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Mr. Roger Hunt, Assistant Director-Administration,
Resource Management Agency
Tulare County
5961 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277

Dear Mr. Hunt:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m), the Tulare County Successor Agency (Agency) submitted a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 14-15B) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on September 22, 2014 for the period of January 1 through June 30, 2015. Finance has completed its review of your ROPS 14-15B, which may have included obtaining clarification for various items.

Based on our review, we are approving all of the items listed on your ROPS 14-15B at this time.

During our review, which may have included obtaining financial records, Finance determined the Agency possesses funds that should be used prior to requesting RPTTF. Pursuant to HSC section 34177 (l) (1) (E), RPTTF may be used as a funding source, but only to the extent no other funding source is available or when payment from property tax revenues is required by an enforceable obligation. The Agency provided a trial balance to support the Agency has sufficient cash to fulfill its administrative obligation.

Therefore, the funding source for the following item has been reclassified in the amount specified below:

- Item No. 27 – Employee costs in the amount of $20,000 has been reclassified to Reserve Funds.

Pursuant to HSC section 34186 (a), successor agencies were required to report on the ROPS 14-15B form the estimated obligations and actual payments (prior period adjustments) associated with the January through June 2014 period. HSC section 34186 (a) also specifies prior period adjustments self-reported by successor agencies are subject to audit by the county auditor-controller (CAC) and the State Controller. The amount of RPTTF approved in the table below includes the prior period adjustment resulting from the CAC's audit of the Agency's self-reported prior period adjustment.

The amount of RPTTF approved in the table below includes excess prior period adjustment (PPA) of $68,278. The current approved RPTTF is insufficient to allow for the prior period

adjustments of $68,278 during this ROPS period. The Agency should apply the remaining funds prior to requesting RPTTF on future ROPS.

Except for the item that have been reclassified, Finance is not objecting to the remaining items listed on your ROPS 14-15B. If you disagree with the determination with respect to any items on your ROPS 14-15B, you may request a Meet and Confer within five business days of the date of this letter. The Meet and Confer process and guidelines are available at Finance's website below:

http://www.dof.ca.gov/redevelopment/meet_and_confer/

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is zero, as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution Table below:

Approved RPTTF Distribution For the period of January through June 2015	
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations	**0**
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	20,000
Total RPTTF requested for obligations on ROPS	**$ 20,000**
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations	**0**
Total RPTTF for non-administrative obligations	**0**
Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations	**0**
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	**20,000**
Cash Balances - Item reclassified to other funding sources	
Item No. 27	(20,000)
	(20,000)
Administrative costs in excess of the cap (see Admin Cost Cap table below)	**0**
Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations	**0**
Total RPTTF authorized for obligations	**0**
ROPS 13-14B prior period adjustment	(68,278)
Excess PPA	68,278
Total RPTTF approved for distribution	**0**

Please refer to the ROPS 14-15B schedule that was used to calculate the approved RPTTF amount:

http://www.dof.ca.gov/redevelopment/ROPS

Absent a Meet and Confer, this is Finance's final determination related to the enforceable obligations reported on your ROPS for January 1 through June 30, 2015. This determination only applies to items where funding was requested for the six-month period. Finance's determination is effective for this time period only and should not be conclusively relied upon for future periods. All items listed on a future ROPS are subject to a subsequent review and may be denied even if it was or was not denied on this ROPS or a preceding ROPS. The only exception is for those items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination from Finance pursuant to HSC section 34177.5 (i). Finance's review of items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination is limited to confirming the scheduled payments as required by the obligation.

The amount available from the RPTTF is the same as the amount of property tax increment that was available prior to the enactment of ABx1 26 and AB 1484. This amount is not and never was an unlimited funding source. Therefore, as a practical matter, the ability to fund the items on the ROPS with property tax is limited to the amount of funding available to the agency in the RPTTF.

Pursuant to HSC section 34177 (a) (3), only those payments listed on an approved ROPS may be made by the successor agency from the funds specified in the ROPS. However, if for whatever reason the Agency needs to make payments for approved obligations from another funding source, HSC section 34177 (a) (4) requires the Agency to first obtain oversight board approval.

To the extent proceeds from bonds issued after December 31, 2010 exist and are not encumbered by an enforceable obligation pursuant to HSC section 34171 (d), HSC section 34191.4 (c) (2) (B) requires these proceeds be used to defease the bonds or to purchase those same outstanding bonds on the open market for cancellation.

Please direct inquiries to Beliz Chappuie, Supervisor or Todd Vermillion, Lead Analyst at (916) 445-1546.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Sophia Almanza, Fiscal Manager, Tulare County
Ms. Rita A. Woodard, Auditor-Controller, Tulare County
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