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**MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 OPERATING BUDGET HEARING
RESPONSE TO DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES ANALYSIS**

**Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
Subcommittee on Public Safety, Transportation and Environment
The Honorable Michael A. Jackson, Chair
February 20, 2025**

**House Appropriations Committee
Subcommittee on Transportation and the Environment
The Honorable Courtney Watson, Chair
February 24, 2025**

We first would like to thank Mr. Samuel Quist and the entire DLS team for their thorough work on the MES Operating and Capital Budgets. Mr. Quist has been fantastic to work with. We greatly appreciate his professionalism and attention to detail throughout this process.

The operating budget analysis provided by DLS only requested that MES comment on one item:

The Department of Legislative Services (DLS) recommends that committee narrative be adopted requesting that MES continue to provide an MES annual funding statement, including information on MES' undesignated unrestricted net assets, overhead rate, project reserve fund status, and justification for reimbursable project fund changes.

MES Response: MES concurs with this recommendation.