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Independent Auditor's Reports and Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016



June 30, 2016

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Independent Auditor's Report

Commissioner Pelicia Hall State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections Jackson, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements of Selected Funds

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Support Budget Authority Fund, the Medical Budget Authority Fund, the Private Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Local Budget Authority Fund, the Inmate Welfare Fund, and the Area Supervision Fee Fund of the State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections (MDOC), which are comprised of a balance sheet as of June 30, 2016, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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 audits. We conducted our audits 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 audits 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.



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Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Support Budget Authority Fund, the Medical Budget Authority Fund, the Private Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Local Budget Authority Fund, the Inmate Welfare Fund, and the Area Supervision Fee Fund of MDOC as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in their financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matters

As discussed in *Note 1*, the financial statements present only the Support Budget Authority Fund, the Medical Budget Authority Fund, the Private Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Local Budget Authority Fund, the Inmate Welfare Fund and the Area Supervision Fee Fund representing funds selected for audit by the State of Mississippi, Office of the State Auditor and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of MDOC as of June 30, 2016, or the changes in their financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

As discussed in *Note 2* to the financial statements, the 2015 financial statements position of the Support Budget Authority Fund, the Medical Budget Authority Fund, the Private Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund and the Local Budget Authority Fund have been restated to correct a misstatement. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matter

Required Supplementary Information

Management 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 financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical contest. Our opinion on the financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements of the funds selected for audit by the State of Mississippi, Office of the State Auditor. The combining statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial

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statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 17, 2017, on our consideration of MDOC's internal control over financial reporting and 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 the 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 MDOC's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Jackson, Mississippi March 17, 2017

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State of Mississippi Department of Corrections Balance Sheets of Funds Selected for Audit

Balance Sheets of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type									
	Support Budget Authority Fund	Medical Budget Authority Fund	Private Prison Budget Authority Fund	Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund	Local Budget Authority Fund	Inmate Welfare Fund	Area Supervision Fee Fund			
Assets										
Cash	\$ 17,806,301	\$ 4,731,661	\$ -	\$ 37,020	\$ 2,962,673	\$ 2,207,462	\$ 25,264			
Cash with fiscal agent	3,573	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Due from other funds	1,093,651	34,219	263,573	-	1,150	119,953	-			
Accounts receivable	55,000	-	-	-	-	309,884	-			
Inventories	3,688,009	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Total assets	\$ 22,646,534	\$ 4,765,880	\$ 263,573	\$ 37,020	\$ 2,963,823	\$ 2,637,299	\$ 25,264			
Liabilities and Fund Balances										
Liabilities										
Accounts payable	\$ 4,158,471	\$ 9,845,556	\$ 4,642,162	\$ -	\$ 65	\$ 114,282	\$ -			
Accrued wages payable	4,115,924	10,610	-	-	-	10,025	-			
Due to other funds	487,562	465,027	-	-	-	65,742	25,264			
Due to local governments	312,338	153,642	79,052	3,078,849	2,902,611	-				
Total liabilities	9,074,295	10,474,835	4,721,214	3,078,849	2,902,676	190,049	25,264			
Fund Balances (Deficit)										
Nonspendable										
Inventories	3,688,009	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Restricted for										
Law, justice and public safety	11,888,698	-	-	-	-	2,447,250	-			
Committed to										
Law, justice and public safety	-	539,394	-	37,020	71,306	-	-			
Unassigned	(2,004,468)	(6,248,349)	(4,457,641)	(3,078,849)	(10,159)	-				
Total fund balances (deficit)	13,572,239	(5,708,955)	(4,457,641)	(3,041,829)	61,147	2,447,250				
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 22,646,534	\$ 4,765,880	\$ 263,573	\$ 37,020	\$ 2,963,823	\$ 2,637,299	\$ 25,264			

Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Funds Selected for Audit Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type						
	Support Budget Authority Fund	Medical Budget Authority Fund	Private Prison Budget Authority Fund	Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund	Local Budget Authority Fund	Inmate Welfare Fund	Area Supervision Fee Fund
Revenues							
State appropriation/allotment Federal grants Sales of supplies	\$ 143,968,861 142,120 2,229,415	\$ 63,908,437 - 148,757	\$ 72,349,729 - -	\$ 42,100,951 - -	\$ 7,570,438 - 31,045	-	\$ - - -
Phone commissions Vending commissions Western Union commissions Area supervision fees	- -	-	-	-	-	1,319,949 38,151 47,774	
Canteen revenues Other income	195	- - -	- - -	- - -	-	958,161 84,952	13,908,709
Total revenues	146,340,591	64,057,194	72,349,729	42,100,951	7,601,483	2,448,987	13,908,709
Expenditures Current Salaries	113,605,851	225,187				481,413	
Travel Contractuals Commodities	447,110 38,262,284 9,990,327	66,869,645	56,449,113	41,517,564	7,547,358	7,851 308,744	742
Debt service Principal	1,585,118	-	6,000,000	-	-	223,990	-
Interest and other charges Capital outlay	292,468 1,791,864	-	10,046,332	-	-	-	-
Total expenditures	166,290,980	67,790,349	72,495,445	41,517,564	7,547,358	1,381,545	742
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(19,950,389)	(3,733,155)	(145,716)	583,387	54,125	1,067,442	13,907,967
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers in (out), net	13,276,100	-		37,020	(1,760)	117,760	(13,907,967)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(6,674,289)	(3,733,155)	(145,716)	620,407	52,365	1,185,202	_
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Previously Reported	27,154,238	1,883,087	526,482	(1,129,104)	47,500	1,262,048	-
Adjustment applicable to prior years	(6,907,710	(3,858,887)	(4,838,407)	(2,533,132)	(38,718)	-	-
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Restated	20,246,528	(1,975,800)	(4,311,925)	(3,662,236)	8,782	1,262,048	
Fund Balances (Deficit), End of Year	\$ 13,572,239	\$ (5,708,955)	\$ (4,457,641)	\$ (3,041,829)	\$ 61,147	\$ 2,447,250	\$ -

Notes to Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

Note 1: Significant Accounting Policies

Background Information

The State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections (MDOC), an agency of the State of Mississippi, follows fund accounting with respect to its governmental type funds. Multiple individual funds combine to create budget authority funds for MDOC. The following budget authority funds represent funds selected for audit by the State of Mississippi, Office of the State Auditor (collectively, Selected Funds), and the accompanying presentation does not purport to present the financial position and changes in financial position of MDOC.

