

# Long Island Power Authority Discussion with the Finance and Audit Committee

Audit results for the year ended 12/31/2023

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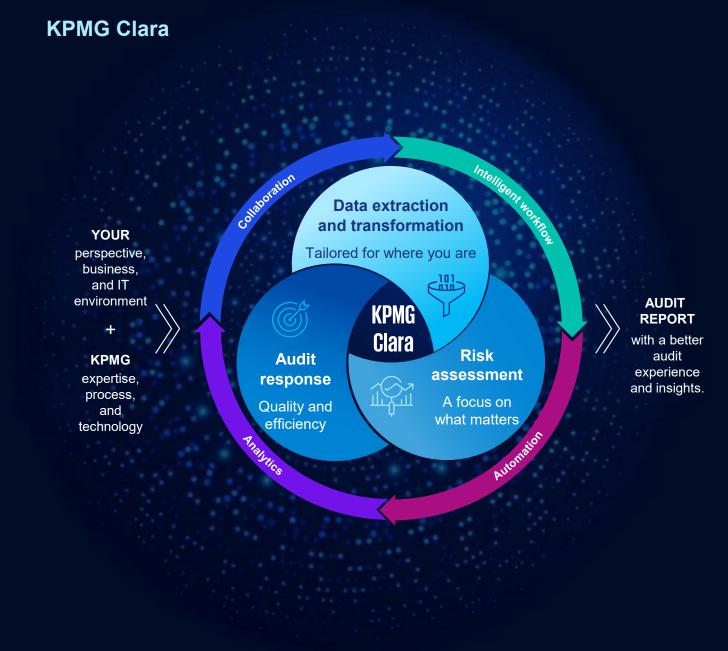
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## An audit aligned to you

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you and your organization
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**Automation** 

Collaboration

**Workflow** 

- Data Visualization
- Journal Entry Analysis
- Matching Engine
- Confirmation
- DataSnipper
- Audit Chat

- DocuSign™
- KPMG Clara for Clients
- KPMG Clara Workflow



## Summary: Audit results required communications and other matters

Scope of audit and other deliverables			
Scope of the audit	Our audit of the basic financial statements of the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, was performed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <i>Government Auditing Standards</i> issued by the Comptroller of the United States.		
Other deliverables	Other planned audit deliverables include:  • Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with <i>Government Accounting Standards</i> • Report on Investment Compliance  • Report on Debt Compliance  • Report on the Rate Stabilization Fund agreed upon procedures  • Report on Compliance with Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program and on Internal Control over Compliance in accordance with Uniform Guidance (formerly OMB Circular A-133) – <i>Performed in Summer 2024</i>		





## Required communications to the Finance and Audit Committee

**Prepared on: 3/20/2024** 

**Presented on: 3/27/2024** 



## Audit results required communications and other matters

Matters to communicate	Response
Significant and or unusual transactions	No matters to report
Uncorrected audit misstatements	No matters to report
Corrected audit misstatements	No matters to report
Financial statement presentation and disclosure omissions	No matters to report
Non-GAAP policies and practices	No significant matters to report
Auditors' report	We plan to issue an unmodified opinion on the basic financial statements
Changes to our risk assessment and planned audit strategy	No matters to report
Significant accounting policies and practices	Significant accounting polices and practices are discussed within Note 2 of LIPA's financial statements. We have reviewed the accounting policies utilized by management in preparation of the financial statements and found such policies to be appropriate, including LIPA's adoption of GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription based information technology arrangements (SBITA).
Significant audit areas and accounting estimates	Pages 11 to 16
Significant financial statement disclosures	No matters to report
Group audit engagement considerations	We have completed our audit of the UDSA basic financial statements and have presented the results of our audit to the UDSA Board of Trustees on March 26, 2024
Related parties	We performed an evaluation of the LIPA's identification of, accounting for, and disclosure of its relationships and transactions with related parties. As a result of such procedures, we have no matters report.
Going concern	No matters to report



