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Susanne Kasitch Chief Executive Officer Glens Falls Industrial Development Agency 42 Ridge Street Glens Falls, New York 12801

Dear Susanne Kasitch:

The Authorities Budget Office (ABO) is authorized to assist public authorities improve management practices and the procedures by which their activities and financial practices are disclosed to the public. Pursuant to Section 2800 of Public Authorities Law, state and local authorities are to make documents pertaining to their mission, current activities, annual financial reports, budgets and independent audit reports accessible to the public on the authority's official or shared website. To assist state and local authorities meet their disclosure and reporting obligations, the ABO has issued Policy Guidance No. 22-01: "Posting and Maintaining Reports on Public Authority Websites". This guidance provides a checklist of policies, reports and other information the Authority should maintain online in accordance with the Public Authorities Reform Act of 2009 and other provisions of law.

Between March 6, 2023 and April 6, 2023, we reviewed the Glens Falls Industrial Development Agency's (Authority) website. Our review was limited to verifying that the required information is posted on the Authority's website and did not address the substance of these documents. Our review focused on data for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021. We have concluded that the Authority needs to make additional required information available on its website. Please review the attached findings and take the appropriate action so that all information required under Section 2800 of Public Authorities Law is available online and easily accessible to the public.

Please provide us with a written confirmation that you have fully addressed these concerns by November 14, 2023. You may view Policy Guidance No. 22-01 at <a href="https://www.abo.ny.gov">www.abo.ny.gov</a>. Please contact us if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Pearlman Acting Director

Enclosure

cc: Judith Calogero, Chair Glens Falls Industrial Development Agency

## Review of Glens Falls Industrial Development Agency's Website

Information To Be Posted on Public Authority's Website	Posted on Website (Yes/No)
Mission Statement	Yes
Enabling Statute	Yes
By-laws	Yes
Code of Ethics	Yes
Conflict of Interest Policy	Yes
Whistleblower Policy	Yes
Organization Chart – including, at a minimum, the IDA's executive structure and major organizational units	Yes
Report on Operations and Accomplishments – including a description of the Authority's operations, completed and active projects, as well as any material changes in Authority operations and programs	Yes, but only for 2022
List of IDA Board Members – including appointing entity, appointment dates, and term	No, the board member listing is from 2021
Each IDA board member's current employment and professional background	No
List of Committees and Committee Members	Yes
Executive Management Team - including professional background and qualifications	Yes, but no background or qualifications
Authority Performance Measures	No
Annual Performance Evaluation indicating status of Performance Measures	No
Authority Schedule of Debt (including conduit debt)	N/A, no debt outstanding
Management's Assessment of the Authority's Internal Control Structure and Procedures - including a description of operating and financial risks and any policies to mitigate risk	No
Board meeting schedule	No
Board meeting notice	Yes
Board agendas	Yes
Board packets	Yes
Board meeting minutes	Yes
Board meeting webcasting and video recordings	Yes
Board resolutions	Yes, included in meeting minutes
Committee meeting schedule	No
Committee meeting notice	No
Committee meeting agendas	No
Committee meeting agendas  Committee meeting packets	No
Committee meeting minutes	No
Committee meeting webcasting and video recordings	No No
Annual Budget Report and details of 4-year financial plan	Yes, but not for 2023
Annual Independent Certified Financial Audit	Yes
Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Controls over Financial Reporting	Yes
Independent audit management letter	No
List of grants provided - including grant recipient's name and address, the purpose	N/A
of the grant, date awarded, and amount awarded	Voc 100041: 0004
List of loans provided - including borrower's name and address, loan purpose, date awarded, amount issued, term of the loan, repayment status, principal repaid and amount outstanding as of the end of the fiscal year	Yes, located in 2021 audit but missing loan details, including: purpose, date awarded, and amount issued

List of bonds issued - including bond recipient's name, amount of bonds issued,	N/A
purpose of bonds, and current amount outstanding as of the end of the fiscal year	NIC
List of active IDA projects, including the current year's financial assistance (tax	No
exemptions received and PILOT payments made) and existing jobs	N
Assessment of the progress of each active project	No
Standard Application form	Yes
Applications for all active projects	Yes
Resolutions for all active projects	No, included in meeting
	minutes but not easy to
	locate
Project Agreements - including PILOT agreements (if applicable) for all active	No, only PILOT
projects	agreements included
Uniform Evaluation Criteria and Selection Policy	No
Uniform Tax Exemption Policy	Yes
Policies for the Suspension, Discontinuance or Modification of Financial Assistance	No
Recapture Policy - including policies for return of all or part of financial assistance	Yes
provided (PILOT and tax exemptions) when a material violation occurs	
Annual Compliance Report Regarding State Sales Tax Recaptures (ST-62)	Yes, for 2022 only
Property Acquisition Policies	No
Property Disposition Policies	Yes
List of Real Property owned by the Authority	Yes
Personal Property Transactions	No, if none it should be stated
Real Property Transactions	No, if none it should be
	stated
Policies for the procurement of all goods and services	Yes
Annual Procurement Report	No
Authority's Procurement Officer	Yes
Investment Policies	Yes
Annual Investment Report - including the investment audit results and management	No
letter, record of investment income, list of fees paid for investment services, and	
explanation of any amendments to the Investment Policy	
Fee Schedules (if applicable) of any service or administrative fees charged	Yes
Current Year Official Statements or similar bond documents	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>Review conducted by the Authorities Budget Office between March 6, 2023 and April 6, 2023