- **A.** The Support Budget Authority Fund (Funds 2255100000 General Support Fund, 3355100000 General Support Contingency Fund, 3356600000 Community Corrections Fund, 5355100000 General Support Grant Fund, and 6456700000 Capital Expense Fund) is used to account for the general operations of MDOC. The Community Corrections Fund is used to supervise parolees.
- **B.** The Medical Budget Authority Fund (Funds 2254400000 Medical Fund, 3355300000 Medical Contingency Fund, and 6455A00000 Medical Capital Expense Fund) is used to account for expenditures related to yearly health care contracts, specialty health care needs and security for hospitalized inmates.
- **C.** The Private Prison Budget Authority Fund (Funds 2255500000 Private Prison Fund and 3356400000 Private Prison Contingency Fund) is used to account for the expenditures paid to private prison entities for the management of the four (4) private prisons.
- **D.** The Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund (Funds 2255600000 Regional Prison Fund, 3356200000 Regional Prison Contingency Fund and 6455B00000 Regional Prison Capital Expense Fund) is used to account for the expenditures related to managing and maintaining the fifteen (15) regional facilities.
- **E.** The Local Budget Authority Fund (Funds 2255700000 Local Confinement Fund, 3355700000 Confiscated Funds and 6455C00000 Local Confinement Capital Expense Fund) is used to account for the expenditures related to housing inmates in local county jail facilities.
- **F.** The Inmate Welfare Fund (Fund 8809100000) is used to account for revenues and other sources received by MDOC through phone and vending commissions, as well as canteen revenues and related expenditures to provide for certain benefits for the inmates.
- **G.** The Area Supervision Fee Fund (Fund 8810200000) is used to account for supervision fees paid by parolees and probationers and their subsequent remittance to other designated state treasury funds.

Notes to Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying fund financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

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 by the Government Finance Officers Association.

Fund Accounting

The financial activities of the Selected Funds are recorded in individual funds and account groups used to report financial position and changes in financial position. Fund accounting is used to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with specific regulations, restrictions or limitations.

Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus

The Governmental Fund Type is accounted for on a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. This focus measures financial resources available to the entity in the near future as a result of transactions and events of the fiscal period reported. The modified accrual basis of accounting is utilized. Under this method, revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available, and expenditures are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures and other changes in fund balances during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition

Revenues from phone commissions in the Inmate Welfare Fund is recognized in the month the commission is earned. Revenues from area supervision fees in the Area Supervision Fee Fund are

Notes to Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

recognized when they are received. Other revenues in the various funds are generally recognized when the revenues are received or appropriated by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Appropriations/Allotment Balance

This amount, if any, is held in the Treasury of the State of Mississippi and is defined as the balance of MDOC's current allotment, which is available to spend for the current fiscal year.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes cash on hand and demand deposits at financial institutions. All short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to cash (generally with a maturity of three months or less) are considered cash equivalents. At June 30, 2016, there were no cash equivalents.

Cash with fiscal agent includes cash on hand at lending institutions for use under master lease agreements.

Interfund Receivables/Payables

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 from or due to other funds." Noncurrent portions of interfund receivables/payables, if any, are reported as "advances to or advances from other funds."

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are reported net of allowances for uncollectible accounts, where applicable. No allowance for uncollectible accounts is recorded at June 30, 2016.

Inventories

Inventories consist of food supplies, clothing and maintenance supplies. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method.

Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

The fund balances for MDOC's governmental funds are displayed in five components.

- *Nonspendable* Amounts that are not in a spendable form or are required to be maintained intact, such as inventories.
- *Restricted* Amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers constitutionally or through enabling legislation. Restrictions

Notes to Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

may be changed or lifted only with the consent of resource providers. Fund balances under the Inmate Welfare Fund, the Area Supervision Fee Fund and the Community Corrections Fund are restricted by enabling legislation under Sections 47-5-158, 47-5-1013 and 47-7-49, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), respectively.

- *Committed* Amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the State of Mississippi Legislature.
- Assigned Amounts intended to be used by the government for specific purposes. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balances represent the amount that is not restricted or committed. This indicates resources in other governmental funds are, at a minimum, intended to be used for the purpose of that fund. MDOC had no assigned fund balances at June 30, 2016.
- Unassigned The residual classification for the General Fund and includes all amounts not
 contained in the other classifications. The unassigned classification is also used to report a
 deficit balance, resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had
 been restricted, committed or assigned.

MDOC considers restricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available. MDOC applies committed amounts first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balances classifications could be used.

Deficit Fund Balances – As of June 30, 2016, certain funds of MDOC were in a deficit net position. The deficit net position in each fund will be funded by either an interfund transfer from a fund with positive net position or future appropriations.

Note 2: Restatement of Prior Years' Financial Statements

In prior years, MDOC recognized contract payments for private prisons, regional prisons and medical contracts one month in arrears due to the timing of the contract invoices. During 2016, MDOC determined that appropriate GAAP was to record these contract payments on the modified accrual basis and recognize the expenditures at the time liabilities are incurred, which is the time the contract services are rendered. This change decreased 2015 change in fund balance by the amounts listed as *Liability Adjustment* in the table below. All adjustments applicable to 2015 and prior have been included in the restated 2016 beginning fund balance.

Additionally in 2015, the amount recorded by MDOC for appropriations was incorrect. This change decreased 2015 change in net assets and beginning fund balance by the amounts listed as

Notes to Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

Appropriations Adjustment in the table below. All adjustments applicable to 2015 have been included in the restated 2016 beginning fund balance.

	 ropriations djustment	Liability Adjustment			
Support Budget Authority Fund General Support Fund General Support Contingency Fund General Support Grant Fund	\$ 2,726,536 4,130,249 50,925	\$	- - -		
	\$ 6,907,710	\$			
Medical Budget Authority Fund Medical Fund Medical Contingency Fund	\$ 4,680 242,543 247,223	\$	3,611,664		
Private Prison Budget Authority Fund Private Prison Fund	\$ 262,909	\$	4,575,498		
Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund Regional Prison Fund	\$ 33,111	\$	2,500,021		
Local Budget Authority Fund Confiscated Funds	\$ 38,718	\$			

Note 3: Cash and Other Deposits

Custodial risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, a government's deposits may not be returned. The fund's deposit policy for protection of custodial risk is handled under a statewide collateral program. The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions is held by the depository bank in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the State of Mississippi Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entities' funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State

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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.

Note 4: Defined Benefit Pension Plan

MDOC participates in 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 (COLA) 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. This information may be obtained by contacting PERS.

During fiscal year 2016, PERS members were required to contribute 9% of their annual covered salary, and MDOC is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate, which was 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. MDOC's contributions are made at the agency level; therefore, information is not available on contributions by specific funds.

