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MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT BANK A Component Unit of the State of Mississippi AUDIT REPORT JUNE 30, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To the Board of Directors Mississippi Development Bank Jackson, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of Mississippi Development Bank, a component unit of the State of Mississippi, which comprise the statements of net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and statements of cash flows for the years 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 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 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.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective net position of Mississippi Development Bank, as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in net position, and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 6 through 9 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 20, 2021, on our consideration of Mississippi Development Bank's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Mississippi Development Bank's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Collin, Barn & Hambrer, LTJ.

October 20, 2021

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of Mississippi Development Bank's (the "Bank") audit report presents our discussion and analysis of the Bank's financial performance during the fiscal years that ended on June 30, 2021 and 2020. Please read it in conjunction with the Bank's financial statements, which follow this section.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Bank was established as a separate body corporate and politic of the State of Mississippi (the "State") for the public purposes set forth under the provisions of Sections 31-25-1 *et seq.*, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Act"). The purpose of the Bank is to foster and promote, in accordance with the Act, the provision of adequate markets and facilities for the borrowing of funds for public purposes by governmental units. To provide funds to accomplish this purpose, the Bank is granted under the Act the power to borrow money and issue its bonds in such principal amounts as it shall deem necessary. The Bank is not liable on any of the bonds issued by the Bank. All such indebtedness is considered conduit debt and therefore is not recorded on the Bank's financial statements.

The Bank is an independent public body and the powers conferred upon the Bank are vested in the Board of Directors of the Bank ("Board") and in no other state agency (House Bill 781, 2001 Regular Session). The Bank has been determined to be a component unit of the State.

Funds are accounting devices that state and local political subdivisions use to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes. Activities the political subdivision operates like businesses are accounted for in proprietary funds. Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of net position, operating income, changes in net position, and cash flows. The proprietary fund category includes enterprise funds. Enterprise funds are used to report any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services. All of the activities of the Bank are recorded in one enterprise fund.

GASB Statement No. 34 and related pronouncements are written from the perspective of general purpose governments – states, cities, counties, towns, and villages. However, the Bank and many political subdivisions are special purpose governments. These political subdivisions are legally separate entities and generally provide a limited set of services or programs. Special purpose governments engaged only in business-type activities should present only the financial statements required for enterprise funds under the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34 and related pronouncements.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the special purpose governments described in the previous paragraph, basic financial statements consist of:

- 1. Statement of net position,
- 2. Statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position,
- 3. Statement of cash flows.

The financial statements also include notes to the financial statements that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term are included in the financial statements. In addition, all revenues and expenses during the year are included in the financial statements using the accrual method of accounting, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Changes in Net Position

Net position decreased \$57,020 during the year ended June 30, 2021 as compared to an increase of \$107,902 in 2020 and an increase of \$28,730 in 2019.

Operating revenues consist of bond issuer fees. Fees earned by the Bank totaled \$230,175, \$280,973 and \$431,915 for the years ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively. Fees earned depend upon the level of participation in the various finance programs provided through the Bank. The level of participation by governmental units varies from year to year and is affected by various economic factors.

Operating expenses totaled \$327,618 in 2021 as compared to \$326,520 in 2020. Operating expenses were \$572,969 for 2019. The Bank's office facilities and administrative support are provided by the Mississippi Business Finance Corporation ("MBFC"), a related party. Administrative fees charged by MBFC for these services totaled \$300,000 in 2021, \$300,000 in 2020 and \$500,000 in 2019.

Nonoperating revenue for fiscal years 2021, 2020 and 2019 includes net earnings on investments. The net earnings for fiscal years 2021, 2020 and 2019 totaled \$40,423, \$153,449, and \$169,784 respectively. The differences between years are primarily due to fluctuations in the amounts available for investment and in the yield on the Bank's investments, including adjustments to market value in each respective year.

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Changes in Net Position

	For the Year Ended June 30,			
		2021	2020	
Operating revenues	\$	230,175	\$	280,973
Operating expenses		327,618		326,520
Operating loss		(97,443)		(45,547)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)		40,423		153,449
Change in net position		(57,020)		107,902
Net position, beginning of year		5,016,052		4,908,150
Net position, end of year	\$	4,959,032	\$	5,016,052

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Net Position

Cash and cash equivalents, investments and interest receivable for fiscal years 2021, 2020 and 2019 represent approximately 99%, 97%, and 97% of total assets, respectively.

