

Financial Statements September 30, 2014

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Tribal Executive Committee Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Cass Lake, Minnesota

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Cass Lake, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Tribe's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. 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 Audit Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe as of September 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted a management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison schedules that U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for place the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Tribe's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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. Such 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 combining and individual fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 29, 2015, on our considerations of the Tribe's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide and opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Tribe's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Fargo, North Dakota June 29, 2015

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	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets	Φ (70 (20	A A 5 4 0 0 5 5	ф. 2.2 10.504
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 678,639	\$ 2,540,955	\$ 3,219,594
Investments	1,001,296	11,615,145	12,616,441
Internal balances	19,293	(19,293)	-
Account receivable, net	249,262	264,451	513,713
Loans receivable, net	-	30,420,179	30,420,179
Grant receivable	494,137	-	494,137
Other receivables and accrued interest	45,851	117,116	162,967
Prepaid items	71,004	-	71,004
Other assets, net	-	3,019,889	3,019,889
Capital assets			
Not being depreciated	1,193,542	5,710	1,199,252
Being depreciated, net of depreciation	819,327	1,216,718	2,036,045
Total assets	4,572,351	49,180,870	53,753,221
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	262,415	248,620	511,035
Accrued liabilities	35,354	33,627	68,981
Advances from grants	993,170	, <u>-</u>	993,170
Escrowed liabilities	-	350,610	350,610
Noncurrent liabilities		,	,
Due within one year	91,948	-	91,948
Due in more than one year		34,981,245	34,981,245
Total liabilities	1,382,887	35,614,102	36,996,989
Net Position			
Investment in capital assets	2,012,869	1,222,428	3,235,297
Unrestricted	1,176,595	12,344,340	13,520,935
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Total net position	\$ 3,189,464	\$ 13,566,768	\$ 16,756,232

		Program	Revenues		t (Expense) Revenue Changes in Net Positi	
					Primary Governmen	t
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Primary government Governmental activities: General government Education Human services Conservation of natural resources Economic development Other	\$ 1,661,057 319,449 2,486,374 266,390 161,961 222,792	\$ 233,764 - - -	\$ 1,256,744 319,449 2,556,561 322,677 217,433 51,127	\$ (170,549) 70,187 56,287 55,472 (171,665)	\$ - - - - -	\$ (170,549) 70,187 56,287 55,472 (171,665)
Total governmental activities	5,118,023	233,764	4,723,991	(160,268)		(160,268)
Business-type activities: Finance Corporation	1,267,535	1,420,110			152,575	152,575
Total primary government	\$ 6,385,558	\$ 1,653,874	\$ 4,723,991	(160,268)	152,575	(7,693)
Change in net position	l			(160,268)	152,575	(7,693)
Net position - beginning	ng			3,349,732	13,414,193	16,763,925
Net position - ending				\$ 3,189,464	\$ 13,566,768	\$ 16,756,232

		General Fund		epartment of Interior	o: an	partment f Health d Human services	N	od Stamp Jutrition ducation	Gov	Other vernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
Assets												
Cash Investments Accounts receivable Grant receivable Due from other funds Other receivables Prepaid items Total assets	\$	40,463 1,001,296 27,569 557,973	\$ 	433,267 - - - - 7,008 440,275	\$	57,304 54,248 276,901 750 2,950 392,153	\$	217,236 - 22,192 239,428	\$	146,392 162,206 - 45,851 331 354,780	\$ 	677,426 1,001,296 244,023 494,137 558,723 45,851 32,481
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Liabilities and Fund Balance												
Liabilities Due to other funds Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Advances from grants	\$	20,933	\$	3,953 - 436,322	\$	327,238 9,349 3,945 53,129	\$	42,087 192,585 4,756	\$	189,398 15,979 2,166	\$	558,723 242,799 10,867 993,170
Total liabilities		524,652		440,275		393,661		239,428		207,543		1,805,559
Fund Balance (Deficit) Nonspendable For prepaid items Committed For employee loans For wisdom steps For timber appraisal For workshops Unassigned		- - - - - 1,102,649		7,008		2,950		22,192		331 63,514 54,470 60,000 10,334 (41,412)	_	32,481 63,514 54,470 60,000 10,334 1,027,579
Total fund balance (deficit)		1,102,649	· · · · · ·			(1,508)				147,237		1,248,378
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	1,627,301	\$	440,275	\$	392,153	\$	239,428	\$	354,780	\$	3,053,937

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position September 30, 2014

Total Funds Balances - Governmental Funds	\$	1,248,378
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		1,999,231
Internal service funds are used by the Tribe to charge costs of certain activities. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the		(50 145)
statement of net position. Total Nat Position - Covernmental Activities	•	(58,145)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$	3,189,464

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds Year Ended September 30, 2014

	General Fund	Department of Interior	Department of Health and Human Services	Food Stamp Nutrition Education	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues Intergovernmental - federal Program income Settlement income Liquor permits Contract Other	\$ - 150,000 24,525 - 11,888	\$ 714,194 - - - 71,187	\$ 1,576,475 - - - 126,947	\$ 657,293 - - - - 37,606	\$ 528,061 5,850 - - - 95,958	\$ 3,476,023 5,850 150,000 24,525 71,187 272,399
Total revenues Expenditures Personnel	186,413	785,381 346,541	1,703,422 536,075	694,899 85,310	629,869	3,999,984
Fringe benefits Travel/training Office expense	43,230 8,895 66,451 7,504	346,341 107,041 38,575 50,766	157,796 79,213 49,661	28,717 30,685 69,950	39,926 86,924 35,382	342,375 301,848 213,263
Pass-through funds Office and equipment rental Other expenditures Capital outlay	4,395 152,236	30,552 90,246	391,125 69,017 235,837 3,048	424,255 9,493 106 5,268	126,186 5,762 105,494	941,566 119,219 583,919 8,316
Total direct expenditures	282,711	663,721	1,521,772	653,784	563,197	3,685,185
Indirect costs	33,869	121,660	180,558	41,115	47,202	424,404
Total expenditures	316,580	785,381	1,702,330	694,899	610,399	4,109,589
Net Change in Fund Balance	(130,167)	-	1,092	-	19,470	(109,605)
Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year	1,232,816		(2,600)		127,767	1,357,983
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$ 1,102,649	\$ -	\$ (1,508)	\$ -	\$ 147,237	\$ 1,248,378

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Reconciliation of the Changes in Funds Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended September 30, 2014

Net Change in Funds Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (109,605)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period these amounts are:	
Depreciation expense	(62,119)
Internal service funds are used by the Tribe to charge the costs of certain activities. The net expenditures of the internal service funds is	
reported in governmental activities.	11,456
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (160,268)

