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Adams County, Mississippi Audited Financial Statements and Special Reports For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

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FINANCIAL REPORT



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Supervisors Adams County, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Adams County, Mississippi (the County) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We did not audit the financial statements of Adams County Airport Commission and Natchez-Adams County Port Commission, which are discretely presented component units and represent 39% and 61%, respectively, of the assets, 54% and 46%, respectively, of the net position, and 12% and 88% of the revenues of the discretely presented component units.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of Adams County Airport Commission and Natchez-Adams County Port Commission, which are discretely presented component units and represent 39% and 61%, respectively, of the assets, 54% and 46%, respectively, of the net position, and 12% and 88% of the revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Adams County Airport Commission and Natchez-Adams County Port Commission, is based solely on the reports of the auditors. We 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*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of other auditors, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Adams County, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the County adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68. As a result, net position as of October 1, 2014, has been restated. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of the County's Contributions and corresponding notes, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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. We and other auditors have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of

inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Omission of Required Supplementary Information

Adams County, Mississippi, has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis, that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Adams County's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and the Component Units - Combining Statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and Component Units - Combining Statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit, the procedures performed as described above, and the reports of the other auditors, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and the Component Units - Combining Statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The Schedule of Surety Bonds for County Officials has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 9, 2017, on our consideration of the Adams County, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Adams County, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

FORTENBERRY & BALLARD, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC February 9, 2017

Certified Public Accountants

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Exhibit 1

ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Statement of Net Position September 30, 2015

	Pt	imary Government	
		Governmental	Component
		Activities	Units
ASSETS	c	2.071.000	120.010
Cash Investments	\$	3,071,899 726,814	428,049
Accounts receivable		720,614	457,600
Grants receivable			549,051
Property tax receivable		14,388,312	517,051
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for		- 1,0 00,0	
uncollectibles of \$2,088,022)		149,767	
Fines receivable (net of allowance for			
uncollectibles of \$1,828,046)		263,669	
Loan receivable		2,187,000	
Intergovernmental receivables		660,917	
Other receivables		16,932	54.210
Inventories Proposid expanses			54,219
Prepaid expenses Capital assets:			13,112
Land and construction in progress		19,617,018	405,705
Other capital assets, net		44,023,814	11,840,094
Intangible assets, net		44,023,014	101,157
Total Assets		85,106,142	13,848,987
10th 11550tb		03,100,112	13,010,707
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows related to pensions		3,524,679	817,710
Deferred amount on refunding		496,794	
Total Deferred Outflow of Resources		4,021,473	817,710
LIABILITIES		* 0 * 101	
Claims payable		507,181	510 451
Accounts payable and accrued expenses			713,471
Accrued expenses, including payroll taxes withheld			44,465
Other accrued liabilities		265 675	18,188
Intergovernmental payables Accrued interest payable		365,675 251,659	
Amounts held in custody for others		163,916	
Other payables		9,618	
Long-term liabilities		7,010	
Due within one year:			
Capital debt		1,875,538	178,692
Non-capital debt		285,651	
Due in more than one year:			
Capital debt		16,609,868	2,027,533
Non-capital debt		1,654,264	
Net pension liability		18,201,828	2,328,751
Total Liabilities		39,925,198	5,311,100
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Property tax for future reporting period		14,388,312	
Deferred inflows related to pensions		14,300,312	177,748
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		14,388,312	177,748
Total Deterred Inflows of Resources		14,300,312	177,740
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets		45,652,220	10,039,574
Restricted for:			
Expendable:			
General government		434,341	
Debt service		522,933	
Public safety		506,668	
Public works		443,586	
Economic development		1,654	
Unemployment compensation		29,744	
Non-Expendable:		57.046	
Use in self-insurance Loan receivable		57,946 2,187,000	
Unrestricted		2,187,000 (15,021,987)	(861,725)
Total Net Position	\$ 	34,814,105	9.177.849
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Exhibit 2

ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Statement of Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

				Program Revenue	es		xpense) Revenue and ges in Net Position	
Functions/Programs		Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmen Activitie		
Primary government: Governmental activities: General government Public safety Public works Health and welfare Culture and recreation Education Conservation of natural resources Economic development and assistance Interest on long-term debt Pension expense Total Governmental Activities	\$	6,980,338 7,003,674 4,002,328 46,133 7,577 623,628 58,376 414,570 932,794 2,295,806 22,365,224	1,043,199 914,583 845,749 2,803,531	51,190 2,704,373 721,923 398,333	11,176 1,155 16,356	(5,885,9 (3,373,5 (2,433,5 368,5 (7,5 (623,6 (58,3 (414,5 (932,7 (2,295,8 (15,657,1	542) 501) 556 577) 628) 376) 570) 794)	
Component Units: Adams County Airport Commission Natchez-Adams County Port Commission Total Component Units		984,123 4,238,114 5,222,237	450,772 3,598,922 4.049,694	283,436 544 283,980	92,335 749,031 841,366		(157,580 110,383 (47,197	3
	General revenues: Property taxes Road & bridge privilege taxes Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs Unrestricted interest/investment income Miscellaneous Total General Revenues Changes in Net Position					\$ 13,457,2 722,1 2,984,8 16,1 279,5 17,460,0	160 899 156 497 510 6,343 010 6,840	0
	Net Position - Beginning, as originally reported Prior Period Adjustments Net Position - Beginning, as restated Net Position - Ending				45,567,6 (12,556,4 33,011,2 \$34,814,1	407) (1,437,479 282 9,218,206	9) 6	

ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds September 30, 2015

	Major Funds			_			
	_	General Fund	Ports and Harbors Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds		
ASSETS	_						
Cash	\$	1,291,428	344	1,702,178	2,993,950		
Property tax receivable Investments		10,971,060		3,417,252 726,814	14,388,312 726,814		
Accounts receivable (net of allowance				720,814	720,614		
for uncollectibles of \$2,088,022)				149,767	149,767		
Fines receivable (net of allowance for				•	,		
for uncollectibles of \$1,828,046)		263,669			263,669		
Loan receivable			2,187,000		2,187,000		
Intergovernmental receivables		196,218		464,699	660,917		
Other receivables		15,670	•	# 0.050	15,670		
Due from other funds		356,257	2	79,869	436,128		
Advances to other funds Total Assets	\$ -	29,997 13,124,299	2,187,346	12,990 6,553,569	42,987 21,865,214		
Total Assets	ψ <u></u>	13,124,299	2,167,340	0,333,309	21,003,214		
LIABILITIES							
Liabilities:							
Claims payable	\$	95,189		391,989	487,178		
Intergovernmental payables		363,909		1,766	365,675		
Due to other funds		79,871		356,257	436,128		
Advances from other funds		4,460		37,265	41,725		
Amounts held in custody for others		154,882		9,034	163,916		
Other payables	_	9,618			9,618		
Total Liabilities	_	707,929		796,311	1,504,240		
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES							
Unavailable revenue - property taxes		10,971,060		3,417,252	14,388,312		
Unavailable revenue - fines		263,669		3,417,232	263,669		
Unavailable revenue - accounts receivable		203,007		149,767	149,767		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	_	11,234,729		3,567,019	14,801,748		
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FUND BALANCES							
Fund Balances:							
Nonspendable:							
Advances		29,997	2 107 000		29,997		
Loan receivable			2,187,000		2,187,000		
Restricted for: General government				434,341	434,341		
Public safety				506,668	506,668		
Public works			346	443,240	443,586		
Economic development and assistance			540	1,654	1,654		
Debt service				774,592	774,592		
Unemployment compensation				29,744	29,744		
Unassigned		1,151,644		•	1,151,644		
Total Fund Balances	_	1,181,641	2,187,346	2,190,239	5,559,226		
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$	13,124,299	2,187,346	6,553,569	21,865,214		

Exhibit 3-1

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position September $30,\,2015$

	_	Amount
Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$	5,559,226
Amounts reported for governmental services in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets are used in governmental activities and are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation of \$62,307,524.		63,640,832
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.		
Accounts receivable Fines receivable		149,767 263,669
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current-period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		(20,425,321)
Accrued interest payable is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported in the funds.		(251,659)
Net pension liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		(18,201,828)
Deferred amount on refunding		496,794
Deferred outflows of resources related to pension reported in governmental activities are applicable to future periods and therefore, not reported in the funds.		3,524,679
Internal Service Funds are used by management to charge the costs of insurance to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Funds are included in the governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.		57,946
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$	34,814,105

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds For the Year Ended September $30,\,2015$

	_	Major Funds		-	
	_	General Fund	Ports and Harbors Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES	d.	10 446 770	167	2.010.220	12 457 205
Property taxes Road and bridge privilege taxes	\$	10,446,779	167	3,010,339 722,160	13,457,285 722,160
Licenses, commissions and other revenue		411,823	338,736	96,165	846,724
Fines and forfeitures		236,592	330,730	43,994	280,586
Intergovernmental revenues		1,577,453		5,310,798	6,888,251
Charges for services		440,387		1,141,204	1,581,591
Interest income		15,442		1,141,204	15,564
Miscellaneous revenues		189,875		181,570	371,445
Total Revenues	_	13,318,351	338,903	10,506,352	24,163,606
	_	13,310,331	330,703	10,300,332	24,103,000
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government		6,315,881		803,463	7,119,344
Public safety		5,304,854		3,821,364	9,126,218
Public works				5,260,282	5,260,282
Health and welfare		371,446			371,446
Culture and recreation				7,494	7,494
Education		403,179		220,449	623,628
Conservation of natural resources		203,965			203,965
Economic development and assistance		278,950		135,620	414,570
Debt service:					-
Principal		807,398	165,000	856,696	1,829,094
Interest		201,882	134,050	530,605	866,537
Bond issue costs	_	3,520	2,419	2,940	8,879
Total Expenditures	_	13,891,075	301,469	11,638,913	25,831,457
Excess of Revenues over					
(under) Expenditures	_	(572,724)	37,434	(1,132,561)	(1,667,851)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Long-term capital debt issued		1,200,000		683,960	1,883,960
Proceeds from sale of capital assets		9,292		108,696	117,988
Compensation for loss on capital assets		7,941		15,259	23,200
Transfers in		768,114		1,052,245	1,820,359
Transfers out		(965,105)	(137,438)	(627,816)	(1,730,359)
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	_	1,020,242	(137,438)	1,232,344	2,115,148
Net Changes in Fund Balances		447,518	(100,004)	99,783	447,297
Fund Balances - Beginning, as previously reported		706,385	2,437,508	1,904,536	5,048,429
Prior period adjustment		27,738	(150,158)	185,920	63,500
Fund Balances - Beginning, as restated	_	734,123	2,287,350	2,090,456	5,111,929
Fund Balances - Ending	\$_	1,181,641	2,187,346	2,190,239	5,559,226

