

Governing Board of Directors and Management  
Minnesota FAIR Plan  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Minnesota FAIR Plan (the Plan) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Plan's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Plan's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan'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.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. 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.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Governing Board of Directors and management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

If you have any questions concerning our audit or the matters discussed in this letter, we would be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

Roseville, Minnesota  
June 8, 2017

*Olsen Thielen & Co., Ltd.*

Governing Board of Directors  
Minnesota FAIR Plan  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

We have audited the financial statements of the Minnesota FAIR Plan for the year ended December 31, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated June 8, 2017. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

#### Our Responsibility Under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

As stated in our engagement letter dated September 20, 2016, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to express an opinion about whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Department of Commerce of the State of Minnesota. These practices constitute a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement. As part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Plan. Such considerations were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control. We are responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures specifically to identify such matters.

#### Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We performed the audit according to the planned scope and timing previously communicated to you in our communication of planning matters on March 14, 2017.

Significant Audit Findings

*Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices*

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by the Plan are described in Note 2 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year we noted no transactions entered into by the Plan during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements of the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were as follows:

<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Management's Method of Determination</u>
Loss and LAE Reserves	Reserves for losses and loss adjustment expenses at year-end are established when a claim is reported based upon the severity of the claim, policy coverage limits and Management's experience with similar claims (case basis reserves). In addition, reserves for losses and loss adjustment expenses for claims incurred but not reported (IBNR reserves) are established by Management at year-end based upon past claim reporting lags and the settlement of prior years' claims compared to established reserves.
Postretirement Benefits	Based on actuarial assumptions.

We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The disclosures in the financial statements are neutral, consistent, and clear.

*Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit*

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit. We wish to thank the Plan's management and staff for their assistance.

*Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements*

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. No such misstatements were identified.

Significant Audit Findings (Continued)

*Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements (Continued)*

We noted no uncorrected adjustments that, in our judgement, could have a significant effect on the Plan's financial reporting process.

*Disagreements with Management*

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

*Management Representations*

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated June 8, 2017.

*Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants*

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Plan's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

*Other Audit Findings or Issues*

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Plan's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Governing Board of Directors, Financial Audit and Benefit Plans Committee, and management of the Plan and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Roseville, Minnesota  
June 8, 2017

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