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Funds September 30, 2014

Assets	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund Finance Corporation	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,540,955	\$ 1,213
Investments, current portion	2,508,883	Φ 1,213
Accounts receivable	264,451	5,239
Due from other funds	201,131	177,442
Prepaid expenses and other assets	_	38,523
Accrued interest receivable	117,116	-
Mortgage loans receivable, current portion	1,837,577	-
Business loans receivable, current portion	94,145	-
Installment loans receivable, current portion	19,261	-
Total current assets	7,382,388	222,417
Non-Current Assets		
Investments, net of current portion	9,106,262	-
Mortgage loans receivable, net of current portion and allowance	27,299,694	-
Business loans receivable, net of current portion and allowance	347,512	-
Installment loans receivable, net of current portion	821,990	-
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	7.710	
Land	5,710	12 (20
Building and equipment	1,216,718	13,638
Real estate acquired by foreclosures	3,019,889	12 (20
Total non-current assets	41,817,775	13,638
Total assets	49,200,163	236,055
Liabilities and Net Position		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	248,620	19,616
Accrued liabilities	33,627	24,487
Escrowed liabilities	350,610	- 1,101
Due to other funds	19,293	158,149
Noncurrent liabilities	,	,
Due within one year	-	91,948
Due in more than one year	34,981,245	-
Total liabilities	35,633,395	294,200
Not Position (Deficit)		
Net Position (Deficit) Investment in capital assets	1 222 429	12 620
Unrestricted	1,222,428	13,638
Omesuicieu	12,344,340	(71,783)
Total net position (deficit)	\$ 13,566,768	\$ (58,145)

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position – Proprietary Funds Year Ended September 30, 2014

	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund Finance Corporation	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds		
Revenue Housing revenue Indirect revenue Rental revenue Sales of business support services Other revenue	\$ 1,705,415 - - -	\$ - 605,178 39,515 31,393 359,078		
Total operating revenue	1,705,415	1,035,164		
Less direct costs of revenue	408,632			
Net revenue	1,296,783	1,035,164		
Expenses Current Personnel Fringe benefits Depreciation Travel/training Office expenses Office and equipment rent Maintenance Other expenditures Total direct expenses Indirect costs Total expenses	661,475 190,594 90,470 53,347 38,378 - 52,498 1,086,762 180,773	351,509 119,400 6,060 22,872 28,624 30,802 53,516 410,925 1,023,708		
Income before nonoperating activity	29,248	11,456		
Nonoperating Activities Investment income	123,327			
Change in Net Position	152,575	11,456		
Net Position (Deficit), Beginning of Year	13,414,193	(69,601)		
Net Position (Deficit), End of Year	\$ 13,566,768	\$ (58,145)		

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds Year Ended September 30, 2014

	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund Finance Corporation	Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds
Operating Activities Cash received from customers Cash paid for wages and benefits Cash paid to suppliers	\$ 1,761,029 (848,200) (835,480)	\$ 1,032,821 (476,716) (540,960)
Net Cash from Operating Activities	77,349	15,145
Non-Capital Financing Activities Proceeds from other funds Payments to other funds		44,675 (180,294)
Net Cash from Non-Capital Financing Activities		(135,619)
Capital and Related Financing Activities Cash paid for repairs on repossed property Cash received from sale of repossed property Cash paid for purchase of equipment	(110,753) 485,137 (134,464)	- - -
Net Cash from Capital and Related Financing Activities	239,920	
Investing Activities Purchase of investments Proceeds from investments Investment income Disbursement for loans Proceeds from loan payments	(1,579,148) 654,667 93,703 (1,685,423) 2,658,173	- - - - -
Net Cash from Investing Activities	141,972	
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	459,241	(120,474)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	2,081,714	121,687
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 2,540,955	\$ 1,213

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds Year Ended September 30, 2014

	A En	Business-Type Activity - Enterprise Fund Finance Corporation		Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds	
Reconciliation of Operating Income to					
Net Cash from Operating Activities					
Operating Income	\$	29,248	\$	11,456	
Adjustments to reconcile increase in operating					
income to cash from operating activities					
Depreciation		90,470		6,060	
Unrealized loss on investments		29,624		-	
Gain on sale of land/houses		36,875		-	
Changes in assets and liabilities					
Accounts receivables		632		(3,571)	
Accrued interest receivable		(11,517)		-	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		1,372		(6,428)	
Accounts payables		(61,245)		13,435	
Accrued liabilities		3,869		(5,807)	
Escrowed liabilities		(41,979)			
Net Cash from Operating Activities	\$	77,349	\$	15,145	

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The various bands of Chippewa Indians residing within the Fond du Lac, Grand Portage, Bois Forte (Nett Lake), Leech Lake, Mille Lacs and White Earth Reservations comprise the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (the "Tribe"). The Tribe is federally recognized Indian Tribe whose constitution was formally adopted by its members on January 24, 1936.

The Tribe provides general government, public health and welfare, public safety, education, public works, culture and recreation, economic development and social and health services for the benefit of the members.

Reporting Entity

In evaluating how to define the government for financial reporting purposes, management evaluated the involved entities based on a number of criteria. It was determined that the Tribe is a primary government based upon the fact that it is legally separate, its governing body is separately elected, and it is fiscally independent of other governments.

Potential component units of Tribe are evaluated on various criteria, the main one being the degree of accountability the primary government has over the potential component units. The most significant factor in the accountability assessment is the potential component unit's financial accountability to the primary government, measured through the degree to which the primary government can appoint a voting majority of the governing body, impose its will, ascertain a potential financial benefit, or face a potential financial burden with regard to the potential component unit.

Potential component units of the Tribe include the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Finance Corporation. Based upon an evaluation of the potential component units using the criteria detailed above, the following conclusions were reached.

The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Finance Corporation should be included in the reporting entity of the Tribe. This is based on the fact that it is financially accountable to the primary government, and the Executive Committee appoints all board members of the Finance Corporation. This component unit is blended within the financial statements of the Tribe. Separately issued financial statements may be obtained by contacting the Finance Corporation office.

Basis of Presentation

Tribe-Wide Financial Statements

The goal of Tribe-wide financial statements is to present a broad overview of Tribe's finances. The basic statements that form the Tribe-wide financial statements are the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These two statements report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Tribe. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements, except those between government-type activities and business-type activities. Governmental activities, which are normally financed intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which are normally financed through user fees and charges for goods or services.

The statement of activities reports gross direct expenses by function reduced by program revenues. This results in a measurement of net revenue or expense for each of the Tribe's activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues are directly associated with the function or business-type activity and include 1) charges for services and 2) operating or capital grants and contributions that are restricted to a particular function.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Tribe's funds. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental and proprietary– are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as non-major funds.

The Tribe reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund This fund is the general operating fund of the Tribe. All financial resources of the general government that are not required to be reported in another fund are accounted for in the general fund.
- Department of Interior Fund This fund is used to account for the revenues and expenditures relating to federal awards received from the Department of Interior.
- Department of Health and Human Fund This fund is used to account for the revenues and expenditures relating to federal awards received from the Department of Health and Human Services.
- Food Stamp Nutrition Education Fund This fund is used to account for the revenues and expenditures relating to the grant.

The Tribe reports the following major proprietary fund:

• Finance Corporation – This fund accounts for low interest loans to Native Americans for the purchase, construction or rehabilitation of housing.

Additionally, the Tribe reports the following fund type:

• Internal Service Funds – These funds account for the following activities provided to other departments of the Tribe on a cost-reimbursement basis: indirect costs, insurance, computer/copier services, revolving funds, and office supplies.

Basis of Accounting

The Tribe-wide, proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

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Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Tribe considers revenues to be available if they are collected within one year of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Intergovernmental revenue, permits, charges for services and investment income associated with the current fiscal period are the major revenues that are considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period to the extent they are collected in one year. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when the Tribe receives cash.

