INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT’S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

May 13, 2015

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley, Governor
and
Members of the Board
South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions
Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures described below, which were agreed to by the governing body and management of the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions (the Board), solely to assist you in evaluating the performance of the Board for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, in the areas addressed. The Board’s management is responsible for its financial records, internal controls and compliance with State laws and regulations. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified parties in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

1. **Cash Receipts and Revenues**
   - We inspected 27 selected recorded receipts to determine if these receipts were properly described and classified in the accounting records in accordance with the agency’s policies and procedures and State regulations.
   - We inspected 25 selected recorded receipts to determine if these receipts were recorded in the proper fiscal year.
   - We made inquiries and performed substantive procedures to determine if revenue collection and retention or remittance were supported by law.
   - We compared current year recorded revenues at the subfund and account level to those of the prior year. We investigated changes in the earmarked fund to ensure that revenue was classified properly in the agency’s accounting records. The scope was based on agreed upon materiality level ($28,300 – earmarked fund) and ± 10 percent.
   - We made inquiries of management pertaining to the agency's policies for accountability and security over permits, licenses, and other documents issued for money. We observed agency personnel performing their duties to determine if they understood and followed the described policies.
The individual transactions selected were chosen randomly. We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

2. **Non-Payroll Disbursements and Expenditures**
   - We inspected 25 selected recorded non-payroll disbursements to determine if these disbursements were properly described and classified in the accounting records in accordance with the agency’s policies and procedures and State regulations, were bona fide disbursements of the State Board of Financial Institutions, and were paid in conformity with State laws and regulations; if the acquired goods and/or services were procured in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
   - We inspected 18 selected recorded non-payroll disbursements to determine if these disbursements were recorded in the proper fiscal year.
   - We compared current year expenditures at the subfund and account level to those of the prior year. We investigated changes in the earmarked fund to ensure that expenditures were classified properly in the agency’s accounting records. The scope was based on agreed upon materiality level ($29,800 – earmarked fund) and ± 10 percent.
   - We inspected 25 selected recorded travel reimbursement expenditures to determine if these expenditures were properly described and classified in the accounting records in accordance with the agency’s policies and procedures and State regulations, were bona fide travel reimbursements of the Board, and were paid in conformity with State laws and regulations.

The individual transactions selected were chosen randomly. We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

3. **Payroll Disbursements and Expenditures**
   - We inspected 25 selected recorded payroll disbursements to determine if the selected payroll transactions were properly described, classified, and distributed in the accounting records; persons on the payroll were bona fide employees; and payroll transactions were properly authorized and were in accordance with existing legal requirements and processed in accordance with the agency’s policies and procedures and State regulations.
   - We inspected payroll transactions for 4 new employees and 1 individual who terminated employment to determine if the employees were added and/or removed from the payroll in accordance with the agency’s policies and procedures, that the employee’s first and/or last pay check was properly calculated and that the employee’s leave payout was properly calculated in accordance with applicable State law.
   - We compared current year payroll expenditures at the subfund and account level to those of the prior year. We investigated changes in the earmark fund to ensure that expenditures were classified properly in the agency’s accounting records. The scope was based on agreed upon materiality level ($29,800 – earmarked fund) and ± 10 percent.
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- We compared the percentage change in recorded personal service expenditures to the percentage change in employer contributions; and computed the percentage distribution of recorded fringe benefit expenditures by fund source and compared the computed distribution to the actual distribution of recorded payroll expenditures by fund source. We investigated changes of ±10 percent to ensure that payroll expenditures were classified properly in the agency’s accounting records.

The individual transactions selected were chosen randomly. We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

4. Journal Entries

- We inspected 5 selected recorded journal entries to determine if these transactions were properly described and classified in the accounting records; they agreed with the supporting documentation, the purpose of the transactions was documented and explained, the transactions were properly approved, and were mathematically correct; and the transactions were processed in accordance with the agency's policies and procedures and State regulations.

The individual transactions selected were chosen randomly. We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

5. Appropriation Act

- We inspected agency documents, observed processes, and/or made inquiries of agency personnel to determine the Board’s compliance with Appropriation Act general provisos as listed in the Appropriation Act work program, and agency specific provisos, if applicable.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.

6. Reporting Packages

- We obtained copies of all reporting packages as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, prepared by the Board and submitted to the State Comptroller General. We inspected them to determine if they were prepared in accordance with the Comptroller General's Reporting Policies and Procedures Manual requirements and if the amounts reported in the closing packages agreed with the supporting workpapers and accounting records.

We found no exceptions as a result of the procedures.
We were not engaged to and did not conduct an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the specified elements, accounts, or items. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Governor and of the Board and management of the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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