

**TOWN OF SALISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS**

SINGLE AUDIT REPORTS

PURSUANT TO

OMB CIRCULAR A-133

JUNE 30, 2015

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**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 Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts

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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 18, 2015.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

*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. *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.

Our consideration of internal control 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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town's financial statements are free from 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*.

We noted certain other matters that we reported to management of the Town in a separate letter dated November 18, 2015.

### **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.



Roselli, Clark and Associates  
Certified Public Accountants  
Woburn, Massachusetts  
November 18, 2015



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR  
PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY  
OMB CIRCULAR A-133**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' 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 the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' 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 compliance for each of the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' 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 types of 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 the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' 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 the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' compliance.

***Opinion on Each Major Federal Programs***

In our opinion, the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

## **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' 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 Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts' 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 type of compliance requirement of a federal program 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 over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant efficiencies. 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 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.

## **Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively compromise the Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated November 18, 2015, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming our opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements.

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information 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. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 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 schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



Roselli, Clark & Associates  
Certified Public Accountants  
Woburn, Massachusetts

March 15, 2016, except for our report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, for which the date is November 18, 2015

**TOWN OF SALISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

<b>Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title</b>	<b>CFDA Number</b>	<b>Pass-Through Number</b>	<b>Federal Expenditures</b>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Housing &amp; Urban Development</u></b>			
<i>Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Executive Office of Housing and Community Development</i>			
Community Development Block Grant - State Administered Small Cities Program	14.228	00735 00714 00674	\$ 349,853
<i>Passed through the North Shore Home Consortium</i>			
Home Investment Partnerships Program	14.239		7,773
<b><u>U.S. Department of Fisheries &amp; Wildlife Services</u></b>			
<i>Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Department of Fish &amp; Game</i>			
Clean Vessel Act	15.616		8,610
<b><u>U.S. Department of Justice</u></b>			
<i>Direct Award</i>			
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program	16.607		9,450
<i>Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Executive Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security</i>			
Violence Against Women Formula Grant	16.588	SCEPS3001VAWA15SALIS SCEPS3001VAWA14SALIS	40,796
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	16.738	BJAG1FY13SALISB	26,692
<b><u>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</u></b>			
<i>Direct Award</i>			
Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative	66.818	BF-96133801	* 133,572
<i>Passed through the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission</i>			
Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative - Grant	66.818	BF-96133801	* 100,000
Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative - Loan	66.818	BF-96133801	* 200,146
<b><u>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</u></b>			
<i>Federal Emergency Management Agency Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency</i>			
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared)	97.036	FEMA 4214	30,394
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	FY15EMPG131400SALISB	3,351
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>\$ 910,637</b>

\* Denotes major program.

See notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards



**TOWN OF SALISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

**A. Scope of Audit**

The Town of Salisbury, Massachusetts (the Town) is a governmental agency established by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. All operations related to the Town of Salisbury's federal grant programs are included in the scope of the OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*.

Compliance testing of all requirements, as described in the Compliance Supplement was performed. The grants determined to be major programs was the Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative (CFDA# 66.818) grant program.

**B. Period Audited**

Single audit testing procedures were performed for federal grant transactions during the year ended June 30, 2015.

**C. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Accounting policies and financial reporting practices permitted for municipalities in Massachusetts are prescribed by the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) promulgated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue. The significant accounting principles followed by the Town are as follows:

*Basis of Presentation* –The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant transactions of the Town, although some of these programs may be supplemented with state and other revenue, only federal activity is shown. The receipts, proceeds from federal grants, and disbursements are recorded on the modified accrual basis whereby revenue is recognized when it becomes available and measurable, and expenditures are recognized when the liability is incurred. The activities of these programs are reflected in the basic financial statements in the Special Revenue Funds.

**D. Subrecipients**

The Town provided federal awards to subrecipients as follows:

<u>Program Title</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Amount Provided</u>
Community Development Block Grant	14.228	\$42,726

**TOWN OF SALISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**  
**(Continued)**

**E.     United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Loans**

The Town has received the subsequently listed EPA loans through the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission's Brownfield Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund. The balances and transactions relating to these loans are included in the Town's basic financial statements in the Special Revenue Fund. The loans reported in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards represent the proceeds from new loans received during the fiscal year. The balance of loans outstanding at June 30, 2015 consists of:

<u>Program Title</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Balance at June 30, 2015</u>
Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements	66.818	\$ 200,146

**TOWN OF SALISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS  
SCHEDULES OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

**A. Summary of Audit Results**

1. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Town of Salisbury.
2. No significant deficiencies disclosed during the audit of the financial statements are reported in the 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*.
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Town of Salisbury which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* were disclosed during the audit.
4. No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the major federal award programs are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance Required By OMB Circular A-133.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Town of Salisbury expresses an unmodified opinion.
6. There are no audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of the OMB Circular A-133 in this Schedule.
7. The programs tested as major programs include the Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative (CFDA# 66.818) grant program.
8. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
9. The Town of Salisbury did qualify as a low risk auditee.

**B. Schedule of Findings – Financial Statements Audit**

None

**C. Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Award Programs Audit**

None

**D. Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs**

None