Amounts reported as program revenues include the following: amounts received from those who purchase, use or directly benefit from a program; amounts received from parties outside the Tribe that are restricted to one or more specific programs; and earnings on investments that are legally restricted for a specific program.

Proprietary funds report operating revenues and expenses separately from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services or producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Tribe's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the costs of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the Tribe considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the Tribe considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless Council has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Other Significant Accounting Policies

Cash Equivalents

The Tribe considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Investments

Investments are recorded at fair market value.

Receivable and Credit Policy

Trade receivables are uncollateralized customer obligations due under normal trade terms requiring payment within 30 days from the invoice date. The receivables are non-interest bearing. Payments on trade receivables are applied to the earliest unpaid invoices. The carrying amount of trade receivables is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. At September 30, 2014, the allowance for doubtful accounts was \$5,000 in the governmental activities as well as the General fund.

Grants Receivable

Grants receivable consists of amounts due for reimbursement of approved expenditures on grants entered into with various government agencies. Receivables of this nature are considered fully collectible.

Prepaid Items

Certain cash payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in the financial statements.

Interfund Transactions

During the course of operations, transactions occurred between individual funds for good provider and services rendered. These receivables and payables are properly classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" in the fund financial statements, and are eliminated in the government-wide statement of net position, except those between government-type activities and business-type activities. Repayment terms for interfund balances have not been established. Quasi-external transactions are account for as revenues and expenditures. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as a reduction of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

Loans

Loans are reported at their outstanding unpaid principal balance net of the allowance for loan losses.

Interest income on loans is accrued at the specific rate on the unpaid principal balance. The accrual of interest on loans is discontinued at the time the loan is 90 to 120 days delinquent unless the credit is well secured and in the process of collection. All current year interest accrued but not collected for loans that are charged off is reversed against interest income. All prior year interest accrued but not collected is charged off against the allowance for loan losses.

The Finance Corporation has determined that the accounting for nonrefundable fees and costs associated with originating loans does not have a material effect on the financial statements. As such, these fees and costs have been recognized during the period they are collected and incurred, respectively.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated by management and is based upon management's review of the collectability of the loans in light of historical experience, nature and volume of loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective, as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend lives are not capitalized. Property, plant, and equipment of the primary government, as well as the component units, are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and improvements Machinery and equipment 20 years 3-5 years

Advances from Grants

The government reports advances from grants on its balance sheet. Advances from grants arises when potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Advances from grants also arises when resources are received by the government before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurring of the qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the government has legal claim to the resources, the liability for advances from grants is removed from the combined balance sheet and the revenue is recognized.

Compensated Absences

Unused vacation and personal leave is accrued at year-end for each employee as established under the personnel policies of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. The amount of vacation and personal leave that can be accrued is unlimited and may be carried over from year-to-year. Upon termination, an employee will be paid for both unused vacation and personal leave, up to 240 hours.

Escrowed Liabilities

Escrowed liabilities consist of amounts collected from borrowers for the payment of taxes and insurances.

Revolving Fund

Under terms of the agreement between the Finance Corporation and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, an initial contribution was made and revolving funds are provided from interest earned on loans and investments and rental income.

Indirect Costs

Indirect costs represent recoverable overhead costs charged by the Tribe to federal, state, and tribal programs in connection with administering and accounting for programs funded by federal, state and tribal resources. The latest indirect cost rate approved by the cognizant federal agency (Department of Interior, Office of Inspector General) was 18.33% for all programs. Certain programs were limited to lesser amounts as prescribed in the grant/contract award and a number of programs were not funded for the full amount of indirect costs based on the approved rate. These overhead costs have been reflected in the accompanying combined financial statements as expenditures of the governmental funds and as revenue to reimburse the expenditures of the indirect cost fund.

Federal and State Income Taxes

The Tribe, as a federally recognized Sovereign Government, is exempt from Federal and State income taxes. As such, no income taxes have been provided for in the accompanying financial statements.

Real Estate Acquired by Foreclosure

The inventory of real estate obtained through foreclosure or deed transfer in lieu of foreclosure is recorded at the outstanding mortgage principal remaining less any unused escrow remaining when title to the real estate is obtained. Additional expenses such as property insurance, foreclosure expense and building repairs are expensed during the year as incurred.

The Finance Corporation adjusts the inventory of real estate to market value when the facts indicate that the market value of the foreclosed real estate is less than the originally recorded carrying value.

Use of Estimates

In preparing financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the balance sheet and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. A material estimate that is particularly susceptible to significant change in the near-term relates to the determination of the allowance for loan losses.

Fund Balance

The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

- Nonspendable fund balance—amounts that are not in nonspendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance—amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.
- Committed fund balance—amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Tribe itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Tribal Council). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Tribe takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.
- Assigned fund balance—amounts the Tribe intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the Tribal Council or by an official or body to which the Tribal Council delegates the authority.
- Unassigned fund balance—amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets and adding back any unspent proceeds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for us, it is the Tribe's policy to us restricted resources first then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

When committed, assigned or unassigned resources are available for use, it is the Tribe's policy to used resources in the following order; 1) committed, 2) assigned, 3) unassigned

Note 2 - Deposits and Investments

Deposits

In accordance with the Tribe's investment policy, the Tribe maintains deposits at those depository banks authorized by the Board. All such depositories are members of the Federal Reserve System.

Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Tribe will not be able to recover the value of its collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. In accordance with Tribal investment policy, the Tribe maintains deposits at those depository banks authorized by the tribal council, all of which are members of the Federal Reserve System. As of September 30, 2014, the Tribe's deposits were adequately insured or properly collateralized by pledged securities.

Investments

The Tribe and Finance Corporation maintain separate investment policies. The Tribe may invest funds as authorized by the board as follows:

- 1. United States Government and Agency Securities (US Treasury bills, notes and bonds);
- 2. Government money market funds;
- 3. Collateralized certificates of deposit; and
- 4. Corporate bonds rated "A" or better

The Finance Corporation may invest funds as authorized by the Board as follows:

- 1. United States Treasury notes and bills issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal or interest by the United States.
- 2. Stocks, bonds, and mutual funds are allowable investments for Duluth Housing Program, investment in these securities totaled \$237,625 at September 30, 2014.
- 3. Debentures issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to the federal national mortgage association, federal home loan bank, farm credit bank, federal home loan mortgage corporation, government national mortgage association, and student loan marketing association. All federal securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies and instrumentalities.
- 4. Money market funds and certificates of deposits in federal institutions.

Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that in an event of failure of counterparty, the Tribe will not be able to recover the value of the investment of the collateral securities in the possession of the outside party. The Tribe has no custodial risk for investments for September 30, 2014. The Tribe does not have a formal policy that limits custodial credit.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates of debt investments will adversely affect the fair value of the investment. The Tribe does not have a formal policy that limits investments maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

The Tribe manages exposure to fair value of loss arising from changing interest rates by having fixed income investments with varying maturity dates.

The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's investments as of September 30, 2014, consist of the following:

	Fair	s in Years		
	Value	Value Less than 1		
Governmental activities US Government Sponsored Issues	\$ 1,001,296	\$ 1,001,296	\$ -	
Business-type activities US Government Sponsored Issues Certificate of deposit Municipal bonds Total business-type	577,294 6,367,472 4,670,379 11,615,145	1,715,172 793,711 2,508,883	577,294 4,652,300 3,876,668 9,106,262	
Total investments	\$ 12,616,441	\$ 3,510,179	\$ 9,106,262	

The Tribe carries its investments at market value and adjusts for the change in market values through current earnings. Money market mutual funds are unrated as of September 30, 2014.