Exhibit 4-1

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

	 Amount
Net Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 447,297
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental Funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount that capital outlays of \$4,684,768 and depreciation of \$1,372,244 in the current period.	3,312,524
In the Statement of Activities, only gains and losses from the sale of capital assets are reported, whereas in the Governmental Funds, proceeds from the sale of capital assets increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the cost of the asset sold.	(232,520)
Fine revenue recognized on the modified accrual basis in the funds during the current year is increased because prior year recognition would have been required on the Statement of Activities using the full-accrual basis of accounting.	4,202
Solid waste revenue recognized on the modified accrual basis in the funds during the current year is reduced because prior year recognition would have been required on the Statement of Activities using the full-accrual basis of accounting.	91,582
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount that debt proceeds of \$1,883,924 exceeded debt repayments of \$1,829,094.	(54,830)
Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the Governmental Funds, expenditures are not recognized for transactions that are not normally paid with expendable available financial resources. However, in the Statement of Activities, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are available. In addition, interest on long-term debt is recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when due, rather than as it accrues. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount of the decrease in accrued interest payable.	
Increase in compensated absences Increase in accrued interest payable	(482,934) (57,378)
Some items reported in the Statement of Activities related to the implementation of GASB 68 are not reported in the Governmental Funds. These activities include:	
Recording of pension expense for the year Contributions made during the year	(2,295,806) 1,161,998
An Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the cost of insurance to individual funds. The net revenue (expense) is reported within governmental activities.	 (91,312)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 1,802,823

Exhibit 5

Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Fund September 30, 2015

		Internal Service
ASSETS	-	Fund
Cash	\$	77,949
Total Assets	_	77,949
LIABILITIES		20.002
Claims payable Total Liabilities		20,003 20,003
NET POSITION		
Unrestricted		57,946
Total Net Position	\$ _	57,946

Exhibit 6

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

OPERATING REVENUES Premiums Miscellaneous Total Revenues	Internal Service Fund \$ 1,777,154 5,836 1,782,990
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Claims payments Total Expenditures	1,784,894 1,784,894
Total Operating Income (Loss)	(1,904)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES	
Interest income	592
Total Non-operating Revenues	592
Net income (loss) before transfers	(1,312)
OPERATING TRANSFERS	
Transfers in	10,000
Transfers out	(100,000)
Total Operating Transfers	(90,000)
Change in Net Position	(91,312)
Net Position - Beginning	149,258
Net Position - Ending	\$57,946_

DeSoto County, Mississippi Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2015		Exhibit 7
		Internal Service Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash receipts from premiums	\$	1,777,154
Cash receipts from miscellaneous revenues		5,836
Cash payments for claims		(1,784,894)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		(1,904)
Cash received from other funds:		10.000
Opertaing transfers in		10,000
Cash paid to other funds:		(100.000)
Opertaing transfers out		(100,000)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities		(90,000)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest income on deposits		592
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Investing Activities		592
The Cush Frontied by (Cited For) investing rearriags		372
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(91,312)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning		169,261
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Ending	\$	77,949
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		
Operating income (loss)	\$	(1,904)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash	Ψ	(1,704)
provided by (used for) operating activities:		
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Claims payable		_
Total adjustments		
2 our adjustitions		
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities	\$	(1,904)

Exhibit 8

Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities September 30, 2015

	Agency Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and investments	\$ <u>577,226</u>
Total Assets	577,226
LIABILITIES	
Amounts held in custody for others	494,642
Intergovernmental payables	81,322
Advances from other funds	1,262
Total Liabilities	\$ 577,226

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended September 30, 2015

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Financial Reporting Entity

Adams County, Mississippi (the County) is a political subdivision of the State of Mississippi. The County is governed by an elected five-member Board of Supervisors. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Adams County, Mississippi to present these financial statements on the primary government and its component units which have a significant operational or financial relationship with the County.

State law pertaining to county government provides for the independent election of county officials. The following elected and appointed officials are all part of the County legal entity and therefore are reported as part of the primary government financial statements.

- Board of Supervisors
- Chancery Clerk
- Circuit Clerk
- Justice Court Clerk
- Purchase Clerk
- Tax Assessor
- Tax Collector
- Sheriff

B. Individual Component Unit Disclosures

Blended Component Units

Certain component units, although legally separate from the primary government, are nevertheless so intertwined with the primary government that they are, in substance, the same as the primary government. Therefore, these component units are reported as if they are part of the primary government. The following component unit's balances and transactions are blended with the balances and transactions of the primary government. Adams County has one blended component unit - Adams County Public Improvement Corporation.

Adams County Public Improvement Corporation was incorporated as a nonprofit under Section 31-8-3, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) that allows counties to enter into lease agreements with any corporation. The Corporation's three-member Board of Directors is appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The Corporation produces a financial benefit through its ability to finance the construction of capital facilities for the primary government by obligating funds to repay debt pursuant to a lease agreement.

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Discretely Presented Component Units

The component units' column in the financial statements include the financial data of the following component units of the County. They are reported in a separate column to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County. The majority of the members of the governing bodies of these component units were appointed by the County Board of Supervisors.

The County reports the following discretely presented component units. Complete financial statements for these component units can be obtained through the Adams County Board of Supervisors.

- Adams County Airport Commission
- Natchez-Adams County Port Commission

The Adams County Airport Commission (the Airport) was established by a joint resolution and ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Mississippi, the Mayor and the Board of Alderman of the City of Natchez, Mississippi, pursuant to Section 61-3-5 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated and recompiled. Pursuant to the provisions of the joint resolution and ordinance of May 1998, the Adams County Board of Supervisors created the Adams County Airport Commission. Adams County provides the annual funding for the Airport; therefore, it is treated as a component unit for the County for reporting purposes. The Airport has a year end of September 30.

The Natchez-Adams County Port Commission (the Port) is located along the Mississippi River in the City of Natchez in Adams County, Mississippi. The Port is governed by a Board of Commissioners which are appointed by the Adams County Board of Supervisors. The Port has a year end of September 30.

The beginning net position for the Natchez-Adams County Port Commission differs from the figure used in the prior audit report by \$26,743. This amount is immaterial to the total presentation of component unit financial statements.

Certified public accounting firms other than the primary government's auditor audited the financial statements for each discretely-presented component unit listed above and provided these to the County as the primary government. Financial information may be obtained from the Adams County Chancery Clerk's office at 115 S Wall Street, Natchez, MS 39120.

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C. Basis of Presentation

The County's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities, fund financial statements and accompanying note disclosures which provide a detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information concerning the County as a whole. The statements include all nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are generally financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange revenues. The primary government is reported separate from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the County at year-end. The Government-wide Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the County's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Taxes and other revenues not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the County, with certain limited exceptions. Internal service fund balances have been eliminated against the expenses and program revenue. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements of the County are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. Funds are organized into governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Major individual Governmental Funds

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are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column as Other Governmental Funds.

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The Government-wide, Proprietary Fund and Fiduciary Funds (excluding agency funds) financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic assets used, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Shared revenues are recognized when the provider government recognizes the liability to the County. Grants are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Agency funds have no measurement focus, but use the accrual basis of accounting.

The revenues and expenses of Proprietary Funds are classified as operating or nonoperating. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a Proprietary Fund's primary operations. All other revenues and expenses are reported as nonoperating.

Governmental financial statements are presented using a current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period when they are both measurable and available to finance operations during the year or to liquidate liabilities existing at the end of the year. Available means collected in the current period or within 60 days after year end to liquidate liabilities existing at the end of the year. Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period when the related fund liabilities are incurred. Debt service expenditures and expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recognized only when payment is due. Property taxes, state appropriations and federal awards are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period.

The County reports the following major Governmental Funds:

General Fund- This fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

<u>Ports and Harbors Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for monies from specific revenue sources that are restricted for ports and harbors.

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Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> - These funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

<u>Debt Service Funds</u> - These funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

<u>Capital Project Funds</u> - These funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

<u>Internal Service Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for those operations that provide services to other departments or agencies of the government, or to other governments, on a cost reimbursement basis. The County's internal service fund reports on the self-insurance programs for employee medical benefits.

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

<u>Agency Funds</u> - These funds account for various taxes, deposits and other monies collected or held by the County, acting in the capacity of an agent, for distribution to other governmental units or designated beneficiaries.

E. Account Classifications

The account classifications used in the financial statements conform to the broad classifications recommended in *Governmental Accounting, Auditing and Financial Reporting* as issued in 2012 by the Government Finance Officers Association.

F. Deposits and Investments

State law authorizes the County to invest in interest bearing time certificates of deposit for periods of fourteen days to one year with depositories and in

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obligations of the U.S. Treasury, State of Mississippi, or any county, municipality or school district of this state. Further, the County may invest in certain repurchase agreements.

Cash includes cash on hand, demand deposits, all certificates of deposit and cash equivalents, which are short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to cash (generally three months or less). Investments in governmental securities are stated at fair value. However, the County did not invest in any governmental securities during the fiscal year.

G. Receivables

Receivables are reported net of allowances for uncollectible accounts, where applicable.

H. Interfund Transactions and Balances

Transactions between funds that are representative of short-term lending/borrowing arrangements and transactions that have not resulted in the actual transfer of cash at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "due to/from other funds." Noncurrent portions of interfund receivables and payables are reported as "advances to/from other funds." Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a nonspendable fund balance account in the General Fund, if applicable, to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources. However, this is not applicable to advances reported in other governmental funds, which are reported, by definition, as restricted, committed, or assigned. Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position. Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position.

I. Capital Assets

Capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in Governmental Fund statements and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. All purchased capital assets are stated at historical cost where records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no records exist. Capital assets include significant amounts of infrastructure which have been valued at estimated historical cost. The estimated historical cost was based on replacement cost multiplied by the consumer price index implicit price deflator for the year of acquisition. The extent to which capital assets, other than infrastructure, costs have been estimated and the methods of estimation are not readily available.

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Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of assets or materially extend their respective lives are not capitalized; however, improvements are capitalized. Interest expenditures are not capitalized on capital assets.

Capitalization thresholds (dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts) and estimated useful lives are used to report capital assets in the government-wide statements. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis for all assets, except land. A full year's depreciation expense is taken for all purchases and sales of capital assets during the year. The following schedule details those thresholds and estimated useful lives:

		Capitalization	Estimated
	_	Thresholds	Useful Life
Land	\$	0	n/a
Infrastructure		0	20-50 years
Buildings		50,000	40 years
Improvements other than buildings		25,000	20 years
Mobile equipment		5,000	5-10 years
Furniture and equipment		5,000	3-7 years
Leased property under capital leases		*	*

* Leased property capitalization policy and estimated useful life will correspond with the amounts for the asset classification, as listed above.

J. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

<u>Deferred amount of refunding</u> - For current refunding and advance refunding resulting in defeasance of debt reported by governmental activities, and proprietary funds, the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is reported as a deferred outflow of resources or a deferred inflow of resources and recognized as a component of interest expense in a systematic and rational manner over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter.

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<u>Deferred outflows related to pensions</u> - This amount represents the County's proportionate share of the deferred outflows of resources reported by the pension plan in which the County participates. See Note 15 for additional details.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has deferred inflows as follows:

<u>Deferred revenues - property taxes</u> - Deferred inflows of resources should be reported when resources associated with imposed nonexchange revenue transactions are received or reported as a receivable before the period for which property taxes are levied.

<u>Deferred inflows related to pensions</u> - This amount represents the County's proportionate share of the deferred inflows of resources reported by the pension plan in which the County participates. See Note 15 for additional details.

K. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) and additions to/deductions from PERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

L. Long-term Liabilities

Long-term liabilities are the unmatured principal of bonds, loans, notes or other forms of noncurrent or long-term general obligation indebtness. Long-term liabilities are not limited to liabilities from debt issuances, but may also include liabilities on lease-purchase agreements and other commitments.

