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Mr. Darin Gale, Interim Development Services Director
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1201 Civic Center Boulevard
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Dear Mr. Gale:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m), the Yuba City Successor Agency (Agency) submitted a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 15-16A) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on February 26, 2015 for the period of July 1 through December 31, 2015. Finance has completed its review of your ROPS 15-16A, which may have included obtaining clarification for various items.

Based on our review, we are approving all of the items listed on your ROPS 15-16A at this time.

Pursuant to HSC section 34186 (a), successor agencies were required to report on the ROPS 15-16A form the estimated obligations and actual payments (prior period adjustments) associated with the July through December 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. Proposed CAC adjustments were not received in time for inclusion in this letter; therefore, the amount of Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) approved in the table below only reflects the prior period adjustment self-reported by the Agency.

Finance noted the following expenditures were made from funding sources not specified on the ROPS during our review:

- On the ROPS 14-15A Prior Period Adjustment (PPA) worksheet, the Agency's actual expenditures in the amount of $1,015,793 from Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Funds (RPTTF) exceeded the available RPTTF distributed by the Sacramento County Auditor-Controller for the ROPS 14-15A period by $161,680 ($1,015,793 - $854,113). It is our understanding the Agency used retained Reserve Balances to make payments in excess of Finance authorization.

- On the ROPS 15-16A Report of Cash Balances form, the Agency reported expenditures in the amount of $146,022 from Other Funds for ROPS 14-15A obligations. However, these expenditures were not requested on the 14-15A ROPS.

Per HSC section 34177 (a) (3), only those payments listed on ROPS may be made by the Agency from the funds specified on the ROPS. However, these were determined to have been applied to enforceable obligations approved for the ROPS 14-15A period due to insufficient RPTTF received for the ROPS 14-15A obligations. Therefore, Finance is increasing the Agency's authorization to ensure that the use is consistent with authorized funding sources for the approved enforceable obligations. As these were previously expended, the increase in authorization should not result in increased expenditures for the current ROPS period, but should merely allow the Agency to reconcile actual expenditures to the authorization.

HSC sections 34177 (a) (4) and 34173 (h) provide mechanisms when Agency payments exceed the amounts authorized by Finance. Please ensure the proper expenditure authority is received from your Oversight Board and Finance prior to making payments on enforceable obligations.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is $876,329 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table below:

Approved RPTTF Distribution For the period of July through December 2015		
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations		841,329
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations		35,000
Total RPTTF requested for obligations on ROPS	**$**	**876,329**
Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations		841,329
Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations		35,000
Total RPTTF authorized for obligations	**$**	**876,329**
ROPS 14-15A prior period adjustment		0
Total RPTTF approved for distribution	**$**	**876,329**

Pursuant to HSC section 34177 (l) (1) (E), agencies are required to use all available funding sources prior to RPTTF for payment of enforceable obligations. During the ROPS 15-16A review, Finance requested financial records to support the cash balances reported by the Agency. The Agency was able to partially support the amounts reported, but Finance notes the Agency's accounting records have not been updated to reflect their actual cash position. Finance will continue to work with the Agency after the ROPS 15-16A review period to resolve any remaining issues as described above. If it is determined the Agency possesses additional cash balances that are available to pay approved obligations, the Agency should request the use of these cash balances prior to requesting RPTTF in ROPS 15-16B.

Please refer to the ROPS 15-16A schedule that was used to calculate the approved RPTTF amount:

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

This is Finance's final determination related to the enforceable obligations reported on your ROPS for July 1 through December 31, 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 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 Nichelle Thomas, Supervisor or Michael Barr, Lead Analyst at (916) 445-1546.

Sincerely,

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