Concentration Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of investments in a single issuer. The Tribe places no limits on the amount which may by invested with a single issuer. There are no investments in anyone issuer that is in excess of 5% of total investments.

Note 3 - Mortgage Loans, Business Loans, and Installment Loans Receivable

Mortgage Loans Receivable

As of September 30, 2014, the Finance Corporation had 576 outstanding mortgage loans. Loans are to be repaid in thirty (30) years or less, except for renovation loans, which are to be repaid in fifteen (15) years or less. Housing loans are secured by liens on the property to the extent such liens may validly be granted, and in accordance with standard mortgage procedures appropriate to the nature of the ownership of the land. Housing loans for dwellings on Tribal or Band land are made only if such land is leased (which lease shall be approved by the Tribe or Band) under terms insuring the availability of the land for a period equal to the term of the housing loan and 20 years thereafter. The Bureau of Indian Affairs must approve housing loans for dwellings on allotted lands in writing.

Under terms of the agreement with MHFA, the Finance Corporation must use these funds in a manner approved by MHFA and must revolve repaid principal.

The mortgage loans receivable consisted of the following at September 30, 2014:

Mortgage loans receivable	\$ 24,649,048
Duluth renovating loan receivable	74,494
Mortgage receivable - FHA	9,733,145
Rental development loans	2,190,321
Revolving loan fund	(6,975,272)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(534,465)
Total loans, net of allowance	29,137,271
Less current portion or loan receivable	(1,837,577)
	\$ 27,299,694

Business Loans Receivable

On May 11, 2005, the Finance Corporation was awarded a grant from the Community Development Financial Institution for \$949,783 for the purpose of making business loans. Loans amounting to \$1,341,261 have been made as for September 30, 2014.

As of September 30, 2014, the Finance Corporation had 13 outstanding business loans. These loans are secured by equipment and real estate.

The business loan receivable consisted of the following as of September 30, 2014:

Business loan receivable	\$	515,123
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(73,466)
Total loans, net of allowance	•	441,657
Less current portion or loan receivable		(94,145)
Total loans, net of allowance	\$	347,512

Installment Loans Receivable

As of September 30, 2014, the Finance Corporation had outstanding installment loans with a total receivable balance of \$841,251. The loans are to be repaid in five years or less with a balloon payment in the final year. The installment loans are for repossessed properties that have been sold to the borrower on a contract for deed.

Note 4 - Advances

The Finance Corporation has advances due to other organizations at September 30, 2014, as follows:

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

\$ 34,981,245

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

The Finance Corporation, through a 1976 agreement with the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, is administering housing assistance funds for Native Americans. The funds advanced are not required to be repaid to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency as long as the Housing Corporation follows the guidelines enacted in the agreement. Funds appropriated by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribal Housing Corporation is as follows:

Fiscal Year	American Indian Housing Funds	luth Urban an Housing Funds
1977-1996	\$ 25,490,677	\$ 265,500
1997	1,048,509	_
1998	1,048,509	-
1999	1,048,509	-
2000	1,048,509	-
2001	1,048,509	-
2002	1,134,342	-
2003	1,134,342	-
2004	744,770	-
2005	744,770	-
Plus re-allocation funds from off-reservation		
Chippewa	172,252	-
Equity participation loan	14,648	
Total MHFA funds originally appropriated	34,678,346	265,500
Less Duluth Urban Indian Housing Fund terminated		(36,664)
Total MHFA funds appropriated	\$ 34,678,346	\$ 228,836

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The advances from Minnesota Housing Finance Agency are calculated as follows:

	American Indian Housing Funds	Other Indian Housing Funds	Total
Total MHFA funds appropriated Regular Duluth down payment and assistance program	\$ 34,678,346	\$ - 228,836	\$ 34,678,346 228,836
Plus: Duluth equity participation program Off-reservation demonstration program	- -	92,250 23,513	92,250 23,513
Less: MHFA payments returned	<u> </u>	(41,700)	(41,700)
Advances from MHFA as of September 30, 2014	\$ 34,678,346	\$ 302,899	\$ 34,981,245

Note 5 - Operating Lease

The Finance Corporation rents 22 single family real estate properties to individuals on a month to month basis. Real estate property under operating leases was valued at \$2,842,500 at September 30, 2014, and is included in Real Estate Acquired by Foreclosure at the lower rate of cost or market value. Total rental income received on leased real estate property was \$172,542 for the year ended September 30, 2014.

The Finance Corporation leases building space to the Tribe in a building previously acquired from the Tribe in January 2007. The total rent paid to the Finance Corporation from the Tribe for the year ended September 30, 2014 was \$128,362.

Note 6 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2014 is as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2013	Additions	Deletions	Balance September 30, 2014				
Governmental activities: Capital assets, not being								
depreciated: Land	\$ 1,193,542	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,193,542				
Capital assets, being								
depreciated: Buildings	1,113,941	_	_	1,113,941				
Equipment	397,132	-	-	397,132				
Vehicles	1,500			1,500				
Total capital assets being depreciated	1,512,573			1,512,573				
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Buildings	251,333	55,879	-	307,212				
Equipment Vehicles	374,882 1,500	9,652	-	384,534 1,500				
Total accumulated	1,500			1,500				
depreciation	627,715	65,531		693,246				
Total capital assets being	004070			040.00				
depreciated, net	884,858	(65,531)		819,327				
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 2,078,400	\$ (65,531)	\$ -	\$ 2,012,869				
Business-type activities:								
Capital assets, not being depreciated:								
Land	\$ 5,710	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,710				
Capital assets, being								
depreciated								
Equipment MCT buildings	66,234 1,600,000	-	-	66,234 1,600,000				
Other buildings and	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000				
improvements	266,366	134,464		400,830				
Total capital assets being	1 022 600	124.464		2.067.064				
depreciated	1,932,600	134,464	-	2,067,064				
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Equipment	29,500	4,764	-	34,264				
MCT buildings Other buildings and	540,000	80,000	-	620,000				
improvements	190,376	5,706		196,082				
Total accumulated depreciation	759,876	90,470		850,346				
Total capital assets being	1 170 704	42.004		1 217 719				
depreciated, net	1,172,724	43,994		1,216,718				
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 1,178,434	\$ 43,994	\$ -	\$ 1,222,428				

Depreciation expense for the year ended September 30, 2014 was charged to the following functions/programs:

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 55,879
Conservation of natural resources	2,892
Subtotal	 58,771
Internal Service	6,760
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 65,531
Business-type activities:	
Finance Corporation	\$ 90,470

Note 7 - Interfund Balances

A summary of the Tribe's interfund balances as of September 30, 2014 is as follows:

	 e from r funds	Due to her funds
Department of Health and Human Services	\$ 750	\$ 327,238
Food Stamp Nutrition Education	-	42,087
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	-	189,398
General Fund	557,973	-
Business-Type Activities - Finance Corporation	-	19,293
Internal Service Funds	177,442	 158,149
	\$ 736,165	\$ 736,165

The Department of Health and Human Services Fund, Food Stamp Nutrition Fund, and Nonmajor Governmental Funds have a due to the General Fund for reimbursement of borrowed funds. The Finance Corporation has a due to the Internal Service Fund for indirect costs. The Finance Corporation is considered an enterprise fund within the Tribe.