M. Equity Classifications

Government-wide Financial Statements:

Equity is classified as Net Position and displayed in three components:

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- Net investment in capital assets Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes or other borrowings attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets.
- 2. Restricted net position Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3. Unrestricted net position All other net position not meeting the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

Net Position Flow Assumption:

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) resources are available, it is the County's general policy to use restricted resources first. When expenses are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the County's general policy to spend committed resources first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund balances for governmental funds are reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Government fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. The following are descriptions of fund classifications used by the County:

Nonspendable fund balance includes items that cannot be spent. This includes amounts that are either not in a spendable form (inventories, prepaid amounts, long-term portion of loans/notes receivable, or property held for resale unless the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties are restricted, committed, or assigned) or amounts that are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact, such as a principal balance of a permanent fund.

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Restricted fund balance includes amounts that have constraints placed upon the use of the resources either by an external party or imposed by law through a constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by a formal action of the Board of Supervisors, the County's highest level of decision making authority. This formal action is an order of the Board of Supervisors as approved in the board minutes. Currently, there is no committed fund balance.

Assigned fund balance includes amounts that are constrained by the County's intent to be used for a specific purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. For governmental funds, other than the General Fund, this is the residual amount within the fund that is not classified as nonspendable and is neither restricted nor committed. Assignments of fund balance are created by the County Administrator pursuant to authorization established by the policy adopted by the County. Currently, there is no assigned fund balance.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. The General Fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

Fund Balance Flow Assumption:

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) resources are available, it is the County's general policy to use restricted resources first. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the County's general policy to spend committed resources first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

N. Property Tax Revenues

Numerous statutes exist under which the Board of Supervisors may levy property taxes. The selection of authorities is made based on the objectives and responsibilities of the County. Restrictions associated with property tax levies vary with the statutory authority. The amount of increase in certain property taxes is limited by state law. Generally, this restriction provides that these tax

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levies shall produce no more than 110% of the amount which resulted from the assessments of the previous year.

The Board of Supervisors, each year at a meeting in September, levies property taxes for the ensuing fiscal year which begins on October 1. Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 of the current year, and personal property taxes become a lien on March 1 of the current year. Taxes on both real and personal property, however, are due on or before February 1 of the next succeeding year. Taxes on motor vehicles and mobile homes become a lien and are due in the month that coincides with the month of original purchase.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require property taxes to be recognized at the levy date if measurable and available. All property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Motor vehicle and mobile home taxes do not meet the measurability and collectibility criteria for property tax recognition because the lien and due date cannot be established until the date of original purchase occurs.

O. Intergovernmental Revenues in Governmental Funds

Intergovernmental revenues, consisting of grants, entitlements and shared revenues, are usually recorded in Governmental Funds when measurable and available. However, the "available" criterion applies for certain federal grants and shared revenues when the expenditure is made because the expenditure is the

prime factor for determining eligibility. Similarly, if cost sharing or matching requirements exist, revenue recognition depends on compliance with these requirements.

P. Compensated absences

The County has adopted a policy of compensation for accumulated unpaid employee personal leave. No payment is authorized for accrued major medical leave. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require accrual of accumulated unpaid employee benefits as long-term liabilities in the government-wide financial statements and Proprietary Funds financial statements. In fund financial statements, Governmental Funds report the compensated absence liability payable only if the payable has matured, for example an employee resigns or retires.

Q. Changes in Accounting Standards

Adams County implemented the following standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in the current fiscal year as required: GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an*

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Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68. As a result, net position as of October 1, 2014, has been restated. The provisions of these standards have been incorporated into the financial statements and notes.

(2) Prior Period Adjustment

A summary of the significant fund equity adjustment(s) is as follows:

Exhibit 2 - Statement of Activities

Explanation		Amount
1. Implementation of GASB 68 & 71:		
Net Pension Liability at 10-01-14	\$	(13,807,531)
Deferred outflows - contributions made during fiscal year 2014		264,190
Total prior period adjustment related to GASB 68 and 71	_	(13,543,341)
2. Correction of capital assets.		1,210,755
3. Correction of property taxes receivable, intergovernmental receivables and accrued interest payable from prior year.		(160,321)
4. See explanation below.		(63,500)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	(12,556,407)

Exhibit 4 - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Fund	Explanation		Amount
General Fund	An adjustment to correct a prior year asset or liability.	\$	27,738
Port and Harbor Fund	An adjustment to correct a prior year asset or liability.		(150,158)
Other Governmental Funds	An adjustment to correct a prior year asset or liability.	_	185,920
	Total Governmental Funds	\$_	63,500

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(3) Deposits and Investments

Primary Government

The carrying amount of the county's total deposits with financial institutions at September 30, 2015, was \$3,649,125, and the bank balance was \$3,952,207. The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the County will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The County does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits above the FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the County.

(4) Interfund Transactions and Balances

The following is a summary of interfund balances at September 30, 2015:

A. Due From/To Other Funds:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	 Amount
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 356,257
Ports and Harbors Fund	General Fund	2
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	79,869
Total		\$ 436,128

The receivable represent the tax revenue collected but not settled until October 2015. All current interfund balances are expected to be repaid within one year from the date of the financial statements.

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B. Advances From/To Other Funds:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	 Amount
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 28,735
General Fund	Agency Fund	1,262
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	4,460
Other Governmental Funds	Other Governmental Funds	8,530
Total		\$ 42,987

Advances to other funds have generally been made to provide cash to funds to help fund operations.

C. Transfers In/Out:

Transfers Out	Transfers In		Amount
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$	055 105
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Ф	955,105
Port and Harbor Fund	General Fund		137,438
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund		530,676
General Fund	Internal Service Fund		10,000
Internal Service Fund	General Fund		100,000
Other Governmental Funds	Other Governmental Funds	_	97,140
Total		\$	1,830,359

The purpose of interfund transfers were to transfer revenues from other governmental funds to individual district road funds.

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(5) Intergovernmental Receivables

Intergovernmental receivables at September 30, 2015 consisted of the following:

Governmental Activities:

Description	_	Amount
Governmental Activities:		
Legislative Tag Credit	\$	196,218
Public Safety Grant		16,250
Health and Welfare Grant		7,178
Public Works Grant		5,400
State Aid Roads		40,172
Emergency Management Grant		350,209
Economic Development Grant		45,490
Total Governmental Activities	\$	660,917

(6) Loans Receivable

Loan receivable balances at September 30, 2015, are as follows:

Description	Date of Loan	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Receivable Balance
Natchez-Adams County Port Commission	November 1997	5.20%	November 2017	\$ 2,187,000

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(7) Capital Assets

The following is a summary of capital assets activity for the year ended September 30, 2015:

Governmental activities:

		Balance				Balance
		Oct. 1, 2014	Additions	Deletions	Adjustments	Sept. 30, 2015
	1					
Non-depreciable capital assets:						
Land	\$	12,453,778				12,453,778
Construction in progress		3,137,581	3,841,849		183,810	7,163,240
Total non-depreciable capital assets	ı	15,591,359	3,841,849	0	183,810	19,617,018
Depreciable capital assets:						
Infrastructure		82,291,818				82,291,818
Buildings		12,646,221			523,026	13,169,247
Improvements other than buildings		1,106,549			260,158	1,366,707
Mobile equipment		5,129,346	158,995	128,809	254,258	5,413,790
Furniture and equipment		2,342,918		284,965		2,057,953
Leased property under capital leases	į	1,531,987	683,924	191,591	7,503	2,031,823
Total depreciable capital assets		105,048,839	842,919	605,365	1,044,945	106,331,338
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Infrastructure		49,676,383	477,864		18,000	50,172,247
Buildings		5,009,435	231,978			5,241,413
Improvements other than buildings		354,108	32,537			386,645
Mobile equipment		3,947,205	346,121	115,927	137,299	4,314,698
Furniture and equipment		1,943,120	54,550	256,918		1,740,752
Leased property under capital leases		359,874	229,194		(137,299)	451,769
Total accumulated depreciation	į	61,290,125	1,372,244	372,845	18,000	62,307,524
Total depreciable capital assets, net	į	43,758,714	(529,325)	232,520	1,026,945	44,023,814
Ttotal capital assets, net	\$	59,350,073	3,312,524	232,520	1,210,755	63,640,832

Adjustments were made to correctly present capital assets.

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Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

		Amount
Governmental Activities:	_	
General government	\$	160,642
Public safety		399,673
Public works		805,315
Conservation of natural resources		6,614
Total depreciation expense	\$ _	1,372,244

(8) Claims and Judgments

Risk Financing

The County finances its exposure to risk of loss related to workers' compensation for injuries to its employees through the Mississippi Public Entity Workers' Compensation Trust, a public entity risk pool. The County pays premiums to the pool for its workers' compensation insurance coverage, and the participation agreement provides that the pool will be self-sustaining through member premiums. The retention for the pool is \$1,000,000 for each accident and completely covers statutory limits set by the Workers' Compensation Commission. Risk of loss is remote for claims exceeding the pool's retention liability. However, the pool also has catastrophic reinsurance coverage for statutory limits above the pool's retention, provided by Safety National Casualty Corporation, effective from

January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016. The pool may make an overall supplemental assessment or declare a refund depending on the loss experience of all the entities it insures.

The County finances its exposure to risk of loss relating to employee health and accident coverage through the Mississippi Public Entity Employee Benefit Trust, a public entity risk pool. The pool is a claims serving organization with the County retaining the risk of loss on all claims to which the County is exposed. Premium payments to the pool are determined on an actuarial basis. The County has reinsurance which functions on two separate stop loss coverages; specific and aggregate. These coverages are purchased from an outside commercial carrier. For the current fiscal year, the specific coverage begins when an individual participant's claim exceeds \$20,000, and the aggregate policy covers all submitted claims in excess of \$55,000. The reinsurance coverage limit is \$1,000,000. Claims expenses and liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNRs).

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The following table provides changes in the balances of claims liabilities for fiscal year 2015 and 2014:

	_	Beginning of Fiscal Year Liability	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claim Payments	Balance at Fiscal Year End
2013-2014	\$	20,003	1,419,876	1,419,876	20,003
2014-2015	\$	20,003	1,786,544	1,786,544	20,003

(9) Capital Leases

As Lessee:

The County is obligated for the following capital assets acquired through capital leases as of September 30, 2015:

Classes of Property	<u></u>	Governmental Activities
Mobile Equipment	\$	2,031,823
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(451,769)
Lease Property under Capital Leases	\$	1,580,054

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due as of September 30, 2015:

Year ending September 30,	Principal		 Interest
	\$	371,742	\$ 30,912
		345,164	23,411
		293,024	16,353
		301,574	10,624
		178,738	3,932
	\$	1,490,242	\$ 85,232

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(10) Long-Term Debt

Debt outstanding as of September 30, 2015, consisted of the following:

			Amount	Interest	Final Maturity
De	scription and Purpose		Outstanding	Rate	Date
		 -			
Go	vernmental Activities:				
A.	General Obligation Bonds:				
	General Obligation Refunding Bond 2012	\$	1,193,274	2.90%	08/2019
	Rentech Property Acquisition		8,640,000	4.50%	06/2033
	Port Improvement		2,975,000	4.50%	07/2028
	Total General Obligation Bonds	\$	12,808,274		
В.	Limited Obligations Bonds:				
	Special Obligation Refunding Bond 2002	\$ _	3,240,000	4.125%	07/2024
C.	Capital Leases:				
	Trucks for district	\$	60,856	2.09%	06/2017
	Road equipment		53,894	2.09%	09/2017
	E-911 equipment		170,398	1.79%	03/2018
	IT upgrade		145,689	1.79%	08/2018
	Sheriff's vehicles		30,124	1.98%	05/2016
	Caterpillar tractor		165,115	2.12%	02/2019
	Ford Expeditions		97,168	2.09%	02/2019
	John Deere Loader		152,500	2.15%	04/2020
	Pot Hole Patcher		48,900	2.28%	06/2020
	E-911 Dispatch System		227,721	2.04%	04/2020
	4 Sheriff's Vehicles - Chevy Tahoe's		126,464	2.28%	02/2020
	John Deere 410K Backhoe		103,900	2.15%	10/2019
	2015 Chevrolet Traverse		19,225	2.44%	05/2020
	Dump truck		88,288	2.15%	09/2019
	Total Capital Leases	\$ _	1,490,242		

