KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

KETCHUM, **IDAHO**

Financial Statements at September 30, 2011

KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY KETCHUM, IDAHO

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

November 15, 2011

Board of Commissioners Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency Ketchum, Idaho

I have audited the basic financial statements of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency, a component unit of the City of Ketchum, Idaho at September 30, 2011, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency, as of September 30, 2011, and the changes in financial position, and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued a report dated November 15, 2011, on my consideration of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, and regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of my audit.

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying Budgetary Comparison Schedule on page 11 and Bond Future Principal and Interest Schedule on page 12 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not required parts of the basic financial statements of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

Statement of Net Assets at September 30, 2011

	Total Primary Government	Total Reporting Entity
ASSETS		
Cash and Deposits Restricted Cash and Deposits Property Tax Receivable Unamortized Bond Discounts Unamortized Pre-Issuance Bond Costs Total	\$ 662,884 550,472 7,497 166,643 77,867 1,465,363	\$ 662,884 550,472 7,497 166,643 77,867 1,465,363
Capital Assets: Land, Buildings and Improvements Fourth Street Corridor Improvements Less Accumulated Depreciation Total Capital Assets Total Assets	5,529,288 1,000,000 (40,000) 6,489,288 7,954,651	5,529,288 1,000,000 (40,000) 6,489,288 7,954,651
LIABILITIES	7,304,001	7,934,031
Accrued Interest Payable Long-term Liabilities:	147,723	147,723
Portion due or payable within one year: Bonds Payable Portion due or payable after one year: Bonds Payable	50,000 6,390,000	50,000 6,390,000
Total Liabilities	6,587,723	6,587,723
NET ASSETS		
Invested in Capital Assets - net of related debt Restricted For: Capital Projects Debt Service Affordable Housing Unrestricted	49,288 0 550,472 767,168 0	49,288 0 550,472 767,168 0
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,366,928	\$1,366,928_

KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets for the year ended September 30, 2011

Operating Revenues:				
Tax Levy Revenues	\$	568,662		
Earnings on Investments		2,443		
Rent Revenue		83,200		
Miscellaneous Revenue		1,681		
Penalty and Interest on Taxes	_	6,462		
Total Operating Revenue:			\$	662,448
Operating Expenses:				
Labor and Taxes		50,910		
Labor Benefits		14,418		
Professional Fees		106,955		
Advertising/Publications		622		
Insurance		2,745		
Utilities		18,721		
Administrative Expenses		33,933		
Interest Expense		359,012		
Repairs		4,822		
Office Expense		1,426		
Depreciation		40,000		
Amortization		10,188		
Miscellaneous		0		
Total Operating Expenses				643,752
Operating Income				18,696
Total Net Assets - Beginning			_	1,348,232
Total Net Assets - Ending			\$_	1,366,928

KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended September 30, 2011

Cash Flows From Operating Activities: Receipts from other governments Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers and vendors Payments to employees and volunteers Other receipts	\$	569,308 83,200 (169,224) (65,328) 0		
Net cash provided (used) by operations			\$ 41	17,956
Cash Flows From Capital Related Financing Activities: Payment of Debts Interest Paid	_	0 (211,289)		
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities			(21	1,289)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities: Purchase of Capital Assets Interest Income			(3	34,542) 2,443
Net cash used by investing activities			(3	32,099)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Equivalents			17	74,568
Balances - Beginning of the year			1,03	38,788
Balances - Beginning of the year Balances - Ending of the year				38,788 13,356
			\$ <u>1,21</u> 66 55	
Balances - Ending of the year Displayed as: Cash and Deposits Restricted Cash and Deposits Balances - Ending of the year Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities: Operating Income Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash		18,696	\$ <u>1,21</u> 66 55	1 <u>3,356</u> 52,884 50,472
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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Reporting Entity

The Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency (the Agency) was created for the purpose of redeveloping and rehabilitating certain deteriorating areas in the City of Ketchum, Idaho, and was established by a resolution from the Ketchum City Council dated April 3, 2006. The Agency is authorized under provisions of the Idaho Urban Renewal Law of 1965 (Chapter 20, Title 50, Idaho Code).

