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Governing Board Ash Fork Joint Unified School District No. 31 P.O. Box 247 Ash Fork, AZ 86320-0247

Members of the Board:

In September 2015, we notified you that the District had not complied with the *Uniform System* of Financial Records (USFR).

We have since received and reviewed the District's audit reports and USFR Compliance Questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2015, to determine whether the District was in compliance with the USFR as of that date. Based solely on our review of these documents, the District has complied with the USFR.

However, we noted that the District still had numerous internal control deficiencies cited by its auditors in the management letter and the USFR Compliance Questionnaire. These deficiencies indicate that the District's internal controls over cash receipts are still especially weak, leaving district and student monies susceptible to loss, theft, and misuse.

Although the cited deficiencies do not cause substantial noncompliance, the District must take corrective action to continue to satisfactorily comply with the USFR and adequately safeguard district and student monies.

If you have questions concerning the deficiencies or how to correct them, please call Cris Cable, Accounting Services Manager, or me at (602) 553-0333.

Sincerely,

Laura J.P. Miller, CPA Accounting Services Director

cc: Mr. Seth Staples, Superintendent
Ms. Valerie McFarlen, Business Manager
Ash Fork Joint Unified School District No. 31
The Honorable Tim Carter, Yavapai County School Superintendent
Ms. Shari Zara, Deputy Superintendent Operations
Ms. Christy Ellison, Deputy Associate Superintendent, Grants Management
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