## **Great Lakes Water Authority**

**UPDATE** 

of

Key Performance Indicators and
Effective Utility Management (EUM) Metrics
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# REVIEW Why KPIs





## 1) WHAT ARE KPIs

A) KPIs are a tool of Measurement.

**KPI**' A set of quantifiable measures that a company or industry uses to gauge or compare performance in terms of meeting their strategic and operational goals. **KPIs** vary between companies and industries, depending on their priorities or performance criteria.





## What is the Purpose of a KPI?

KPIs are a business metric **used** to evaluate factors that are crucial to the success of an organization.

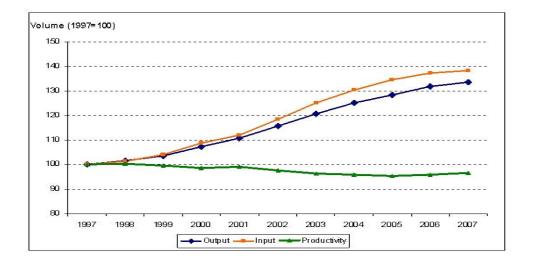


## Types of KPI

- Input
   Output
   Value









## WHY ARE KPIs IMPORTANT









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KPIs help us to define; what success looks like.



## <u>Different Types of KPI Measurements</u> <u>Lead and Lag Measures</u>

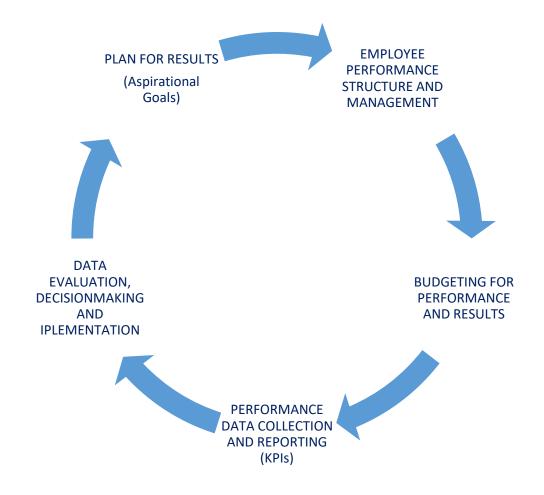
"Leading indicators are in our control and lead to our hoped-for success. Lagging indicators, our big goals, are affected by what we do to influence our leading indicators."

Why its Better to Lead than Lag: Leading and Lagging indicators for Education

A lag measure for a smaller goal may be a lead measure for a larger goal.



### **ENTERPRISE PERFORMANCE AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT**





# REVIEW Effective Utility Management



## Ten Attributes of Effectively Managed Water Sector Utilities (EUM)

Employee and Leadership     Development	Product Quality
Operational Optimization	Customer Satisfaction
Financial Viability	Community Sustainability
<ul> <li>Infrastructure Strategy and Performance</li> </ul>	Water Resource Sustainability
Enterprise Resiliency	Stakeholder Understanding and Support