Note 8 - Long-Term Liabilities

Changes in long-term liabilities during the year ended September 30, 2014 are as follows:

	Е	Balance					E	Balance	Du	e Within		
	Octol	ber 1, 2013	Α	dditions]	Retirements	Septem	ber 30, 2014	One Year			
Governmental activities								,				
Compensated absences	\$	97,932	\$	103,864	\$	109,848	\$	91,948	\$	91,948		
				,				7 - 92 10	-			

The compensated absences will be liquidated out of the general fund.

Note 9 - Short-Term Note Payable

The Tribe has a revolving line of credit where they may borrow up to \$1,000,000, at prime rate plus 2.75 percent (3.25% at September 30, 2014). There was no outstanding balance on this line as of September 30, 2014. The line of credit is due on demand and expires on October 31, 2014.

Note 10 - Retirement Plan

As of an effective date of February 1, 1997, the Tribe adopted a 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust for all employees who have attained the age of 18. The Tribe contributes 5% of each covered employee's gross annual wage to the plan. The employee can make additional contributions, not to exceed \$10,000 per year, with certain stipulations. Plan participants are immediately vested 100% in all employer contributions. Contributions by the Tribe to the plan were \$100,429, \$101,438, and \$106,827 for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012.

Note 11 - Insurance

The Tribe has established a self-funded insurance company for their employee dental insurance. Employee's dependents can participate for a reasonable rate. All claims are processed by the Meritain Health which then bills the Tribe for the amount of the claim.

The Tribe is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; environmental damage; and natural disasters. With the exception of environmental damage, these risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past three years.

Note 12 - Deficit Fund Balance

The following funds were in a deficit position as of September 30, 2014:

Governmental Funds	
Major Fund	
Department of Health and Human Services	\$ (1,508)
Nonmajor Fund	
Water Analysis	-
Rural Business Enterprise	(131)
Blandin Foundation	-
Business Development	(12,340)
Survey Blood Degree	(28,502)
Internal Service Funds	
Office Space	(109,145)
Administrative Pool	(121,386)
Revolving Fund	(16,016)

Management intends to restore the deficit fund balances. The funds will be restored through general fund transfers or additional funding for federal and state agencies.

Note 13 - Concentration of Credit

The Finance Corporation receives a majority of its funding from the State of Minnesota. Also, the Finance Corporation lends money only to Native Americans for the purchase, construction, or rehabilitation of housing within the State of Minnesota.



Supplementary Information September 30, 2014 Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2014

Loan		mployee Loan Fund 103	Wisdom Steps 113		MIAAA Workshops 115		Timber Sale 119		Active Workplace 122		Susiness velopment 127	Survey Blood Degree 129		Visdom Steps Board 132	Wisdom Steps Integrated Systems 133	
Cash Accounts receivable Other receivables Prepaid items	\$	17,663 - 45,851 -	\$	325	\$ 12,808	\$	60,000	\$	435	\$	- - - 60	\$	- - - -	\$ 55,161 - - -	\$	29,563 - -
Total assets	\$	63,514	\$	325	\$ 12,808	\$	60,000	\$	435	\$	60	\$		\$ 55,161	\$	29,563
Liabilities and Fund Balance																
Liabilities Due to other funds Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Deferred revenue Total liabilities	\$	- - - -	\$	16 - - 16	\$ 743 2,166 2,909	\$	- - - - -	\$	- - - - -	\$	12,400 - - - 12,400	\$	28,502 - - - 28,502	\$ 1,000 - - 1,000	\$	26,988 2,575 - - 29,563
Fund Balance (Deficit) Nonspendable For prepaid items Committed For employee loans For wisdom steps For timber appraisal For workshops Unassigned		- 63,514 - - - -		309	- - - - 9,899 -		60,000		435		60 - - - - (12,400)		- - - - (28,502)	- 54,161 - - -		- - - - -
Total fund balance (deficit)		63,514		309	9,899		60,000		435		(12,340)		(28,502)	54,161		-
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	63,514	\$	325	\$ 12,808	\$	60,000	\$	435	\$	60	\$		\$ 55,161	\$	29,563

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2014

Assets	Cobell Probate 134		Blandin Foundation 601		Economic Development 602		Rural Business Enterprise 661		Energy Conservation 740		General ssistance 755	Srv	ior Comm c Employ SCEP) 810	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
Cash Accounts receivable Other receivables Prepaid items	\$	10,304	\$	- - - -	\$	72,250 - 221	\$	- - - -	\$	- - - -	\$ 47,248 - -	\$	2,841	\$	146,392 162,206 45,851 331
Total assets	\$	10,354	\$		\$	72,471	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	_	\$ 47,248	\$	2,841	\$	354,780
Liabilities and Fund Balance															
Liabilities Due to other funds Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Deferred revenue Total liabilities	\$	10,354	\$	- - - - -	\$	72,471 - - - 72,471	\$	131 - - - 131	\$	108 - - - 108	\$ 35,603 11,645 - 47,248	\$	2,841	\$	189,398 15,979 2,166 - 207,543
Fund Balance (Deficit) Nonspendable For prepaid items		50		-		221		-		-	-		-		331
Committed For employee loans For wisdom steps For timber appraisal For workshops Unassigned Total fund balance (deficit)		(50)		- - - - -		(221)		(131)		(108)	 - - - - -		- - - - -		63,514 54,470 60,000 10,334 (41,412)
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	10,354	\$	_	\$	72,471	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 47,248	\$	2,841	\$	354,780

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance –
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2014

	E	mployee Loan Fund 103	Wisdom Steps 113		MIAAA Workshops 115		Cimber Sale 119	Wo	active rkplace 122	usiness elopment 127	Survey od Degree 129	Scre Awa	betes ening reness 30	Wisdom Steps 132	
Revenue Intergovernmental - federal Program income Other Total revenue	\$	5,850 8 5,858	\$ 1,872 1,872	\$	31,984 31,984	\$	- - - -	\$	1,198 1,198	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$	- - - -	\$	53,686 53,686
Expenditures Personnel Fringe benefits Travel/training Office expenses Pass-through funds Office and equipment rental Other expenditures		2,753	4,295 921 - 113 - -		23,310 1,649 -		- - - - - -		- 1,939 449 - -	19,297 8,970 1,621 987 -	28,501 - 5,594		393		37,568 548 7,610 - 7,871
Total direct expenditures		2,753	5,329		24,959		-		2,388	30,875	34,095		393		53,597
Indirect costs Total expenditures		2,753	5,329		24,959				2,388	30,875	34,095		170 563		53,597
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		3,105	(3,457)		7,025		-		(1,190)	(30,875)	(34,095)		(563)		89
Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year		60,409	3,766		2,874		60,000		1,625	18,535	5,593		563		54,072
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$	63,514	\$ 309	\$	9,899	\$	60,000	\$	435	\$ (12,340)	\$ (28,502)	\$		\$	54,161

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance –
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Year Ended September 30, 2014