## Audit results required communications and other matters

Matters to communicate	Response		
Other information	We are currently not aware of any other documents that contain the audited financial statements of LIPA, including our opinions.		
Subsequent events	No matters to report		
Noncompliance with laws and regulations	No matters to report		
Significant difficulties encountered during the audit	No matters to report		
Significant findings or issues discussed, or the subject of correspondence with management	No matters to report		
Management's consultation with other accountants	No matters to report		
Disagreements with management	No matters to report		
Other significant matters	No matters to report		
Consultations	There were no difficult or contentious matters for which the auditor consulted outside the engagement team that are relevant to the audit committee's oversight of the financial reporting process.		
Illegal acts or fraud	No actual or suspected fraud involving management, employees with significant roles in internal control, or where fraud results in a material misstatement in the financial statements were identified during the audit.		
Written communications	Engagement letter, management representation letters, and required communications letter		
Independence	See page 17		
Inquiries	See page 18		



## Audit results required communications and other matters

Reports	Response
Agreed-upon procedures relating to Servicing Agreements	No matters to report.
Agreed-upon procedures relating to LIPA's Rate Covenant Calculation	No matters to report.
Debt Compliance Report in relating to LIPA's Reimbursement Agreements	No matters to report.
Investment compliance report in connection with the specified requirements of Section 201.3 of Title Two of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules, and Regulations of the State of New York and in the Authority's Investment Guidelines	No matters to report.



## Significant audit areas and accounting estimates

Significant risks	Procedures performed
Risk of fraud due to management override of controls	Internal controls  — Assessed management's design and implementation of controls over journal entries (during the year and at the end of the reporting period), as well as post-closing adjustments
	<ul> <li>Substantive procedures</li> <li>Involved KPMG Forensics in our risk assessment throughout the audit to assist in our consideration of fraud risk factors and procedures that the engagement team performed</li> <li>Performed roll-forward procedures to test completeness of the journal entry population and tested a selection of journal entries to test relevant data elements for accuracy</li> <li>Used eData routines to select journal entries for testing based on specific criteria.</li> <li>Reviewed accounting estimates for bias</li> <li>The engagement team considered the risk of management override of controls related to revenue and noted that the LIPA revenue process is routine and not complex. Additionally, the engagement team confirmed through inquiries that there is no incentive to fraudulently manipulate revenue</li> </ul>



## Significant accounting estimates: Commodity and financial derivatives

#### **Description of significant accounting estimates**

• Management follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurements. LIPA's commodity derivatives are measured at fair value and are used in its normal course of business to limit some of the volatility associated with market price fluctuations in the purchase of fuel oil, natural gas, and electricity. Under hedge accounting, changes in the fair value of such hedging derivative instruments are a component of deferred inflows or deferred outflows of resources on the Statements of Net Position until the contract is settled, or hedge accounting is terminated. Derivative instruments that do not meet the definition of a hedging derivative instrument are economic hedges, intended to mitigate exposure to fluctuations in interest rates or commodity prices, and are referred to as investment derivative instruments. Changes in the fair value of investment derivative instruments are deferred until settled or terminated in accordance with LIPA's ratemaking process and recorded as regulatory assets or liabilities.

#### **Audit findings**

#### Significant assumptions used that have a high degree of subjectivity

- · No significant assumptions used in the valuation of commodity and financial derivatives that would have a high degree of subjectivity
- Qualitative aspects
- LIPA reviews and evaluates the values provided directly by Mohanty Gargiulo and PSEG ER&T in the valuation estimate of financial and commodity derivatives, respectfully.

#### **Substantive procedures**

- Confirmed the value of the Financial and Commodity Derivatives to the Third Party Statement obtained directly from the counterparty
- Utilized KPMG Risk Analytics Valuation (RAV) specialists to perform valuation procedures to determine that the Financial and Commodity derivatives are appropriately valued
- Tested a sample of settled and unsettled commodity derivative transactions for completeness and accuracy

#### **Conclusions**

The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to the estimate of the valuation of the interest rate swaps and commodity derivatives as of December 31, 2023. No indicators of management bias were noted and disconfirming evidence was not identified.



## Significant accounting estimates: Fair market value investments

#### **Description of significant accounting estimates**

Management follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurements. LIPA's investments are comprised of marketable securities. Marketable securities with readily determinable fair values are reported at fair value based upon quoted or published market prices with gain and losses included in the Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

#### **Audit findings**

#### Significant assumptions used that have a high degree of subjectivity

- No significant assumptions used in the valuation of investments that would have a high degree of subjectivity
- Qualitative aspects
- LIPA reviews and evaluates the values provided directly by the investment managers in the determination of the estimate of the valuation of the marketable securities.

