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**The Office of the Legislative Auditor General Releases Report
UCA Improving Controls After Fraud Discovered**

Salt Lake City, UTAH –

Yesterday, the Office of the Legislative Auditor General (OLAG) released its Report - *UCA Improving Controls After Fraud Discovered*.

Utah State Auditor John Dougall said, "I appreciate the thoughtful audit by the Office of the Legislative Auditor General regarding audit engagements in 2010 and 2011. It highlights the fact that financial statement audits aren't designed to detect many fraudulent circumstances. I value opportunities for continuous improvement. Since 2013, the Office has implemented many changes to improve audit procedures to help detect and mitigate fraud. Earlier this year, we began stressing the importance of reviewing source documentation. Our Office continues to strengthen our training of governing boards and management to help them in their financial oversight responsibilities including training for local governments and auditors of local governments to improve the awareness of credit card and purchase card risks as well as other types of fraud. Finally, the Office has also worked with the State Division of Finance (Finance) regarding procedures and internal controls related to the use of purchase cards."

A link to the full report may be found on the Office's website, auditor.utah.gov, and OLAG's report can be found specifically on their website at https://le.utah.gov/audit/16_filr.pdf .

About the Office of the Utah State Auditor

The Office of the Utah State Auditor provides Utah taxpayers and government officials with an independent assessment of financial operation, statutory compliance, and performance management for state and local government.

Specific activities of the Office include performing financial audits, conducting Federal funds compliance audits, providing local government oversight, conducting agency and program performance audits, performing fraud and compliance audits, and operating the State Auditor Hotline for citizens to report suspected financial issues or improprieties. These capabilities strengthen Utah State Government and help taxpayers have confidence in the integrity of Utah's government agencies.

The Utah State Auditor is a Constitutional Officer of the State of Utah, elected directly by the state's citizens every four years. The role of the Utah State Auditor is authorized in Article VII, Section 15 of the Utah Constitution. For more information, see auditor.utah.gov.

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