Notes to Financial Statements of Funds Selected for Audit June 30, 2016

Note 5: Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

Interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2016, are as follows:

	Interfund Receivable	Interfund s Payables
Support Budget Authority Fund		
General Support Fund		
State of Mississippi	\$	\$ 52,248
General Support Contingency Fund		
State of Mississippi	949,287	202,210
Restitution Fund	49,234	-
Recycle Program	-	7,565
Victims Info Notification System	-	2,805
Medical Contingency Fund	-	34,219
Prison Agricultural Fund	-	187,365
Inmate Welfare Fund	56,559	-
Confiscated Funds		1,150
	1,055,080	435,314
Community Corrections Fund		
Area Supervision Fee Fund	22,990	
General Support Grant Fund		
State of Mississippi	15,581	<u> </u>
Total Support Budget Authority Fund	\$ 1,093,651	\$ 487,562

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	Interfund Receivables	Interfund Payables
Medical Budget Authority Fund Medical Fund		
State of Mississippi	\$ -	\$ 201,454
Private Prison Fund		263,573
		465,027
Medical Contingency Fund		
General Support Contingency Fund	34,219	
Total Medical Budget Authority Fund	\$ 34,219	\$ 465,027
Private Prison Budget Authority Fund Private Prison Fund		
Medical Fund	\$ 263,573	\$ -
Local Budget Authority Fund Confiscated Funds		
General Support Contingency Fund	\$ 1,150	\$ -

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	Interfund Receivables		Interfund Payables		
Inmate Welfare Fund Canteen Fund General Support Contingency Fund	\$	119,953	\$	- 56,559	
Prison Agricultural Enterprises Fund		<u>-</u>		9,183	
	\$	119,953	\$	65,742	
Area Supervision Fee Fund					
Community Corrections Fund	\$	-	\$	22,990	
Training Revolving Fund		-		1,011	
Crime Victims Compensation Fund				1,263	
	\$		\$	25,264	

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	Interfund Transfers Out	Interfund Transfers In
Support Budget Authority Fund		
General Support Fund		
General Support Contingency Fund	\$ 678,436	\$ 3,957,778
Prison Agricultural Enterprises Fund	71,375	-
State of Mississippi	1,791,316	-
	2,541,127	3,957,778
General Support Contingency Fund		
General Support Fund	3,957,778	678,436
Regional Prison Contingency Fund	37,020	-
Restitution Fund	-	49,234
Inmate Welfare Fund	-	56,559
State of Mississippi		2,337,403
	3,994,798	3,121,632
Community Corrections Fund		
Area Supervision Fee Fund		12,732,615
Total Support Budget Authority Fund	\$ 6,535,925	\$ 19,812,025
Local Budget Authority Fund		
Local Confinement Capital Expense Fund		
State of Mississippi	\$ 1,760	\$ -
Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund		
Regional Prison Contingency Fund		
General Support Contingency Fund	\$ -	\$ 37,020

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Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2016, are as follows:

	Interfund Transfers Out	Interfund Transfers In
Inmate Welfare Fund		
Prison Agricultural Enterprises Fund	\$ 461,983	\$ -
General Support Contingency Fund	56,559	-
Telecommunications Equipment Fund	273,429	-
Employee Cafeteria Fund	- -	64,229
Canteen Fund		845,502
	\$ 791,971	\$ 909,731
Area Supervision Fee Fund		
Community Corrections Fund	\$ 12,732,615	\$ -
Crime Victims Compensation Fund	652,973	-
Training Revolving Fund	522,379	
	\$ 13,907,967	\$ -

Note 6: Contingencies

General Litigation

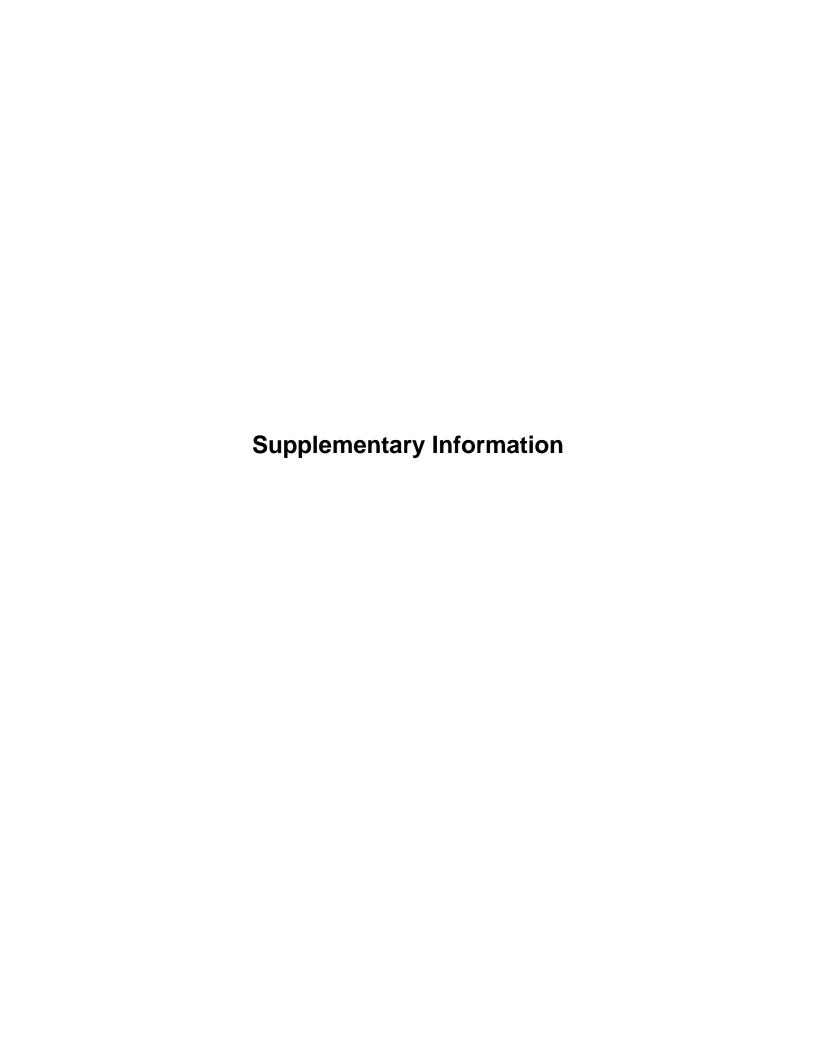
MDOC is subject to claims and lawsuits that arise primarily in the ordinary course of business. It is the opinion of management that the disposition or ultimate resolution of such claims and lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the balance sheets and statements of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances of MDOC. Additionally, under the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, no contingent liability would be recorded.

