

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON
INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND
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JUNE 30, 2018



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Members of the State Fiscal Accountability Authority
and Members of the General Assembly
State of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina

We have jointly audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the State of South Carolina (the State) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the State's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 15, 2018. We conducted our joint audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The financial statements of the State Ports Authority, Connector 2000 Association, Inc., South Carolina Research Authority, InvestSC Inc. and South Carolina Medical Malpractice Liability Joint Underwriting Association, were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and accordingly this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or instances of reportable noncompliance associated with the State Ports Authority, Connector 2000 Association, Inc., South Carolina Research Authority, InvestSC Inc. and South Carolina Medical Malpractice Liability Joint Underwriting Association. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of certain agencies and component units of the State of South Carolina, which represent the indicated percent of total assets and deferred outflows and total revenues as described in our report on the State's financial statements and as presented in the following table. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those other auditors.

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	Percentage Audited by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Separately		Percentage Audited by Other Auditors	
	Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	Total Revenue	Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	Total Revenue
<u>Government-wide</u>				
Governmental Activities	2%	11%	60%	11%
Business-type Activities	-	-	82%	82%
Component Units	-	-	99%	96%
<u>Fund Statements</u>				
Governmental Funds	-	-	23%	11%
Enterprise Funds	-	-	82%	82%
Internal Service Funds	38%	90%	52%	6%
Fiduciary Funds	76%	30%	23%	70%

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the State's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control.

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 entity'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.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the State's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we 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 our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the State's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Columbia, South Carolina
November 15, 2018



Baltimore, Maryland
November 15, 2018