Noncurrent assets decreased from \$137,749 at June 30, 2020, to \$3,464 at June 30, 2021. During 2014, the Bank made deposits into various trust accounts to establish Debt Service Reserve Funds for ten prior bond issues in order to meet the maximum debt service coverage requirements of Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and maintain an "A" rating on those prior bond issues. The remaining amount on deposit was recorded as a restricted asset and totaled \$130,820 at June 30, 2020. This amount was returned to the Bank during 2021 as there are no longer any outstanding bonds from the bond issues requiring the deposits.

Current liabilities consisted of accounts payable and accrued expenses in the amount of \$116,867 at June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019.

Net position of the Bank totaled \$4,959,032 at June 30, 2021 as compared to \$5,016,052 at June 30, 2020 and \$4,908,150 at June 30, 2019.

Net Position

	As of June 30,			
	2021	2020		
Current assets	\$ 5,072,435	\$ 4,995,170		
Noncurrent assets	3,464	137,749		
Total assets	5,075,899	5,132,919		
Liabilities	116,867_	116,867		
Net position: Invested in capital assets Restricted for debt service reserve funds Unrestricted	3,464 - 4,955,568	6,929 130,820 4,878,303		
Total net position	\$ 4,959,032	\$ 5,016,052		

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STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020		
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,369,736	\$ 1,308,993		
Investments	3,689,373	3,672,268		
Receivables	13,326	13,909		
Total current assets	5,072,435	4,995,170		
Noncurrent assets:				
Restricted assets - debt service reserve funds	-	130,820		
Capital assets:				
Property and equipment, net	3,464	6,929		
Total noncurrent assets	3,464	137,749		
Total assets	5,075,899	5,132,919		
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	116,867	116,867		
NET POSITION				
Invested in capital assets	3,464	6,929		
Restricted for debt service reserve funds	-	130,820		
Unrestricted	4,955,568	4,878,303		
Total net position	\$ 4,959,032	\$ 5,016,052		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
OPERATING REVENUES: Issuer fees	\$ 230,175	\$ 280,973
OPERATING EXPENSES: Administrative fees Contractual services Depreciation	300,000 15,594 3,465	300,000 14,270 3,480
Other	8,559	8,770
Total operating expenses	327,618	326,520
Operating loss	(97,443)	(45,547)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES): Net earnings on investments	40,423	153,449
Change in net position	(57,020)	107,902
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	5,016,052	4,908,150
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 4,959,032	\$ 5,016,052

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Cash received from customers	\$ 230,175	\$ 280,973		
Administrative fees paid to related party	(300,000)	(300,000)		
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(24,153)	(23,040)		
Refund received from debt service reserve funds	130,820			
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	36,842	(42,067)		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Net earnings on investments	71,115	86,149		
Proceeds from sale of investments	965,612	1,028,567		
Purchases of investments	(1,012,826)	(1,094,799)		
Purchases of capital assets	-	(10,409)		
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	23,901	9,508		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	60,743	(32,559)		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	1,308,993	1,341,552		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 1,369,736	\$ 1,308,993		
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:				
Operating loss	\$ (97,443)	\$ (45,547)		
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss				
to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:				
Depreciation	3,465	3,480		
Decrease in restricted assets	130,820			
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 36,842	\$ (42,067)		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2021 and 2020

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Mississippi Development Bank (the "Bank"), which have been followed in preparing the accompanying financial statements, are set forth below. The Bank's fiscal year runs annually from July 1st to June 30th of the following year.

Organization

The Mississippi Development Bank was established as a separate body corporate and politic of the State of Mississippi (the "State") for the public purposes set forth under the provisions of Sections 31-25-1 *et seq.*, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Act"). The purpose of the Bank is to foster and promote, in accordance with the Act, the provision of adequate markets and facilities for the borrowing of funds for public purposes by governmental units. To provide funds to accomplish this purpose the Bank is granted under the Act the power to borrow money and issue its bonds in such principal amounts as it shall deem necessary. The Bank is not liable on any of the bonds issued by the Bank. Therefore, all such indebtedness is considered conduit debt as further discussed in Note 6.

The Bank is not an agency of the State. The Bank operates independently and is separate from the State in its corporate and sovereign capacity and has no taxing power. The Bank has been determined to be a component unit of the State. In the event of dissolution, all rights and properties shall pass to and be vested in the State.