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Note 7: Subsequent Events

Subsequent to June 30, 2016, MDOC announced the planned closure of Walnut Grove Correctional Facility, a private prison, in fiscal year 2017. The contract payments for this facility for 2016 and previous years were paid from the Private Prison Budget Authority Fund. The closure of this prison will not impact MDOC's requirement to make future debt service payments.

Subsequent to June 30, 2016, MDOC issued \$108,255,000 of special obligation bonds. Approximately \$122,392,000 of the bond proceeds and bond issue premium proceeds will be deposited into an escrow account for the advance repayment of a portion of the outstanding bonds attributable to the Private Prison Fund. The bonds bear interest at fixed rates between 1.098% and 5.000%, with maturity dates between fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2028.



Combining Balance Sheet of Support Budget Authority Fund June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type											
	2	255100000	33	355100000	33	356600000	53	355100000	6	456700000		
		General Support Fund		General Support entingency Fund		ommunity orrections Fund		General Support Grant Fund		Capital Expense Fund		Total
Assets Cash	\$	5,485,279	\$	4,192,396	\$	7,994,964	\$	133,662	Ф		\$	17,806,301
	Ф	3,483,279	Ф		ф	7,994,904	Ф	155,002	ф	-	Ф	
Cash with fiscal agent		-		3,573		22.000		15 501		-		3,573
Due from other funds		-		1,055,080		22,990		15,581		-		1,093,651
Accounts receivable		-		55,000		-		-		-		55,000
Inventories		3,688,009		-		-		-		-		3,688,009
Total assets	\$	9,173,288	\$	5,306,049	\$	8,017,954	\$	149,243	\$	_	\$	22,646,534
Liabilities and Fund Balances												
Liabilities												
Accounts payable	\$	3,332,663	\$	624,904	\$	200,904	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4,158,471
Accrued wages payable		3,792,498		100,860		222,566		-		-		4,115,924
Due to other funds		52,248		435,314		-		-		-		487,562
Due to local governments		312,338		-		-		-		-		312,338
Total liabilities		7,489,747		1,161,078		423,470		-		-		9,074,295
Fund Balances (Deficit)												
Nonspendable Inventories		3,688,009		-		-		-		-		3,688,009
Restricted for				4,144,971		7,594,484		149,243				11,888,698
Law, justice and public safety Unassigned		(2,004,468)		4,144,971		7,394,464		149,243		-		(2,004,468)
Total fund balances		1,683,541		4,144,971		7,594,484		149,243				13,572,239
rotai rund barances		1,085,341		4,144,9/1		1,394,484		149,243		-		13,374,439
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	9,173,288	\$	5,306,049	\$	8,017,954	\$	149,243	\$	-	\$	22,646,534

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Support Budget Authority Fund Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type						
	2255100000	3355100000	3356600000	5355100000	6456700000	_	
		General		General		•	
	General	Support	Community	Support	Capital		
	Support	Contingency		Grant	Expense	T.4.1	
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Total	
Revenues							
State appropriation/allotment	\$ 143,968,86	1 \$	- \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 143,968,861	
Federal grant revenue		- 72,920	-	69,200	-	142,120	
Sales of supplies		- 2,229,41	-	-	-	2,229,415	
Other income	55	3 (35)	3) -	-	-	195	
Total revenues	143,969,41	4 2,301,97	7 -	69,200	-	146,340,591	
Expenditures							
Current	102 220 47	0 2555.01				112 505 051	
Salaries	102,338,47			1.060	-	113,605,851	
Travel	412,98		,	1,068	10 420 052	447,110	
Contractuals Commodities	25,810,23			1,715	10,420,053	38,262,284 9,990,327	
Debt service	9,649,61	5 77,50	203,209	-	-	9,990,327	
Principal		- 1,585,113	2			1,585,118	
Interest and other charges		- 292,468		_		292,468	
Capital outlay	1,563,94			_	_	1,791,864	
Subsidies	315,95			_	_	315,958	
						313,736	
Total expenditures	140,091,22	6 5,090,833	3 10,686,085	2,783	10,420,053	166,290,980	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	3,878,18	8 (2,788,85)	5) (10,686,085)	66,417	(10,420,053)	(19,950,389)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
Transfers in (out), net	1,416,65	1 (873,166	5) 12,732,615	-	-	13,276,100	
Net Change in Fund Balances	5,294,83	9 (3,662,02	2,046,530	66,417	(10,420,053)	(6,674,289)	
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as							
Previously Reported	(884,76	2) 11,937,242	5,547,954	133,751	10,420,053	27,154,238	
Adjustment applicable to prior years	(2,726,53	6) (4,130,249	9) -	(50,925)	-	(6,907,710)	
E J.DL (D.CJA) DJJ 6 V							
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Restated	(3,611,29	8) 7,806,993	5,547,954	82,826	10,420,053	20,246,528	
Fund Balances (Deficit), End of Year	\$ 1,683,54	1 \$ 4,144,97	1 \$ 7,594,484	\$ 149,243	\$ -	\$ 13,572,239	

Combining Balance Sheet of Medical Budget Authority Fund June 30, 2016

	Gove	Governmental Fund Type				
	2255400000	3355300000	6455A00000	<u>-</u>		
	Medical Fund	Medical Contingency Fund	Medical Capital Expense Fund	Total		
Assets						
Cash	\$ 4,226,486	\$ 505,175	\$ -	\$ 4,731,661		
Due from other funds	<u> </u>	34,219	-	34,219		
Total assets	\$ 4,226,486	\$ 539,394	\$ -	\$ 4,765,880		
Liabilities and Fund Balances						
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 9,845,556	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,845,556		
Accrued wages payable	10,610	-	-	10,610		
Due to other funds	465,027	-	-	465,027		
Due to local governments	153,642	-	-	153,642		
Total liabilities	10,474,835		-	10,474,835		
Fund Balances (Deficit)						
Committed to						
Law, justice and public safety	-	539,394	-	539,394		
Unassigned	(6,248,349)	-		(6,248,349)		
Total fund balances (deficit)	(6,248,349)	539,394	-	(5,708,955)		
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 4,226,486	\$ 539,394	\$ -	\$ 4,765,880		