	Wisdom Steps Board 133	Steps Integrated Board Systems		egrated ystems	rated Blandin ems Foundation		Economic Development 602		Rural Business Enterprise 661		Energy Conservation 740		Water Analysis 751		General Assistance 755		Senior Comm Srvc Employ (SCEP) 810		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
Revenue Intergovernmental - federal Program income Other Total revenue	\$ 29,5		\$	77,304	\$	3,766 3,766	\$	213,667	\$	- - - -	\$	- - - -	\$	3,444 3,444	\$	150,469	\$	57,058	\$	528,061 5,850 95,958 629,869
Expenditures Personnel Fringe benefits Travel/training Office expenses Pass-through funds Office and equipment rental Other expenditures		- 859 629 - - 119		50,664 14,070 595 - -		- - - - - -		43,489 9,446 11,866 1,536 - 4,362 66,472		- - - - - -		- - - - - 5,685		- - - - -		4,805 1,392 773 970 118,576 1,400		40,973 5,127 - - - -		163,523 39,926 86,924 35,382 126,186 5,762 105,494
Total direct expenditures	26,0	507		65,329		-		137,171		-		5,685		-		127,916		46,100		563,197
Indirect costs	2,9	956		11,975				25,264								1,712		5,125		47,202
Total expenditures	29,	563		77,304				162,435				5,685				129,628		51,225		610,399
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures		-		-		3,766		51,232		-		(5,685)		3,444		20,841		5,833		19,470
Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year						(3,766)		(51,232)		(131)		5,577		(3,444)		(20,841)		(5,833)		127,767
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	_	\$	<u>-</u>	\$		\$	(131)	\$	(108)	\$		\$	_	\$	_	\$	147,237

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Schedule of Net Position – Internal Service Funds September 30, 2014

Assets	Office Space		Revolving Fund		Computer/ Copy Services		Admin Pool		MCT Insurance		Total	
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Due from other funds Prepaid expenses and other assets Equipment Accumulated Depreciation Total assets	\$	- - - - - -	\$	3,656 - 26,790 (26,790) 3,656	\$	45,549 - 62,698 (49,060) 59,187	\$	1,583 19,293 12,632 - - 33,508	\$	1,213 112,600 25,891 - - 139,704	\$	1,213 5,239 177,442 38,523 89,488 (75,850) 236,055
Liabilities and Net Position				3,030		33,107		33,300		133,701		230,033
Current Liabilities Due to other funds Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Noncurrent liabilities Due within one year		109,145 - - -		10,320 9,127 225		- - - -	_	38,684 - 24,262 91,948		10,489		158,149 19,616 24,487 91,948
Total liabilities		109,145		19,672				154,894		10,489		294,200
Net Position (Deficit) Investment in capital assets Unrestricted		(109,145)		(16,016)		13,638 45,549		(121,386)		129,215		13,638 (71,783)
Total net position (deficit)	\$	(109,145)	\$	(16,016)	\$	59,187	\$	(121,386)	\$	129,215	\$	(58,145)
Total liabilities and net position	\$		\$	3,656	\$	59,187	\$	33,508	\$	139,704	\$	236,055

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position – Internal Service Funds Year Ended September 30, 2014

	Office Space	Revolving Fund	Computer/ Copy Services	Admin Pool	MCT Insurance	Total	
Revenue							
Sales of business support revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,393	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,393	
Indirect revenue	- 20 515	-	-	605,178	-	605,178	
Rental revenue	39,515	-	-	-	250.070	39,515	
Insurance revenue	-		-		359,078	359,078	
Total operating revenue	39,515		31,393	605,178	359,078	1,035,164	
Expenses							
Current							
Personnel	7,872	-	-	343,637	-	351,509	
Fringe benefits	1,064	-	-	118,336	-	119,400	
Travel/training	-	-	-	22,872	-	22,872	
Office expenses	26	-	4,923	23,531	144	28,624	
Office and equipment rent	-	-	3,179	27,623	-	30,802	
Maintenance	53,516	-		-	-	53,516	
Depreciation	-	-	6,060	-	-	6,060	
Other expenditures			9,124	69,296	332,505	410,925	
Total expenses	62,478		23,286	605,295	332,649	1,023,708	
Change in Net Position	(22,963)	-	8,107	(117)	26,429	11,456	
Net Position (Deficit), Beginning of Year	(86,182)	(16,016)	51,080	(121,269)	102,786	(69,601)	
Net Position (Deficit), End of Year	\$ (109,145)	\$ (16,016)	\$ 59,187	\$ (121,386)	\$ 129,215	\$ (58,145)	

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Schedule of Cash Flows – Internal Service Funds Year Ended September 30, 2014

	Office Space	R	evolving Fund	omputer/ Copy services	 Admin Pool	I:	MCT nsurance	 Total
Operating Activities Cash received from customers Cash paid for wages and benefits Cash paid to suppliers	\$ 39,515 (8,936) (30,579)	\$	(2,148) 225 (8,397)	\$ 32,781 (17,226)	\$ 603,595 (467,098) (148,707)	\$	359,078 (907) (336,051)	\$ 1,032,821 (476,716) (540,960)
Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities	_		(10,320)	15,555	 (12,210)		22,120	15,145
Non-Capital Financing Activities Proceeds from other funds Payments to other funds	- -		10,320	(45,549)	34,355 (22,145)		(112,600)	 44,675 (180,294)
Net Cash from Non-Capital Financing Activities			10,320	(45,549)	12,210		(112,600)	(135,619)
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	-		-	(29,994)	-		(90,480)	(120,474)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year				29,994			91,693	121,687
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 	\$		\$ 	\$ <u>-</u>	\$	1,213	\$ 1,213
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities Change in net position Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to cash from (used for) operating activities	\$ (22,963)	\$	-	\$ 8,107	\$ (117)	\$	26,429	\$ 11,456
Depreciation	-		-	6,060	-		-	6,060
Changes in assets and liabilities Accounts receivables Prepaid expenses and other assets Accounts payables Accrued liabilities	22,963		(3,376) (7,169) 225	1,388	(1,583) (5,156) (229) (5,125)		(1,272) (2,130) (907)	(3,571) (6,428) 13,435 (5,807)
Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities	\$ _	\$	(10,320)	\$ 15,555	\$ (12,210)	\$	22,120	\$ 15,145

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Balance Sheet – U.S Department of Interior Programs September 30, 2014

	Tribal Operations 503		Vatural esources	C	Johnson O'Malley Various)	Total		
Assets								
Cash Prepaid items	\$	130,835 5,673	\$ 86,651	\$	215,781 1,335	\$	433,267 7,008	
Total assets	\$	136,508	\$ 86,651	\$	217,116	\$	440,275	
Liabilities and Fund Balance Liabilities Accounts payable Deferred revenue Total liabilities	\$	136,508 136,508	\$ 3,953 82,698 86,651	\$	217,116 217,116	\$	3,953 436,322 440,275	
Fund Balance Nonspendable Prepaid items Unassigned Total fund balance		5,673 (5,673)	- - -		1,335 (1,335)		7,008 (7,008)	
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	136,508	\$ 86,651	\$	217,116	\$	440,275	

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe
Combining Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance –
U.S Department of Interior Programs
Year Ended September 30, 2014

