# Accumulated Sick Leave Conversion Credit Programs Actuarial Audit of December 31, 2018 Valuation

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## **Purpose and Scope**

**Purpose:** Review GRS's work and confirm reasonableness of results

**Scope:** Full independent replication of December 31, 2018 Actuarial Valuation

Verify recommended contribution rates



#### **Bottom Line**

#### What you need to know

- GRS's actuarial work is reasonable and appropriate
  - Milliman obtained a reasonable match of the present value of benefits and the contribution rates
  - The package of actuarial assumptions is reasonable
- Recommendations
  - Include risk analysis in future reports
    - → History of stable contribution rates
  - More disclosure of minor assumptions to aid technical audiences



## **Independent Replication of Valuation Results**

#### Good match by plan for key actuarial components:

(\$ in thousands)  Present Value of Benefits	GRS	Milliman	Ratio GRS/Milliman
Base Plan	\$1,938	\$1,923	100.8%
Supplemental Plan	\$1,155	\$1,193	96.8%
Present Value of Future Earnings	\$45,159	\$48,021	94.0%



#### **Recommended Contribution Rates**

#### Good match of contribution rates and funded ratios:

- Exact match using GRS's key actuarial components
- Good match using Milliman's key actuarial components, as shown in table below

	GRS	Milliman
Recommended Contribution Rate		
Base Rate	0.9%	0.8%
Supplemental Rate	0.3%	0.4%
Total	1.2%	1.2%
Funded Ratio (Entry Age Normal)		
Base Plan	107.9%	107.9%
Supplemental Plan	109.1%	105.7%



## **Membership Data**

#### Reviewed data supplied by DETF

- Reviewed for reasonableness
- Confirmed all necessary information was included
- Additional comparison to WRS data needed to confirm eligibility and service

#### Reviewed data used in GRS's valuation

- Performed independent data editing
- Made edits for outliers and members with pay rates less than \$100
- Compared to reported participant data summary

#### Conclusion

Data used by GRS is reasonably close to data used in replication



## **Membership Data**

	GRS	Milliman	Ratio GRS/Milliman
Active Members			
Count	71,670	72,799	98.4%
Average Age in years	45.0	44.9	100.2%
Average Service in years	10.8	10.8	100.0%
Average Sick Leave Days	80.0	78.9	101.4%
Retirees			
Pre-65	4,543	4,543	100.0%
Post-65	12,546	12,546	100.0%
Total Retiree Count	17,089	17,089	100.0%
Monthly Premiums (\$ in thousands	s)		
Pre-65	5,258	5,258	100.0%
Post-65	7,850	7,850	100.0%
Total Retiree Premium	13,108	13,108	100.0%



## **Benefits, Assumptions and Methods**

#### **Benefits**

Benefits valued consistent description on DETF website and member handbooks

#### **Actuarial methods and assumptions**

- Method to determine contribution rates reasonable
- Economic, demographic and sick leave assumptions reasonable
- 7.0% investment return and 2.5% price inflation assumptions reasonable
- Varying expert views with respect to future returns
  - Milliman's capital market assumptions produce 6.6% median compound return over 50 year period
    - → Returns expected to be less than 6.6% half the time and more than 6.6% half the time
  - Inflation assumption difference: Milliman 2.3% vs. GRS 2.5%



#### **Actuarial Value of Assets**

- DETF provided total market value and breakdown by Plan
- Matched values in GRS report
- Asset smoothing method and calculations reasonable



#### **Conclusion**

#### **Recommendations for future reports**

- Consider including additional risk disclosures using ASOP 51 framework
- Consider including additional disclosures for technical audience
  - Breakdown of inactive liabilities
  - Breakdown of inactive counts
  - Data procedures
  - How decrements valued
  - How pre-65 and post-65 premiums applied
  - Methodology to calculate supplemental plan present value of benefits
- No other changes recommended for 2019 valuation





## Questions?

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