# LIMITED PROCEDURES ENGAGEMENT

# Colonial Regional Police Commission Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan Northampton County, Pennsylvania For the Period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017

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The Board of Commissioners Colonial Regional Police Commission Northampton County Bethlehem, PA 18017

We conducted a Limited Procedures Engagement (LPE) of the Colonial Regional Police Commission Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan for the period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017 to determine its compliance with applicable state laws, regulations, contracts, administrative procedures, and local ordinances and policies. We also evaluated compliance with some requirements subsequent to that period when possible. The LPE was conducted pursuant to authority derived from Section 402(j) of the Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act (P.L. 1005, No. 205, as amended, 53 P.S. § 895.101 <u>et seq</u>.) but was not conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The act established mandatory actuarial reporting and funding requirements and a uniform basis for the distribution of state aid to Pennsylvania's public pension plans. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis to support our LPE results.

Our LPE was limited to determining the following:

- Whether state aid was properly determined and deposited in accordance with Act 205 requirements by verifying the annual deposit date of state aid and determining whether deposits were made within 30 days of receipt for all years within the engagement period. State aid was not deposited into the non-uniformed pension plan for the years ended December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2017, as presented on the Summary of Deposited State Aid and Employer Contributions.
- Whether annual employer contributions were calculated and deposited in accordance with the plan's governing document and applicable laws and regulations by examining the municipality's calculation of the plan's annual financial requirements and minimum municipal obligation (MMO) and comparing these calculated amounts to amounts actually budgeted and deposited into the pension plan as evidenced by supporting documentation. Employer contributions that were deposited into the pension plan for the years ended December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2017, are presented on the Summary of Deposited State Aid and Employer Contributions.

Whether the January 1, 2013, January 1, 2015 and January 1, 2017 actuarial valuation reports were prepared and submitted to the former Public Employee Retirement Commission (PERC) by March 31, 2014, 2016 and 2018, respectively, in accordance with Act 205 and whether selected information provided on these reports is accurate, complete, and in accordance with plan provisions to ensure compliance for participation in the state aid program by comparing selected information to supporting source documentation.

Based on the results of our procedures performed during our LPE, nothing came to our attention indicating that the Colonial Regional Police Commission Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan was not being administered in compliance with applicable state laws, regulations, contracts, administrative procedures, and local ordinances and policies.

Our determination to perform a LPE for this engagement period does not preclude the Department from conducting an audit in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* of the pension plan in subsequent periods. The township should continue to maintain documentation related to this pension plan.

The contents of this report were discussed with officials of Colonial Regional Police Commission and, where appropriate, their responses have been included in this report. We would like to thank commission officials for the cooperation extended to us during the conduct of this LPE.

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April 6, 2018

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Year Ended December 31	State Aid	Employer Contributions
2012	\$ None	\$ 3,784
2013	None	3,429
2014	None	4,044
2015	None	4,198
2016	None	2,942
2017	None	4,046

Note: State aid was not deposited into the non-uniformed pension plan for the years ended December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2017. In 2016, the commission met the plan's \$4,143 funding requirement through the application of \$1,201 in terminated employee forfeitures and deposit of \$2,942 in employer contributions. Furthermore, in 2017, the commission met the plan's \$4,384 funding requirement through the application of \$338 in terminated employee forfeitures and deposit of \$4,046 in employer contributions.

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