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Erie County Port Authority Erie County 5002 Timber Commons Drive Sandusky, Ohio 44870-8906

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of Erie County Port Authority, Erie County, Ohio (the Port Authority) for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Port Authority's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Port Authority's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

The Port Authority's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance or accounting issue to report.

Current Year Observation

We noted the Port Authority does not have an adopted records retention schedule policy. Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2) states, in part, a public office also "shall have available a copy of its current records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public." Failure to have and follow a records retention schedule could result in public records being disposed of prematurely. The Port Authority should implement procedures to provide the appropriate policy is approved to help avoid issues with public records requests.

Keith Faber Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

July 29, 2020





ERIE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY

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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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