	Tribal Operations 503		Natural esources 510	(Johnson D'Malley Various)	Total		
Revenue Intergovernmental - federal Contract	\$	225,981 71,187	\$ 168,764 -	\$	319,449	\$	714,194 71,187	
Total revenue		297,168	 168,764		319,449		785,381	
Expenditures Current Personnel Fringe benefits Travel/training Office expenses Office and equipment rental Other expenditures Total direct expenditures		158,547 50,497 5,017 12,989 19,754 4,331 251,135	106,357 34,872 30 75 - 1,287		81,637 21,672 33,528 37,702 10,798 84,628		346,541 107,041 38,575 50,766 30,552 90,246	
Indirect costs		46,033	26,143		49,484		121,660	
Total expenditures		297,168	168,764		319,449		785,381	
Revenue over Expenditures		-	-		-		-	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year								
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$		\$ -	\$		\$		

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Balance Sheet – U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Programs September 30, 2014

Assets		Title VI Nutrition Grant 620	S	NEW/ TRIDE Program 621	Su	egiver pport 522		MFIP 808		Title III 830	N	ЛІААА 831	S	utrition upport ervices 832
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Cash Accounts receivable Grants receivable Due from other funds Prepaid items	\$	125 - - - -	\$	42,333	\$	70 - - - -	\$	- 114,771 - 1,813	\$	52,897 - - - 1,087	\$	52,435 750	\$	7,956 - -
Total assets	\$	125	\$	42,333	\$	70	\$	116,584	\$	53,984	\$	53,185	\$	7,956
Liabilities and Fund Balance Liabilities Due to other funds Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Deferred revenue Total liabilities	\$	125 125	\$	42,333	\$	- - - 70 70	\$	116,584 - - - 116,584	\$	750 8,421 - 44,813 53,984	\$	53,185	\$	9,464 - - - - - - - - - -
Fund Balance (Deficit) Nonspendable For prepaid items Unassigned Total fund balance (deficit)		- - -		- - -		- - -		1,813 (1,813)		1,087 (1,087)		- - -		(1,508)
Total liabilities and fund balance (deficit)	\$	125	\$	42,333	\$	70	\$	116,584	\$	53,984	\$	53,185	\$	7,956

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Combining Balance Sheet – U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Programs September 30, 2014

	Pro	neimer oject 34	Ca	aregiver 835	G	randkin 838	Ti	tle III-D 840	S	tegrated System elopment 841	A	CSSD - dult Day Services 842	M	NSURE 851	Total
Assets															
Cash Accounts receivable Grants receivable Due from other funds Prepaid items	\$	50 - - - -	\$	13,397 - 50	\$	4,162 253 -	\$	14,023	\$	- - 7,891 - -	\$	20,186	\$	54,248 3,656	\$ 57,304 54,248 276,901 750 2,950
Total assets	\$	50	\$	13,447	\$	4,415	\$	14,023	\$	7,891	\$	20,186	\$	57,904	\$ 392,153
Liabilities and Fund Balance Liabilities Due to other funds Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Deferred revenue	\$	50	\$	13,447 - - -	\$	- - - 4,415	\$	14,023	\$	7,310 581 -	\$	20,186	\$	49,956 347 3,945 3,656	\$ 327,238 9,349 3,945 53,129
Total liabilities		50		13,447		4,415		14,023		7,891		20,186		57,904	 393,661
Fund Balance (Deficit) Nonspendable For prepaid items Unassigned		- - -		50 (50)				- - -		- - -	_	- - -		- - -	2,950 (4,458) (1,508)
Total liabilities and fund balance (deficit)	\$	50	\$	13,447	\$	4,415	\$	14,023	\$	7,891	\$	20,186	\$	57,904	\$ 392,153

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

Combining Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance –
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Programs
Year Ended September 30, 2014

	NEW/ STRIDE Program 621	MFIP 808	Title III 830	MIAAA 831	S	Support dervices 832	Caregive 835	er	Title III-D 840		Integrated System Development 841	CSSD - Adult Day Services 842	MNSURE 851	Total
Revenue Intergovernmental - federal Other	\$ 389,048 450	\$ 509,25) \$ 54,554 	\$ 370, 67,		4,007	\$ 36,	870 <u>-</u>	\$ 5,40	3 \$	33,195	\$ - 58,812	\$ 173,535 132	\$ 1,576,475 126,947
Total revenue	389,498	509,25	54,554	438,	166	4,007	36,	870	5,40	13	33,195	58,812	173,667	1,703,422
Expenditures														
Personnel Fringe benefits Travel/training Office expenses Pass through funds Office and equipment rent Other expenditures Capital outlay Total direct expenditures	143,640 40,964 14,163 14,707 - 18,158 97,546	184,86 54,14 14,10 20,71 27,29 132,22	3 6,899 0 14,800 7 1,736 - 11,000 4 2,428 7 188	1, 377,	319 - 476 210 - - -	2,915	6, 3, 1, 8,	866 225 955 839 - 366 619 -	3,43 15 1,81 5,40	77 - - - - 3 -	14,265 6,805 3,235 1,245 - 2,321	38,093 9,016 1,998 2,178 2,000 461	77,629 24,768 26,962 5,763 - 8,450 2,983 3,048	536,075 157,796 79,213 49,661 391,125 69,017 235,837 3,048
Indirect costs	60,320	75,90	2	9,	382	_				<u> </u>	5,324	5,066	24,064	180,558
Total expenditures	389,498	509,25	54,554	438,	166	2,915	36,	870	5,40	13	33,195	58,812	173,667	1,702,330
Revenue over (Under) Expenditures	-				-	1,092		-		-	-	-	-	1,092
Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year			<u>-</u>		<u> </u>	(2,600)								(2,600)
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$ -	\$	\$	\$	- \$	(1,508)	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>- \$</u>	<u> </u>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,508)

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program	CFDA Number		Expenditures						
U.S. Department of Interior									
Passed-through the Bureau of Indian Affairs									
Tribal operations	15.048		\$ 297,168						
Johnson O'Malley	15.130		319,445						
Natural resources	15.035		168,764						
Total U.S. Department of Interior				\$	785,377				
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services									
Direct programs									
NEW Program, 10/13 - 12/13	93.594	\$ 289,352							
NEW Program, 07/14 - 9/14	93.594	100,035							
Total CFDA #93.594			389,387						
Disease Prevention/Health Promotion, 10/13 - 12/13	93.043	1,737							
Disease Prevention/Health Promotion, 1/14 - 9/14	93.043	3,666							
Total CFDA #93.043	75.0.0		5,403						
Integrated System Development, 10/13 - 12/13	93.048	10,694							
Integrated System Development, 1/14 - 9/14	93.048	22,500							
Total CFDA #93.048			33,194						
Caregiver Support, 10/13 - 12/13	93.052	11,745							
Caregiver Support, 1/14 - 9/14	93.052	25,124							
Total CFDA #93.052	70.002		36,869						
Special Programs passed through for the MN Board of Aging									
Title III, Part B Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers, 10/13 - 12/13	93.044	7,970							
Title III, Part B Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers, 1/14 - 9/14	93.044	46,583							
AAA Administration, 10/13 - 12/13	93.044	20,368							
AAA Administration, 1-14 - 9/14	93.044	40,586							
Total CFDA #93.044		115,507							
Home Delivered/Congregate Meals, 10/13 - 12/13	93.045	77,700							
Home Delivered/Congregate Meals, 1/14 - 9/14	93.045	164,005							
Total CFDA #93.045		241,705							
NSIP - Home Delivered/Congregate Meals, 10/13 - 12/13	93.053	6,955							
NSIP - Home Delivered/Congregate Meals, 1/14 - 9/14	93.053	28,288							
Total CFDA #93.053		35,243							
Total Special Programs passed through the MN Board of Aging Cluster CFDA #9	3.044, 93.045, 9	3.053	392,455						