## Ten Attributes of Effectively Managed Water Sector Utilities (EUM)

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Attribute	Attribute Components
Employee and Leadership Development	Recruits and retains a workforce that is competent, motivated, adaptive, and safety-focused. Establishes a participatory, collaborative organization dedicated to continual learning, improvement, and innovation. Ensures employee institutional knowledge is retained, transferred, and improved upon over time. Provides a focus on and emphasizes opportunities for professional and leadership development, taking into account the differing needs and expectations of a multi-generational workforce and for resource recovery facilities. Establishes an integrated and well-coordinated senior leadership team.
Operational Optimization	Ensures ongoing, timely, cost-effective, reliable, and sustainable performance improvements in all facets of its operations in service to public health and environmental protection. Makes effective use of data from automated and smart systems, and learns from performance monitoring. Minimizes resource use, loss, and impacts from day-to-day operations, and reduces all forms of waste. Maintains awareness of information and operational technology developments to anticipate and support timely adoption of improvements.
Financial Viability	Understands the full life-cycle cost of utility operations and value of water resources. Establishes and maintains an effective balance between long-term debt, asset values, operations and maintenance expenditures, and operating revenues. Establishes predictable rates—consistent with community expectations and acceptability—adequate to recover costs, provide for reserves, maintain support from bond rating agencies, plan and invest for future needs, and taking into account the needs of disadvantaged households. Implements sound strategies for collecting customer payments. Understands the opportunities available to diversify revenues and raise capital through adoption of new business models.
Infrastructure Strategy and Performance	Understands the condition of and costs associated with critical infrastructure assets. Plans infrastructure investments consistent with anticipated growth, system reliability goals, and relevant community priorities, building in flexibility for evolution in technology and materials, and uncertainty in the overall future operating context (e.g., climate impacts, customer base). Maintains and enhances the condition of all assets over the long-term at the lowest possible life-cycle cost and acceptable risk consistent with customer, community, and regulator-supported service levels. Assures asset repair, rehabilitation, and replacement efforts are coordinated within the community to minimize disruptions and other negative consequences.
Enterprise Resiliency	Ensures utility leadership and staff work together internally, and with external partners, to anticipate, respond to, and avoid problems. Proactively identifies, assesses, establishes tolerance levels for, and effectively manages a full range of business risks (including interdependencies with other services and utilities, legal, regulatory, financial, environmental, safety, physical and cyber security, knowledge loss, and natural disaster-related) in a proactive way consistent with industry trends and system reliability goals.



## Ten Attributes of Effectively Managed Water Sector Utilities (EUM)

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Product Quality	Produces "fit for purpose" water that meets or exceeds full compliance with regulatory and reliability requirements and consistent with customer, public health, ecological, and economic needs. Products include treated drinking water, treated wastewater effluent, recycled water, stormwater discharge, and recovered resources.
Customer Satisfaction	Provides reliable, responsive, and affordable services in line with explicit, customer-derived service levels. Utilizes a mix of evolving communication technologies to understand and respond to customer needs and expectations, including receiving timely customer feedback and communicating during emergencies. Provides tailored customer service and outreach to traditional residential, commercial, and industrial customers, and understands and exercises as appropriate the opportunities presented by emergent customer groups (e.g., high strength waste producers, power companies).
Community Sustainability	Takes an active leadership role in promoting and organizing community sustainability improvements through collaboration with local partners (e.g., transportation departments, electrical utilities, planning departments, economic development organizations, watershed and source water protection groups). Manages operations, infrastructure, and investments to support the economic, environmental, and social health of its community. Integrates water resource management with other critical community infrastructure, social, and economic development planning to support community-wide resilience, sustainability, and livability to enhance overall water resource sustainability.
Water Resource Sustainability	Ensures the availability and sustainable management of water for its community and watershed, including water resource recovery. Understands its role in the complete water cycle, understands fit for purpose water reuse options, and integrates utility objectives and activities with other watershed managers and partners. Understands and plans for the potential for water resource variability (e.g., extreme events, such as drought and flooding), and utilizes as appropriate a full range of watershed investment and engagement strategies (e.g., Integrated Planning). Engages in long-term integrated water resource management, and ensures that current and future customer, community, and ecological water-related needs are met.
Stakeholder Understanding and Support	Engenders understanding and support from stakeholders (anyone who can affect or be affected by the utility), including customers, oversight bodies, community and watershed interests, and regulatory bodies for service levels, rate structures, operating budgets, capital improvement programs, and risk management decisions. Actively promotes an appreciation of the true value of water and water services, and water's role in the social, economic, public, and environmental health of the community. Involves stakeholders in the decisions that will affect them, understands what it takes to operate as a "good neighbor," and positions the utility as a critical asset to the community.



### GLWA'S RECOGNITION FOR EFFECTIVE UTILITY MANAGEMENT

2017 – GLWA wins Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies' (AMWA)

Gold Award

For

**Exceptionally Managed Utilities** 

Utilities are only eligible once to win Gold Award

**2020** – GLWA will be eligible to compete for AMWA Platinum Award



## **NEW KPIs REVIEW**

Where we are going 2018



<u>Security & Integrity</u> – (New value measure) Measures the value of Patrols

<u>Measurement</u>: Number of Incident Reports per patrol/ total number of patrols

**EUM Attribute**: Enterprise Resiliency

<u>Aspirational Goal</u>: GLWA security patrols will produce an average of 2 Security Reports per Patrol

