



ALAMEDA CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Single Audit Reports

Year ended June 30, 2014

(With Independent Auditors' Reports Thereon)

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Independent Auditors' 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 Governing Board
Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority:

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 Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority (the Authority), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2014, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 11, 2014.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements, we considered the Authority'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 basic financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority'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 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 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. We did identify a deficiency in internal control, identified as FS-2014-001 in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs that we consider to be a significant deficiency.



Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's basic 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*.

The Authority's Response to Finding

The Authority's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Authority's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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

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Los Angeles, California
December 11, 2014



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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Program; Report on Internal Control over Compliance; and Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*

The Governing Board
Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority's (the Authority) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Authority's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2014. The Authority's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Authority's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance.

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2014.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in



accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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 compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and have issued our report thereon dated December 11, 2014, which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic 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 basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

KPMG LLP

Los Angeles, California
January 15, 2015 except for our report on the
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards,
for which the date is December 11, 2014

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Year ended June 30, 2014

<u>Federal agency/program title</u>	<u>Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number</u>	<u>Grant/ Cooperative agreement numbers</u>	<u>Federal expenditures/ disbursements</u>
U.S. Department of Transportation: Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	07-6246R	\$ 192,975
Passed through the California Department of Transportation: Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	07-4914 and 07-4872	2,277,194
Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster			<u>2,470,169</u>
Total expenditures of federal awards			<u>\$ 2,470,169</u>

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards and accompanying independent auditors' report on compliance for each major program; report on internal control over compliance; and report on schedule of expenditures of federal awards required by OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations* .

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Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Year ended June 30, 2014

(1) General

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards presents the activity of all federal awards programs of the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority (the Authority).

(2) Basis of Accounting

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented using the accrual basis of accounting, which is described in note 2 to the basic financial statements of the Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014.

(3) Relationship to Federal Financial Reports

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards agree with the amounts reported in the related federal financial reports.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

Year ended June 30, 2014

(1) Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

The type of auditors' report issued on the financial statements: **Unmodified opinion**

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified in internal control over financial reporting: **None noted**
- Significant deficiencies identified in internal control over financial reporting that are not considered to be material weaknesses: **FS-2014-001**

Noncompliance that is material to the financial statements: **None noted**

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weaknesses identified in internal control over major programs: **None noted**
- Significant deficiencies in internal control over major programs that are not considered to be material weaknesses: **None reported**

The type of auditors' report issued on compliance for the major program: **Unmodified opinion**

Any audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133: **No**

Identification of major program:

<u>CFDA number</u>	<u>Name of federal program</u>
20.205	U.S. Department of Transportation: Highway Planning and Construction Cluster

- Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: **\$300,000**
- Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee under Section 530 of OMB Circular A-133: **Yes**

(2) Findings Relating to the Financial Statements Reported in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Finding FS-2014-001 – Financial Statement Presentation

Condition and Context

In our review of the Authority's financial statements, we noted adjustments that were required to properly present the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

Year ended June 30, 2014

We specifically noted a reclassification between accrued interest payable and revenue bonds payable for \$153.4 million. During the year ended June 30, 2013, \$153.4 million of accrued interest related to an outstanding bond converted from accrued interest to principal, in accordance with the bond agreement. Although the interest converted in fiscal year 2013, it was not identified by management until fiscal year 2014. In conjunction with the above reclassification, we identified reclassifications between net investment in capital assets and unrestricted net assets categories totaling \$153.4 million. The reclassifications did not impact total assets, liabilities, net position, revenue, or expenses.

Criteria

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Cause

Although management does review the financial statements on a regular basis, it does not appear that the review was performed with enough precision to identify these discrepancies. During the Authority's review process, liabilities in total were verified, which was accurate as the reclassification was between two related liability categories.

Effect or Potential Effect

Management's ability to thoroughly review financial statements and identify issue in the period they relate may limit the reliability of financial reporting.

Recommendation

We recommend the Authority enhance its policies and procedures over its financial statement preparation to ensure that it is appropriately presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Views of Responsible Officials

The Authority did not record the conversion of Accrued Interest Payable to Principal Payable on the 2004A Convertible Capital Appreciation Bonds on the date of conversion of the 2004A Bonds, October 1, 2012. The oversight did not change the Authority's statements of revenue, expenses, and changes in net position, and cash flows. The oversight was detected by the Authority during a review of the draft June 30, 2014 financial statements and footnote disclosure. The oversight was corrected, and brought to the attention of the Authority's auditor immediately following identification of the need to make the correction.

The primary users of the financial statements were not impacted as a result of this reclassification as accrued interest and bond debt are interrelated and viewed in total, not individually. As a result, this did not impact the reliability of the information presented in the Authority's financial statements in either year. Any party utilizing the documents had the appropriate total debt information to review.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

Year ended June 30, 2014

The Authority has and will continue to enhance its procedures to ensure that the financial statement preparation and review process include additional measures to prevent a future misclassification.

As additional information, in response to concerns about previous budget-driven staff reductions and vacant positions during the year ended June 30, 2013, ACTA filled a key financial vacancy for the year ended June 30, 2014 to better ensure more thorough review and appropriate checks and balances.

(3) Findings and Recommendations Relating to Federal Awards

None noted.