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Medical Budget Authority Fund Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type			
	2255400000	3355300000	6455A00000	
	Medical Fund	Medical Contingency Fund	Medical Capital Expense Fund	Total
Revenues				
State appropriation/allotment	\$ 63,908,437	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63,908,437
Sales of supplies		148,757	-	148,757
Total revenues	63,908,437	148,757	-	64,057,194
Expenditures Current				
Salaries	225,187	-	-	225,187
Contractuals	65,095,573	-	1,774,072	66,869,645
Subsidies	695,517	-	-	695,517
Total expenditures	66,016,277	-	1,774,072	67,790,349
Net Change in Fund Balances	(2,107,840)	148,757	(1,774,072)	(3,733,155)
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as				
Previously Reported	(524,165)	633,180	1,774,072	1,883,087
Adjustment applicable to prior years	(3,616,344)	(242,543)	-	(3,858,887)
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Restated	(4.140.500)	200 627	1 774 072	(1.075.900)
	(4,140,509)	390,637	1,774,072	(1,975,800)
Fund Balances (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (6,248,349)	\$ 539,394	\$ -	\$ (5,708,955)

Combining Balance Sheet of Private Prison Budget Authority Fund June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type			_		
	2255500000 3356400000					
		Private Prison Fund		rate Prison ntingency Fund	ı	Total
Assets						
Due from other funds	\$	263,573	\$	-	\$	263,573
Total assets	\$	263,573	\$	-	\$	263,573
Liabilities and Fund Balances Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$	4,642,162	\$	-	\$	4,642,162
Due to local governments		79,052		-		79,052
Total liabilities		4,721,214		-		4,721,214
Fund Balances (Deficit)						
Unassigned		(4,457,641)		=		(4,457,641)
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	263,573	\$	-	\$	263,573

Combining Statement of Revenues Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Private Prison Budget Authority Fund Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Governmental		
	2255500000	3356400000	
		Private Prison Contingency Fund	Total
Revenues			
State appropriation/allotment	\$ 72,349,729	\$ - \$	5 72,349,729
Total revenues	72,349,729	-	72,349,729
Expenditures			
Current Contractuals	56,449,113	-	56,449,113
Debt service Principal	6,000,000	-	6,000,000
Interest and other charges	10,046,332	-	10,046,332
Total expenditures	72,495,445	-	72,495,445
Net Change in Fund Balances	(145,716)	-	(145,716)
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Previously Reported	526,482	-	526,482
Adjustment applicable to prior years	(4,838,407)	-	(4,838,407)
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Restated	(4,311,925)	-	(4,311,925)
Fund Balances (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (4,457,641)	\$ - \$	6 (4,457,641)

Combining Balance Sheet of Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund June 30, 2016

		Go	veri	nmental Fund	Тур	oe	
	2	255600000	;	3356200000	6	6455B00000	
		Regional Prison Fund		gional Prison ontingency Fund	Re	gional Prison Capital Expense Fund	Total
Assets							
Cash	\$	-	\$	37,020	\$	-	\$ 37,020
Total assets	\$	-	\$	37,020	\$	-	\$ 37,020
Liabilities and Fund Balances Liabilities Due to local governments Total liabilities	\$	3,078,849	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ 3,078,849
Fund Balances (Deficit) Committed to Law, justice and public safety		-		37,020		-	37,020
Unassigned		(3,078,849)		-		-	(3,078,849)
Total fund balances (deficit)	_	(3,078,849)		37,020		-	(3,041,829)
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	-	\$	37,020	\$		\$ 37,020

Combining Statement of Revenues Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Governmental Fund Type			
	2255600000	3356200000	6455B00000	
	Regional Prison Fund	Regional Prison Contingency Fund	Regional Prison Capital Expense Fund	Total
Revenues				
State appropriation/allotment	\$ 42,100,951	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,100,951
Expenditures Current Contractuals	41,478,130	-	39,434	41,517,564
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers out		37,020	-	37,020
Net Change in Fund Balances	622,821	37,020	(39,434)	620,407
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Previously Reported	(1,168,538)	-	39,434	(1,129,104)
Adjustment applicable to prior years	(2,533,132)	-	-	(2,533,132)
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Restated	(3,701,670)	-	39,434	(3,662,236)
Fund Balances (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (3,078,849)	\$ 37,020	\$ -	\$ (3,041,829)

Combining Balance Sheet of Local Budget Authority Fund June 30, 2016

		Go	verr	nmental Fund T	уре		
	2	255700000	(6455C00000	3	355700000	
	Co	Local onfinement Fund		Local Confinement Ipital Expense Fund	С	onfiscated Funds	Total
Assets							
Cash	\$	2,892,517	\$	-	\$	70,156	\$ 2,962,673
Due from other funds		-		-		1,150	1,150
Total assets	\$	2,892,517	\$	-	\$	71,306	\$ 2,963,823
Liabilities and Fund Balances							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable	\$	65	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 65
Due to local governments		2,902,611		-		-	2,902,611
Total liabilities		2,902,676		-		-	2,902,676
Fund Balances (Deficit)							
Committed to							
Law, justice and public safety		-		-		71,306	71,306
Unassigned		(10,159)		-		-	(10,159)
Total fund balances (deficit)		(10,159)		-		71,306	61,147
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	2,892,517	\$	-	\$	71,306	\$ 2,963,823

Combining Statement of Revenues Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Local Budget Authority Fund Year Ended June 30, 2016

	C			
	225570000	0 6455C00000	3355700000	1
	Local Confineme Fund	Local Confinement nt Capital Expense Fund	Confiscated Funds	Total
Revenues				
State appropriation/allotment Sales of supplies	\$ 7,570,43	38 \$ - 	\$ 31,045	\$ 7,570,438 31,045
Total revenues	7,570,43	-	31,045	7,601,483
Expenditures Current Contractuals	7,541,24	6,110	-	7,547,358
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers		- (1,760) -	(1,760)
Net Change in Fund Balances	29,19	00 (7,870	31,045	52,365
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Previously Reported	(39,34	7,870	78,979	47,500
Adjustment applicable to prior years			(38,718)	(38,718)
Fund Balances (Deficit), Beginning of Year, as Restated	(39,34	19) 7,870	40,261	8,782
Fund Balances (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (10,15	59) \$ -	\$ 71,306	\$ 61,147



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

Commissioner Pelicia Hall State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections Jackson, Mississippi

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the funds selected for audit consisting of the Support Budget Authority Fund, the Medical Budget Authority Fund, the Private Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Regional Prison Budget Authority Fund, the Local Budget Authority Fund, the Inmate Welfare Fund and the Area Supervision Fee Fund of the State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections (MDOC), which are comprised of a balance sheet as of June 30, 2016, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 17, 2017, which contained *Emphasis of Matter* paragraphs regarding the entity reflected in the financial statements and a correction of a misstatement and *Other Matter* paragraphs regarding the omission of management's discussion and analysis.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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 significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important



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enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. 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 MDOC's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2016-022 and 2016-023 to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether MDOC's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We also noted certain matters that we reported to MDOC's management in a separate letter dated March 17, 2017.

