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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR SHAD WHITE STATE AUDITOR

TO:

Municipal Clerk

Municipality of Abbeville

FROM:

Emily McNeil, CPA

Technical Assistance Division

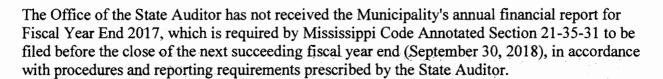
DATE:

February 20, 2019

SUBJECT:

Notice of Noncompliance with Mississippi Code Annotated

Section 21-35-31



Therefore, the Office of the State Auditor is hereby serving the Municipality with this Notice of Noncompliance with Mississippi Code Annotated Section 21-35-31. If within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this notice the Municipality remains in noncompliance, Mississippi Code Annotated Section 21-35-31 authorizes the Office of the State Auditor to issue a Certificate of Noncompliance to the clerk of the Municipality, the Department of Revenue (formally the State Tax Commission) and to the Attorney General. Thereafter, the Department of Revenue shall withhold from all allocations and payments to the Municipality that would otherwise be payable, the amount necessary to pay one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the cost of preparing the required report as contracted for by the State Auditor.

In order to avoid the issuance of the Certificate of Noncompliance, file the Municipality's annual financial report with us or provide evidence of substantial compliance within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. I also ask that you contact the Division of Technical Assistance upon receipt of this letter to make us aware of your intentions with regard to this notice. We may be reached at (800) 321-1275.



TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

COMPILED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S SPECIAL REPORT ON AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES FOR SMALL MUNICIPALITIES (TOWNS)

Honorable Mayor and Board of Alderman Town of Abbeville Abbeville, Mississippi

We have applied certain agreed-upon procedures, as discussed below, to the accounting records of the Town of Abbeville, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2017, and for the year then ended, as required by the Office of the State Auditor, under the provisions of Section 21-35-31, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972). This report is solely for the use of the governing body of the Town of Abbeville, Mississippi, and the Office of the State Auditor and should not be used for any other purposes. Our procedures and findings are as follows:

We reconciled cash on deposit with the following bank to balances in the respective general ledger accounts and obtained confirmation of the related balances from the bank:

BANK	FUND	BALANCE PER GENERAL LEDGER
General Fund Accou Abbeville Bank Abbeville Bank Total General Fu	Operating Cemetery	\$ 136,888 9,653 146,541
Water Fund Account Abbeville Bank Abbeville Bank Abbeville Bank Total Water F	Operating Deposit Account Savings	101,226 12,386 13,948 127,560
Total		\$ 274,101

2. any securities held for The Town did not possess investment during the year.

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- 3. We performed the following procedures with respect to taxes on real and personal property (including motor vehicles) levied during the fiscal year:
 - a. Verified use of certified county assessment rolls and traced levies to governing body minutes,
 - b. Traced distributions of taxes collected to proper funds; and
 - c. Traced property tax levies to governing body minutes.

The distribution of taxes to funds was found to be in accordance with prescribed tax levies, and uncollected taxes were determined to be properly distributed.

Ad valorem tax collections were found to be within the limitations of Sections 27-39-320 to 27-39-323, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972).

The Town collected sufficient funds from the water department to service the note payable to U.S. Department of Agriculture.

4. We obtained a statement of payments made by the Department of Finance and Administration to the municipality. Payments indicated were traced to deposits in the respective bank accounts and recorded in the general ledger without exception. Payments traced were as follows:

PAYMENT PURPOSE	RECEIVING FUND	LEDGER AMOUNT
General Municipal Aid Sales Tax Allocation	General General	\$ 209 60,404
Gasoline Tax	General	1,283
Homestead Exemption	General	1,923
Liquor Tax	General	900
Fire Protection	General	2,346
TVA in Lieu of Taxes	General	3,611
Grant Proceeds	General	174,910
Total		\$ <u>245,586</u>

5. We selected a sample of purchases made by the municipality during the fiscal year. Each sample item was evaluated for proper approval and compliance with purchasing requirements set forth in Title 31, Chapter 7, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972), if applicable.

The sample consisted of the following:

Number of items 73 Total Dollar Value of Sample \$156,392

We found the municipality's purchasing procedures to be in agreement with the requirements of the above mentioned sections.

- 6. No agreed-upon procedures were required for municipal fines as the Town of Abbeville does not have a municipal court.
- 7. We have read the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire completed by the municipality.

