortgages and first security agreements issued to private-sector entities. At June 30, 2018 and 2017, due from RIIRBA represents amounts paid by the Corporation on behalf of RIIRBA. The payments pertain to RIIRBA's guarantee of defaulted revenue bonds issued to a private-sector entity.

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATE OF RHODE ISLAND REQUIRED FORMAT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2018

	Attachment B			
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 113,189			
Investments	φ 110,100			
Receivables (net)				
Restricted assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents				
Investments				
Receivables (net)				
Other assets				
Due from primary government				
Due from other component units	240,888			
Due from other governments				
Inventories				
Other assets	2,171			
Total current assets	356,248			
Noncurrent assets:				
Investments				
Receivables				
(Receivable allowance)				
Restricted assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents				
Investments				
Other assets				
Due from other component units				
Capital assets - nondepreciable				
Capital assets - depreciable (net)				
Other assets, net of amortization				
Total noncurrent assets	<u> </u>			
Total assets	356,248			

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATE OF RHODE ISLAND REQUIRED FORMAT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2018

	Attachment B			
Liabilities				
Current liabilities:				
Cash overdraft				
Accounts payable	\$	20,219		
Due to primary government				
Due to other component units		7,104		
Due to other governments				
Unearned revenue		2,539		
Other liabilities				
Current portion of long-term debt				
Total current liabilities		29,862		
Noncurrent liabilities: Due to primary government Due to other governments Due to other component units Unearned revenue Notes payable Loans payable		25,244		
Obligations under capital leases Other liabilities Compensated absences Bonds payable				
Total noncurrent liabilities		25,244		
Total liabilities		55,106		
Net position, unrestricted	\$	301,142		

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATE OF RHODE ISLAND REQUIRED FORMAT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	-	Attachment C
Expenses	\$_	58,706
Program revenues: Charges for services Operating grants and contributions Capital grants and contributions		36,478
Total program revenues	-	36,478
Net (expenses) revenues	-	(22,228)
General revenues: Interest and investment earnings Miscellaneous revenue Total general revenues	-	
Loss before contributions, transfers, and special and extraordinary items	_	(22,228)
Transfers to State, bond proceeds Special items Extraordinary items Total contributions and transfers	-	
Change in net position		(22,228)
Total net position - beginning	-	323,370
Total net position - ending	\$_	301,142

RHODE ISLAND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES CORPORATION (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND) STATE OF RHODE ISLAND REQUIRED FORMAT SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

							Attac	Attachment E	
	_	Beginning Balance	 Additions	 Reductions	_	Ending Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year	_	Amounts Due Thereafter
Bonds payable Net unamortized premium/discount Deferred amount on refunding Bonds payable	\$		\$	\$ 	\$ 		\$	\$ _	
Due to primary government Due to other governments Due to other component units Notes payable Obligations under capital leases Net OPEB obligation		18,431		(11,327)		7,104	7,104		
Compensated absences Unearned revenue	_	30,595		 (2,812)		27,783	2,539	_	25,244
Other liabilities	_			 	_			_	
	\$_	49,026	\$ 	\$ (14,139)	\$_	34,887	\$ 9,643	\$_	25,244



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Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Board of Directors Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation Providence, Rhode Island

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation, a component unit of the State of Rhode Island, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Corporation's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 5, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Rhode Island Industrial Facilities Corporation's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Blum, Shapino + Company, P.C.

Cranston, Rhode Island November 5, 2018