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# Milwaukee County Board Supervisor Jack Eckblad and Co-Sponsors Applaud Independent MMSD Audit Confirming Whistleblower Concerns

*Audit delivers 64 recommendations to strengthen accountability, operations, and public trust*

MILWAUKEE – Supervisor Jack Eckblad, along with co-sponsors Supervisors Caroline Gómez-Tom, Patti Logsdon, Kathleen Vincent, Shawn Rolland, Leevan D. Roundtree Jr., Sky Z. Capriolo, Deanna Alexander, Steven Shea, and Willie Johnson Jr., is recognizing the findings of an independent audit of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) and its contractor, Veolia Water Milwaukee, LLC. Supervisor Eckblad authored the resolution requesting the audit, which confirmed whistleblower concerns and resulted in 64 recommendations for improvement.

The audit confirmed deficiencies in staffing, preventive maintenance, and documentation, validating the concerns that whistleblowers had raised and that County Supervisors, members of the Milwaukee Common Council, and community leaders such as Common Ground urged MMSD to address.

MMSD has already acted on many of the audit's recommendations, an important step toward addressing the identified shortcomings and strengthening public accountability.

> *"This outcome reinforces the importance of local leaders listening to community members and following through when they raise concerns,"* said Supervisor Eckblad. *"Full credit goes to the whistleblowers who had the courage to come forward, the activists who stood with them, and the auditors who conducted this thorough review. MMSD also deserves credit for promptly acting on many of the recommendations. Safe, reliable water is fundamental to the health and well-being of our communities. A Milwaukee with safer water is a Milwaukee that is safer for everyone."*

Supervisor Eckblad and his fellow supervisors emphasized that the audit represents an important step forward and that continued attention to its recommendations will be essential to ensuring lasting improvements at MMSD.

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