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Dear Department of Audits and Accounts Leadership,

Below, I have outlined our requested audits across the coming months of the current year. I appreciate your consideration and efforts to diligently evaluate these topics, and will be available to address any questions related to the direction of fulfillment of our interests. This list has been prioritized by level of interest.

1) Voter registration data validation - Georgia's ID requirement is in place in registration and voting settings to ensure only legal residents can vote. Confirming one's Full Legal Name, eligible Residence Address, and deliverable Mailing Address before granting eligibility and periodically thereafter are essential steps in securing this process.

- What procedures are done to assure validation of the Full Legal Name, Registration Address and Mailing Address BEFORE an application is approved and a name is added to the voter roll?

a) Full Legal Name – On Registration Applications:

- On how many applications were the full legal names checked BEFORE approving the application and adding the name to the voter list? How were these names checked for full legal name validity?

- How many applications did not have a Full Legal Name?

- How many applications were corrected prior to adding the applicant to the voter list as active or inactive?

- How many active or inactive voter registrations do not have Full Legal Names?

b) Residence Address - Per the County Property Tax Assessor's office, USPS NCOA, and CASS, how many voter registration applications:

- Were checked for an eligible Residence Address BEFORE the application was granted and made active or inactive? Against what sources were these residence addresses confirmed?

- Were corrected prior to granting eligibility?

- Currently do not have an eligible Residence Address?

- How often are the Residence Addresses checked against USPS NCOA?

c) Mailing Address - per the USPS NCOA or CASS, how many Registrations:

- Were checked for a deliverable Mailing Address BEFORE the applications was granted and made active or inactive? How was the address checked?

- Did not have a deliverable Mailing Address?

- Were corrected before the application was granted and made active or inactive?

- Currently do not have a deliverable Mailing Address;

or Residence Address when that is also their Mailing Address?

- Are currently registered at an address exception, e.g., homeless shelters, churches, or other non-residential addresses?

- Are currently registered at county registration offices?

How often are the Mailing Addresses or Residence Address when that is also their Mailing Address checked against USPS CASS?

2) Maintenance of Voter Rolls

a) Policies and Procedures: State

- Do the policies and procedures used by the SOS meet the minimum federal requirements, Georgia Election Code and the US Election Assistance Commission Best Practices?

- If not, list those policies/procedures that do not meet minimum requirements and those that are missing.

b) Policies and Procedures: County

- Do the policies and procedures used by Georgia Counties meet the minimum federal requirements, Georgia Election Code standards, and the US Election Assistance Commission Best Practices?

- Are the counties consistent across counties in their policies and procedures?

- If not, list the policies that are consistent, those that are inconsistent, and those that are missing. Please include a table laying out this response by policy and county.

3) NOW and COMP Waivers - Top to bottom examination on application of available funding and accounting controls

- Current counts of individuals served, and length of process moving from application receipt, application review, to approval and start of service utilization
- Expenditure levels throughout the year; end of year lapse amount in each of last 5 years
- Are providers under same level of oversight and monitoring for fraud? Which agency would be responsible for conducting this (or is currently doing through demonstrated activity)?
- Given that current DBHDD practice is prioritizing those intellectually disabled individuals/families with greatest need and likely COMP Waiver, would it be advisable to deliberately create two pockets of appropriations in order to ensure potential each deemed population might get served?

[Time permitting]

4) Space management

- What is the current occupancy rate in state buildings?
- To what extent is occupied space being utilized efficiently (space allocation/employee; daily/weekly use of space)?
- What leases are currently in place and what are the associated costs?
- Are there opportunities to more efficiently use state office building space to reduce overall real estate costs?
- In addition, what is the annual maintenance (and other elements) cost currently of each property shuttered/in non-use for all state agencies? Might require both State Properties Commission's and agencies' ledgers

5) P-cards

- What is the cause of the recent drop in p-card usage?
- Are agencies ensuring adequate controls are in place to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse?
- How are agencies making purchases previously made with a p-card and what are the risks associated with these methods?
- Have DOAS or state agencies imposed controls that discourage p-card use and increase purchasing costs?

6) Federally Funded Positions

- What positions are fully and partially funded with federal funds?
- To what extent do these positions perform functions that would continue even in the absence of federal funds?

7) State-owned cellphones (Cellular Devices and Services | Georgia Technology Authority)

- How many cellphones does the state currently own and pay for?
- Are cellphones necessary for all positions that receive them?
- Do state-funded cellphones have appropriate security protocols in place?

Best regards,



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