The Agency is a component unit, as defined by generally accepted accounting principles, of the City of Ketchum, Idaho, because of its operational and financial responsibility with the City. The City of Ketchum appoints the governing body of the Agency.

The financial statements of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America (GAAP) as applied to local government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Boards (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Agency.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expense of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include: 1) charges to patrons who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

The Agency's activities and general administrative services are classified as governmental activities. The Agency has no business-type activities.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as is the fiduciary fund financial statement. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Property taxes and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when the Agency receives cash.

The Agency reports the following major governmental fund:

• The *general fund* is the Agency's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Agency.

Budgetary Policy

The Agency prepares a budget for its general fund operations. The statement of revenues and expenditures and changes in fund balances and actual-general fund presents comparison of the legally adopted budget with the actual data on a budgetary basis.

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Under Idaho Code, the Agency's budget establishes maximum legal authorization for expenditures during the fiscal year. Expenditures are not to exceed the budgeted amounts, except as allowed by the Code for certain events.

Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditures of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Agency because it is not considered necessary to assure effective budgetary control or to facilitate effective cash planning and control.

Capital Assets

Capital Assets, which include land, building and improvements, and furniture and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value of donation.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extended assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during construction is not capitalized.

The Agency currently owns property held for future development. No depreciation is recorded.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a restricted purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources that are subject to change. The Agency further restricts certain resources for affordable housing within the boundaries of the City of Ketchum.

2. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are billed and collected within the same period in which the taxes are levied. The Agency does not levy property taxes; however, it is entitled to the taxes levied on the increase in assessed valuation of real and personal property within its jurisdiction that occur after January 1, 2006.

In accordance with Idaho law, property taxes are levied in September for each calendar year. All personal taxes and one-half of real property taxes are due by December 20. The second half of the real property taxes is due by June 20. Tax levies on such assessed values are certified to the County prior to the commencement of the fiscal year.

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Taxes are collected by Blaine County and remitted to the Agency primarily in January and July of the fiscal year. The Agency defers recognition of property taxes assessed but not collected within 60 days of the fiscal year-end. Such amounts will be recognized as revenues in the fiscal year they become available.

3. CASH AND DEPOSITS

Deposits: Custodial credit risk, in the case of deposits, is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The City has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At year end, \$250,000 of the City's bank balance was not exposed to custodial credit risk because it was insured by the FDIC and the remaining \$300,472 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

Investments: Custodial credit risk, in the case of investments, is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, the City held the following investments:

Investment Type

Idaho State Local Government Investment Pool \$675,366

These investments are unrated external investment pools sponsored by the Idaho State Treasurer's Office. They are classified as "Investments in an External Investment Pool" and are exempt from custodial credit risk and concentration of credit risk reporting. Interest rate risk is summarized as follows: Asset-backed securities are reported using weighted average life to more accurately reflect the projected term of the security, considering interest rates and repayment factors.

The elected Idaho State Treasurer, following Idaho Code, Section 67-2328, is authorized to sponsor an investment pool in which the City voluntarily participates. The Pool is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other regulatory body - oversight is with the State Treasurer, and Idaho Code defines allowable investments. All investments are entirely insured or collateralized with securities held by the Pool or by its agent in the Pool's name. And the fair value of the City's position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

Credit Risk: The City's policy is to comply with Idaho State statutes which authorize the City to invest in obligations of the United States, obligations of the State or any taxing district in the State, obligations issued by the Farm Credit System, obligations of public corporations of the State of Idaho, repurchase agreements, tax anticipation notes of the State or taxing district in the State, time deposits, savings deposits, revenue bonds of institutions of higher education, and the State Treasurer's Pool.

Interest rate risk and concentration of credit risk: The City has no policy regarding these two investment risk categories.

The City maintains a cash and investment pool that is available for use by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is presented on the combined balance sheet as "Cash and Deposits".

Cash and Deposits are comprised of the following at the financial statement date:

Cash on Hand	\$	0
Deposits with financial institutions:		
Demand deposits		537,990
State of Idaho Investment Pool		<u>675,366</u>
Total	<u>\$1</u>	,213,356

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4. RESTRICTED ASSETS AND BOND DISCOUNTS

On August 19, 2010 the Agency created restricted cash deposits for bond contingencies. (See Note 6) Additionally the bonds were sold at a discount that will be amortized with bond originating costs over the life of the bonds.

