

COMPANHIA DE SANEAMENTO BASICO DO ESTADO DE SAO PAULO-SABESP

Form 6-K

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, DC 20549**

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**FORM 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER**  
**PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For April , 2019**  
**(Commission File No. 1-31317)**

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**Companhia de Saneamento Básico do Estado de São Paulo - SABESP**  
*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Basic Sanitation Company of the State of Sao Paulo - SABESP**  
*(Translation of Registrant's name into English)*

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**Rua Costa Carvalho, 300**  
**São Paulo, S.P., 05429-900**  
**Federative Republic of Brazil**  
*(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)*

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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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## SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE STATUTORY AUDIT COMMITTEE - 2018

To the Board of Directors of

Companhia de Saneamento Básico do Estado de São Paulo

# 1. PRESENTATION

The Statutory Audit Committee (Committee) of Companhia de Saneamento Básico do Estado de São Paulo - SABESP, established at the Board of Directors' Meeting held on June 26, 2006, is composed of three independent Board Members. In compliance with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the Committee serves as the Audit Committee of Sabesp in accordance with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

The Committee reports to the Board of Directors, and acts with autonomy and independence in the exercise of its functions, serving as an auxiliary and advisory body, without executive powers or attributions. The Committee's functions and responsibilities are performed in compliance with the applicable legal statutory duties and defined in its Bylaws. The Committee's responsibility is to review and monitor, within its supervisory capacity, the preparation and publication of financial and audit reports.

The Committee's assessments are based on information received from management, independent auditors, internal auditors, risk managers and internal controls and from the Committee's own analyzes arising from their supervisory and monitoring activities.

At the Annual and Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on April 27, 2018, Messrs. Ernesto Rubens Gelbcke and Lucas Navarro Prado were elected as independent members of the Board of Directors and Mr. Luís Eduardo Alves de Assis was elected, by the minority shareholders in a separate vote, as a member of the Board of Directors. At the Board of Directors' Meeting held on June 21, 2018, members of the Statutory Audit Committee were elected, and Mr. Ernesto Rubens Gelbcke was appointed as a member of the Financial Specialist and Coordinator of the Committee.

## **2. ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT IN THE PERIOD**

During the period from March 28, 2018 to March 28, 2019, the Committee held 24 formal meetings with directors, superintendents, managers, other employees, internal auditors and independent auditors. The main activities of the Committee were as follows:

- Review of the Internal Rules of the Audit Committee;
- Review, approval and supervision of the work plan of the Internal Audit;
- Monitoring of judicial provisions and contingencies;

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- Monitoring of corporate risk management;
- Monitoring of compliance activities;
- Evaluation and monitoring of the effectiveness of Internal Controls;
- Whistleblowing Channel: Follow-up of investigations and complaints;
- Performance follow-up of independent auditors;
- Follow-up on the activities carried out by the Ethics Committee;
- Monitoring the implementation of action plans resulting from the recommendations made by the Internal Audit and Independent Audit;
- Identification and recommendation for improvements in the processes, arising during discussions with the various areas convened, as well as monitoring the implementation of these recommendations;
- Revision of the Sustainability Report;
- Follow-up on the preparation process for financial statements; and
- Revision of the Quarterly Information - ITRs, the Annual Management Report, the Financial Statements, the Reference Form, the 20-F Form and the Brazilian Code of Corporate Governance.

Minutes of Committee meetings are distributed at the Board of Directors' meeting, at which time the Coordinator and/or another member of the Committee reports and emphasizes to the other Directors, when deemed appropriate, the relevant and pertinent matters identified in the Committee's activities and recorded in such meeting minutes.

The Committee held three meetings with the Sabesp's Audit Committee to review the Quarterly Information for the quarters ended June 30, September 30, 2018 and the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

### **3. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN BUSINESS PROCESSES**

In the discussions established at the meetings held with the managers of the various areas of the Company during the referred period, several recommendations were made for corrective actions regarding the Company's control and management processes. All pending and executed corrective actions are duly recorded in the minutes. The Committee periodically monitors the implementation of these improvements and suggested adjustments.

