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June 24, 2021

Members of the Authority
New York State Energy Research and Development Authority:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have audited the financial statements of New York State Energy Research and Development Authority and the stand-alone financial statements of the Authority's enterprise fund, NY Green Bank, (collectively, the Authority) as of March 31, 2021 and for each of the years then ended, and issued our reports thereon under date of June 24, 2021. Under our professional standards, we are providing you with the accompanying information related to the conduct of our audits.

Our Responsibility Under Professional Standards

We are responsible for forming and expressing an opinion about whether the financial statements, that have been prepared by management with the oversight of Members of the Authority, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We have a responsibility to perform our audit of the financial statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (AICPA), and the Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. In carrying out this responsibility, we planned and performed the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free of material misstatement, whether caused by error or fraud. Because of the nature of audit evidence and the characteristics of fraud, we are to obtain reasonable, not absolute, assurance that material misstatements are detected. We have no responsibility to plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that misstatements, whether caused by error or fraud, that are not material to the financial statements are detected. Our audit does not relieve management or Members of the Authority of their responsibilities.

In addition, in planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered 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 financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. We also have a responsibility to communicate significant matters related to the financial statement audits that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to the responsibilities of the Members of the Authority in overseeing the financial reporting process. We are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

There were no uncorrected or corrected financial statement misstatements identified during the audits of the Authority's March 31, 2021 financial statements.

Significant Accounting Policies and Practices

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The significant accounting policies used by the Authority are described in Note 2 to the respective financial statements.



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Unusual Transactions

We noted no transactions entered into by the Authority during the year that were both significant and unusual, and that, under professional standards, we are required to communicate to you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

We have discussed with the Members of the Authority and management our judgments about the quality, not just the acceptability, of the Authority's accounting policies as applied in its financial reporting. The discussions generally included such matters as the consistency of the Authority's accounting policies and their application, and the understandability and completeness of the Company's financial statements, which include related disclosures.

Significant Accounting Estimates and Significant Financial Statement Disclosures

The preparation of the financial statements requires management of the Company to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements.

We evaluated management's estimates, including possible management bias in developing the estimates, and determined that these estimates were reasonable in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Noncompliance with Laws and Regulations, including Illegal Acts or Fraud

In connection with our audit of the Authority's financial statements, no identified or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations, including illegal acts or fraud, have come to our attention.

Significant Difficulties Encountered During the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing our audit.

Disagreements with Management

There were no disagreements with management on financial accounting and reporting matters that would have caused a modification of our auditors' reports on the Company's financial statements.

Written Communications

Attached to this letter please find copies of the following written communications between management and us:

1. Engagement letter
2. Management representation letter

Independence

We are not aware of any circumstances or relationships, that in our professional judgement, may reasonably be thought to bear on independence or to which we gave significant consideration in reaching the conclusion that independence has not been impaired.



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Affirmation of Independence

In connection with our audit of the Company, KPMG and relevant KPMG professionals have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, as that term is defined by the professional standards.

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This letter to the Members of the Authority is intended solely for the information and use of the Members and management 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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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*

Members of the Authority
New York State Energy and Research Development Authority:

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 financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the New York State Energy and Research Development Authority (a component unit of the State of New York) (the Authority) as of and for the year ended March 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 24, 2021. Our report contains an emphasis of matter paragraph referring to the Authority's adoption of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, during the year ended March 31, 2021.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority'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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 Authority'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 financial statements. 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 Authority'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 Authority's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance with Section 201.3 of Title Two of the *Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York*

Members of the Authority
New York State Energy and Research Development Authority:

We have examined the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's (the Authority) compliance with the requirements of Section 201.3 of Title Two of the *Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York* during the year ended March 31, 2021. Management is responsible for the Authority's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Authority's compliance with those requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Authority complied with the specified requirements referenced above. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Authority's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of Section 201.3 of Title Two of the *Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York* for the year ended March 31, 2021.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we are required to report all deficiencies that are considered to be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control; fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws and regulations that have a material effect on the Authority's compliance with Section 201.3 of Title Two of the *Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York* and any other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance; noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and abuse that has a material effect on the subject matter. We are also required to obtain and report the views of responsible officials concerning the findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as any planned corrective actions. We performed our examination to express an opinion on whether the Authority complied with the aforementioned requirements and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the internal control over compliance with those requirements or other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions. The results of our tests disclosed no matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.



This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Members and management of the Authority, the New York State Office of the State Comptroller, the New York State Division of the Budget, and the New York State Authorities Budget Office and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

In planning and performing our audit of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (the Authority), which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Authority, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2021, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Authority'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 financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control.

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This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, Members of the Authority, and others within the organization, 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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