

September 1, 2016

To: David Schumacher, Director
Office of Financial Management

From: Judy Fitzgerald, Chief Financial Officer
Consolidated Technology Services (WaTech)

Subject: 2017-19 Agency Budget Request

Enclosed is the 2017-19 biennial budget request for Consolidated Technology Services (WaTech). The request meets the requirements of the Office of Financial Management budget Instructions issued on June 10th, 2016. You will notice a strong data and network security theme in the agency's request. From strong and accurate identity management to unified IT procurement, almost all of WaTech's requests support the security, accessibility, and resiliency of the state's data assets.

WaTech is requesting expenditure authority of \$359.5 million in the new biennium. This amount includes \$9.5 million in maintenance level for utilization growth of security and network services. More than half of the policy request is focused on data and network security. Of the \$17.9 million in policy decision packages, \$9.6 million is dedicated to cybersecurity. Most of the remaining \$8.3 million is focused on strengthening and streamlining IT services through oversight and management of IT procurement and contracting.

During the 2017-19 Biennium, WaTech will be migrating more customers into the State Data Center, moving that facility toward cost recoverability while better protecting state agency applications and data. WaTech proposes to continue the development of the state's network to accommodate more agencies on the State Governmental Network as well as agencies' moves to IT cloud services. The request also includes a proposal that supports hosting important enterprise applications and a proposal supporting a mobile workforce. This request illustrates our commitment to our strategic plan and to the Governor's goal of efficient and accountable government.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.