

## STATE OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

## SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TRUST FUND COMMISSION

### State Compliance Examination

Release Date: July 20, 2023

For the Two Years Ended June 30, 2022

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 2				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS			
	New	Repeat	<u>Total</u>	<b>Repeated Since</b>	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Category 1:	0	0	0	2010		22-1	
Category 2:	1	1	2				
Category 3:	0	0	0				
TOTAL	1	1	2				
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 1							

### **SYNOPSIS**

• (22-1) The Commission did not have adequate controls over the administration of its accounts receivable.

Category 1:Findings that are material weaknesses in internal control and/or a qualification on compliance with State laws and<br/>regulations (material noncompliance).Category 2:Findings that are significant deficiencies in internal control and noncompliance with State laws and regulations.Category 3:Findings that have no internal control issues but are in noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

### FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# INADEQUATE CONTROLS OVER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The Environmental Protection Trust Fund Commission (Commission) did not have adequate controls over the administration of its accounts receivable. As of June 30, 2022, the Commission's accounts receivable balance was approximately \$21.4 million, of which approximately \$20.8 million had been due over one year.

During testing, the auditors noted the following:

- Thirty-five of 40 (88%) accounts receivable tested, totaling \$6,548,004, were over one year past due and had not been referred to the Comptroller's Offset System, the Department of Revenue's Debt Collection Bureau, or the Attorney General as of June 30, 2022.
- One of 40 (3%) accounts receivable tested, totaling \$278,268, was not properly aged.
- For two of 40 (5%) accounts receivable tested, totaling \$279,155, the balances recorded in the accounts receivable aging report were incorrect.
- For two of 40 (5%) accounts receivable tested, totaling \$40,120, the Commission did not provide documentation to determine if the Commission pursued collection efforts in accordance with the Commission's collection procedures and State rules and regulations. (Finding 1, pages 7-9) **This finding has been reported since 2010.**

We recommended the Commission pursue all reasonable and appropriate procedures to collect outstanding debts as required by State laws and regulations. We also recommended the Commission maintain records of accounts receivable and documentation of its collection efforts.

Commission officials agreed with the recommendation and described corrective actions underway.

### **OTHER FINDING**

The remaining finding pertains to cash receipts not being timely deposited. We will review the Agency's progress towards the implementation of our recommendations in our next compliance examination.

Receivable accounts not referred to the Offset System or to the Debt Collection Bureau

Account not aged properly

Two receivable account balances in the aging report were incorrect

### **Commission agrees with auditors**

### **ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION**

The accountants conducted a compliance examination of the Commission for the two years ended June 30, 2022, as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. The accountants stated the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the requirements described in the report.

This State compliance examination was conducted by Roth & Company, LLP.

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JANE CLARK Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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