In fiscal year ended September 30, 2007, the URA purchased real property formerly known as the Dollhouse located at 1st & Washington in Ketchum in the sum of \$2.25 million. The down payment for the purchase of the 1st & Washington property of \$707,914 was obtained by the URA as a transfer from the City Of Ketchum's restricted In Lieu Affordable Housing Fund. Since that time, the City Of Ketchum's restricted In Lieu Affordable Housing Fund. Since that time, the City Of Ketchum's restricted In Lieu Affordable Housing Fund. Since that time, the City Of Ketchum's restricted In Lieu Affordable Housing Fund has transferred to the URA an additional \$147,916 to pay interest on the debt associated with the 1st & Washington property as well as to make necessary repairs to the 1st & Washington property. On April 12, 2011, \$640,000 of restricted fund value was transferred to the 1st & Washington property from the Mountain West Bank Building. Accordingly, \$1,495,830 of the value of the 1st & Washington property continues to be restricted to future affordable housing purposes.

In fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, the URA purchased real property formerly known as the Mountain West Bank building located at Sun Valley Rd. and East Ave. in Ketchum in the sum of \$3.2 million. The down payment for the purchase of the Mountain West Bank building property of \$640,000 was obtained by the URA as a transfer from the City Of Ketchum's restricted In Lieu Affordable Housing Fund. \$640,000 of the value of the Mountain West Bank building property was restricted to future affordable housing purposes. This \$640,000 of restricted fund value was transferred to the 1st & Washington property on April 12, 2011. There is no further restriction on the value of the Mountain West Bank Building.

5. GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2011 is as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, not being				
Depreciated:				
Land				
Sun Valley Road	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 1,200,000
Land				
Second & Washington	2,294,746			2,294,746
Fourth Street Corridor				
Improvements	1,000,000			 1,000,000
Total capital assets, not				
Being depreciated	<u>\$ 4,494,746</u>	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 4,494,746

Note 5 - Continued

Capital assets being depreciated: Building				
Sun Valley Road	\$ 2,000,000	\$	\$	\$ 2,000,000
Capital Improvements				
Sun Valley Road		34,542		34,542
Accumulated Depreciation			(40,000)	(40,000)
Total capital assets	* • • • • • • • •	24.542	(40,000)	• • • • • • • • • •
Being depreciated	<u>\$ 2,000,000</u>	34,542	(40,000)	<u>\$ 1,994,542</u>

6. LONG-TERM DEBT

On August 19, 2010 the Agency sold \$ 6,440,000 of Revenue Allocation (Tax Increment) Refinancing Bonds, Series 2010. The proceeds from this bond issuance paid three notes held previously in the Agency. The bond servicing agent is U.S. Bank N.A. A summary of future payments of principle and interest follows the notes to these financial statements. The bond ordinance created restricted cash for a reserve in the amount of \$ 549,625 for payments of principle and interest in the event of default by the agency.

Long-term debt at September 30, 2011 is as follows:

	Interest Rate	Fiscal Year	Balance
Bonds payable	Var. 2 – 5.5%	2011-2035	\$ 6,440,000

The following is a summary of the principal due over the next four and subsequent five year increments:

2012	¢	50.000
2012	\$	50,000
2013		65,000
2014		80,000
2015		95.000
2020		710,000
2025		1,305,000
2030		1,800,000
2035		2,335,000
Total	\$	<u>6,440,000</u>

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7. RETIREMENT PLAN

The Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI), a cost-sharing multiple-employer public retirement system, was created by the Idaho State Legislature. It is a defined benefit plan requiring that both the member and the employer contribute. The plan provides benefits based on members' years of service, age and compensation. In addition, benefits are provided for disability, death, and survivors of eligible members or beneficiaries. Designed as a mandatory system for eligible state and city employees, the legislature provided for political subdivisions to participate by contractual agreement with PERSI. Financial reports for the plan are available from PERSI upon request.

After 5 years of credited services, members become fully vested in retirement benefits earned to date. Members are eligible for retirement benefits upon attainment of the ages specified for their employment classification. For each month of credited service, the annual service retirement allowance is 2.0% (2.3% Police/Firefighter) of the average monthly salary for the highest consecutive 42 months.

The Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency reimburses the City of Ketchum, Idaho for the use of City employee time in the performance of Agency administration. This reimbursement includes the following payment to PERSI.

The contribution requirement of the Agency and its employees are established and amended by the PERSI Board of Trustees. For the year ended September 30, 2011, the required contribution rate as a percentage of covered payrolls for members was 6.23% for general members and 7.65% for Police/Firefighters. The employer rate as a percentage of covered payroll was 10.39% for general members and 10.73% for Police/Firefighter members. Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency contributions required and paid were \$ 5,046, \$ 4,592, and \$ 7,096 for the years ended September 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

8. LITIGATION

The Agency, at the financial statement date, is not involved in any material disputes as either plaintiff or defendant.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Agency is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; injuries to the general public; and natural disasters. The Agency carries commercial insurance coverage for these risks to the extent deemed prudent by the board of commissioners.

KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund for the year ended September 30, 2011

	_	Original and Final Budget		Actual		Variance with Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES:						
Property taxes - Tax Increment Revenues	\$	568,000	\$	568,662	\$	662
Penalty and Interest on Taxes		250		6,462		6,212
Rent Revenue		0		83,200		83,200
Miscellaneous Revenue		0		1,681		1,681
Earnings on investments	-	500	_	2,443	_	1,943
Total revenues	_	568,750		662,448		93,698
EXPENDITURES:						
Labor and Taxes		50,695		50,910		(215)
Labor Benefits		17,556		14,418		3,138
Professional Fees		132,700		106,955		25,745
Advertising/Publications		500		622		(122)
Insurance		2,500		2,745		(245)
Utilities		18,000		18,721		(721)
Administrative Expenses		33,732		33,933		(201)
Interest Expense		211,289		359,012		(147,723)
Repairs		31,300		4,822		26,478
Office Expense		0		1,426		(1,426)
Depreciation		0		40,000		(40,000)
Amortization		0		10,188		(10,188)
Miscellaneous	-	57,000	_	0	-	57,000
Total expenditures	-	555,272		643,752		(88,480)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		13,478		18,696		5,218
OVER EXPENDITORES	-	13,470	_	10,090		5,210
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Operating transfers (to) from other funds	-					0
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		13,478		18,696	\$_	5,218
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING	_	1,348,232	_	1,348,232		
NET ASSETS - ENDING	\$_	1,361,710	\$	1,366,928		

KETCHUM URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY Bond-Future Principal and Interest Requirements at September 30, 2011

	Annual Payment					
	Interest Rate	Fiscal Year		Principal Payment	_	Interest Payment
\$6,440,000 Revenue Allocation Refinancing						
Bonds, Series 2010						
2.0% - 5.5%						
	2.00%	2012	\$	50,000	\$	321,805
	2.25%	2013		65,000		320,574
	2.50%	2014		80,000		318,843
	2.75%	2015		95,000		316,536
	3.25%	2016		110,000		313,443
	3.50%	2017		120,000		309,555
	4.00%	2018		140,000		304,655
	4.25%	2019		160,000		298,455
	4.50%	2020		180,000		291,005
	4.50%	2021		200,000		282,455
	4.75%	2022		240,000		272,255
	4.80%	2023		260,000		260,315
	5.00%	2024		295,000		246,700
	5.00%	2025		310,000		231,575
	5.30%	2026		325,000		215,212
	5.30%	2027		340,000		197,590
	5.30%	2028		360,000		179,040
	5.30%	2029		375,000		159,562
	5.30%	2030		400,000		139,025
	5.50%	2031		420,000		116,875
	5.50%	2032		440,000		93,225
	5.50%	2033		465,000		68,338
	5.50%	2034		490,000		42,075
	5.50%	2035		520,000		14,300
					-	
			\$	6,440,000	\$	5,313,413



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

November 15, 2011

To the Board of Commissioners Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency

I have audited the basic financial statements of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2011 and have issued my report thereon dated November 15, 2011. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the Agency's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting.

My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. I identified no deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Agency's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Agency's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, city council, others within the organization, and state and federal government oversight authorities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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