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Village of Walthall Webster County Post Office Box 306 Walthall, Mississippi 39771

Mayor Belinda Stewart

City Clerk Joyce James Alderpersons Rodney Crowell Jeffrey Tabb Kelly Powell Linda Stewart Isom Busby, Jr.

May 29, 2018

Office of the State Auditor P.O. Box 956 Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Re: Annual Municipal Compilation

Accompanying this letter is a copy of the annual compilation of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015. A separate management letter was not written to the Village in connection with this compilation.

Sincerely,

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Mayor

# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI

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COMPILATION REPORT AND SPECIAL REPORT ON AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2015** 

WATKINS, WARD AND STAFFORD, PLLC CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI

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#### Independent Accountants' Compilation Report

Board of Alderman Village of Walthall, Mississippi

Management is responsible for the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statement, which collectively comprise the Village of Walthall, Mississippi's basic financial statement as listed in the contents, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the statement of cash receipts and disbursements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on the statement of cash receipts and disbursements.

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statement, which describes the basis of accounting. The statement of cash receipts and disbursements is prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis information and budgetary comparison information 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.

The supplementary information contained in Schedules 1 through 3 is presented in compliance with the requirements of the Mississippi Office of the State Auditor and has been compiled from information that is the representation of management. This information was subject to our compilation engagement, however, we have not audited or reviewed the required supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on such information.

In accordance with the provisions of §21-35-31, Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated, we have issued a report dated May 15, 2018 on the results of our agreed-upon procedures.

Eupora, Mississippi May 15, 2018

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# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements Governmental and Business-type Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

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	Governmental Activities General Fund	Business-type Activities Proprietary Fund
RECEIPTS		
General property taxes	\$ 4,388	\$ -
Licenses and permits:		
Privilege licenses	500	-
Franchise charges - utilities	1,819	-
Intergovernmental revenues:		
State shared revenues:		
Sales tax	20,464	-
Gasoline tax	441	-
Homestead	757	-
Fire protection	784	
Municipal aid	72	-
TVA - in lieu of tax	1,156	-
Charges for services:		
Sewer utility	-	13,410
Rental	3,300	-
Timber sales	23,800	-
Interest	88	13
Total Receipts	\$ 57,569	\$ 13,423

# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements Governmental and Business-type Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

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	Governmental Activities General Fund	Business-type Activities Proprietary Fund
DISBURSEMENTS		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
General government :		
General expenditures	\$ 19,968	\$ -
Repairs and maintenance	27	-
Public Safety:		
Police	762	-
Fire	28,352	-
Street lights	3,717	-
Enterprise:		
Sewer operating cost	-	5,401
Redemption of principal	-	4,301
Interest on mortgage - sewer	-	643
Total Disbursements	52,826	10,345
Excess of receipts over		
disbursements	4,743	3,078
CASH BALANCE -		
BEGINNING OF YEAR	161,616	21,935
CASH BALANCE -		
END OF YEAR	\$ 166,359	\$ 25,013

### VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI Notes to Financial Statement

### Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### a. General Information

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The Village of Walthall, Mississippi operates under the mayor/board of alderman form of government and provides services as authorized by state statute.

#### b. Reporting Entity

The financial statement of the Village consists of all the funds of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi.

#### c. Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Village are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity.

#### d. Basis of Accounting

The financial statement is prepared on a cash receipts and disbursements basis, as prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor. Consequently, certain revenues are recognized when received rather than when earned and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred.

#### Note 2: Report Classifications

Receipts and disbursements were classified according to requirements for small towns in the State of Mississippi as prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor.

# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Investments - All Funds For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

Ownership	Type of Investment	Interest Rate	Acquisition Date	Maturity Date	Other Information	nvestment Cost/Value
General Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	12/04/09	12/06/15	Regions Bank	\$ 89,895
General Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	06/22/10	06/20/16	Regions Bank	43,195
Enterprise Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	08/24/07	10/24/16	Regions Bank	 8,202
Enterprise Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	12/04/09	12/06/15	Regions Bank	6,415

**Total Investments** 

\$ 147,707

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See accompanying notes and independent accountants' compilation report.

