

## COUNTY OF PLACER

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Placer County Audit Committee c/o Placer County Board of Supervisors 175 Fulweiler Avenue Auburn, CA 95603

Re: Countywide Vendor vs. Employee Testing

The Internal Audit Division of the Auditor-Controller's Office performed a review and comparison of vendors in the Performance Accounting System to employees in the ACORN payroll system, and reviewed transactions from the current fiscal year. The objective of our review was to identify any potential conflicts of interest per the Placer County Purchasing Policy Manual Section 9.0, where employees or members of an employee's immediate family were also paid as vendors.

Based on our testing and analysis, which consisted of comparing certain vendor information to employee data and then reviewing specific transactions, we did not note any material payments to employees or members of an employee's immediate family during this timeframe which would appear to create a conflict of interest.

The Internal Audit Division will continue to review similar data for potential conflict of interest issues yearly and perform other continuous auditing procedures on a regular basis as workload and staffing permit.

Sincerely,

Nicole C. Howard, CPA Internal Audit Manager

cc: Katherine Martinis, Auditor-Controller