

REQUIRED COMMUNICATIONS

March 23, 2026

To the Board of Directors of
City of Utica Industrial Development Agency:

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities of the City of Utica Industrial Development Agency (Utica IDA) for the years ended December 2025 and 2024. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our engagement letter to you dated February 6, 2026. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

SIGNIFICANT AUDIT FINDINGS

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Utica IDA are described in Note 2 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2025. We noted no transactions entered into by Utica IDA during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

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Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Misstatements detected as a result of our auditing procedures and corrected by management are reported in Attachment A. Uncorrected misstatements are reported in Attachment B. Management has determined that their effects are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. The uncorrected misstatements or the matters underlying them could potentially cause future period financial statements to be materially misstated, even though, in our judgment, such uncorrected misstatements are immaterial to the financial statements under audit.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated with the date of our Independent Auditor's Report.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to Utica IDA's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as Utica IDA's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to management's discussion and analysis, which is required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors and management of Utica IDA and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours

Bonadio & Co., LLP

**UTICA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
ATTACHMENT A - SUMMARY OF CORRECTED MISSTATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

1. *To correct errors in the recording of interest income*

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| Cash | | \$36,334 | |
| Revenues | | | \$36,334 |

**UTICA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
ATTACHMENT B - SUMMARY OF UNCORRECTED MISSTATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

1. To record current year effect of prior year differences

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| Revenues | \$3,000 | |
| Opening Fund Balance | | \$3,000 |

2. To adjust cash to record certificate of deposit at amortized cost

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| Cash | \$2,960 | |
| Revenues | | \$2,960 |