(Security Reports = Incident and Facility Reports)

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = 1.9 to 2.7 average of Security Reports per patrol; Yellow = average of 1.5 – <1.9 or

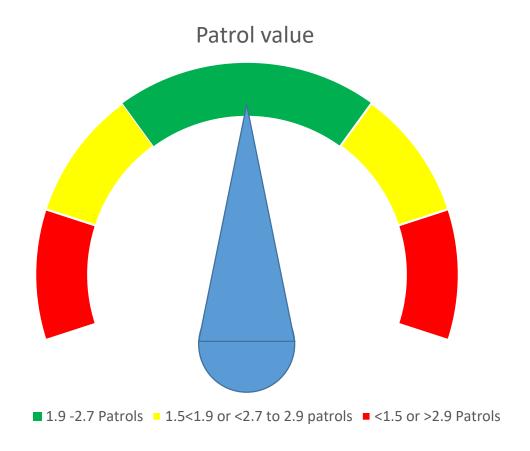
<2.7 to 2.9 Security Reports per patrol; and Red = average of < 1.5 or > 2.9 Security

Reports per patrol

Significance: Patrols serve a deterrence and risk management function. Too few or too many reports per

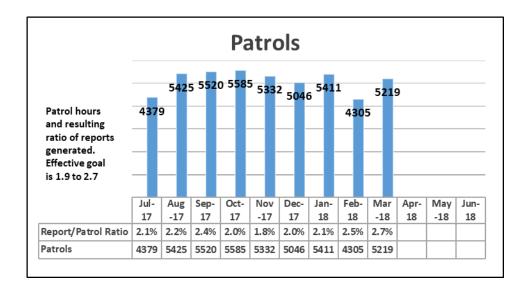
patrol may reflect a lack of effectiveness in managing and deterring risk .





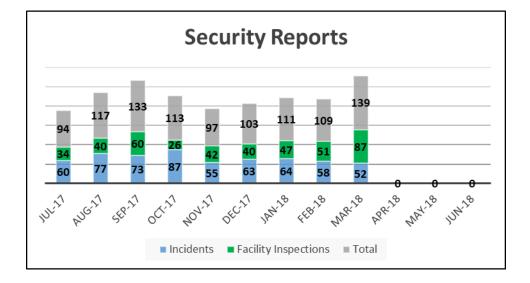


### Security & Integrity



 Patrols are an indication of the level of services rendered by the staff of the Security & Integrity Group.

 Security reports are an indication of the effectiveness of security programs (less is better).





<u>Information Technology</u> – (New value measure) First Try successful system data back-ups

Measurement: Number of first try successful system data back-ups per month/ Number of system data

back-ups per month

**EUM Attribute**: Enterprise Resiliency

Aspirational Goal: At least 90% of GLWA system data back-ups will be successful on the first attempt.

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = 90 to 100% first attempt success; Yellow = <90 to <85% first attempt success; and

Red = <85% first attempt success

Significance: Successfully performing regular system back-ups on the first attempt maximizes data

availability, minimizes risk of data loss and reduces time demand on IT resources



<u>Information Technology</u> – (New value measure) Service Request Resolution

Measurement: Number of service requests resolved within 5 days of receipt / Number of service requests

received

**EUM Attribute**: Enterprise Resiliency

<u>Aspirational Goal</u>: At least 68% of GLWA service requests will be resolved within 5 days of receipt

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = 68 to 100% resolution; Yellow = 55 to <68% resolution; and Red = <55% resolution

rate

<u>Significance</u>: GLWA currently measures service desk response time. This new measure builds upon the