Capital Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are stated at cost and include expenditures for new additions and those which substantially increase the useful lives of existing property and equipment. Maintenance, repairs and minor replacements are expensed as incurred. The cost of equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of 3-5 years for each asset. Depreciation expense for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 was \$3,465 and \$3,480 respectively.

Revenue Recognition

All revenue of the Bank is derived from bond issuance fees and earnings on investments. Bond issuance fees related to the Bank's programs are recognized when bonds are sold. Revenue transactions are classified as operating revenue if those transactions constitute the Bank's principal ongoing operations.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Operating Expenses

Bond issuance costs are paid by the local governmental units from bond proceeds. The Bank's office facilities and administrative support are provided by Mississippi Business Finance Corporation ("MBFC"), a related party (see Note 5). Expense transactions are classified as operating expenses if those transactions constitute the Bank's principal ongoing operations.

Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

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

The Bank considers certificates of deposit to be cash equivalents if they have a maturity of three months or less when acquired. Certificates of deposit with maturities in excess of three months are considered investments.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the Bank will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Bank does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The carrying amount of the Bank's deposits with financial institutions was \$1,369,736 for 2021 and \$1,308,993 for 2020. The bank balance was \$1,369,884 for 2021 and \$1,309,141 for 2020. At June 30, 2021 and 2020, none of the bank balances were exposed to custodial credit risk.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

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Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (Continued)

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Bank has a policy regarding investment maturity. Investments should be primarily with maturities of five years or less. United States government and agency obligations and guaranteed investment contracts may be considered for maturities greater than five years. Investments with maturities of greater than five years require approval by the Bank's investment committee.

The Bank categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The Bank has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2021:

 Government agency bonds, municipal obligations, corporate bonds, and mortgagebacked securities of \$3,689,373 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

Investments made by the Bank that are included on the statements of net position are summarized below as of June 30, 2021 and 2020.

	Investment Maturities						
	2021 at						
Investment Type	Fair Value	Less than 1 1-5	5-10				
Government agency bonds	\$ 801,609	\$ 199,287 \$ 413,743	\$ 188,579				
Municipal obligations	1,315,010	347,521 752,137	215,352				
Mortgage-backed securities	1,572,754	3,662 1,569,092	-				
Total	\$ 3,689,373	\$ 550,470 \$ 2,734,972	\$ 403,931				
		Investment Maturities					
	2020 at	(in years)					
Investment Type	Fair Value	Less than 1 1-5	5-10				
Government agency bonds	\$ 1,003,326	\$ 198,697 \$ 614,618	\$ 190,011				
Municipal obligations	1,556,168	223,355 822,465	510,348				
Mortgage-backed securities	1,112,774	106,4331,006,341					
Total	\$ 3,672,268	\$ 528,485 \$ 2,443,424	\$ 700,359				

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Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (Continued)

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Bank's investments in debt securities at June 30, 2021 and 2020 are summarized by Standard & Poor's credit quality rating as follows:

S&P Rating	2021	2020
AA+	\$ 1,568,234	\$ 1,105,999
AA	646,150	878,880
AA-	542,822	545,298
BBB+	4,520	6,775
Not rated - investment grade (1)	126,038	131,990
Total	\$ 2,887,764	\$ 2,668,942

(1) Investment grade rated by agency other than Standard & Poor.

The Bank's investments in government agency bonds are not considered to have credit risk and are not included in the disclosure of credit quality. The Bank's investment policy requires investments in obligations of insurance firms or other corporations be rated "AA", or its equivalent, or better by recognized rating companies at the time of purchase.

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the Bank, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the Bank's name. The Bank does not have any investment securities at June 30, 2021 and 2020 that are exposed to custodial credit risk.

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Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (Continued)

Excluding government agency bonds, certificates of deposit, investments in mutual funds and other pooled investments, the Bank has the following investments in any one issuer that represent five percent or more of total investments at June 30, 2021 and 2020.