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D. Other Loans:

Series 2012 Note - road improvement	\$ 268,000	1.74%	08/2017
Freight rail service projects revolving loan	672,164	0.00%	Unknown
Series 2014 Note - road improvement	1,200,000	1.92%	11/2019
Total Other Loans	\$ 2,140,164		

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the following debt reported in the Statement of Net Position are as follows:

Governmental Activities:

Year Ending	General Obligation Bonds			
September 30,	Principal	Interest		
2016	\$ 770,651	622,319		
2017	803,934	587,140		
2018	837,459	551,418		
2019	881,230	514,994		
2020	585,000	481,594		
2021 - 2025	3,360,000	1,971,513		
2026 - 2030	3,595,000	1,131,612		
2031 - 2033	1,975,000	241,950		
Total	\$ 12,808,274	6,102,540		

Year Ending	Limited Obligation Bonds			
September 30,	Principal	Interest		
2016	\$ 655,000	162,000		
2017	695,000	129,250		
2018	725,000	94,500		
2019	455,000	58,250		
2020	125,000	35,500		
2021 - 2024	585,000	74,750		
Total	\$ 3,240,000	554,250		

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Year Ending		Other Loans		
September 30,	٠	Principal	Interest	
2016	\$	363,796	27,703	
2017		370,301	20,958	
2018		239,933	14,091	
2019		244,604	9,484	
2020		249,366	4,788	
Unknown		672,164		
Total	\$	2,140,164	77,024	

<u>Legal Debt Margin</u> - The amount of debt, excluding specific exempted debt that can be incurred by the County is limited by state statute. Total outstanding debt during a year can be no greater than 15% of assessed value of the taxable property within the County, according to the then last completed assessment for taxation. However, the limitation is increased to 20% whenever a county issues bonds to repair or replace washed out or collapsed bridges on the public roads of the County. As of September 30, 2015, the amount of outstanding debt was equal to 5.45% of the latest property assessments.

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and obligations for the year ended September 30, 2015:

		Balance			Balance	Amount due within
		Oct. 1, 2014	Additions	Reductions	Sept. 30, 2015	one year
Governmental Activities:	٠					
	Φ.	10 770 071		5.10 <00	12 000 251	77 0 47 4
General obligation bonds	\$	13,550,874		742,600	12,808,274	770,651
Limited obligations bonds		3,860,000		620,000	3,240,000	655,000
Capital leases		1,142,812	683,924	336,494	1,490,242	371,742
Other loans	_	1,070,164	1,200,000	130,000	2,140,164	363,796
Total		19,623,850	1,883,924	1,829,094	19,678,680	2,161,189
Compensated absences		263,707	482,934		746,641	
•	•					
Total	\$	19,887,557	2,366,858	1,829,094	20,425,321	2,161,189
Deferred amount						
on refunding		496,794			496,794	
<u>-</u>						

^{*} Beginning balance doesn't agree with prior year due to the removal of the deferred amount on refunded bond from the long term liabilities.

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Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries were paid, which are generally the General Fund, District Funds, Road Maintenance Fund and Enterprise Fund.

(11) Deficit Fund Balances of Individual Funds

The following funds reported deficits in fund balance and net position at September 30, 2015:

Fund	D	eficit Amount
Southwest Miss AOP Wilkinson Fund	\$	7,954
Adolescent Opportunity Fund		40,617
Southwest Miss AOP Fund		7,805
Families First Resource Grant Fund		9,380
Waste Collection and Disposal Fund		55,809
Alternatives to Detention Grant Fund		28,936
Shelter Project Fund		240,509
MDA CDBG DHS Roof Replacement		540

(12) Contingencies

<u>Federal Grants</u> - The County has received federal grants for specific purposes that are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Entitlements to these resources are generally conditional upon compliance with the terms and conditions of grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, including the expenditure of resources for allowable purposes. Any disallowance resulting from a grantor audit may become a liability of the County. No provision for any liability that may result has been recognized in the County's financial statements.

<u>Litigation</u> - The County is party to legal proceedings, many of which occur in the normal course of governmental operations. It is not possible at the present time to estimate ultimate outcome or liability, if any, of the County with respect to the various proceedings. However, the County's legal counsel believes that ultimate liability resulting from these lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the County.

<u>Airport Revenue Note Contingencies</u> - The County issues revenue notes to provide funds for constructing and improving capital facilities of the Adams County Airport. The revenue notes are reported as a liability of the Airport because such debt is payable primarily from

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the Airport's operations. However, the County remains contigently liable for the retirement of these bonds because the full faith, credit and taxing power of the County are secondarily pledged in case of default by the Airport. The principal amount of Airport revenue notes outstanding at September 30, 2015 is \$19,225.

(13) Jointly Governed Organizations

The county participates in the following jointly governed organizations:

Copiah-Lincoln Community College operates in a district composed of the counties of Adams, Copiah, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, lincoln and Simpson. The Adams County Board of Supervisors appoints five of the 27 members of the College Board of Trustees. The County appropriated \$785,373 for maintenance and support of the College in fiscal year 2015.

Southwest Mississippi Planning and Development District operates in a district composed of the counties of Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, Walthall and Wilkinson. The Adams County Board of Supervisors appoints four of the 40 members of the Board of Directors. The County appropriated \$71,865 for the support of the District in fiscal year 2015.

Southwest Mississippi Mental Health Complex operates in a district composed of the counties of Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, Walthall and Wilkinson. The Adams County Board of Supervisors appoints one of the ten members of the Board of Commissioners. The County contributes a small part of the entity's total revenues. The County appropriated \$77,143 for support of the Complex in fiscal year 2015.

Southwest Mississippi Development Corporation operates in a district composed of the counties of Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, Walthall and Wilkinson. The entity is governed by ten members appointed by each county's lead industrial foundation or Chamber of Commerce. If no industrial foundation or Chamber of Commerce is present, the member is appointed by the County's Board of Supervisors. The member counties provide only modest financial support for the entity. The County appropriated \$21,132 for support of the Corporation in fiscal year 2015.

(14) Defined Benefit Pension Plan

General Information about the Pension Plan

<u>Plan Description</u>. The County contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by state law

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and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That information may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201-1005 or by calling 1-800-444-PERS.

Benefits provided. Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees of the public school districts. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved, membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring. Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. Benefits vest upon completion of eight years of membership service (four years of membership service for those who became members of

PERS before July 1, 2007). PERS also provides certain death and disability benefits. A Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.0 percent of the annual retirement allowance for each full fiscal year of retirement up to the year in which the retired member reaches age 60 (55 for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), with 3.0 percent compounded for each fiscal year thereafter. Plan provisions are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Contributions. At September 30, 2015, PERS members were required to contribute 9% of their annual covered salary, and the County is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate at September 30, 2015 was 15.75% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members and employers are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The County's contributions (employer share only) to PERS for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013 were \$1,161,998, \$1,088,398, and \$974,015, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At September 30, 2015, the County reported a liability of \$18,201,828 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net

pension liability was based on a projection of the County's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2015, the County's proportion was .117751 percent, which was an increase of .0039980 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended September 30, 2015, the County recognized pension expense of \$2,295,806. At September 30, 2015 the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	_	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	280,117
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		1,065,002
Change of assumptions		1,568,025
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and proportionate share of contributions		343,981
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	_	267,554
Total	\$_	3,524,679

\$267,554 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

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Year ending June 30:

2017	\$ 1,072,178
2018	1,072,178
2019	846,518
2020	 266,251
Total	\$ 3,257,125

<u>Actuarial assumptions</u>. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 3.0 percent

Salary increases 3.75 - 19.00 percent, including inflation

Investment rate of return 7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense,

including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table Projected with Scale BB to 2016, with males rates set forward one year.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014. The experience report is dated May 4, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

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Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Broad	34%	5.20%
International Equity	19%	5.00%
Emerging Markets Equity	8%	5.45%
Fixed Income	20%	0.25%
Real Assets	10%	4.00%
Private Equity	8%	6.15%
Cash	1%	-0.50%
Total	100%	_

<u>Discount rate</u>. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent, a decrease of 0.25 percentage points since the prior measurement date. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate (15.75%). Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

			Current	
	_	1% Decrease (6.75%)	Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	23,991,677	\$ 18,201,828	\$ 13,397,336

<u>Pension plan fiduciary net position</u>. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial report.

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(15) Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$15,021,987) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from a deferred outflow from pensions. The \$3,524,679 balance of deferred outflow of resources at September 30, 2015 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The net investment in capital assets net position amount of \$45,652,220 includes the effect of deferring the recognition expenses resulting from a deferred outflow on refunding of County debt. The \$496,794, balance of the deferred outflow of resources at September 30, 2015 will be recognized as an expense and decrease the net investment in capital assets net position. This will be proportionately expended beginning in the 2016 fiscal year and will continue through the end of the refunded debt, which is fiscal year 2024.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$15,021,987) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from property taxes that belong to a future period. The balance of the deferred inflow of resources at September 30, 2015 was \$14,388,312.

(16) Subsequent Events

Events that occur after the Statement of Net Position date but before the financial statements are available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the statement of net position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the Statement of Net Position

date require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management of Adams County evaluated the activity of the County, through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that the following subsequent events have occurred requiring disclosure in the notes to the financial statements:

- 1. On November 2, 2015, the County approved a lease purchase of a John Deere 670G motor grader for \$217,900. The County approved financing the equipment through Bancorp South for five years at 2.24% interest rate.
- 2. On February 1, 2016, the County approved a loan for a fire engine for \$524,000. The County approved financing the equipment through Concordia Bank for eight years at 2.49% interest rate.
- 3. On March 28, 2016, the County approved a General Obligation Refunding Bonds for \$2,620,000 at an interest rate of 2.00% for eight years.

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4. On April 18, 2016, the County approved a lease purchase of a wheel loader and backhoe loader for \$161,067 and \$106,900. The County approved financing the equipment through Bancorp South for eight years.

Component Unit Adams County Airport Commission

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ADAMS COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Adams County Airport Commission (the Airport or the Commission) was established by a joint resolution and ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Mississippi, and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Natchez, Mississippi, pursuant to Section 61-3-5 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated and recompiled. The original resolution expired on December 15, 1988, and was renewed for 20 more years ending on December 15, 2008. By joint resolution and ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Mississippi, and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Natchez, Mississippi, and adopted by the Board of Supervisors on May 6, 1998, and by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Natchez on May 7, 1998, the said resolution and ordinance adopted in 1988 was rescinded and the Natchez-Adams County Airport Commission dissolved. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 2 of the joint resolution and ordinance of May 1998, the Adams County Board of Supervisors created the Adams County Airport Commission.

The financial statements of the Commission have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Commission applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Commission does not apply FASB pronouncements or APB opinions issued after November 30, 1989.

A. Reporting Entity

Adams County provides the annual funding for the Airport; therefore, it is treated as a component unit of the County for reporting purposes.