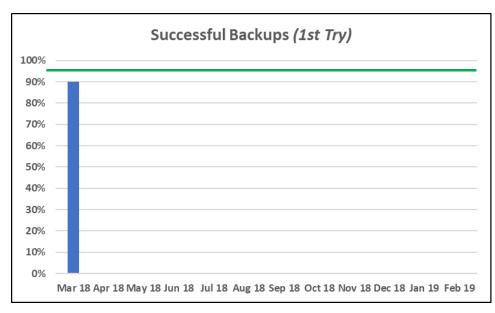
current KPI by measuring the time between receipt and resolution. Like timely response,

timely resolution of service requests supports GLWA team member productivity and job

satisfaction

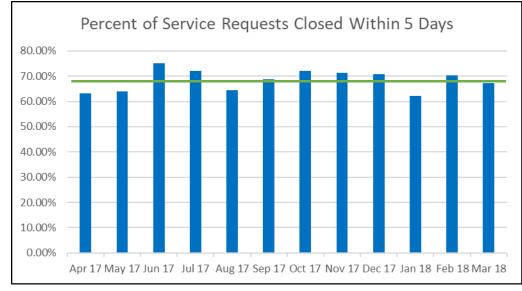


## **Information Technology**



- Backups ensure that GLWA's information is safe in case of unexpected disruptions.
- Successfully backing up on the first try streamlines operations and frees up resources for other tasks.

- A service request is a request for IT work that is not preventing an employee from performing their work.
- Timely fulfilment of service requests ensure that employees have the technology resources needed to do their jobs, and increases job satisfaction.





<u>Information Technology</u> – (New value measure) Cyber-security

Measurement: Number of GLWA Team Members completing most recent cyber-security training/ Number

of GLWA team members assigned most recent cyber-security training.

**EUM Attribute**: Enterprise Resiliency

Aspirational Goal: At least 75% of GLWA team members will complete the most recent monthly cyber

security training within one month of issuance.

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = 75 to 100% of team members completing most recent training; Yellow = 60 to

<75% of team members completing most recent training; and Red = <60% of team

members completing most recent training within one month of issuance.

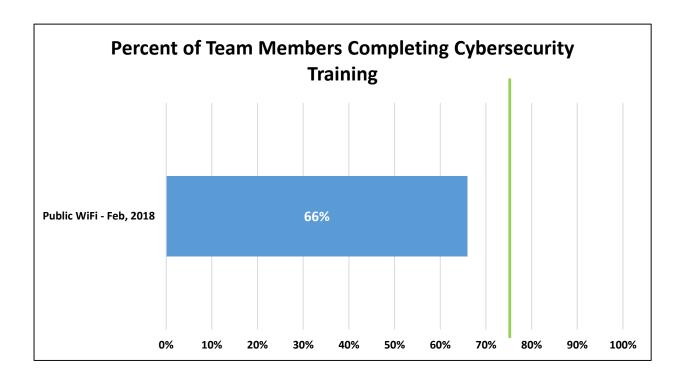
<u>Significance</u>: Approximately 80% of system cyber-security breaches are enabled by end users. Because

GLWA regularly faces cyber-security threats, it has instituted a series of monthly cyber-

safety training modules to minimize risk for the utility and its team members.



## **Information Technology**



- End users are responsible for 80% of cybersecurity breaches.
- Well trained users are less likely to take action that could cause a breach



<u>General Counsel</u> (New output measure) Information Request Response

<u>Measurement</u>: Number of information requests received by General Counsel

**EUM Attribute**: Enterprise Resiliency

Aspirational Goal: General Counsel will receive 15 or less information requests each month

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = <13 requests; Yellow = 13 to 15 requests; and Red = <16 requests

Significance: One of the measures of organizational transparency is access to information. GLWA

maintains many avenues of informal information access through its website, member-

partner outreach and communications team. Formal requests for information, including requests received by GLWA under Michigan's Freedom of Information Act, are reviewed and

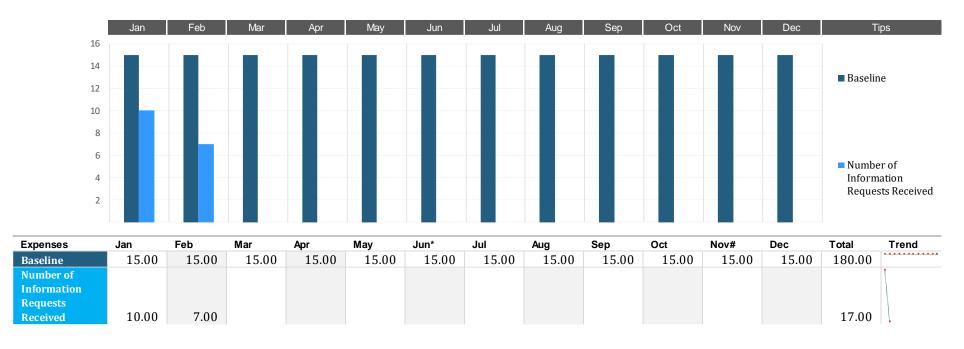
responded to by the Office of General Counsel. To the extent that information is readily

available, such formal requests should be limited allowing GLWA legal and operational

resources to be focused in other areas.



