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QUARTERLY EXAMINATION OF AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S CASH AND INVESTMENT RECONCILIATION COMPLIANCE

For the Quarter Ended MARCH 31, 2015

CASH AND INVESTMENTS PER TREASURER'S OFFICIAL RECORDS **AT MARCH 31, 2015 WERE** \$7.8 BILLION (COST BASIS)

California Government Code (GC) Section 26905 requires the auditor to reconcile the cash and investment accounts on a monthly basis to determine that the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the treasurer are in agreement with the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the auditor.

In our opinion, the Auditor-Controller complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of California Government Code Section 26905 for the guarter ended March 31, 2015.

> **AUDIT NO: 1415-D** REPORT DATE: JUNE 3, 2015

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Letter from Dr. Peter Hughes, CPA





Transmittal Letter

Audit No. 1415-D Date: June 3, 2015

TO: Eric Woolery, CPA Auditor-Controller

FROM: Dr. Peter Hughes, CPA, Director

Internal Audit Department

SUBJECT: Quarterly Examination of Auditor-Controller's

Cash and Investment Reconciliation Compliance for the Quarter Ended

March 31, 2015

We have completed the Quarterly Examination of the Auditor-Controller's Cash and Investment Reconciliation Compliance for the quarter ended March 31, 2015. Attached is a copy of our report. California Government Code (GC) Section 26905 requires the auditor to reconcile the cash and investment accounts on a monthly basis to determine that the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the treasurer are in agreement with the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the auditor. In our opinion, the Auditor-Controller complied in all material respects with the requirements of California Government Code Section 26905 for the quarter ended March 31, 2015.

Each month I submit an **Audit Status Report** to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) where I detail any material and significant audit findings released in reports during the prior month and the implementation status of audit recommendations as disclosed by our Follow-Up Audits. Accordingly, the results of this audit will be included in a future status report to the BOS.

Additionally, we will request that the Auditor-Controller's Office complete a **Customer Survey** of Audit Services. You will receive the survey shortly after the distribution of our final report.

Attachments

Other recipients of this report are listed on the Independent Accountant's Report on page 2.



Quarterly Examination of Auditor-Controller's Cash and Investment Reconciliation Compliance Audit No. 1415-D

For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2015

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Date: June 3, 2015 Audit No. 1415-D

Members, Board of Supervisors Hall of Administration 333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., 5th Floor Santa Ana, CA 92701

We have examined the Orange County Auditor-Controller's reconciliations of cash and investment accounts for compliance with the California Government Code (GC) Section 26905, pursuant to GC Section 26920(a)(2), for the quarter ended March 31, 2015. California Government Code (GC) Section 26905 requires the auditor to reconcile the cash and investment accounts on a monthly basis to determine that the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the treasurer are in agreement with the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the auditor. The Orange County Auditor-Controller's management is responsible for compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Orange County Auditor-Controller's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with the attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Orange County Auditor-Controller's cash and investment reconciliations for compliance with the above specified requirements and performing such other procedures as considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Orange County Auditor-Controller's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Orange County Auditor-Controller complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the quarter ended March 31, 2015.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Orange County Auditor-Controller and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully Submitted.

Dr. Peter Hughes, CPA, Director Internal Audit Department



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COUNTY OF ORANGE SUMMARY OF CASH AND INVESTMENT RECONCILIATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2015

The cash and investment reconciliation compliance requirements in the California Government Code Section 26905 & 26920 are as follows:

California Government Code:

Section 26905

Not later than the last day of each month, the auditor shall reconcile the cash and investment accounts as stated on the auditor's books with the cash and investment accounts as stated on the treasurer's books as of the close of business of the preceding month to determine that the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the treasurer are in agreement with the amounts in those accounts as stated on the books of the auditor.

Section 26920(a)

- (a) At least once in each quarter, the county auditor shall perform, or cause to be performed, a review of the treasurer's statement of assets in the county treasury. Each county shall fund and allocate the cost of the review in accordance with that county's established budgetary practice. The auditor's review shall be accomplished in accordance with the appropriate professional standards, as determined by the county auditor. The treasurer shall prepare a statement showing the amount and type of assets in the county treasury as of the date of the review. The review shall include:
 - (2) Verifying that the records of the county treasurer and auditor are reconciled pursuant to Section 26905.