B. Fund Accounting

Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The Commission is classified and reported as an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing

body has decided that the periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Enterprise fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Non-operating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Commission's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

C. Basis of Accounting

All enterprise funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. Fund equity is segregated into investment in capital assets and restricted and unrestricted components for enterprise funds. Enterprise operating statements present increases and decreases in net total position. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by enterprise funds. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred.

D. Cash and Investments

The Commission deposits excess funds in the financial institution selected by the Airport in accordance with state statutes.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Commission considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

E. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists primarily of amounts due for fuel purchases and hangar rent. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on identification of specific accounts that are deemed uncollectible. There was no allowance at September 30, 2015.

F. Prepaid Items

Payments for services that will benefit periods beyond September 30, 2015, are recorded as prepaid items.

G. Capital Assets

Enterprise funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus, and all assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) associated with their activities are included on their statement of net position.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets used by enterprise funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	15-55 Years
Improvements other than buildings:	
Original construction of runways, taxiways, etc.	80 Years
Reconstruction (overlays, etc.)	15-40 Years
Machinery and equipment	5-15 Years
Vehicles	5 Years
Office furniture and equipment	5-12 Years
Other fixed assets	8-10 Years

As noted previously, depreciation on all exhaustible capital assets, whether acquired with its own funds or through contributions in aid of construction, is reflected in the Commission's statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. All capital assets are stated at historical cost. Donated capital assets are stated at their estimated fair market value on the date donated.

H. Intangible Assets

Amortization of air space easements and the related cost of clearing the easement area are charged as an expense against the Commission's operations using an 80-year amortization period, which is the same period of time over which the runway for which the easement was obtained is being depreciated.

Under the terms of the easement agreements, the easements will terminate when the runway, for which the easements were obtained, is abandoned or ceases to be used for public airport purposes.

I. Inventories

Inventories on hand represent aviation fuel and lubricants (motor oil). Inventories of aviation fuel are maintained in above ground tanks. Both items are stated at cost using the first-in, first-out method.

Inventories of minor supplies used for airport operations are expensed or recognized as an expense at the time of purchase.

J. Net Position

The Commission's net position is divided into the following categories: net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted. Net investment in capital assets consist of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Restricted net assets are those that have constraints placed on them either externally, such as by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Unrestricted net assets are those net assets that do not meet the above definitions and are considered available for general operations.

K. Accumulated Compensated Absences

The Commission has adopted a policy regarding payment for unused personal leave. All full-time employees of the Commission are entitled to leave with pay. The employees are generally allowed to accumulate leave of a certain number of days per year, depending on length of service and employment status. Employees can accumulate leave, but no employee can be paid for more than 45 days of leave upon termination.

L. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 – CASH AND OTHER DEPOSITS

The collateral for a public entity's deposits in financial institutions is now held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The carrying amount of the Commission's deposits with financial institutions at September 30, 2015, was \$214,790, and the bank balance was \$250,058.

NOTE 3 – CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of capital assets as of September 30, 2015:

	Balance <u>9/30/14</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance 9/30/15
Capital assets not being depreciated: Land Construction in progress	\$ 268,655	\$ - <u>96,353</u> 96,353	\$ - - -	\$ 268,655 96,353 365,008
Other capital assets: Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment Vehicles Office furniture and equipment Other capital assets	1,351,410 11,477,686 78,986 351,507 11,404 2,843 13,273,836	24,429 - 24,429 - 24,429	- - - - -	1,351,410 11,477,686 78,986 375,936 11,404 2,843 13,298,265
Less accumulated depreciation on other capital assets: Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment Vehicles Office furniture and equipment Other capital assets Total accumulated depreciation	(717,469) (7,397,381) (74,976) (159,784) (11,403) (2,843) (8,363,856)	(11,011) (257,214) (1,376) (8,712) (1) ——————————————————————————————————	- - - - -	(728,480) (7,654,595) (76,352) (168,496) (11,404) (2,843) (8,642,170)
Other capital assets, net Capital assets, net	4,909,980 \$ 5,178,635	(253,885) \$ (157,532)	<u> </u>	<u>4,656,095</u> \$ 5,021,103

NOTE 4 – INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The following is a summary of the changes in intangible assets for the year ended September 30, 2015:

	Balance <u>9/30/14</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>9/30/15</u>
Clearing and airspace easements Accumulated amortization	\$ 161,643 (58,465)	\$ - (2,021)	\$ - -	\$ 161,643 (60,486)
	<u>\$ 103,178</u>	<u>\$ (2,021)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 101,157</u>

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The Commission entered into a loan agreement with the Mississippi Development Authority on June 1, 2005, to provide funding in the amount of \$53,600 at an interest rate of 3% for completion of a new hangar. Payments of \$6,284 are due annually, with the final payment made on June 1, 2015.

In June, 2015, the Commission entered into an agreement with the primary government for the purchase of a new vehicle. The County added the vehicle to its existing fleet lease with the provision that the Commission makes the annual lease payment of \$4,125.93, with interest at 2.44%. The Commission is also reporting the asset.

Long-term obligation activity for the year ended September 30, 2015, is as follows:

	9/30/14		9/30/15	Due Within
	Balance	Additions Redu	actions Balance	One Year
Notes payable	\$ 6,100	\$ 24,439 \$ (1	\$19,225	\$ 3,692

The total interest incurred for the year ended September 30, 2015, was \$233, which was charged to expense. As of September 30, 2015, annual debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2016	\$ 3,692	\$ 434
2017	3,743	383
2018	3,835	291
2019	3,930	196
2020	4,025	99
Total requirements	<u>\$ 19,225</u>	<u>\$ 1,403</u>

NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

The Commission contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by state law and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That information may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201-1005, or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Funding Policy

PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary and the Airport is required to contribute at an actuarially-determined rate. The current rate is 15.75% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The Commission's contributions to PERS for the years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, were \$29,369, \$30,079 and \$28,456, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to PERS

At September 30, 2015, the Commission reported a liability of \$477,498 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The PERS net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total PERS pension liability used to calculate the PERS net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Commission's proportion of the PERS net pension liability was based on a projection of the Commission's long-term share of contributions to the PERS pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2015, the Commission's proportion was 0.003089 percent, which was an increase of 0.000022 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended September 30, 2015, the Commission recognized pension expense related to PERS of \$10,896. At September 30, 2015, the Commission reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		Deferred Outflows of Resources	In	Deferred iflows of esources
Net difference between projected and actual results on plan investments	\$	27,939	\$	
Difference between expected and actual experience	φ	7,348	Ф	-
Changes in assumptions		44,450		57,490
Changes in proportion and differences between Commission contributions and proportionate share of contributions		2,670		-
Commission contributions subsequent to the measurement date		6,165		<u>-</u>
	\$	88,572	\$	57,490

The \$6,165; of deferred outflows of resources resulting from the Commission's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending September 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Deferred Outflows/(Deferred Inflow) Aging:	
Year ended September	
2016	\$ 6,277
2017	6,277
2018	6,322
2019	6,041
	\$ 24,917

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.00 percent
Salary increases	3.75-19.00 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of Plan investment
	expense, including inflation

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the four year period ending June 30, 2014. As a result of the experience report which is dated May 4, 2015, the Board of Trustees adopted changes in assumptions for PERS since the last Measurement Date.

In 2015 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015. In 2015, the expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015. Withdrawal rates, preretirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2015, assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience. Finally, the price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.50% to 3.00% and 8.00% to 7.75%, respectively.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term
		Expected
	Target	Real Rate
Asset Class	Allocation	of Return
US Broad	34.00%	5.20 %
International Equity	19.00%	5.00 %
Emerging Markets Equity	8.00%	5.45 %
Fixed Income	20.00%	0.25 %
Real Assets	10.00%	4.00 %
Private Equity	8.00%	6.15 %
Cash	1.00%	(0.50)%
Total	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate (15.75%). Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Commission's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability of PERS based on the June 30, 2015, actuarial valuations, calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.75 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	Commission's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
1.00% decrease (6.75%)	\$ 629,397
Current discount rate (7.75%)	477,498
1.00% increase (8.75%)	351,460

Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi's financial report.

NOTE 7 – COMMITMENTS

The Commission has entered into various contracts that were not complete as of September 30, 2015. All projects are being financed primarily from grant funds.

NOTE 8 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

One Commissioner is a member of Fly, LLC, which rents a hangar at the standard rate and purchases fuel from the Commission at the normal sales price. Hangar rent paid by Fly, LLC for the year ended September 30, 2015, was \$2,220. There was a receivable from Fly, LLC at September 30, 2015 for \$474 for August and September fuel purchases.

Another Commissioner is a member of Tate Hobdy Air, which rents a hangar at the standard rate and purchases fuel from the Commission at the normal sales price. Hangar rent paid by Tate Hobdy Air for the year ended September 30, 2015, was \$2,220. There was a receivable from Tate Hobdy Air at September 30, 2015 for \$406 for August and September fuel purchases.

NOTE 9 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Commission is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omission; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Commission carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 10 – ADAMS COUNTY ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE RELATED TO AIRPORT

As previously discussed, the Commission is treated as a component unit of Adams County for reporting purposes. Component units have significant operational or financial relationships with the County. Other funds related to the Commission are accounted for in the records of Adams County, Mississippi, by the Chancery Clerk. See the audit of Adams County, Mississippi, for disclosure of these items.

NOTE 11 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The Commission has restated its prior year net position for the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, as amended by GASB Statement No. 71.

The following summarizes the prior period adjustments referred to above.

Balance, September 30, 2014, as previously reported	\$	5,516,323
Prior period adjustment for: Net pension liability		(477,498)
Deferred outflows $-$ FY 2014 contributions made subsequent to the Plan's measurement date of June 30, 2014	_	41,978
Balance, September 30, 2014, as restated	<u>\$</u>	5,080,803
Total decrease in business-type activities net position	\$	435,520

Component Unit Natchez-Adams County Port Commission

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

NATCHEZ-ADAMS COUNTY PORT COMMISSION

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Natchez-Adams County Port Commission have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Port applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Port does not apply FASB pronouncements or APB opinions issued after November 30, 1989.

A. Reporting Entity

The Natchez-Adams County Port Commission is part of the financial reporting entity of Adams County, Mississippi. As such, it is accounted for as a component unit. The Natchez-Adams County Port Commission has its own Board of Commissioners, which is appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Adams County.

B. Fund Accounting

The accounts of Adams County are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The Natchez-Adams County Port Commission is classified as a proprietary fund.

Proprietary funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Commission's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

C. Basis of Accounting

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Operating income reported in proprietary fund financial statements includes revenues and expenses related to the primary, continuing operations of the fund. Principal operating revenues are charges to customers for sales or services. Principal operating expenses are the costs of providing goods or services and include administrative expenses and depreciation of capital assets. Other revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating in the financial statements.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash consists of amounts on deposit with a financial institution in both interest-bearing and non-interest-bearing accounts. Cash and cash equivalents are valued at cost.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Natchez-Adams County Port Commission considers all highly liquid investments and certificates of deposit to be cash equivalents if they have a maturity of six months or less when acquired.

E. Accounts Receivable

Most receivables for the Port are classified as trade receivables and arise from transactions with customers for use of the Port facilities. All receivables are deemed by management to be collectible.

F. Investments

The Port is allowed, by statute, to invest excess funds in any bonds or other direct obligations of the United States of America or the State of Mississippi, or of any county or municipality of this state, when such county or municipal bonds have been properly approved; or in interest-bearing time certificates of deposit with any financial institution approved for the deposit of state funds.