#### **Substantive procedures**

- Tested the fair market value of the complete portfolio of marketable investments utilizing the KPMG National Pricing Desk
- Reviewed a sample of investments for compliance with Board approved policies
- Confirmed investment balances with respective banks as of December 31, 2023
- Reviewed the financial statements for completeness and accuracy of trust assets and obligations

#### Conclusions

The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to the estimate of marketable securities as of December 31, 2023. No indicators of management bias were noted and disconfirming evidence was not identified.



## Significant audit areas and estimates

Significant audit areas	Procedures performed
Revenue recognition and related accounts receivable including unbilled revenue	Substantive procedures  - Detailed testing of customer bills and rates throughout the year  - Detail testing of customer accounts receivable balance as of December 31, 2023 and subsequent payments made after year end  - Compared revenue recorded to cash receipts (cash proof)  - Tested subsequent cash receipts on accounts receivable  - Performed a substantive analytic over unbilled revenue along with testing underlying data for completeness and accuracy used in recording unbilled revenue  Our findings  The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to revenue recognition as of December 31, 2023.
Accounting for regulatory assets and liabilities	Substantive procedures Tested changes in regulatory assets and liabilities recorded in revenue and power supply costs Reviewed the minutes and held inquiries with management to ensure completeness of regulatory assets and liabilities.  Our findings The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to regulatory assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2023.



## Significant audit areas and estimates

Significant audit areas	Procedures performed	
Utility plant and property and equipment including depreciation expense	Substantive procedures Tested the additions to Construction Work in Process (CWIP) and additions to Plant in Service (PIS) Utilized data and analytic procedures to recalculate depreciation expense throughout the year Tested capitalized amounts to determine appropriateness of capitalization Tested the allocation of the overhead cost assessments and verified that the allocation was appropriately applied to each project.	
	Our findings The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to utility plant and property an equipment, including depreciation	
Long term debt	<ul> <li>Substantive procedures</li> <li>Confirmed outstanding long term debt obligations and short-term borrowing program with third parties</li> <li>Recalculated interest expense throughout the year</li> <li>Reviewed certain financial related debt covenants and noted that LIPA was compliant as of December 31, 2023</li> <li>Tested the securitization in connection with Financing Order No. 7</li> <li>Reconciled and recalculated management's Debt-to-Asset Ratio calculation as disclosed in note 12(i)</li> </ul>	
	Our findings The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to long term debt as of December 31, 2023.	



## Significant audit areas and estimates

Significant audit areas	Procedures performed
Leases and SBITA	Substantive procedures & risk assessment  Obtained and tested management's lease schedule for mathematical accuracy  Agreed beginning balance to prior year audited workpapers  Recalculated amortization expense and agreed ending balance to the general ledger  Reviewed management's adoption of GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA)  Our findings The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to leases or SBITA as of December 31, 2023
PSEG-LI Pension and postretirement obligations	Substantive procedures Confirmed with actuarial specialists used by PSEG-LI (Willis Towers Watson) and agreed the obligation amount and assumptions used to the financial statements Inspected Cheiron's and management's reports to ensure that actuarial assumptions used were appropriate  Our findings The engagement team determined that there are no matters to report related to pension and postretirement obligations as of December 31, 2023.



### Independence

#### Independence

Our professional standards and other regulatory requirements specify that we are required to communicate to you in writing, at least annually, all relationships between our firm, or any affiliates of the firm, and LIPA and persons in a financial reporting oversight role at LIPA, which may reasonably be thought to bear on independence. In addition to the professional services disclosed in the previous slides, we are not aware of any relationships between our firm and LIPA and persons in a financial reporting oversight role at LIPA. In connection with our audit of the LIPA, KPMG and relevant KPMG professionals have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, as that term is defined by the professional standards.

We also bring to your attention that LIPA does pay for an annual subscription to KPMG's Accounting Research Online (ARO) tool. KPMG's ARO tool provides easy access to a full range of authoritative accounting and financial reporting literature. The cost of the subscription is approximately \$2,230 per year and is permissible under professional standards. We also perform word processing services in connection with the preparation of the Data Collection Form and Single Audit Report for the Single Audit.