### **4. EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEMS**

The methodology adopted by Sabesp for the analysis of internal controls is in line with the structure of the Internal Control - Integrated Framework, defined by The Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

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Sabesp's management is responsible for the design and implementation of policies, procedures, processes and practices of internal controls to safeguard assets, timely recognition of liabilities, adherence to rules and the integrity and accuracy of information.

The Internal Audit is responsible for assessing the degree of compliance by all of Sabesp's departments in relation to internal controls procedures and practices and that being effectively applied.

### **5. EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF INDEPENDENT AND INTERNAL AUDITS**

The Committee maintains a regular communication channel with internal and independent auditors, allowing for wide discussions on the results of its work, accounting aspects and relevant internal controls and, therefore, assesses as being fully satisfied with the volume and quality of the information provided by these professionals, who support their opinion on the adequacy and integrity of internal control systems and financial statements. In addition, no situations were identified that could affect the objectivity and independence and/or the autonomy of the independent and internal auditors.

KPMG Auditores Independentes is the audit firm responsible for examining the financial statements and issuing an opinion on the preparation of such statements, in compliance with the accounting practices adopted in Brazil and the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The Committee monitored the activities carried out by the Internal and the Independent Audit, both through regular meetings and through the review of the reports they issued. As a result, the Committee positively evaluates the coverage and quality of the work carried out by the Internal and Independent Auditors regarding the financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

### **6. ADEQUACY OF THE INTERNAL AUDIT'S STRUCTURE AND BUDGET**

The Audit Committee evaluated the structure and budget of the Internal Audit and considered it adequate for the team to carry out their functions.

## **7. QUALITY ASSESSMENT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Management is responsible for defining and implementing information systems that produce Sabesp's financial statements and are in compliance with corporate law, accounting practices, the rules of the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission (CVM) and the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and, as the Company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), in compliance with requirements by the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

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The Committee met on several occasions with the employees responsible for the accounting areas to analyze the procedures involved the preparation process of the financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

Finally, the Committee discussed with the independent auditors the results of the works and its conclusions on the audit of these financial statements and issued a report without reservations. The main points discussed were also related to the accounting practices adopted in Brazil and with recommendations and other reports regarding internal controls and presentation of the financial statements.

The Committee verified that the financial statements are appropriate in accordance with the accounting practices and Brazilian corporate law, as well as the rules of the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission (CVM) and the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board - IASB, and the standards issued by the SEC and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

## **8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

During the course of the works, the Committee did not identify any situation that could affect KPMG's objectivity and independence with respect to its attributions with Sabesp. Accordingly, in accordance with the Internal Regulations of the Audit Committee, the Committee informs the Board of Directors that it is not aware of any type of relationship between KPMG and Sabesp that may have affected its independence in the execution of the independent audit of the financial statements closed on December 31, 2018.

It is also recorded that no situation of significant divergence was identified between the Sabesp's Management, the Independent Auditors of KPMG and the Audit Committee itself in relation to the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The opinions and judgments of the Committee depend on the information presented by Sabesp, in particular information on Management, the Accounting department, the Legal, Internal Audit, Risk Management and Compliance department and other departments, as necessary, in addition to information on the Independent Auditors. In this sense, the Committee believes that all pertinent matters were adequately disclosed in the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, accompanied by the Independent Auditors' Report issued without reservations, and, therefore, recommended the approval of said Financial Statements by the Board of Directors.





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São Paulo, March 28, 2019.

**Ernesto Rubens Gelbcke**

*Coordinator and  
Financial Specialist*

**Lucas Navarro Prado**

*Member*

**Luís Eduardo A. de Assis**

*Member*

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city São Paulo, Brazil.

Date: April 3, 2019

**Companhia de Saneamento Básico do Estado de São Paulo - SABESP**

By:           /s/ Rui de Britto Álvares Affonso          

Name: Rui de Britto Álvares Affonso

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations Officer

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