## General Counsel Information Requests Received



One of the measures of organizational transparency is access to information. GLWA maintains many avenues of informal information access, including through its website. To the extent the information is readily available, the Office of the General Counsel should receive fewer FOIA requests over time.



**Water Operations** 

**Wastewater Operations** 

(New and revised value measure) Preventative Maintenance Completion

Measurement: Number of monthly Preventative Maintenance work orders (PMs)completed / Number of

monthly PMs required

EUM Attribute: Infrastructure Strategy and Performance

<u>Aspirational Goal</u>: At least 80% of assigned monthly PMs will be completed as scheduled.

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = 80 to 100% completed; Yellow = >60 to <80% completed; and Red = <60%

completed

Significance: This marks one of the first uses of GLWA's Business Intelligence (BI)capabilities to generate a

KPI. (Note: included red, yellow, green.) This KPI has also been extended to include Water

Operations and the performance standard increased from 75 to 80%. Timely completion of

PMs is an important component of asset management as regular performance of PMs

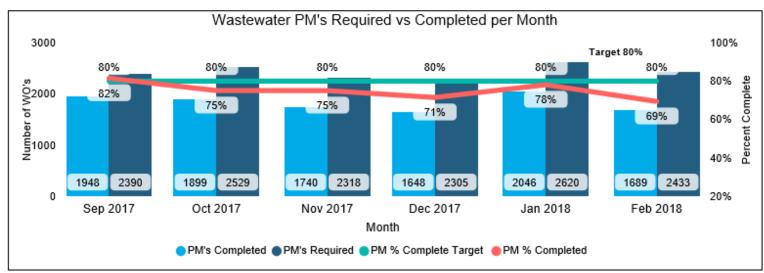
extends asset life, minimizes service disruption risk due to equipment failure, and provides

asset condition information which often serves as a lead measure for potential equipment

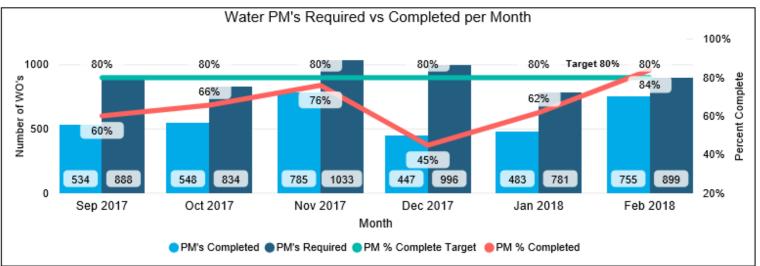
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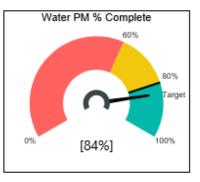


## Infrastructure Strategy and Performance - Wastewater and Water Preventative Maintenance (PM) Management February 2018











\*Timely preventative maintenance extends asset useful life and minimizes unplanned downtime.

\*Unplanned downtime can lead to permit noncompliance and negative environmental impacts.

Wastewater Operations (New value measure) Maintenance Management

Measurement: Number of monthly Preventative Maintenance work orders (PMs)completed / Total

Number of PMs and corrective maintenance orders (CMs) performed during that period

**EUM Attribute**: Infrastructure Strategy and Performance

<u>Aspirational Goal</u>: GLWA will maintain a PM completion level of 80% of Total work orders (PMs and CMs)

Red, Yellow, Green: Green = 75% - 85%; Yellow = > 85%; and Red = <75%

Significance: 2017 American Water Works Association benchmarking data indicates appropriate

levels of PMs within total work orders. GLWA's 80% completion goal puts it within the top

quartile of benchmarked utilities. If the percentage is significantly lower (red) it is a lead measure warning of possible unplanned or emergency type work. If the percentage is

significantly higher (yellow) it is a lead measure warning that PMs can be reduced and