### **Inquiries**

#### Is the Finance and Audit Committee aware of:

- · Matters relevant to the audit, including, but not limited to, violations or possible violations of laws or regulations?
- · Any significant communications with regulators?
- Any developments in financial reporting, laws, accounting standards, corporate governance, and other related matters, and the effect of such developments on, for example, the overall presentation, structure, and content of the financial statements, including the following:
  - The relevance, reliability, comparability, and understandability of the information presented in the financial statements
  - Whether all required information has been included in the financial statements, and whether such information has been appropriately classified, aggregated or disaggregated, and presented?

#### Does the Finance and Audit Committee have knowledge of:

- Fraud, alleged fraud, or suspected fraud affecting LIPA?
  - If so, have the instances been appropriately addressed and how have they been addressed?





## **Questions?**

For additional information and audit committee resources, including National Audit Committee Peer Exchange series, a Quarterly webcast, and suggested publications, visit the KPMG Audit Committee Institute (ACI) at <a href="https://www.kpmg.com/ACI">www.kpmg.com/ACI</a>

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## **Appendix**



## U.S. Audit Quality, Transparency, and Impact reports



- Interactive dashboard highlights key quality metrics
- Details KPMG's investment in our audit approach, people, technology, quality management system and the future of audit

**Audit Quality Report** 



- Provides more granular detail on our commitment to continually enhance audit quality
- Outlines KPMG LLP's System of Quality Control
- Discusses how the firm aligns with the requirements and intent of applicable professional standards including our System of Quality Control Statement of Effectiveness.

**Transparency Report** 



- Provides annual update on our progress on meeting goals aligned to People, Planet, Prosperity, and Governance
- Our goals reflect a materiality assessment and our aspiration to be an employer of choice

**KPMG Impact Plan** 

In addition to this report, we are providing you with our Transparency Report Supplement: Assisting audit committees in meeting NYSE rules on auditor communications Reports and supplements available at: audit.kpmg.us/auditquality



## Positioning audit committees for the future: 10 areas of focus

Financial reporting and related expertise: Stay focused on financial reporting and related internal control risks—job number one.

6 Internal audit's value: Make sure internal audit is focused on the company's key risks.

**Risk oversight:** Continue to assess the risk oversight responsibilities assigned to the audit committee.

**Transparency:** Insist on transparency among the board/audit committee, management, and auditors.

**3 ESG risk and disclosures:** Clarify the role of the audit committee in overseeing the company's climate and other ESG risks.

**Compliance and culture:** Closely monitor the tone at the top, culture, and behaviors.

Talent in the finance organization: Focus on whether finance has the talent and skill sets to meet the evolving reporting and IT landscape.

**Oritical alignments:** Help maintain alignment of culture, purpose, strategy, goals, risks, compliance, controls, incentives, performance metrics, and people.

**Audit quality:** Reinforce the importance of audit quality and set clear expectations.

**Audit committee focus and effectiveness:** Make the most of the committee's time together.

See the full report at <a href="https://boardleadership.kpmg.us/">https://boardleadership.kpmg.us/</a>



## **Our values**

We do what's right.	We never stop learning and improving.	We think and act boldly.	We respect each other and draw strength from our differences.	We do what matters.
Integrity  — Has a moral compass that does not waver in any situation, big or small  — Does what they say and takes accountability when they don't  — Is honest and forthright, even when it's difficult  — Is not a bystander; takes action in the moment to do what's right and speak up	Excellence  — Demonstrates a passion for quality  — Pushes individuals and teams to reflect and evolve, learning from both success and failure  — Shares knowledge patiently and generously  — Advocates for and role models life-long personal, technical and professional growth	Courage  Thinks big, pursuing innovative ideas and solutions  Openly questions actions inconsistent with our values, even when it isn't popular  Engages in candid conversations, caring personally and challenging directly  Has a bias for action and makes tough decisions	Together Together Treats everyone with respect and dignity, always Fosters an environment of inclusion, safety and belonging Builds and nurtures meaningful relationships with people of all backgrounds Embraces our 'One Firm' approach, involving those with different backgrounds, experiences, and capabilities	For Better  — Puts the work we do every day into context  — Generously helps out and cares for others  — Acts today to strengthen the firm for the future  — Does small things everyday that make a difference  — Looks beyond themselves to make a broader impact - from the
— Upholds the letter and spirit of our ethical and professional standards, even under pressure	— Invites feedback and constructive challenge, and promptly acts on it	— Acknowledges mistakes and limitations; asks for help	— Actively listens and acts with empathy to drive better outcomes	individual, to local communities, to the world at large

