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September 28, 2012

The Honorable John Huppenthal
Superintendent of Public Instruction
Arizona Department of Education
Executive Officer
Arizona State Board of Education
1535 West Jefferson Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Subject: Clifton Unified School District No. 3

Dear Mr. Huppenthal:

On August 1, 2012, we requested that the Arizona State Board of Education (Board) take action on Clifton Unified School District No. 3 because the District had not complied with the Uniform System of Financial Records (USFR) in regard to the fiscal year 2011 audit report submission and prior years' internal control deficiencies.

On August 22, 2012, we received and subsequently reviewed the District's audit reports for the 2 years ended June 30, 2011, and USFR Compliance Questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2011, prepared by John C. Todd II, P.C. Based on our review, we determined that the District still has not complied with the USFR.

Therefore, my Office will not perform a status review until the District notifies the Board that it has substantially corrected its internal control deficiencies and the Board requests that we perform a status review. At that time, we will contact the District to discuss in detail what action it has taken to correct its internal control deficiencies and whether a status review is warranted.

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If you have questions concerning this matter, please call Laura Miller, Accounting Services Director, or Michael Stelpstra, Accounting Services Manager, at (602) 553-0333.

Sincerely,

Debbie Davenport
Auditor General

cc: Governing Board
Mr. Jack Day, Principal
Clifton Unified School District No. 3
The Honorable Tom Powers, Greenlee County School Superintendent
Mr. Vince Yanez, Executive Director
Arizona State Board of Education
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