MDOC's Response to Findings

MDOC's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Management's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and schedule 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 MDOC's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering MDOC's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Jackson, Mississippi March 17, 2017

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Schedule of Findings and Responses Year Ended June 30, 2016

Reference	
Number	Finding

2016-022

Criteria or Specific Requirement – Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. Internal controls should allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions to prevent or detect material misstatements in the financial reporting of all funds.

Condition – In 2015, MDOC recorded appropriations based on the budgeted appropriations for each fund. However, subsequent to the preparation of MDOC's financial records (GAAP Packages) and subsequent to the issuance of the 2015 audit, the Mississippi Department of Finance & Administration (DFA) determined that actual appropriations should not have been based on budget but on the actual amount of appropriations that would be allocated to each fund. The actual appropriations amount is calculated and provided by the DFA.

Effect – A restatement of beginning fund balance was required to correct the recorded 2015 appropriations.

Cause – The timing of the actual appropriations entry, as posted by DFA, was not made until after the submission of MDOC's GAAP Packages and the issuance of the 2015 audit. The actual appropriations to be applied to MDOC were unknown until that time.

Recommendation – MDOC should implement a process, whereby DFA provides the actual appropriations amount to MDOC before the closeout of either the GAAP Package process or the issuance of the annual audit.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions – MDOC acknowledges that the actual appropriations allocated to each fund may vary from the budgeted appropriations. MDOC is dependent on DFA to provide this information, and DFA did not do so in 2015. MDOC will ensure, to the extent possible, that DFA provides this information in a timely manner in the future.

Schedule of Findings and Responses (Continued) Year Ended June 30, 2016

Reference	
Number	Finding

2016-023

Criteria or Specific Requirement – Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. Internal controls should allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions to prevent or detect material misstatements in the financial reporting of all funds.

Condition – Historically, MDOC has recognized contract payments for private prisons, regional prisons and medical contracts one month in arrears due to the timing of the contract invoices. During 2016, MDOC determined that appropriate GAAP was to record these contract payments on the modified accrual basis and recognize the expenditures at the time liabilities are incurred, which is the time the contract services are rendered.

Effect – A restatement of beginning fund balance was required to correct the cutoff of contract payments in the private prison, regional prison and medical fund.

Cause – MDOC's designed accounting policies and procedures did not allow for these contract payments to be applied to the appropriate period in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Recommendation – Management should implement a process, whereby invoices for contract payments are recorded in the period in which the services are rendered in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions – MDOC will implement a process whereas these contract payments are properly recorded in accordance with the modified accrual basis of accounting.



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State of Mississippi Department of Corrections Canteen Fund

Independent Auditor's Reports and Financial Statements June 30, 2016



State of Mississippi Department of Corrections Canteen Fund

June 30, 2016

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Independent Auditor's Report

Commissioner Pelicia Hall State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections Jackson, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements of Selected Funds

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Canteen Fund of the State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections (MDOC), which are comprised of a balance sheet as of June 30, 2016, and the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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 an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. 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 opinion.



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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Canteen Fund of MDOC as of June 30, 2016, and the changes in its financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in *Note 1*, the financial statements present only the Canteen Fund and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of MDOC as of June 30, 2016, or the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management 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 financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical contest. Our opinion on the financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the pension information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by GASB, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We 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 financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the 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.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Canteen Fund of MDOC's financial statements. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position – Enterprise Fund Type – Canteen Fund – By Location (the Schedule), as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

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The Schedule has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 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 March 17, 2017, on our consideration of MDOC's internal control over financial reporting and 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 the 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 MDOC's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Jackson, Mississippi March 17, 2017

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Canteen Fund Balance Sheet Enterprise Fund Type June 30, 2016

Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources Current Assets		
Cash	\$	35,532
Accounts receivable	·	51,831
Total current assets		87,363
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation		28,553
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pensions		125,190
	\$	241,106
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$	861
Due to other funds		119,953
Accrued payroll		383
Total current liabilities		121,197
Net Pension Liability		664,695
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pensions		150,386
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets		28,553
Unrestricted		(723,725)
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Total net position		(695,172)
	\$	241,106

Canteen Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Enterprise Fund Type Year Ended June 30, 2016

Operating Revenues	
Bagging administration fees	\$ 1,454,109
Third-party vendor sales	3,688,111
	5,142,220
Cost of Goods Sold	 3,688,111
Gross Profit	1,454,109
Operating Expenses	
Salaries	246,976
Travel	3,091
Contractuals	159,659
Commodities	171,762
	581,488
Operating Income	872,621
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	
Loss on disposal of asset	 (1,998)
Income Before Transfers	870,623
Transfers to Other Funds	 (845,502)
Increase in Net Position	25,121
Net Position, Beginning of Year	 (720,293)
Net Position, End of Year	\$ (695,172)

Canteen Fund

Statement of Cash Flows Enterprise Fund Type Year Ended June 30, 2016

Operating Activities	
Sales of products	\$ 5,699,170
Payments to suppliers for inventory purchases	(4,852,243)
Payments to employees	(277,089)
Payments for travel, commodities and contractual	 (334,512)
Net cash provided by operating activities	 235,326
Noncapital Financing Activities	
Operating transfers out	 (845,502)
Net cash used in noncapital financing activities	 (845,502)
Decrease in Cash	(610,176)
Cash, Beginning of Year	 645,708
Cash, End of Year	\$ 35,532
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	
Operating income	\$ 872,621
Changes in	
Accounts receivable	556,950
Accounts payable	(495,371)
Accrued payroll and accrued payroll taxes	(2,994)
Due to other funds	(668,761)
Net pension liability	(27,119)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 235,326

Canteen Fund Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2016

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Background Information

The State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections (MDOC), an agency of the State of Mississippi, follows fund accounting with respect to its Canteen Fund and pursuant to applicable state statutes. Funds are received by MDOC on behalf of inmates to provide for certain essential and nonessential items such as toiletries, snacks and personal items and are handled through the Inmate Banking Fund.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying fund financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Revenue Recognition

Revenue and related fees on canteen sales are recognized when sales of products to inmates occur.

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 by the Government Finance Officers Association.

Fund Accounting

The financial activities of the Canteen Fund are recorded in individual funds and account groups used to report the financial position and results of operations where applicable. Fund accounting is used to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with specific regulations, restrictions or limitations. The Fund utilizes the following fund category, which is further subdivided into separate "fund types."

