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January 31, 2023

Arizona State Board of Education 1700 W. Washington St. Executive Tower Ste. 300 Phoenix, AZ 85007

Subject: Pine Strawberry Elementary School District—Not in Compliance with Audit Reporting Requirements

Dear Members of the Board:

We issued a letter on October 18, 2022, informing Pine Strawberry Elementary School District that we had not received its audit reports and the *Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona School Districts* (USFR) Compliance Questionnaire (questionnaire) for the year ended June 30, 2021, which were due by September 30, 2022. We informed the District's Governing Board that if the District did not submit the audit reports and questionnaire within 90 days, we would notify the Arizona State Board of Education (Board) pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §15-271.

To date, we have not received the District's audit reports and questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2021. Consequently, the District has not complied with the USFR and applicable State and federal law regarding report submission, and we request that the Board take appropriate action as prescribed by Arizona Revised Statutes §15-272.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please call Cris Cable, Director, or Meghan Hieger, Deputy Director, within our Accountability Services Division at (602) 977-2796.

Sincerely,

Lindsey A. Perry, CPA, CFE

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**Auditor General** 

cc: Governing Board

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Pine Strawberry Elementary School District

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