Because the above procedures do not constitute an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we do not express an opinion on any of the specific accounts or classes of referred to above. In connection with transactions procedures referred to above, no matters came to our attention that caused us to believe the items specified in Paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 should be adjusted. Had we performed additional procedures or had we conducted an audit of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to This report should not be associated with the financial statements of the Town of Abbeville, Mississippi, for the year ended September 30, 2017.

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February 19, 2018

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

To the Mayor and Board of Alderman Town of Abbeville Abbeville, Mississippi

for the accompanying financial responsible Management is statements of the Town of Abbeville, which comprise the combined statement of revenue collected and expenses paid-all of assets, and liabilities arising from transactions-water and sewer fund, and the statement of revenue collected and expenses paid-water and sewer fund as of September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable financial reporting framework. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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February 19, 2018

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TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES PAID-ALL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	G 	OVERNMENTA FUNDS	_ _	PROPRIETARY FUNDS	
RECEIPTS		GENERAL FUND		WATER AND SEWER	TOTALS
General Property Taxes	\$	10,526	\$	-0-	\$ 10,526
Franchise Tax on Utilities		11,133		-0-	11,133
Intergovernmental Revenue-					
General Municipal Aid		209		-0-	209
Grant Proceeds		-0-		174,910	174,910
State Shared Revenue:					
Sales Tax		60,404		-0-	60,404
Gasoline Tax		1,283		-0-	1,283
Fire Insurance Premium		2,346		-0-	2,346
In Lieu Tax (Grand Gulf)		3,611		-0-	3,611
Liqor Tax		900		-0-	900
Homestead Exemption		1,923		-0-	1,923
Charges for Services:					
Water Sales		-0-		97,738	97 , 738
Donations and Vendor Fees		9,700		-0-	9,700
Lot Sales		1,125		-O <i>-</i>	1,125
Interest Income		36		70	106
Transfer In		7,558		15,396	22,954
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	110,754	\$	288,114	\$ 398,868

TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES PAID-ALL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS				
		GENERAL		WATER		
		FUND		FUND		TOTALS
OPERATING DISBURSEMENTS				_		
General Government	\$	84,167	\$	-0-	\$	84,167
Water and Sewage Utility	-	-0-		29,360	-	29,360
Total Operating						
TOTAL OPERATING DISBURSEMENTS	_	84,167		29,360		113,527
OTHER DISBURSEMENTS Capital Expenditures Bond Payment Principal Bond Payment Interest Principal Payment-Bobcat Interest Payment-Bobcat		-0- -0- -0- 9,187 2,552		190,307 17,000 1,560 -0-		190,307 17,000 1,560 9,187 2,552
Transfer Out	-	15,396		7,558		22,954
TOTAL OTHER DISBURSEMENTS	-	27,135		216,425		243,560
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	-	111,302		245,785		357,087
Excess (Deficiency) of						
Receipts over Disbursements		(548)		42,329		41,781
Cash Balance - Beginning of Year	-	147,089		85,231		232,320
Cash Balance - End of Year	\$	146,541	\$	127,560	\$	274,101

TOWN OF ABBEVILLE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS-

WATER & SEWER FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

CURRENT ASSETS		
Water Dept General Account	\$	101,226
Water Dept Deposit Account	т	12,386
Savings Account		13,948
Accounts Receivable		12,045
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		139,605
FIXED ASSETS		
Software		3,157
Furniture & Equipment		6,488
Land		150
Construction Work in Process		355,555
Water Well & Distribution System		473,961
Accumulated Depreciation TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		(328,029) 511,282
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		311,202
OTHER ASSETS		
Lease		45,000
Accumulated Amortization		(45,000)
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS		-0-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	<u>650,887</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt	\$	18,000
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		18,000
LONG MEDIA LIARTITHTEG		
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		121 000
2015 General Obligation Bond TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		$\frac{121,000}{121,000}$
TOTAL BONG-TERM BIABILITIES		121,000
EQUITY		
Memberships		6,825
Unrestricted		505,062
TOTAL EQUITY		511,887
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$	<u>650,887</u>

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TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI STATEMENT OF REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES PAID - WATER & SEWER FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

REVENUE		
Water Sales	\$	97,738
Grant Income		174,910
Interest Income		70
Transfer In		15,396
Total Water Receipts	-	288,114
EXPENSES		
Interest - Rural Development Loan		1,560
Fees		994
Repairs & Maintenance		12,079
Insurance		4,233
Office Supplies		3,118
Utilities		8,936
Bond Payment-Principal		17,000
Capital Outlay		190,307
Transfer Out		7,558
Total Water Disbursements	-	245,785
NET RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$_	42,329



NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

NOTE 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below:

A. Reporting Entity

The Town uses a Mayor and Board of Alderman type government. In evaluating how to define the government, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GAAP. The Town of Abbeville has no component units.

