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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 11, 2019

COMMITTEE ON PENSION, HUMAN RESOURCES & CIVIL SERVICE

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Report on the 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retirement Fund

Dear Sir:

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retirement Fund (Fund) for the year ended December 31, 2018 has been completed and distributed to the Board of Commissioners and Department Directors. The Fund is a component unit of the MWRDGC, and as such is included in the MWRDGC annual financial statements as a pension trust fund. The basic financial statements in the CAFR have been prepared in conformance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The CAFR compiles the Fund's audited financial statements, information about the Fund's investments, data from the annual actuarial valuation, and selected historical information. This CAFR is prepared and submitted to you in compliance with the requirements of 40 ILCS 13-706(f).

Fund management is responsible for providing timely, clear and consistent financial data. By complying with all GASB disclosure requirements, we have provided a fair and accurate presentation of the financial position and operation of the Fund to the District population and to regulatory and investment communities for 2018.

The Fund's independent auditor, Legacy Professionals LLP, has examined the basic financial statements of the Fund. The examination was conducted in accordance with Government Auditing Standards: accordingly, it included such tests of the accounting records, as well as such other auditing procedures, as were considered necessary. The Auditor issued an unqualified opinion.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Fund's CAFR for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, as it has for each of the last 25 years. The certificate will be sought for the 2018 report, as we believe it meets all requirements of the GFOA Certificate of Achievement program.

It is respectfully requested that the 2018 CAFR be received and ordered filed by the Board of Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Mohler, Executive Director, MWRD Retirement Fund