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To the Board of Education
Middle Country Central School District
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We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the fiduciary fund of Middle Country Central School District (the "District") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026. 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 letter to you dated May 2, 2025. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the District are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026. Other than as noted previously, there were no new accounting policies adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026. We noted no transactions entered into by the District during the fiscal 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.

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 most sensitive estimates affecting the District's financial statements were:

- Useful Life of Capital Assets – Management's estimate of the useful life of capital assets is based on the historical asset life information for the District's capital assets, and industry standards, in order to determine the value and period of time over which individual capital assets are to be depreciated. We evaluated the methods, assumptions, and data used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

- Termination Benefits Payable – Management's estimate of the payable for termination benefits is based on stipulations outlined in employment contracts and historical information for employees who have separated from the District. We evaluated the methods, assumptions, and data used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

- Compensated Absences Payable – Management's estimate of the payable for compensated absences is based on historical information regarding employees' usage and payout of sick, vacation, and/or personal time, and is based on employees' current pay rates and any additional salary-related costs that are directly associated with the payment of compensated absences. We evaluated the methods, assumptions, and data used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

- Net Pension Asset/Liability – Management's estimate of the net pension asset/liability for retirement systems is based on an actuarial valuation report prepared by a third party. We evaluated the methods, assumptions, and data used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

- Total Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Obligation – Management's estimate of the liability for OPEB is based on an actuarial valuation report prepared by a third party. We evaluated the methods, assumptions, and data used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

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.

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. Management has corrected all such misstatements. The attached material misstatement was detected as a result of our audit procedures and was corrected by management.

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 October 28, 2026.

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 the District'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 Finding 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 the District's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

<u>Other Matters</u>

As it relates to the presumed risk of management override of controls, we determined that there are no matters to report related to the internal controls over management override as of June 30, 2026.

We applied certain limited procedures to management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/liability, schedule of the District's pension contributions, and schedule of changes in the District's total OPEB liability and related ratios, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the 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.

We were engaged to report on the schedule of change from adopted budget to final budget – general fund and section 1318 of real property tax law limit calculation, schedule of project expenditures - capital projects fund, and schedule of net investment in capital assets, which accompany the financial statements, but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Education, audit committee, and management of the District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

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Middle Country CSD
June 30, 2026
Adjusting Journal Entries

Account Name	Account Number		Debit		Credit
CHS CHILLER CONSTRUCTION MECHANICAL	H 1621.2930-26-02425 HF	$	270,560		
CHILLER ARCHITECT- CHS	H 2225.2450-26-15031 HF	$	24,590		
CHS CHILLER CONSTRUCTION ELECTRICAL	H 2225.2960-26-15031 HF	$	31,426		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	H 600 HF			$	326,577

To record accounts payable in the capital projects fund.