Description		2021		2020
MS State Taxable Ser E, 2.267%				
due 12/01/20	\$	-	\$	231,251
MS State Taxable Ser G, 2.470%				
due 11/01/21		251,960		254,773
MS State Taxable Ser B, 2.829%				000 040
due 10/01/25		232,669		230,912
FN AN6862 DUS Bond, 2.750%		055 040		005.050
due 09/01/24		255,848		265,353
Harrison County MS Ref Ser B		000.054		000 004
1.769% Due 10/01/22		228,051		226,334
Mississippi St Dev Dk Txbl Desoto				
Cnty Hghwy Rev 2.544% Due 01/01/28		212 000		216 642
FN AN3621 Dus Bond floats		212,808		216,642
@ 1M Libor + 0.58%				
Due 09/01/26		249,898		250,933
FR SB8011 15 Year Pass Through,		249,090		250,955
3.000% Due 10/01/34		_		190,048
FN MA4278 15 Year Pass Through,				130,040
1.5% Due 03/01/36		245,799		_
FN FM6779 10 Year Pass Through,		210,700		
1.5% Due 04/01/31		248,805		_
FFCB Bullet 2.8% Due 12/17/21		,		
	-	202,488		
	\$ 2	2,128,326	\$	1,866,246

Note 3 – Debt Service Reserve Funds Requirement

During the year ended June 30, 2014, Standard & Poor's Rating Services ("S&P") advised the State and the Bank that the amount of debt service reserve requirements must be equal to the maximum annual debt service for each series of prior bonds to maintain a rating of "A". The Bank used its own funds to cause each of the debt service reserve funds to meet the S&P requirement and maintain S&P's "A" rating on each series of bonds. The remaining amount on deposit was recorded as a restricted asset and totaled \$130,820 at June 30, 2020. This amount was returned to the Bank during 2021 as there are no longer any outstanding bonds from the bond issues requiring the use of the Bank's funds.

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Note 4 – Capital Assets

The changes in capital assets for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 are summarized as follows:

	July 1, 2020 Beginning Balance		Inc	creases	Dec	reases	June 30, 2021 Ending Balance	
Capital assets-	_							
Property & equipment	\$	81,852	\$	-	\$	-	\$	81,852
Accumulated depreciation-								
Property & equipment		(74,923)		(3,465)		-		(78,388)
Capital assets, net	\$	6,929	\$	(3,465)	\$	-	\$	3,464
	July 1, 2019 Beginning Balance		Increases		Decreases		June 30, 2020 Ending Balance	
Capital assets-								
Property & equipment	\$	71,443	\$	10,409	\$	-	\$	81,852
Accumulated depreciation-								
Property & equipment		(71,443)		(3,480)		-		(74,923)
Capital assets, net	\$	-	\$	6,929	\$	-	\$	6,929

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Note 5 – Related Party

MBFC is a not-for-profit public corporation that administers a variety of finance programs designed to assist business and industry in locating or expanding in the State. MBFC is a component unit of the State. MBFC's members are appointed by various state elected officials. MBFC's Board of Directors are elected by its members. By statute, the Board of Directors of MBFC serve as the Board of Directors of the Bank. Also, the officers of MBFC serve as officers of the Bank in accordance with the Bank's by-laws.

The Bank's office facilities and administrative support are provided by MBFC. Administrative fees charged annually by MBFC for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$300,000 for each year.

Note 6 – Conduit Debt Transactions

The Bank assists governmental units through programs of providing loans under loan agreements between such governmental units and the Bank. The Bank issues special obligation bonds in order to provide funds for making loans to the governmental units. Although the special obligation bonds bear the name of the Bank, the Bank is not responsible for the payment of the bonds. The bonds are secured only by the payments agreed to be paid by the governmental units under the terms of the loan agreements.

The outstanding balance of special obligation bonds issued by the Bank was approximately \$2.91 billion at June 30, 2021 and approximately \$3.11 billion at June 30, 2020. The faith, credit and taxing power of the State and the Bank are not pledged to the payment of such bonds. However, a debt service reserve fund pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated Section 31-25-105 has been authorized on approximately \$151 million of the bonds outstanding as of June 30, 2021.

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Note 7 – Risk Management

The Bank is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The Bank carries commercial insurance for these risks. There have been no settled claims resulting from these insured risks in any of the past three fiscal years.

Note 8 – Subsequent Events

Events that occur after the statement of net position date but before the financial statements were available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the statement of net position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the statement of net position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes to the financial statements. Management evaluated the activity of the Bank through October 20, 2021, (the date the financial statements were available to be issued) and concluded that no subsequent events have occurred that would require recognition in the financial statements or disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors Mississippi Development Bank Jackson, Mississippi

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Mississippi Development Bank (the "Bank"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Bank's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 20, 2021.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

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October 20, 2021