

**SOUTHWEST TRANSIT
Eden Prairie, Minnesota**

**REPORTS ON COMPLIANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS
AND MINNESOTA LEGAL COMPLIANCE**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners
SouthWest Transit
Eden Prairie, Minnesota

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of SouthWest Transit ("SWT"), Eden Prairie, Minnesota as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related Notes to the Financial Statements, which collectively comprise SWT's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 6, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. 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 SWT'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 result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of SWT's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering SWT's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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St. Cloud, Minnesota
May 6, 2015



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**REPORT ON LEGAL COMPLIANCE
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Commissioners
SouthWest Transit
Eden Prairie, Minnesota

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 governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of SouthWest Transit, Eden Prairie, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related Notes to the Financial Statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 6, 2015.

The *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to *Minnesota Statute* Section 6.65, contains six categories of compliance to be tested: contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements and miscellaneous provisions. Our audit considered all of the listed categories.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that SWT failed to comply with the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions*. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding SWT's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of those charged with governance and management of SWT and the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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May 6, 2015