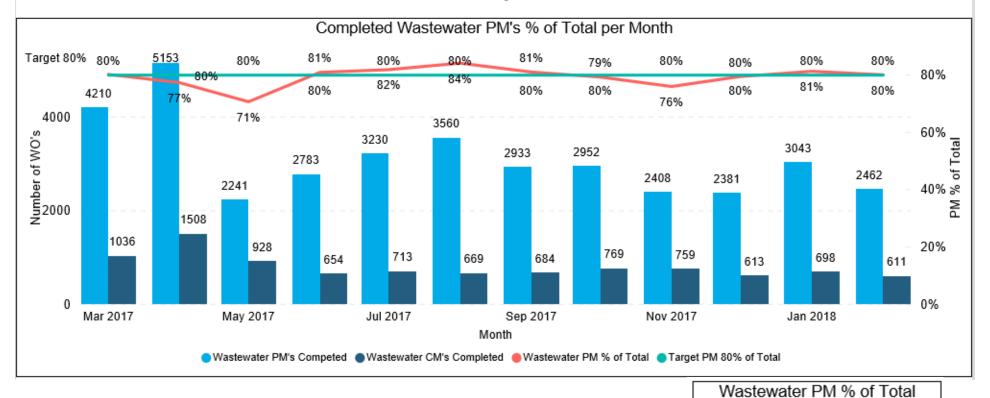
resources may be better directed to other system needs. (This is another example of BI and

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a similar measure for water operations is anticipated in the next 120 days.)



## Infrastructure Strategy and Performance - Wastewater Preventative & Corrective Maintenance Management February 2018



\*The target is derived from the 2017 American Water Works Association (AWWA) Utility Benchmarking Program that indicates that an appropriate level of (PM) activities can be identified by the (PM) percentage of total maintenance work performed. If the percentage is significantly lower than the target (red), it is a warning of possible increase in unplanned, emergency type work (CM). If the percentage is significantly higher than the target (yellow) it is a warning that (PMs) can be reduced and resources can be better directed to other system needs.



(CM) = Corrective Maintenance





#### **COMING SOON**

### **Water Operations:**



<u>Measurement</u>: Maintenance Management (PMs as a percentage of Total Work Orders)

**EUM Attribute**: Infrastructure Strategy and Performance

<u>Estimated Inclusion Date</u>: 90 - 120 Days



Measurement: Maintenance Backlog Management (Backlogged work orders measured by type

and duration)

**EUM Attribute**: Infrastructure Strategy and Performance / Operational Optimization

<u>Estimated Inclusion Date</u>: 130 – 160 Days



<u>Measurement</u>: Valve Exercising and rehabilitation Pilot (percentage of operational assigned

valves)

**EUM Attribute**: Infrastructure Strategy and Performance

Estimated Inclusion Date: >120 Days



#### **COMING SOON**

### **Wastewater Operations:**



Measurement: Maintenance Backlog Management (Backlogged work orders measured by type

and duration)

**EUM Attribute**: Infrastructure Strategy and Performance / Operational Optimization

<u>Estimated Inclusion Date</u>: 130 -160 Days



#### **UNDER DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Financial Services:**

Updated Financial Services metrics are under development. Inclusion of revised metrics for this Area has been postponed to allow the team to focus on MOU, budget, charges, and audit matters, and to allow for implementation of Bonfire contract management software system. The new Financial Services Metrics will be included in FY 19 reports.

### **Systems Planning**:

Metric(s) related to performance of funded projects within GLWA's Capital Improvement Plan are under development to be included in FY 19



# REVIEW Why KPIs



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## **BIG FIVE KPIs**

- 1) GLWA will maintain 100% compliance with permitted water quality requirements (no violations of Safe Drinking Water Act and no unpermitted discharges of wastewater)
- 2) GLWA will be at least an A rated utility
- 3) 90% of member-partners surveyed will express satisfaction with GLWA management's performance.
- 4) GLWA will meet or exceed service sector employee retention rates.
- 5) GLWA will limit annual increases in revenue requirement to 4% or less



## **QUESTIONS**