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# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Long-Term Debt For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

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	Balance Outstanding 9/30/2014	Transactions D	uring Fiscal Year Redeemed	Balance Outstanding 9/30/2015
Definition and Purpose				
Sewer system note payable to Farmers Home Administration. Note issued 11/7/85 in an original amount of \$80,000 due in monthly installments of \$412	\$ <u>14,823</u>		<u>(                                    </u>	10,522

# VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of Surety Bonds For the Year Ended September 30, 2015

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Name	Position	Surety	Bor	nd Amount
Belinda Stewart	Mayor	RLI Surety	\$	10,000
Casey Henderson	Marshall	Western Surety Company	\$	50,000
Joyce James	City Clerk	Travelers	\$	50,000
Terri Crowell	Alderman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$	10,000
Rodney Crowell	Marshall Pro-Tem	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$	10,000
Isom Busby	Alderman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$	10,000
Sherlene Stewart	Alderwoman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$	10,000
Jeffrey R. Tabb	Alderman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$	10,000
General Obligation Bond	FHA Loan	Western Surety Company	\$	50,000



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### Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Board of Alderman Village of Walthall, Mississippi

We have applied certain agreed-upon procedures, as discussed below, to the accounting records of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2015, and for the year then ended, as required by the Office of the State Auditor, under the provisions of Section 21-35-31, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). It is understood the report is solely for the use of the governing body of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, and the Office of the State Auditor and should not be used for any other purposes. Our procedures and findings are as follows:

1. We reconciled cash on deposit with the following banks to balances in the respective general ledger accounts and obtained confirmation of the related balances from the banks:

	Balance per
<u>Fund</u>	<u>General Ledger</u>
General	\$ 33,269
Enterprise	10,396
	General

2. We confirmed certificates of deposit and savings accounts with the bank and traced them to balances in the respective general ledger accounts:

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<u>Bank</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Ledger Cost</u>
Regions Bank	General	\$ 133,090
Regions Bank	Enterprise	14,617

- 3. We performed the following procedures with respect to taxes on real and personal property (including motor vehicles) levied during the fiscal year:
  - a. Trace levies to governing body minutes;
  - b. Traced distribution of taxes collected to proper funds; and
  - c. Analyzed increase in taxes for most recent period for completion with increase limitations of Sections 27-39-320 to 27-39-323, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The distribution of taxes to funds was found to be in accordance with prescribed tax levies.

Ad valorem tax collections were found to be within the limitations of Sections 27-39-320 to 27-39-323, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

4. We obtained a statement of payments made by the Department of Finance and Administration to the municipality. Payments indicated were traced to deposit in the respective bank accounts and recorded in the general ledger without exception. Payments traced were as follows:

		General
Payment Purpose	Receiving Fund	Ledger Amount
Sales Tax Allocation	General Fund	\$ 20,464
Fire Protection	General Fund	784
General Municipal Aid	General Fund	72
TVA – In Lieu of Taxes	General Fund	1,156
Homestead Exemption	General Fund	757
Gasoline Tax	General Fund	441

5. We selected a sample of purchases made by the municipality during the fiscal year. Each sample item was evaluated for proper approval and compliance with purchasing requirements set forth in Title 31, Chapter 7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), if applicable.

The sample consisted of the following:

Number of Sample Items	13
Total Dollar Value of Sample	\$ 26,762

We found the municipality's purchasing procedures to be in agreement with the requirements of the above-mentioned sections.

6. We have read the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire completed by the municipality. The completed survey indicated no instances of noncompliance with state requirements except for the following:

**Finding** – The Village of Walthall answered "N/A" to Part V–Taxes and Other Receipts, Question #12–Are bids solicited by advertisement or, under special circumstance, three appraisals obtained when real property is sold? The municipality sold standing timber without first advertising for and accepting competitive bids. This is in violation of Mississippi Code Section 12-17-1 in paragraphs one and two which deal with the sale of real property.

**Recommendation** – The Village of Walthall should implement procedures to ensure that bids are obtained when selling real property.

**Response** – The Village of Walthall has implemented procedures to ensure that bids are obtained when selling real property.

Because the above procedures do not constitute an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we do not express an opinion on any of the specific accounts or classes of transactions referred to above. In connection with the procedures referred to above, no matters came to our attention that caused us to believe the items specified in Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 should be adjusted. Had we performed additional procedures or had we conducted an audit of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you. This report should not be associated with the financial statements of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, for the year ended September 30, 2015.

Eupora, Mississippi May 15, 2018

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