CITY OF GAUTIER, MISSISSIPPI
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2012

NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the City of Gautier and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the presentation of, the basic financial statements.

NOTE 2. LOAN AGREEMENTS OUTSTANDING

Proceeds of State Revolving Fund loans were obtained for sewer rehabilitation and drinking water system improvements. The State Revolving Fund is financed, at least in part, by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The principal balance on September 30, 2012, was:

DWI-H280092-01-3	$ 1,151,837
SRF-C2808754-01-3	1,561,411
SRF-C280879-01-1	1,066,939
DWI-H280114-01-2	648,013
DWI-H280114-02-0	343,283
SRF-C280879-02-2	1,561,552
	$ 6,330,035

CITY OF GAUTIER, MISSISSIPPI
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2012

2010-B-1 The City was still unable to provide sufficient documentary evidence to support the carrying amounts of fixed assets on its books. This finding continues, with the exception of taking a physical inventory, and is noted for the third year in Finding 2012-B-1.

REPORTS ON COMPLIANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL

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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 *GOVERNMENTAUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Gautier, Mississippi

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Gautier, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2012, which collectively comprise the City of Gautier, Mississippi's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated February 12, 2014, in which I qualified my opinion because of the inadequacy of accounting records for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2012, that relate to the fixed assets, accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense, I was unable to form an opinion regarding those amounts and net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt, for the Government-Wide Financial Statements, which includes amounts at which property and equipment and accumulated depreciation, and the amount of depreciation expense for the year then ended, as outlined in the Capital Assets Note to the Financial Statements, are recorded in the accompanying balance sheet at September 30, 2012, and the Proprietary Funds Financial Statements which includes amounts at which property and equipment and accumulated depreciation, and the amount of depreciation expense for the year then ended, as also outlined in the Capital Assets Note to the Financial Statements, are recorded in the accompanying balance sheet at September 30, 2012. As a result, I was unable to form an opinion on the respective net assets to which these balances are related. 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

Management of the City of Gautier is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing my audit, I considered the City of Gautier, Mississippi'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 City of Gautier, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Gautier, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting.

My consideration of 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. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, I identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be a material weakness.

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards*

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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 deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the City's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. I consider the deficiency described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questions costs as to be a material weakness. It is listed as item 2012-B-1.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Gautier, Mississippi'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.

I noted certain matters that I reported to management of the City of Gautier in a separate letter dated February 12, 2014.

The City of Gautier, Mississippi's response to the findings identified in my audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. I did not audit the City of Gautier, Mississippi's response and, accordingly, I express no opinion on the response.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, City Council, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Gautier, Mississippi
February 12, 2014

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Gautier, Mississippi

Compliance

I have audited the compliance of the City of Gautier, Mississippi, with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2012.

The City of Gautier, Mississippi's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the City of Gautier, Mississippi's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on the City of Gautier, Mississippi's compliance based on my audit.

I conducted out audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 requite that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City of Gautier, Mississippi's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances. I believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. My audit does not provide a legal determination of the City of Gautier, Mississippi's compliance with those requirements.

In my opinion, the City of Gautier, Mississippi, complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2012.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the City of Gautier, Mississippi, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing my audit, I considered the City of Gautier, Mississippi's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Gautier, Mississippi's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

My consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, City Council, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH MISSISSIPPI STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Gautier, Mississippi

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the City of Gautier, Mississippi (the City) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2012 and have issued my report dated February 12, 2014. I have conducted our 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*.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, I have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with state laws and regulations was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

The results of those procedures and my audit of the basic financial statements disclosed the following material instances of noncompliance with state laws and regulations. My findings and recommendations and your responses are as follows:

Finding

The City was not able to generate a ledger providing detailed information of the City's fixed assets. The City should be responsible for custody of its assets and accurately report them in the financial statements. Further, the City has not been reconciling the annual inventory of fixed assets to ledger balances; however, a comprehensive fiscal inventory of fixed assets was initiated during the fiscal year, and completed shortly thereafter. However a fiscal inventory was taken for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2012, which is an improvement in the process.

Recommendation

I recommend the City maintain a detailed ledger of fixed assets, along with a listing of additions and deletions during the year. This ledger should be reconciled to the annual inventory. The Office of the State Auditor has prepared forms and checklists to assist municipalities in performing this required inventory; they are available for download on the State Auditor's website.

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Auditee's Response

Management recognizes the problem with the fixed assets. The City Purchasing Agent has been and is in the process of making great strides in resolving the problem, having taken a complete asset inventory for Fiscal 2012.

Finding

The City did not complete the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire and record the same on the October, 2012 minutes of the City Council. The state Auditor's Office requires that this be completed and entered on the minutes, preferably in October following the end of the fiscal year.

Recommendation

The City should have an official responsible for the completion of the questionnaire and entering it on the minutes.

Auditee's Response

The City has amended the minutes and included the questionnaire during a subsequent meeting of the Council, and has assigned someone to be in charge of insuring that the questionnaire is included in the minutes during future fiscal years. As a result the questionnaire has been timely included for the 2013 Fiscal Year.

This report is intended for the information of the City's management and the Office of the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Gautier, Mississippi
February 12, 2014