

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH
REQUIREMENTS THAT COULD HAVE A DIRECT AND MATERIAL EFFECT
ON EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM, EACH MAJOR STATE PROJECT,
AND PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133,
CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL,
AND PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE AUDIT GUIDE FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES**

To the Honorable County Council Members
of the County of Volusia, Florida:

Compliance

We have audited the County of Volusia, Florida's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement*, the *Florida Department of Financial Services State Projects Compliance Supplement*, and the *Passenger Facility Charge Audit Guide for Public Agencies*, issued by the Federal Aviation Administration (the Guide) that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs, major state projects, or the passenger facility charge program, for the year ended September 30, 2011. The County of Volusia, Florida's major federal programs and state projects are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs, major state projects, and its passenger facility charge program is the responsibility of the County of Volusia, Florida's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County of Volusia, Florida's compliance based on our audit.

The County of Volusia, Florida's basic financial statements include the operations of Clerk of the Circuit Court, Volusia County, Florida (a discretely presented component unit) and Emergency Medical Foundation, Inc. (a discretely presented component unit), which received \$594,971 and \$8,777 in federal awards and state projects, respectively, which is not included in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance for the year ended September 30, 2011. Our audit, described below, did not include the operations of the component units because the component units engaged other auditors to perform an audit in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General, and OMB Circular A-133 (if required).

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; OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*; Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General; and the Guide. Those standards, OMB Circular A-133, Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General, and the Guide require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program, major state project, or the passenger facility charge program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County of Volusia, Florida'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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the County of Volusia, Florida's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the County of Volusia, Florida, 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, major state projects, and passenger facility charge program for the year ended September 30, 2011. However, the results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance with those requirements, which are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2011-01.

Internal Control Over Compliance

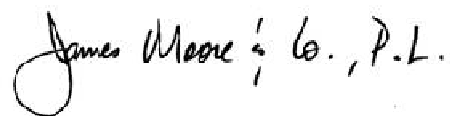
Management of the County of Volusia, Florida, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs, state projects, and the passenger facility charge program. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the County of Volusia, Florida's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program, major state project, or its passenger facility charge program (the programs) to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance 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 County of Volusia, Florida'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 the programs 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 type of compliance requirement of a program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

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 over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questions costs as item 2011-01. 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, state project, or passenger facility charge 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.

The County of Volusia, Florida's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Management Responses to Internal Control and Management Comments. We did not audit the County's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion the responses.

Pursuant to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, this report is a public record and its distribution is not limited. Auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to indicate that this report is intended solely for the information and use of the County Council, management, others within the County, the Auditor General of the State of Florida, and respective federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Daytona Beach, Florida
March 20, 2012