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program	CFDA Number		Expenditures	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, cont Passed-through the Minnesota Department of Human Services MnSure Outreach & Enrollment, 10/13 - 12/13 MnSure Outreach & Enrollment, 1/14 - 9/14 Total CFDA #93.525	93.525 93.525	\$ 25,114 148,553	\$ 173,667	
Minnesota Family Investment Program, 10/13 - 12/13 Minnesota Family Investment Program, 1/14 - 9/14 Total CFDA #93.558	93.558 93.558	185,600 323,648	509,248	
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				\$ 1,540,223
U.S. Department of Commerce Direct Programs Economic Development Planning, 10/12 - 12/12 Economic Development Planning, 1/13 - 9/13 Total CFDA #11.302 Total U.S. Department of Commerce	11.302 11.302	78,381 84,052	162,433	162,433
Environmental Protection Agency Direct Programs General Assistance Program	66.926		129,627	
Total Environmental Protection Agency				129,627
U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed-through State of Minnesota Department of Human Services Food Stamp Nutrition Education	10.561		694,911	
Direct Program Rural Business Enterprise Grant	10.769		<u> </u>	
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture				694,911
U.S. Department of Labor Passed-through State of Minnesota Economic Security Senior Community Service Employment, 10/112 - 6/113 Senior Community Service Employment, 7/13 - 9/13 Total CFDA #17.235	17.235 17.235	43,357 7,868	51,225	
Total U.S. Department of Labor				51,225
Total Federal Financial Assistance				\$ 3,363,796

Note A – Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of *OMB Circular A-133*, *Audits of States*, *Local Governments*, *and Non-Profit Organizations*. The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe received federal awards both directly from federal agencies and indirectly through pass-through entities. Federal financial assistance provided to a subrecipient is treated as an expenditure when it is paid to the subrecipient.

Note B – Significant Accounting Policies

Governmental fund types account for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's federal grant activity. Therefore, expenditures in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are recognized on the modified accrual basis — when they become a demand on current available financial resources. The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's summary of significant accounting policies is presented in Note 1 in the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's basic financial statements.

Note C - Subrecipients

Of the federal expenditures presented in the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, the Tribe provided federal awards to subrecipients as follows:

Program	CFDA Number	Amount
Food Stamp Nutrition Education Home Delivered/Congregate Meals Title III, Part B Trans/Homemaker General Assistance Program	10.551 93.045 / 93.053 93.044 66.926	\$ 424,255 377,212 11,000 118,576
Total		\$ 931,043



Independent Auditor's 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

To the Tribal Executive Committee Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Cass Lake, Minnesota

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, Cass Lake, Minnesota, (the Tribe) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Tribe's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 29, 2015.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Tribe's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit 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 Tribe's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Tribe's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings and questioned costs, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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. We consider deficiencies 2014-A, 2014-B, and 2014-C described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs to be material weaknesses.

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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Tribe'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*.

Tribe's Response to Finding

The Tribe's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. We did not audit the Tribe's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it

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

Fargo, North Dakota

Esde Saelly LLP

June 29, 2015



Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and Report on Internal Control over Compliance Required by OMB Circular A-133

To the Tribal Executive Committee Minnesota Chippewa Tribe Cass Lake, Minnesota

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's 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 each of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014. Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the compliance for each of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's major federal programs 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 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 Minnesota Chippewa Tribe'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 each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major Federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Minnesota Chippewa Tribe'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 Minnesota Chippewa Tribe'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 compliance requirement 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 that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses and significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. 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.

Fargo, North Dakota

Esde Sailly LLP

June 29, 2015

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

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Type of Auditor's Report Issued

Unmodified

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Material weaknesses identified Yes

Significant deficiencies identified not

considered to be material weaknesses

None reported

Noncompliance Material to Financial Statements Noted?

FEDERAL AWARDS

Internal Control over Major Programs
Material weaknesses identified
No

Significant deficiencies identified not

considered to be material weaknesses

None reported

Type of Auditor's Report Issued on Compliance for Major Programs

Unmodified

Any Audit Findings Disclosed That Are Required to be Reported

in Accordance with Section 510(A) of *OMB Circular A-133*?

Identification of Major Programs

Name of Federal Program or ClusterCFDA NumberFood Stamp Nutrition Education10.561NEW Program93.594

Aging Cluster 93.044, 93.045, 93.053

Minnesota Family Investment Program 93.558

Dollar Threshold used to Distinguish Between

Type A and Type B Programs \$ 300,000

Auditee Qualified as Low-Risk Auditee?

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

Material Weakness

2014-A Significant Journal Entries

Criteria – A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for recording and processing entries material to the financial statements.

Condition – During the course of our engagement, we proposed material audit adjustments that would not have been identified as a result of the Tribe's existing internal controls, and therefore could have resulted in a material misstatement of the Tribe's financial statements.

Cause – The Tribe does not have an internal control system designed to identify all necessary adjustments.

Effect – This control deficiency could result in a misstatement to the financial statements that would not be prevented or detected.

Recommendation – A thorough review and reconciliation of accounts in each fund should take place prior to the beginning of the audit. This review should be done at both the accounting staff and accounting supervisor levels.

Management's Response – The Tribe is developing a fiscal year-end review process and checklist that will be implemented at the end of the fiscal year September 30, 2014 to ensure that future audit adjustments will be minimal.

Material Weakness

2014-B Preparation of Financial Statements

Criteria – A good system of internal accounting control contemplates an adequate system for the ability to internally prepare their financial statements.

Condition – The Tribe does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements being audited. The auditors were requested to, and did, draft the Tribe's financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Cause - Tribal personnel do not have adequate training to apply accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America internally.

Effect – The financial disclosures in the financial statements could be incomplete.

Recommendation – This circumstance is not unusual in a Tribe of your size. It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations.

Management's Response – Due to cost constraints, the Tribe will continue to have the auditors draft the financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Material Weakness

2014-C Segregation of Duties

Criteria – A good system of internal control contemplates an adequate segregation of duties so that no one individual has incompatible responsibilities. No one person should have more than one duty relating to the authorization (approval), custody of assets (check depositing), record keeping and reconciliation functions.

Condition – The Tribe has a lack of segregation of duties in certain areas due to a limited staff.

Cause – There are a limited amount of finance employees.

Effect – Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the Tribe's ability to detect misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements in a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation – While we recognize that your staff may not be large enough to permit complete segregation of duties in all respects for an effective system of internal control, the functions should be reviewed to determine if additional segregation of duties is feasible and to improve efficiency and effectiveness of financial management and financial statement accuracy for the Tribe. Segregation of authorization, custody of assets, record keeping and reconciliation functions would assist in mitigating the risk of fraud or misstatements to the financial statements.

Management's Response – Due to cost constraints, there will be no further administrative employees added. The Tribe will continue to look for further opportunities to segregate duties.

Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No findings reported in the current year.

No findings reported in the prior year.