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Introduction

As a part of our audit of the State of Louisiana's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and our work related to the Single Audit of the State of Louisiana (Single Audit) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, we performed procedures at the Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI) to provide assurances on financial information that is significant to the state's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report; evaluate the effectiveness of LDI's internal controls over financial reporting and compliance; and determine whether LDI complied with applicable laws and regulations.

In addition to the procedures noted above, we also performed certain other procedures for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

Results of Our Procedures

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report – State of Louisiana

As a part of our audit of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2023, we considered internal control over financial reporting and examined evidence supporting LDI's insurance premium tax revenues and receivables.

Based on the results of these procedures, we did not report any findings. In addition, the account balances and classes of transactions tested are materially correct.

Other Procedures

In addition to the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report procedures noted above, we performed certain procedures that included obtaining, documenting, and reviewing LDI's internal control and compliance with related laws and regulations over payroll expenditures.

Based on the results of these procedures, we did not report any findings.

Trend Analysis

We compared the most current and prior-year financial activity using LDI's Annual Fiscal Reports and/or system-generated reports and obtained explanations from LDI's management for any significant variances.

Other Reports

On September 22, 2022, and October 13, 2022, reports were issued by Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Performance Audit Services. These reports provide the results of the reviews of both the regulation and financial condition of the residential property insurance market in the state of Louisiana. These reports are available on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website.

Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this letter is a public document, and it has been distributed to appropriate public officials.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX A: SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

We performed certain procedures at the Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI) for the period from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, to provide assurances on financial information significant to the State of Louisiana's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, and to evaluate relevant systems of internal control in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our procedures, summarized below, are a part of the audit of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and our work related to the Single Audit of the State of Louisiana (Single Audit) for the year ended June 30, 2023.

- We evaluated LDI's operations and system of internal controls through inquiry, observation, and review of its policies and procedures, including a review of the laws and regulations applicable to LDI.
- Based on the documentation of LDI's controls and our understanding of related laws and regulations, we performed procedures to provide assurances on certain account balances and classes of transactions to support our opinions on the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.
- We compared the most current and prior-year financial activity using LDI's Annual Fiscal Reports and/or system-generated reports to identify trends and obtained explanations from LDI's management for significant variances.

In addition, we performed certain other procedures for the period from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. Our objective was to evaluate certain controls LDI uses to ensure accurate financial reporting, compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and accountability over public funds. The scope of these procedures was significantly less than an audit conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our work at LDI, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of LDI's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. Accordingly, this report is not intended to be, and should not be, used for any other purposes.

We did not audit or review LDI's Annual Fiscal Report, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion on that report. LDI's accounts are an integral part of the State of Louisiana's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, upon which the Louisiana Legislative Auditor expresses opinions.