Proprietary Fund Type

Enterprise Fund – This fund is used to account for those operations that are financed and
operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises or where the State has decided
that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is
necessary for management accountability.

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Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The Proprietary Fund type is reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, all assets and liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Net position (i.e., fund equity) is segregated into invested in net investment in capital assets and unrestricted components. Proprietary Fund type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net position. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized. Under this method, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, and other changes in net position during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Interfund Receivables and Payables

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 "interfund receivables or payables." Interfund receivables and payables are reported as "due to/due from other funds."

Capital Assets

Capital assets acquired or constructed for proprietary fund operations are capitalized at cost in the respective funds in which they are utilized. No interest is capitalized on self-constructed assets because noncapitalization of interest does not have a material effect on the State's financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value at the time of donation. Canteen Fund capital assets, excluding land, are depreciated on the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives of the respective asset, net of salvage value. The following estimated useful lives are being used by MDOC:

Mobile equipment 5 years Other furniture and equipment 10 years

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Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pensions 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.

Net Position

Net position of MDOC is classified in two components. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and related debt, if any. Unrestricted net position is the remaining assets less remaining liabilities that do not meet the definition of net investment in capital assets. Unrestricted net position represents the net position available for future operations or transfer to other funds.

Classification of Revenues

MDOC has classified its revenues as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria:

Operating revenues – Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as sales and services.

Nonoperating revenues – Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions and other revenue sources that are defined as nonoperating revenues by GASB.

Note 2: Cash and Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, a government's deposits may not be returned. The fund's deposit policy for protection of custodial risk is handled under a statewide collateral program. The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions is held by the depository bank in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the State of Mississippi Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entities' 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

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by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Note 3: Capital Assets

The Canteen Fund capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 follows.

Category		eginning Balance	Additions Disposals		sposals	Ending Balance		
Mobile equipment	\$	305,151	\$	_	\$	(19,975)	\$	285,176
Other furniture and equipment		131,676		-		-		131,676
		436,827		-		(19,975)		416,852
Less accumulated depreciation		(406,276)				17,977		(388,299)
Net capital assets	\$	30,551	\$		\$	(1,998)	\$	28,553

Note 4: Transactions With Other Funds

Through February 2016, the Inmate Banking Fund paid the Canteen Fund once a month for all the previous month's sales. Also, the Canteen Fund transferred its profits to the Inmate Welfare Fund at unscheduled times during the year.

Beginning in March 2016, the inmate banking operations were outsourced to the same contractor providing canteen operations, and the resulting gross profits from the canteen are transferred from the operator directly into the Inmate Welfare Fund. Previously, gross profits were deposited into the Canteen Fund and then transferred to the Inmate Welfare Fund.

The following are amounts due to and from each fund, as well as the transfers made for the year.

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Interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2016, are as follows:

	Due From Other Funds	Due To Other Funds
Canteen Fund		
Inmate Welfare Fund	\$ -	\$ 119,953
Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30	, 2016, are as follows: Transfer to Other Funds	Transfer From Other Funds
Canteen Fund Inmate Welfare Fund	\$ 845,502	\$ -

Note 5: Claims and Judgments

Risk Financing

The Canteen Fund finances its exposure to risk of loss related to workers' compensation for injuries to its employees through a self-funded plan with MDOC. The plan calls for a third-party administrator and reinsurance coverage to cover claims over a specified amount per occurrence.

The Fund is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which, with the exception of employee dishonesty, the State does not carry commercial insurance to protect against these and other types of risks.

Note 6: Pension Plan

Plan Description

MDOC contributes to PERS, a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) 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

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financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That information may be obtained by writing the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201-1005 or by calling 601.359.3589 or 1.800.444.PERS or online at http://www.pers.ms.gov.

Benefits Provided

For the cost-sharing plan, 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 2.00% 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 2.50% 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. A member may elect a reduced retirement allowance payable for life with the provision that, after death, a beneficiary receives benefits for life or for a specified number of years. 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. In the event of death prior to retirement of any member whose spouse and/or children are not entitled to a retirement allowance, the deceased member's accumulated contributions and interest are paid to the designated beneficiary.

A COLA payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.00% 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 3.00% compounded for each fiscal year thereafter.

Contributions

Plan provisions and the PERS Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Mississippi Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature.

Policies for PERS provide for employer and member contributions at actuarially determined rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are adequate to accumulate sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. Contribution rates for PERS are established in accordance with actuarial contribution requirements determined through the most recent June 30 annual valuation and adopted by the PERS Board of Trustees. Employer contribution rates consist of an amount for service cost; the amount estimated to finance benefits earned by current members during the year; and an amount for amortization of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. For determining

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employer contribution rates, the actuary evaluates the assets of the plan based on a five-year smoothed expected return with 20.00% of a year's excess or shortfall of expected return recognized each year for five years. Contribution rates are determined using the entry age actuarial cost method and include provisions for an annual 3.00% cost-of-living increase calculated according to the terms of the respective plan.

Employees are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual pay. The employer's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2016, was 15.75% of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. For the year ended June 30, 2016, contributions to the pension plan from MDOC were \$50,910.

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

At June 30, 2016, MDOC's Canteen Fund reported a liability of \$664,695 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 Canteen Fund's proportion of the net pension liability was based on employer contributions to PERS for the Plan's fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, relative to the total employer contributions of participating employers to PERS. At June 30, 2015, MDOC Canteen Fund's proportion was 0.0043%, which was a decrease of 0.0013% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the Canteen Fund recognized pension expense of \$20,816. At June 30, 2016, the Canteen Fund reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Out	tflows of	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
\$	17,019	\$	-	
	57,261		-	
	-		115,378	
	-		35,008	
	50,910			
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\$	125,190	\$	150,386	
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At June 30, 2016, MDOC's Canteen Fund reported \$50,910 as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 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:

Y	Year Ending June 30		Amount		
2017		\$	(28,702)		
2018			(29,541)		
2019			(27,586)		
2020			9,723		
		\$	(76,106)		

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2015, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Inflation	3.00%
Salary increases	3.75 -19.00%, average, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75%, net of pension plan investment expense,
	including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Health Annuitant Blue Collar Table Projected with Scale BB to 2026, set forward two years for males.

