

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Chairperson and Board of the
Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency
Fonda, New York

Report on the Audit of the Schedule of Investments

Opinion

We have audited the schedule of investments of Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency as of December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying schedule of investments present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency as of December 31, 2023, 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 (Government Auditing Standards)*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule of Investments section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Montgomery County Industrial Development 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 of Investments

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule of investments 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 of investments that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the schedule of investments, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the schedule of investments date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule of Investments

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedule of investments as a whole are 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 of investments.

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 of investments, 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 schedule of investments.
- 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 Montgomery County Industrial Development 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 of investments.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and our report thereon dated March 14, 2024, expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 14, 2024, on our consideration of Montgomery County Industrial Development 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. 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 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 Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

WEST & COMPANY CPA PC

Gloversville, New York
March 14, 2024

MONTGOMERY COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2023

INVESTMENTS

Unrestricted

\$ 0

TOTAL INVESTMENTS

\$ 0

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2023

NOTE 1 – BACKGROUND AND ORGANIZATION

Organization and Purpose

The Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency is a public benefit corporation established under Title I of Article 18-A, Section 895-d, of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and Chapter 666 of the Laws of 1970 of the State for the purpose of encouraging economic growth in Montgomery County. Members of the IDA are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors. The IDA is an independent agency.

Basis of Accounting

The accounts of the Agency are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting as specified in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards. The accompanying schedule of investments have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units. The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. The GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. In accordance with the provisions of the GASB Statement No. 20, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, the Agency has elected not to apply all Financial Accounting Standards Board statements and interpretations issued after November 30, 1989.

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated from economic development operations of the Agency. All other revenues are reported as nonoperating revenues. Operating expenses are those expenses that are essential to economic development operations of the Agency. All other expenses are reported as nonoperating expenses.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investments

Investments held by the Agency are measured at fair value pursuant to GASB issued Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Money Market Funds, categorized as Level 1 inputs, are valued at the unadjusted prices that are quoted in active principal markets for identical assets. U.S. Agencies securities, categorized as Level 2, are valued on models using observable inputs. Certificates of deposit, which are valued as cost.

NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS

As of December 31, 2023, the Agency had the following investments. Investment maturities are shown for December 31, 2023 only.

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Investment Maturities Less Than 1 Year</u>
Money Market	\$ 2,171,619	\$ 2,171,619
Total	2,171,619	
Less: cash equivalents	<u>(2,171,619)</u>	
Total unrestricted investments	<u>\$ 0</u>	

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NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

Types of Investments

Except as otherwise provided by resolution of the members of the Agency, an Investment Officer may invest Agency Funds in any obligation described in Section 11(2) and Section 11(3) of the General Municipal Law. Generally, Sections 11(2) and 11(3) of the General Municipal Law permit the following types of investments:

- 1) special time deposits in, or certificates of deposit issued by, any bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in the State of New York, provided that such deposit account or certificate of deposit is secured in the same manner as is provided for securing deposits of Agency Funds by Section 10(3) of the General Municipal Law;
- 2) obligations of, or obligations where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by, the United States of America;
- 3) obligations of the State of New York; and
- 4) with the approval of the State Comptroller, tax anticipation notes and revenue anticipation notes issued by any municipality or school district or district corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York.



**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON
AN AUDIT OF THE SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Chairperson and Board of the
Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency
Fonda, 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 *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the schedule of investments of the Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency, a public benefit corporation, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the schedule of investments, and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the schedule of investments, we considered Montgomery County Industrial Development 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 opinions on the schedule of investments, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Montgomery County Industrial Development 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 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 have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency's schedule of investments are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and investment policies established by the Montgomery County Industrial Development 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 determination of schedule of investment amounts. 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 intended 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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Gloversville, New York
March 14, 2024