G. Prepaid Items

Payments made for services that will benefit periods beyond September 30, 2015, are recorded as prepaid items.

H. Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost, or estimated historical cost for assets acquired prior to September 30, 1990, which were transferred from the general fixed asset account group of Adams County.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

Depreciation is charged to operations of proprietary funds over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings and improvements

Bulk loading facility

Equipment

Office furniture and equipment

Vehicles

10 to 40 years

40 years

5 to 15 years

5 to 15 years

5 years

I. Net Position

Net position is divided into the following categories: net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted. Net investment in capital assets consists of all capital assets, both restricted and unrestricted, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Restricted net positions are those that have constraints placed on them either externally, such as by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Natchez-Adams County Port Commission does not have a net position in this category. Unrestricted net positions are those net differences that do not meet the above definitions and are considered available for general operations.

J. Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Port to concentrations of credit risk, consist of billed accounts and unbilled costs. The Port operates and grants credit to customers across the country. The Port conducts ongoing credit evaluation of customers to limit the Port's credit risk to a minimal level. Accounts receivable derived from storage and shipping operations are not collateralized. Historically, the Port has not incurred any significant credit related losses.

NOTE 2 – CASH, OTHER DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS

The collateral for public entity deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The carrying amount of the Port's total deposits with financial institutions at September 30, 2015, was \$213,259, and the bank balance was \$188,803, the difference being primarily attributable to items in transit at year end.

NOTE 3 – CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2015, was as follows:

	Balance <u>10/01/14</u>	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>09/30/15</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 40,697	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,697
Construction in Progress	_	170,100	<u>-</u> _	170,100
Total assets not being depreciated	40,697	170,100	-	210,797
Other capital assets:				
Buildings	4,221,221	604,693	-	4,825,914
Bulk loading facility	4,098,442	-	-	4,098,442
Equipment	4,341,454	123,097	-	4,464,551
Office furniture and equipment	18,131	-	-	18,131
Vehicles	28,010			28,010
Total other capital assets	12,707,258	727,790	-	13,435,048
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	2,469,365	60,415	-	2,529,780
Bulk loading facility	1,597,838	164,228	-	1,762,066
Equipment	1,863,571	223,861	-	2,087,432
Office furniture and equipment	13,048	813	-	13,861
Vehicles	28,010	_	<u>-</u>	28,010
Total accumulated depreciation	5,971,832	449,317	_	6,421,149
Other capital assets, net	6,735,426	278,473	_	7,013,899
Proprietary fund capital assets, net	<u>\$ 6,776,123</u>	\$ 448,573	<u>\$</u>	\$ 7,224,696

NOTE 3 – CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION (continued)

Depreciation expense of \$449,317 was charged to the proprietary fund for the year ended September 30, 2015.

NOTE 4 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

As discussed in Note 5 with respect to the Mississippi Development Bank special obligation bonds, the Port has a commitment to repay the bonds if revenues are available. In years where revenues are unavailable, Adams County, Mississippi (the County) repays the bonds. The Port then has the liability to repay the County. In the year ended September 30, 2015, the Port transferred \$100,000 to the County to assist in defraying the principal and interest payments on these bonds. Adams County, Mississippi reports a corresponding receivable.

In January 2011, a special meeting was called by the Adams County Board of Supervisors during which the Board of Supervisors entered into a Memorandum of Understanding agreeing to issue Bonds in the amount of Four Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$4,500,000) Dollars for improvements to the Adams County Port, which are necessary to serve Corporation X-Project Renew. This resulted in an adopted resolution confirming the Port Commission's commitment of One Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$1,500,000) Dollars for the aforementioned Project Renew for improvements at the Adams County Port.

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM DEBT

On November 1, 1997, Adams County entered into a loan agreement with Mississippi Development Bank for the issuance of special obligation bonds to benefit the Port. The total amount received was \$3,000,000. The debt is to be repaid with revenues of the Port Commission, provided funds are available; therefore, a loan payable, maturing November 2017, to Adams County has been recorded. The loan is unsecured.

2,187,000 2,187,000 (225,000)

Less current portion

\$ 1,962,000

Annual debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

<u>Years</u>	Principal]	<u>Interest</u>
2016	\$ 225,000	\$	31,245
2017	240,000		19,240
2018	 1,722,000		347,782
	\$ 2,187,000	\$	398,267

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Long-term debt liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2015, was as follows:

	Balance <u>10/1/14</u>	Reductions	Additions	Balance <u>9/30/15</u>
Loans payable	\$ 2,287,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 2,187,000

NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

The Commission contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by state law and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That information may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201-1005, or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Funding Policy

PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary and the Commission is required to contribute at an actuarially-determined rate. The current rate is 15.75% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The Commission's contributions to PERS for the years ended September 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, were \$120,456, \$87,802 and \$64,368, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to PERS

At September 30, 2015, the Commission reported a liability of \$1,851,253 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The PERS net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total PERS pension liability used to calculate the PERS net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Commission's proportion of the PERS net pension liability was based on a projection of the Commission's long-term share of contributions to the PERS pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2015, the Commission's proportion was 0.011976 percent, which was an increase of 0.002863 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended September 30, 2015, the Commission recognized pension expense related to PERS of \$360,960. At September 30, 2015, the Commission reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
		of Resources	of Resources
Difference between expected and actual results	\$	28,489	-
Changes in assumptions		158,479	-
Net difference between projected and actual			
earnings on Plan Investments		108,318	120,258
Changes in proportion and differences between Commission			
contributions and proportionate share of contributions		402,092	-
Commission contributions subsequent to the measurement da	te	31,760	
Total	\$	729,138	120,258

The \$31,760 of deferred outflows of resources resulting from the Commission's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending September 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Deferred Outflows/(Deferred Inflow) Aging:		
Year ended September		
2016	\$	205,914
2017		168,360
2018		130,807
2019	_	72,039
	\$	577,120

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation
Salary increases
3.00 percent
3.75-19.00 percent, including inflation
7.75 percent, net of Plan investment
expense, including inflation

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the four year period ending June 30, 2014. As a result of the experience report which is dated May 4, 2015, the Board of Trustees adopted changes in assumptions for PERS since the last Measurement Date.

In 2015 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015. In 2015, the expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015. Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2015, assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience. Finally, the price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.50% to 3.00% and 8.00% to 7.75%, respectively.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term
		Expected
	Target	Real Rate
Asset Class	Allocation	of Return
US Broad	34.00%	5.20 %
International Equity	19.00%	5.00 %
Emerging Markets Equity	8.00%	5.45 %
Fixed Income	20.00%	0.25 %
Real Assets	10.00%	4.00 %
Private Equity	8.00%	6.15 %
Cash	1.00%	(0.50)%
Total	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate (15.75%). Based on those

assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members.

Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Commission's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability of PERS based on the June 30, 2015, actuarial valuations, calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.75 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	Commission's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability
1.00% decrease (6.75%)	\$ 2,440,122
Current discount rate (7.75%)	1,851,253
1.00% increase (8.75%)	1,362,603

Plan Fiduciary Net Position. Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi's financial report.

NOTE 7 – ADAMS COUNTY ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCE RELATED TO PORT

The Port was established by Adams County, Mississippi in the late 1950s to utilize the natural assets of the County and enhance industrial growth and employment opportunities. The County has supported the Port over the years through bond issues, tax levies and EDA grants administered by the County. All of these monies were received, disbursed and accounted for in the records of Adams County, Mississippi maintained by the Chancery Clerk of the County. See the audit of Adams County, Mississippi for disclosure of these items.

NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Port is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Port carries commercial insurance for these risks. There were no claims resulting from these insured risks in the current fiscal year.

NOTE 9 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The Commission has restated its prior year net position for the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, as amended by GASB Statement No. 71.

The following summarizes the prior period adjustments referred to above.

Balance, September 30, 2014, as previously reported	\$	5,139,362
Prior period adjustment for: Net pension liability		(1,106,151)
Deferred outflows, including FY 2014 contributions made subsequent to the Plan's measurement date of June 30, 2014		104,192
Balance, September 30, 2014, as restated	<u>\$</u>	4,137,403
Total decrease in business-type activities net position	<u>\$</u>	1,001,959

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Budgetary Comparison Schedule -Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis) General Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

				Actual	Variance with
		Original	Final	(Budgetary	Final Budget
	_	Budget	Budget	Basis)	Over (Under)
Revenues					
Property taxes	\$	10,445,119	10,445,119	10,445,119	-
Licenses, commissions and other revenue		410,958	410,958	410,958	-
Fines and forfeitures		233,939	233,939	233,939	-
Intergovernmental revenues		1,868,910	1,868,910	1,868,910	-
Charges for services		440,387	440,387	440,387	-
Interest income		15,576	15,576	15,576	-
Miscellaneous revenues	_	190,220	190,220	189,895	(325)
Total Revenues	_	13,605,109	13,605,109	13,604,784	(325)
Expenditures					
General government		6,361,744	6,361,744	6,361,745	(1)
Public safety		5,453,101	5,453,101	5,453,101	-
Health and welfare		376,299	376,299	376,300	(1)
Education		403,178	403,178	403,179	(1)
Conservation of natural resources		261,109	261,109	261,110	(1)
Economic development and assistance		282,950	282,950	282,950	-
Debt service		817,909	817,909	817,909	-
Total Expenditures	-	13,956,290	13,956,290	13,956,294	(4)
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	_	(351,181)	(351,181)	(351,510)	(329)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Other financing sources		975,185	975,185	1,994,640	(1,019,455)
Other financing uses		(423,489)	(423,489)	(965,105)	541,616
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	551,696	551,696	1,029,535	(477,839)
Net Change in Fund Balance	_	200,515	200,515	678,025	(477,510)
Fund Balances - Beginning	_	642,278	642,278	576,457	65,821
Fund Balances - Ending	\$_	842,793	842,793	1,254,482	(411,689)

The accompanying notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Budgetary Comparison Schedule -Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis) Port and Harbors Fund For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

	 Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Over (Under)
Revenues	 	_		
Property taxes	\$ -	171	171	-
Licenses, commissions and other revenue	 339,276	338,736	338,736	
Total Revenues	339,276	338,907	338,907	
Expenditures				
Public works	-	301,468	-	301,468
Debt service:				
Principal	308,719		301,468	(301,468)
Total Expenditures	308,719	301,468	301,468	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	 30,557	37,439	37,439	
Net Change in Fund Balances	 30,557	37,439	37,439	
Fund Balances - Beginning	 30,557	37,439	37,439	
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 61,114	74,878	74,878	

The accompanying notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability PERS

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	2015
County's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 18,201,828
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	0.117751%
County's covered - employee payroll	7,377,765
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	
(asset) as a percentage of its covered - employee	
payroll	246.71%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total	
pension liability	61.70%

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE 9/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

^{*} The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of 6/30 of the year presented.

Schedule of County Contributions PERS Last 10 Fiscal Years*

		2015
Contractually required contribution	\$	1,161,998
Contributions in relation to the contractually		
required contribution		1,161,998
	_	
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ =	
County's covered - employee payroll	\$ =	7,377,765

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE 9/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the year ended September 30, 2015

Budgetary Comparison Schedules

A. Budgetary Information.

Statutory requirements dictate how and when the County's budget is to be prepared. Generally, in the month of August, prior to the ensuing fiscal year beginning each October 1, the Board of Supervisors of the County, using historical and anticipated fiscal data and proposed budgets submitted by the Sheriff and the Tax Assessor-Collector for his or her respective department, prepares an original budget for each of the Governmental Funds for said fiscal year. The completed budget for the fiscal year includes for each fund every source of revenue, each general item of expenditure, and the unencumbered cash and investment balances. When during the fiscal year it appears to the Board of Supervisors that budgetary estimates will not be met, it may make revisions to the budget.