The financial statement of the Town consists of all the funds of the Town.

B. Fund Accounting

The government uses funds to report on the cash receipts and disbursements. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Funds are classified into governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary.

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities including the servicing of general long-term debt (debt service funds). The general fund is used to account for all activities of the general government not accounted for in some other fund. Special revenue funds account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

Proprietary funds are used to account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary or useful to sound financial administration. Goods or services from such activities can be provided to outside parties (enterprise funds).



TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the government. When these assets are held under the terms of a formal trust agreement, a pension trust fund, a nonexpendable trust fund or an expendable trust fund is used. The terms "nonexpendable" and "expendable" refer to whether or not the government is under an obligation to maintain the trust principal. Agency funds generally are used to account for assets that the government holds on behalf of others as their agent.

C. Basis of Accounting

The financial statement is prepared on a cash receipts and disbursements basis, as prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor. Consequently, certain revenues are recognized when received rather than when earned and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred.

D. Report Classification

Receipts and disbursements were classified according to requirements for small towns in the State of Mississippi as prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor.

E. Cash

The Town deposits excess funds in financial institutions selected by the board in accordance with state statutes. Cash consists of amounts on deposit in demand accounts and is valued at cost.

Various restrictions on these deposits are imposed by state statutes. These restrictions are summarized as follows:

All deposits with financial institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation (FSLIC), or any successors to such insurance corporations, must be collateralized in an amount equal to 105% of the uninsured amount. The collateral must be on deposit with the Town Clerk.

TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

The Town is allowed, by statue, to invest excess funds in any bonds or other direct obligations of the United States of America or the State of Mississippi, or of any county of municipality of this state, when such county or municipal bonds have been properly approved, or in interest-bearing time certificates of deposit with any financial institution approved for the deposit of state funds.

NOTE 2. Property Tax

Property taxes attach an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied as of January 1 and payable on or before February 1. Taxes are collected and remitted by the Lafayette County Tax Collector.

The distribution of taxes to funds was in accordance with prescribed tax levies, and uncollected taxes were properly controlled.

TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	BALANCE		TRANSACTIONS		ANSACTIONS		TRANSACTIONS		BALANCE
	OUTSTANDIN	G	DURING	FISCA	L YEAR	0	UTSTANDING		
	1-OCT-16		ISSUED	<u>R</u>	EDEEMED		30-SEP-17		
Oxford University Bank-Equipment									
Finance:									
Original amount \$38,126.									
Interest payable monthly starting									
07/30/2016. Principal payable									
monthly beginning 7/30/2016 and									
ending 6/30/2019	\$ 26,475	\$	-0-	Ş	9,187	Ş	17,288		
2% General Obligation Water System Bonds, Series 2016: Original amount \$189,000. Interest payable annually starting 07/01/2016. Principal payable									
annually beginning 07/01/2016 and ending 07/01/2024.	156,000	,	-0-		17,000	_	139,000		
Total	\$ <u>182,475</u>	\$	-0-	\$	26,187	\$ =	156,288		



TOWN OF ABBEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI SCHEDULE OF SURETY BONDS FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

			BOND
NAME	POSITION	SURETY	AMOUNT
Don Ward	Alderman	Mississippi Municipal League	\$ 10,000
Wayne Haynie	Alderman	Mississippi Municipal League	10,000
Lynn Klepzig	Alderman	Mississippi Municipal League	10,000
Will Kent	Alderman	Mississippi Municipal League	10,000
Ronald Williams	Alderman	Mississippi Municipal League	10,000
Donald Fricker	Mayor	Mississippi Municipal League	25,000

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Honorable Mayor and Board of Alderman Town of Abbeville Abbeville, Mississippi

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Town of Abbeville as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and have issued our report dated February 19, 2018. We have 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.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of those procedures and our audit of the general purpose financial statements disclosed no material instances of noncompliance with state laws and regulations.

This report is intended for the information of the Town of Abbeville's management and the Office of the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

the Dwight L. Young Group
Oxford, Mississippi

February 19, 2018

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