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State of New Jersey 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

For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2012

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We have audited the financial statements of the State of New Jersey as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012 and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 2013. In connection with that audit, we tested internal controls and compliance with laws and regulations. The results of our tests are contained herein in our 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.

The audit was performed and this report is submitted pursuant to the State Auditor's responsibilities as set forth in Article VII, Section I, Paragraph 6 of the State Constitution and Title 52 of the New Jersey Statutes.

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February 7, 2013

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We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the State of New Jersey as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which collectively comprise the state's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 2013. Our report includes a reference to other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Other auditors audited the financial statements of the discretely presented component units, the pensions and other employee benefits trust funds, and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, as described in our report on the State of New Jersey's basic financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors. The financial statements of the pensions and other employee benefits trust funds and three discretely presented

component units, the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, the Atlantic City Convention and Visitors Authority, and the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority, audited by other auditors, were not performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management of the State of New Jersey is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the State of New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 State of New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the State of New Jersey's internal control over financial reporting.

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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined previously.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the State of New Jersey'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*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management of the State of New Jersey, the legislature, and the federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Stephen M. Eells State Auditor January 9, 2013



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January 31, 2013

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Dear Mr. Eells:

I have reviewed the State of New Jersey 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 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012.

I was pleased to note that there were no material weaknesses indicated by your audit examination.

Sincerely,

Charlene M. Holzbaur

Director

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