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 through June 30, 2014. The experience report was dated May 4, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a lognormal 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 weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2015, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation Percentage	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. 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%
	100.00%	

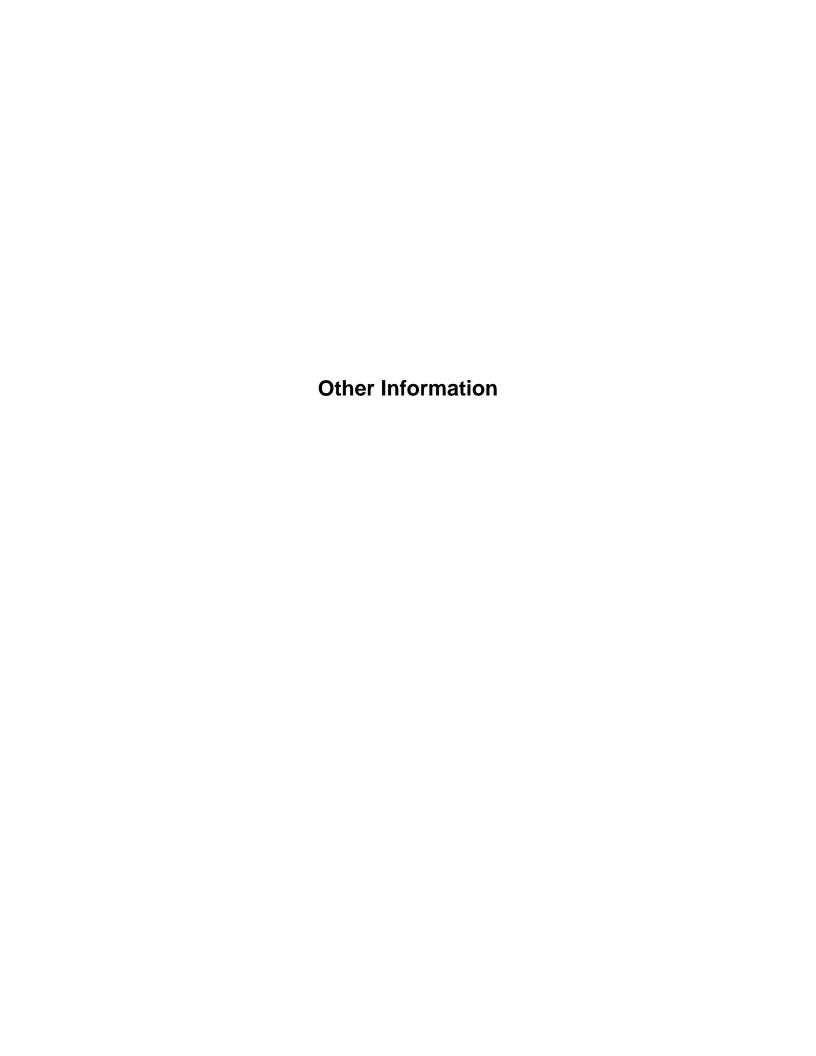
Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%), and that participating 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 MDOC's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

MDOC's proportionate share of the net pension liability has been calculated using a discount rate of 7.75%. The following presents MDOC's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using a discount rate 1% higher and 1% lower than the current rate.

	1.00% Decrease (6.75%)		Current Discount Rate (7.75%)		1.00% Increase (8.75%)	
Proportionate share of the net pension						
liability	\$	876,129	\$	664,695	\$	489,245



Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position – Enterprise Fund Type – Canteen Fund – By Location Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Location																			
	Central MS Correctional Facility		East MS Correctional Facility		Marshall County Correctional Facility		MS State Penitentiary		South MS Correctional Institute		Wilkinson County Correctional Facility		Walnut Grove Correctional Facility		Community Work Centers		Other		Total	
Operating Revenues																				
Bagging administration fees	\$	388,226	\$	83,313	\$	138,175	\$	264,733	\$	270,744	\$	83,689	\$	115,849	\$	109,380	\$	-	\$ 1	,454,109
Third-party vendor sales		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	3,6	588,111	3	,688,111
		388,226		83,313		138,175		264,733		270,744		83,689		115,849		109,380	3,6	588,111	5	,142,220
Cost of Goods Sold		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	3,6	588,111	3	,688,111
Gross Profit		388,226		83,313		138,175		264,733		270,744		83,689		115,849		109,380		-	1	,454,109
Operating Expenses																				
Salaries		-		-		-		12,291		-		-		-		-	2	234,685		246,976
Travel		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		3,091		3,091
Contractuals		109,204		32,225		51,318		66,874		74,779		33,424		41,501		29,134	(2	278,800)		159,659
Commodities		54,164		-		-		55,628		48,065		-		-		-		13,905		171,762
		163,368		32,225		51,318		134,793		122,844		33,424		41,501		29,134	((27,119)		581,488
Operating Income		224,858		51,088		86,857		129,940		147,900		50,265		74,348		80,246		27,119		872,621
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)																				
Loss on disposal of asset		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		(1,998)		(1,998)
Income Before Transfers		224,858		51,088		86,857		129,940		147,900		50,265		74,348		80,246		25,121		870,623
Transfers to Other Funds		(224,858)		(51,088)		(86,857)		(129,940)		(147,900)		(50,265)		(74,348)		(80,246)		-		(845,502)
Increase in Net Position	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	25,121	\$	25,121



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Schedule of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

	2016			2015
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability		0.0043%		0.0056%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	664,695	\$	679,737
Employer's covered-employee payroll	\$	267,886	\$	379,043
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		248.1%		179.3%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		61.70%		67.21%

Notes to Schedule:

Information above is presented as of the measurement date.

This schedule is intended to show a 10-year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available. The information presented in this schedule has been determined as of the measurement date in accordance with GASB 68.

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Schedule of the Employer's Contributions

	2016	2015
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 50,910	\$ 42,192
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	 50,910	 42,192
Contribution deficiency	\$ -	\$ -
Employer's covered-employee payroll	\$ 323,238	\$ 267,886
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	15.75%	15.75%

Notes to Schedule:

Information above is presented as of the employer's fiscal year.

This schedule is intended to show a 10-year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available. The information presented in this schedule has been determined as of the employer's fiscal year-end in accordance with GASB 68.

Changes of Assumptions:

2015

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.



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

Commissioner Pelicia Hall State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections Jackson, Mississippi

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the Canteen Fund of the State of Mississippi, Department of Corrections (MDOC), which are comprised of a balance sheet as of June 30, 2016, and the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 17, 2017, which contained an *Emphasis of Matter* paragraph regarding the entity reflected in the financial statements and an *Other Matter* paragraph regarding the omission of management's discussion and analysis.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of MDOC is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting (internal control). In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered MDOC's internal control to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of MDOC's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of MDOC'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 MDOC's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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



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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether MDOC's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We also noted certain matters that we reported to MDOC's management in a separate letter dated March 17, 2017.

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 MDOC's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

BKD,LLP

Jackson, Mississippi March 17, 2017