The County's budget is prepared principally on the cash basis of accounting. All appropriations lapse at year end, and there are no encumbrances to budget because state law does not require that funds be available when goods or services are ordered, only when payment is made.

B. Basis of Presentation.

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis) presents the original legally adopted budget, the final legally adopted budget, actual amounts on a budgetary (Non-GAAP basis) and variances between the final budget and the actual amounts. The schedule is presented for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis) is a part of required supplementary information.

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation.

The major differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis are:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).
- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

The following schedule reconciles the budgetary basis schedules to the GAAP basis financial statements for the General Fund and each major fund:

	Governmental Funds					
	General Fund	Ports and Harbors Fund				
Budget (Cash Basis)	\$ 678,025	37,439				
Increase (Decrease)						
Net adjustments for revenue accruals	(295,727)	(4)				
Net adjustments for expenditure accruals	65,220	(137,439)				
GAAP Basis	\$ 447,518	(100,004)				

2) Pension Schedules

A. Change of Benefit Terms

None

B. Change of Assumptions

In 2015 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015. In 2015, the expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015. Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2015, assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience. Finally, the price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.5% to 3% and 8% to 7.75%, respectively.

Component Unit Natchez-Adams County Port Commission

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

NATCHEZ-ADAMS COUNTY PORT COMMISSION

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY & RELATED RATIOS - PERS LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS *

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Commission'sproportionate share of the collective net pension liability	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$ 1,851,253
Commission'sproportion of the collective net pension liability	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.011976%
Commission'scovered employee payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$ 764,800
Commission'sproportionate share of the collective net pension liability as a percentage of the Commission's covered payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	242.06%
PERS' fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	61.70%

^{*} Information is unavailable for years prior to the Commission's implementation of GASB 68 in fiscal year 2015. The amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date of June 30 of the fiscal year presented.

NATCHEZ-ADAMS COUNTY PORT COMMISSION

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS - PERS LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS *

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>		<u>2015</u>
Actuarially determined employee contribution	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$	120,456
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contributions	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		120,456
Annual contribution deficiency (excess)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	<u>\$</u>	
Commission's covered-employee payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$	764,800
Actual contributions as a percentage of covered-employer payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		15.75%

^{*} Information is unavailable for years prior to the City's implementation of GASB 68 in fiscal year 2015. The amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date of June 30 of the fiscal year presented.

Component Unit Adams County Airport Commission

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

ADAMS COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY & RELATED RATIOS - PERS LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS *

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Commission's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$ 477,498
Commission's proportion of the collective net pension liability	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.003089%
Commission's covered employee payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$ 186,470
Commission's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability as a percentage of the Commission's covered payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	256.07%
PERS' fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	61.70%

^{*} Information is unavailable for years prior to the Commission's implementation of GASB 68 in fiscal year 2015. The amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date of June 30 of the fiscal year presented.

ADAMS COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS - PERS LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS *

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Actuarially determined employee contribution	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$ 29,369
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contributions	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	29,369
Annual contribution deficiency (excess)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	<u>\$</u> _
Commission's covered-employee payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	\$ 186,470
Actual contributions as a percentage of covered-employer payroll	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	15.75%

^{*} Information is unavailable for years prior to the Commission's implementation of GASB 68 in fiscal year 2015. The amounts presented were determined as of the measurement date of June 30 of the fiscal year presented.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA <u>Numbe</u>	Agency or Pass-through Number	Federal Expenditures
U. S. Department of Agriculture Passed-through the Mississippi State Treasurer's Office Schools and Roads - Grants to States Total passed-through the Mississippi State Treasurer's Office	10.665	N/A	\$ 48,090 48,090
Direct program: Natural Resources Conservation Service (Direct Award) ARRA - Emergency Watershed Protection Program, Rcovery Act Total direct program Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.923	68-4423-14-2414	115,373 115,373 163,463
U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed-through the Mississippi Development Authority Community Development Block Grants/State's Program Community Development Block Grants/State's Program Community Development Block Grants/State's Program Total passed-through the Mississippi Development Authority Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	14.228 14.228 14.228	R-103-001-04-KED 1125-08-001-PF 1126-09-001-PF-07	30,000 50,360 122,717 203,077 203,077
U. S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Passed through the MS Department of Transportation Highway Planning and Construction Highway Planning and Construction Highway Planning and Construction Total passed-through the MS Department of Transportation Total U.S. Department of Transportation	20.205 20.205 20.205	BR-0157(3)B BR-001(24)B N/A	41,996 39,371 14,030 95,397 95,397
U.S. Election Assistance Commission Passed through the MS Office of the Secretary of State Help America Vote Act Requirements Payments Total passed-through the MS Office of the Secretary of State Total U.S. Election Assistance Commission	90.401	N/A	25,403 25,403 25,403
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services Passed through the MS Department of Human Services Promoting Safe and Stable Families Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Total passed-through the MS Department of Human Services Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	93.556 93.558 93.558	313W121 111WL22A 111WL23A	94,427 134,453 67,232 296,112 296,112
U. S. Department of Homeland Security Passed through the MS Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant* Hazard Mitigation Grant* Emergency Management Performance Grant Total passed-through the MS Emergency Management Agency Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security Total Expenditures of Federal Awards	97.039 97.039 97.042	1604-DR-MS-0471 4081-DR-MS-0005 N/A	1,696,850 3,033 19,757 1,719,640 1,719,640 \$ 2,503,092

^{*} Denotes major federal award program.

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Note 1 - The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Adams County, MississippiComponent Units - Combining Statement of Net Position September 30, 2015

		Adams County	Natchez-Adams County Port	Total Component
		Airport Commission	Commission	Units
ASSETS				
Cash	\$	214,790	213,259	428,049
Accounts receivable		16,678	440,922	457,600
Grants receivable		59,455	489,596	549,051
Prepaid expense		2,398	10,714	13,112
Inventories, at cost		54,219	-	54,219
Capital assets:				
Nondepreciable capital assets		365,008	40,697	405,705
Other capital assets, net		4,656,095	7,183,999	11,840,094
Intangible assets (net of accumulated amortization of \$60,486)		101,157		101,157
Total Assets		5,469,800	8,379,187	13,848,987
DECEMBED OFFEE ONG OF DECOMBORS				
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred outflows related to pensions		88,572	729,138	817,710
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		88,572	729,138	817,710
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		88,372	729,138	817,710
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable		77,389	636,082	713,471
Accrued payroll and payroll taxes		-	44,465	44,465
Other accrued liabilities		-	18,188	18,188
Long-term liabilities:				
Net pension liability		477,498	1,851,253	2,328,751
Due in one year:				
Capital related		3,692	175,000	178,692
Due beyond one year:				
Capital related		15,533	2,012,000	2,027,533
Total Liabilities		574,112	4,736,988	5,311,100
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred inflows related to pensions		57,490	120,258	177,748
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		57,490	120,258	177,748
Total Deferred filllows of Resources	•	37,490	120,238	177,748
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets		5,001,878	5,037,696	10,039,574
Unrestricted		(75,108)	(786,617)	(861,725)
Total Net Position	\$	4,926,770	4,251,079	9,177,849

Component Units - Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended September 30, 2014

			Natchez-Adams	
		Adams County	County Port	T-4-1
OPERATING REVENUES		Airport Commission	Commission	Total
Charges for services	\$	450,772	3,598,922	4,049,694
Refunds	Ψ	-30,772	3,293	3,293
Rents and commissions		63,436	-	63,436
Miscellaneous revenue		3,050	-	3,050
Total Operating Revenues		517,258	3,602,215	4,119,473
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Salaries and wages		_	497,825	497,825
Payroll taxes and fringe benefits		_	534,882	534,882
Utilities Utilities		_	81,301	81,301
Repairs and maintenance		-	971,022	971,022
Other supplies and expenses		-	98,217	98,217
Insurance		-	77,522	77,522
Equipment rental		-	1,090,146	1,090,146
Depreciation		280,335	449,317	729,652
Administrative salaries		-	305,035	305,035
Professional fees		-	66,929	66,929
Telephone		-	12,312	12,312
Postage		-	465	465
Travel		-	608	608
Office supplies		-	8,913	8,913
Dues and subscriptions		-	6,340	6,340
Port promotion		-	1,339	1,339
Surety bonds		-	400	400
Miscellaneous expenses Workmen's compensation insurance		-	25,743 9,798	25,743 9,798
Personal services		181,979	9,198	181,979
Cost of sales		321,418	-	321,418
Administrative and general		133,070	-	133,070
Operation and maintenance of terminal		133,070		155,070
and field area		67,088	_	67,088
Total Expenditures		983,890	4,238,114	5,222,004
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Operating Income (Loss)		(466,632)	(635,899)	(1,102,531)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Interest incomne		497	544	1,041
Interest expense		(233)	-	(233)
Contributions from Adams County		220.000	_	220,000
Commondations from Figures County		220,264	544	220,808
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Income (Loss) before capital contributions		(246,368)	(635,355)	(881,723)
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS				
Received from other governments		-	749,031	749,031
Federal grants		68,718	-	68,718
State grants		23,617		23,617
		92,335	749,031	841,366
Change in Net Position		(154,033)	113,676	(40,357)
Change in Net 1 OSHIOII		(134,033)	113,070	(40,337)
Net Position - Beginning, as previously reported		5,516,323	5,139,362	10,655,685
Prior period adjustment		(435,520)	(1,001,959)	(1,437,479)
Net Position - Beginning, as restated		5,080,803	4,137,403	9,218,206
Net Position - Ending	\$	4,926,770	4,251,079	9,177,849

OTHER INFORMATION

Adams County, Mississippi Schedule of Surety Bonds for County Officials For the Year Ended September 30, 2015 UNAUDITED

