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Mr. John Buyce  
Audit Director  
New York State Office of the State Comptroller  
110 State Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, New York 12236

Dear Mr. Buyce:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 170 of New York State Executive Law, we transmit to you the New York State Department of Health's comments related to the Office of the State Comptroller's (OSC) final audit report 2016-S-55 entitled, "Oversight of Health and Safety Regulations at Public Pools, Beaches, and Spray Grounds."

We are pleased the audit made no recommendations, and indicated the Department of Health has appropriate controls in place, and is providing adequate oversight to ensure that public pools, beaches, and spray grounds under our jurisdiction are safe for public use.

Please feel free to contact Amy Nickson, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Governmental and External Affairs at (518) 473-1124 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D.  
Commissioner of Health

cc: Ms. Nickson