

**ISLIP RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY
(A Component Unit of the Town of Islip, NY)**

**SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS
(WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)**

Year Ended December 31, 2024

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors
Islip Resource Recovery Agency
Islip, New York

Report on the Audit of the Schedule of Cash and Investments

Opinion

We have audited the Schedule of Cash and Investments (the "Schedule") of the Islip Resource Recovery Agency (the "Agency"), a component unit of the Town of Islip, as of December 31, 2024, and the related notes.

In our opinion, the accompanying Schedule of Cash and Investments and related notes referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the cash and investments of the Agency as of December 31, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS") and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule. We are required to be independent of the Agency, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Schedule

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; and for 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' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the Schedule.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Schedule, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Agency's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the Schedule.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 26, 2025 on our consideration of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters with respect to the Schedule. 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 Agency'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 Agency's internal control over financial reporting and compliance with respect to the Schedule.

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Hauppauge, New York

March 26, 2025

ISLIP RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY

SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS

	<u>December 31, 2024</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 117,027,090</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u><u>\$ 117,027,090</u></u>

ISLIP RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS Year Ended December 31, 2024

A. ORGANIZATION

The Islip Resource Recovery Agency (the Agency) was authorized by the New York State (the State) Legislature and established by a referendum approved by a majority of the Town of Islip's (the Town) voters in 1982 as a body corporate and politic constituting a public benefit corporation and a public authority of the State pursuant to the Islip Resource Recovery Agency Act (the Act). The Agency is governed by a five-member Board of Directors comprised, ex-officio, of the five members of the Board of the Town and is considered a component unit of the Town.

The Agency is authorized by the Act to finance, acquire, construct, operate, and maintain a solid waste management-resource recovery system (which consists of two closed landfills; a cleanfill, Phase I and Phase II; the MacArthur Resource Recovery Facility, a material recovery facility; and a composting facility) in the Town and to contract with the Town for the purpose of receiving, treating, and disposing of municipal solid waste generated in the Town.

All governmental activities and functions performed for the Agency are its direct responsibility. No other governmental organizations have been included or excluded from the reporting entity.

The Agency is a component unit of the Town, the primary reporting entity, under the criteria set forth in Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") pronouncements. The basic, but not the only criterion for inclusion in the Town's financial statements is that the Town is ultimately accountable for the Agency because it appoints the Board of Directors, the governing body of the Agency, and there is a potential for the Agency to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose financial burdens on, the Town.

B. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and equivalents consist of cash deposits in banks and other short-term investments whether unrestricted or restricted, with a maturity of three months or less from the date of purchase. Short-term investments consist of money market funds with underlying investments in obligations of the U.S. government and repurchase agreements.

The Agency, which is a component unit of the Town, adheres to the Town's investment policy. The investment policy allows investments in certificates of deposit, time deposits, obligations of the United States, obligations of New York State, repurchase agreements of obligations of the United States, and obligations of agencies of the Federal government where principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States. All investments are made pursuant to this investment policy and comply with applicable provisions of State and Federal law. In addition, the written investment policy requires certificates of deposit and time deposit accounts to be fully covered by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, or by the delivery of authorized investments (collateralized).

Cash deposits with financial institutions are either covered by the FDIC or collateralized by securities held by the pledging bank's trust department in the Agency's name, or U.S. Government and/or federal agency securities held by the Trustee. Cash equivalents in money market funds and investments are held in the Agency's name by their custodian and, therefore, not subject to custodial risk.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS
Year Ended December 31, 2024

C. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

The Town maintains a consolidated account and temporary investments with a financial institution on behalf of the Agency. The amount held by the Town on behalf of the Agency was \$105,312,862 as of December 31, 2024. The Agency's other cash and equivalents consist of deposit accounts and money market mutual funds.

The Agency's cash equivalents consist exclusively of money market funds as of December 31, 2024. The Agency's money market fund is a mutual fund subject to the maturity, quality, liquidity and diversification requirements of Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and seeks to maintain a stable share price of \$1.00. It normally invests at least 99.5% of its total assets in securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government or its agencies or instrumentalities, repurchase agreements collateralized solely by cash and/or government securities, and cash. The money market fund had a AAAm rating by S&P and a AAA-mf by Moody's as of December 31, 2024.

**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of the Schedule of Cash and Investments Performed in Accordance With
Government Auditing Standards**

Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors
Islip Resource Recovery Agency
Islip, New York

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 Schedule of Cash and Investments of the Islip Resource Recovery Agency (the "Agency") as of December 31, 2024 and the related notes to the Schedule of Cash and Investments, and have issued our report thereon dated March 26, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the Schedule of Cash and Investments, we considered the Agency's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Schedule of Cash and Investments, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency'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 Agency's Schedule of Cash and Investments 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Agency's Schedule of Cash and Investments is free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, investment policies established by the Agency and the New York State Comptroller investment guideline requirements as presented in Section 201.3(c) of the *Accounting, Reporting and Supervision Requirements for Public Authorities*, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the Schedule of Cash and Investments. 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 Agency'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 Agency's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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March 26, 2025