Name	Position	Company	Bond
Mike Lazarus	Supervisor District 1	Brierfield	\$100,000
David Carter	Supervisor District 2	Brierfield	\$100,000
Angela Hutchins	Supervisor District 3	Brierfield	\$100,000
Darryl Grennell	Supervisor District 4	Brierfield	\$100,000
Calvin Butler	Supervisor District 5	Brierfield	\$100,000
Joseph H. Murray	County Administrator	Brierfield	\$100,000
Thomas O' Beirne	Chancery Clerk	Brierfield	\$100,000
Frances Bell	Purchase Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
Claudia White	Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
Steve Adams	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Brierfield	\$50,000
Marilyn Washington	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
William Neely	Assistant Receiving Clerk	RLI Surety	\$50,000
Linda S. Futrell	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Evelyn H. Smith	Assistant Receiving Clerk	C N A Surety	\$50,000
James Wells	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Angie Isaac King	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Michael Chatman	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Jerry R. Buckles	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Warren Gaines	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
John Michael Collier	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Angela Thornburg	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Brierfield	\$50,000
Clarise Martin	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Sammy Gaines	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Betty White	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Brierfield	\$50,000
Johnny Williams	Assistant Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Shelia D. Jackson	Assistant Receiving Clerk	RLI Surety	\$50,000
Kenyatta Sampson	Assistant Receiving Clerk	C N A Surety	\$50,000
Corvet McNeal	Inventory Control Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
Robert Joseph Dollar	Road Manager	Western Surety	\$50,000
Ray Brown	Constable - Northern District	Brierfield	\$50,000
Randall Lee Freeman	Constable - Southern District	Brierfield	\$50,000
Eddie Walker	Circuit Clerk	Brierfield	\$100,000
Debbie Marie Myles	Deputy Circuit Clerk	RLI Surety	\$100,000
Martha Dianne White	Deputy Circuit Clerk	Western Surety	\$100,000
Eva Givens	Deputy Circuit Clerk	Western Surety	\$100,000
Charles R. Mayfield, Jr.	Sheriff	Brierfield	\$100,000
Charles Vess	Justice Court Judge	Brierfield	\$50,000
Patricia F. Dunmore	Justice Court Judge	Brierfield	\$50,000
Audrey Bailey	Justice Court Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Verna Johnson	Deputy Justice Court Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Andrea Ford	Deputy Justice Court Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Peter T. Burns, Jr.	Tax Collector	Brierfield	\$100,000
Betty B. White	Deputy Tax Collector	Brierfield	\$50,000
Linda Golden	Deputy Tax Collector	Brierfield	\$50,000
Pamela Goldman	Deputy Tax Collector	Brierfield	\$50,000
Reynolds Atkins	Tax Assessor	Brierfield	\$50,000
Mary Helen Flowers	Deputy Tax Assessor	Brierfield	\$50,000
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SPECIAL REPORTS



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 GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Members of the Board of Supervisors Adams County, Mississippi

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Adams County, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 9, 2017. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of Adams County Airport Commission and Natchez-Adams County Port Commission, as described in our report on the Adams County, Mississippi financial statements. This report does not include the results of the auditor's testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Adams County'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 Adams County, Mississippi's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs that we consider to be material weaknesses. [Finding 2015-001 and 2015-002.].

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Adams County, Mississippi's financial statements are free from 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*.

Adams County's Response to Findings

Adams County's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Auditee's Corrective Action Plan. Adams County's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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 results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

FORTENBERRY & BALLARD, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard PC February 9, 2017

Certified Public Accountants



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE AS REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Members of the Board of Supervisors Adams County, Mississippi

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Adams County, Mississippi's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Circular A-133 *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2015. Adams County, Mississippi's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Adams County, Mississippi's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our 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 require that we 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 Adams County, Mississippi's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination on Adams County, Mississippi's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Adams County, Mississippi complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Adams County, Mississippi is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Adams County, Mississippi's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Adams County, 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 material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

FORTENBERRY & BALLARD, PC

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC February 9, 2017

Certified Public Accountants



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON CENTRAL PURCHASING SYSTEM, INVENTORY CONTROL SYSTEM AND PURCHASE CLERK SCHEDULES (REQUIRED BY SECTION 31-7-115, MISS. CODE ANN. (1972))

Members of the Board of Supervisors Adams County, Mississippi

We have examined Adams County, Mississippi's (the County) compliance with establishing and maintaining a central purchasing system and inventory control system in accordance with Sections 31-7-101 through 31-7-127, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) and compliance with the purchasing requirements in accordance with the bid requirements of Section 31-7-13, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) during the year ended September 30, 2015. The Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Mississippi, is responsible for the County's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with specified requirements. The Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Mississippi, has established centralized purchasing for all funds of the County and has established an inventory control system. The objective of the central purchasing system is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that purchases are executed in accordance with state law.

Because of inherent limitations in any central purchasing system and inventory control system, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any current evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

The results of our audit procedures disclosed certain instances of noncompliance with the aforementioned code sections. These instances of noncompliance were considered in forming our opinion on compliance. Our findings and recommendations and your responses are disclosed below:

Finding 1 - Inventory Control Clerk

Section 31-7-107, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), requires the Inventory Control Clerk to maintain an inventory system. An effective system of internal control over capital assets requires that certain data elements be captured in capital asset records for all capital assets. Required data elements include descriptions of assets, costs, locations, acquisition dates, disposition dates, methods of disposition, and other relevant information. The presence of these data elements in capital asset records help identify and distinguish county assets from one another, thereby safeguarding county assets from loss or misappropriation. The information is also very important to the financial reporting process.

Condition:

We noted a difference between capital assets prepared by the financial statement preparer and county records. All asset classifications had discrepancies of various amounts over/under stated amounts noted by the financial statement preparer.

Cause:

These errors in the capital assets records were caused by failure to implement internal control procedures to ensure that all items are recorded, valued properly, and classified properly in the County's capital asset records.

Effect:

Failure to maintain an inventory control system could result in the reporting of inaccurate amounts and increases the possibility of the loss or misappropriation of public funds. Audit adjustments to correct these discrepancies in the County's financial statement and notes to the financial statements were proposed to management and made to the financial statements with management's approval.

Recommendation:

As reported in the prior year audit report, the Inventory Control Clerk should implement appropriate control procedures to ensure that all items are recorded, valued properly and and classified properly in the County's capital asset records. The information listed in the County's capital asset records should be reconciled by all involved department heads through an annual inventory to ensure records are accurate and complete.

Response:

As Inventory Clerk, construction contracts for capital projects will now be sent to my office as soon as they are approved by the Board of Supervisors this way it will be certain that is properly added to the inventory system. The incidents that are noted were in relation to the several roofing projects that happened during this fiscal year. This has been corrected and again, will be properly maintained in the future.

The accompanying schedules of (1) Purchases Not Made from the Lowest Bidder, (2) Emergency Purchases, and (3) Purchases Made Noncompetitively from a Sole Source are presented in accordance with Section 31-7-115, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The information contained on these schedules has been subjected to procedures performed in connection with our aforementioned examination, in our opinion, is fairly presented in relation to that examination.

Adams County's response to the finding included in this report was not audited, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended for use in evaluating Adams County, Mississippi's compliance with the aforementioned requirements, and is not intended to be and should not be relied upon for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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Schedule 1

Schedule of Purchases From Other than the Lowest Bidder For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

Date	Item Purchased	Bid Accepted	Vendor	Lowest Bid	Reason for Accepting Other Than the Lowest Bid
3/30/2015	Washed Rock	\$ 20,000	Two J Ranch		Low bidder did not meet specifications.
9/30/2015	Washed Rock	\$ 20,000	Two J Ranch		Low bidder did not meet specifications.

Schedule 2

Schedule of Emergency Purchases For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

Our test results did not identify any emergency purchases.

Schedule of Purchases Made Noncompetitively From a Sole Source For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

	Item	A	Amount	
Date	Purchased	Paid		Vendor
12/5/2014	Federal Commander Digital System	\$	9,990	Federal Signal Corporation



LIMITED INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE REVIEW MANAGEMENT REPORT

Members of the Board of Supervisors Adams County, Mississippi

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Adams County, Mississippi for the year ended September 30, 2015, we considered Adams County, Mississippi's internal control to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

In addition, for areas not considered material to Adams County, Mississippi's financial reporting, we have performed some additional limited internal control and state legal compliance review procedures as identified in the state legal compliance audit program issued by the Office of the State Auditor. Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the County's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. This report does not affect our report dated February 9, 2017, on the financial statements of Adams County, Mississippi.

Although no findings came to our attention as a result of these review procedures and compliance tests, these procedures and tests cannot and do not provide absolute assurance that all state legal requirements have been complied with. Also, our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters within the internal control that might be weaknesses. In accordance with Section 7-7-211, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), the Office of the State Auditor, when deemed necessary, may conduct additional procedures and tests of transactions for this or other fiscal years to ensure compliance with legal requirements.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Supervisors, and others within the entity and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

Section I: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:

- 1. Type of auditor's report issued on the financial statements: Unmodified.
- 2. Internal control over financial reporting:
 - a. Material weakness identified? Yes.
 - b. Significant deficiency identified? None reported.
- 3. Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No.

Federal Awards:

- 4. Internal control over major federal programs:
 - a. Material weakness identified? No.
 - b. Significant deficiency identified? None reported.
- 5. Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified.
- 6. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section _____.510(a) of OMB Circular A-133? No.
- 7. Identification of major federal programs:

CFDA Numbers	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
97.039	Hazard Mitigation Grant

- 8. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$300,000.
- 9. Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee? No.

Section II: Financial Statement Findings

The results of our tests disclosed the following findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported by *Government Auditing Standards*.

Material Weaknesses

Finding 2015-001

Criteria:

An effective system of internal control should ensure that bank reconciliations are properly prepared.

Condition:

Discrepancies were noted in several transactions between the amount recorded in the general ledger and the actual amount per the bank statement, with some transactions being recorded in the general ledger for incorrect amounts and some transactions not being recorded at all in the general ledger. The bank statements for September 2015 were reconciled in October 2016.

Cause:

Reconciling was not performed in a timely manner the month after activity was performed.

Effect:

The failure to record transactions in the general ledger for the correct amounts resulted in a misstatement of the bank balance in the general ledger and could result in the loss of public funds.

Recommendation:

Every effort should be made to ensure that transactions are recorded in the general ledger for the correct amounts and that all transactions are recorded in the general ledger. Furthermore, when errors in the general ledger are discovered during the reconciliation process, the corrections should be made to the balance per the general ledger, not the balance per the bank statement on the reconciliation. Journal entries should also be recorded to correct all errors noted during the reconciliation in a timely manner the month after the end of activity.

Finding 2015-002

Criteria:

An effective system of internal control over financial statement presentation and reporting in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting principles requires adequate detail documenting of individual fund balance and related activity as well as adjustments, accruals, classifications and inclusion of all required disclosures in the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.

Condition:

As reported in the prior year audit report, deficiencies were noted in the financial statements requiring corrections. However, the adjustment listed takes into account items noted during fiscal year 2015 activity:

a. Capital asset additions were made to account for construction in progress activity, completed construction projects and lease purchase additions less depreciation

expense netting out ta a \$4,396,823 difference.

- b. Agency fund cash and liability difference overstated by \$342,170.
- c. Long-term debt difference understated by \$962,646.

Cause:

These errors were stated initially due to documentation received by financial statement preparer. However, auditor received documentation from County and noted financial statements discrepancies.

Effect:

Misstatements can cause the financial statements to not be presented fairly in the audit report.

Recommendation:

County officials should review financial statement information scrupulously prepared by third party preparers and request documentation supporting amounts purported to represent the financial position of the County.

Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

The results of our tests did not disclose any findings and questioned costs related to the federal awards.

AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADAMS COUNTY

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Re: Corrective Action Plan Adams County Board of Supervisors

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN 2015-001: The Adams County Board of Supervisors has now contracted with a CPA firm to perpetually maintain our financials and to prepare our year-end financial statements. Part of their contractual duties will be periodic reporting to upper level management of our current financial state and well-being as well as any incidents or findings during the year. This will certainly alleviate inaccurate reporting and will also insure a more polished financial product at the end of the year.

ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION: September 30, 2017

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN 2015-002: The Adams County Board of Supervisors has now contracted with a CPA firm to perpetually maintain our financials and to prepare our year-end financial statements. Part of their contractual duties will be monthly reconciliation of the bank statements. This addresses the above finding.

ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION: Corrected

By implementing these corrective actions, the Adams County Board of Supervisors will ensure that there is a more accurate and compliant representation of its finances.

NAME OF PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION:

Joe Murray, Adams County Administrator, 601-445-7934 Brandi Lewis, Adams County Chancery Clerk, 601-304-7822

Joe Murray

Adams County Administrator