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This e-mail confirms that the Legislature gave the Office of the State Auditor a role in the two advisory groups listed in your August 2, 2013, letter. See below for the information requested for each group.

Collaborative Governance Council

1. Mission

The council is charged with making recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature to increase collaboration in government.

2. Membership; compensation

The council has nine members, including the State Auditor and one member appointed by each of the following: League of Minnesota Cities; Minnesota Association of Townships; Association of Minnesota Counties; Minnesota School Board Association; American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Council 5; Education Minnesota; Service Employees International Union; and the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce. A list of current members can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/other/councils/CollaborativeGovernance/membership.pdf>.

No member is compensated.

3. Budget

The Council has no funding, no staff and no budget.

4. Most recent three meeting dates

The Council most recently met on October 17, 2012; June 20, 2012; and May 16, 2012. Future meetings have not yet been scheduled. A list of all meeting dates can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20100702.000>.

5. A list of any reports or recommendations issued to the state agency, Legislature, or Governor

The following Legislative Reports have been issued:

2013 Legislative Report, which can be viewed at:

http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/other/councils/CollaborativeGovernance/Collaborative_Governance_Council_Legislative_Report_2013.pdf.

2011 Legislative Report, which can be viewed at:

http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/other/councils/CollaborativeGovernance/Collaborative_Governance_Council_Legislative_Report.pdf.

6. A link to the advisory group's website, if available.

The Council does not have a website, but the Office of the State Auditor posts on its website the Council's Legislative Reports, a membership list, and meeting minutes and agendas, which can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20100702.000>.

Council on Local Results and Innovation

1. Mission

The Council on Local Results and Innovation was created to aid residents, taxpayers, and state and local elected officials in determining the efficiency and effectiveness of counties and cities in providing services and measuring residents' opinions of those services.

2. Membership; compensation

The Council has eleven members, including the State Auditor, two persons appointed by the chair of the Property and Local Sales Tax Division of the House of Representatives Taxes Committee; two persons appointed by the designated lead member of the largest minority party of the Property and Local Sales Tax Division of the House of Representatives Taxes Committee; four persons appointed by the Subcommittee on Committees of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee; one person appointed by the Association of Minnesota Counties; and one person appointed by the League of Minnesota Cities.

A list of current members can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/other/councils/LocalResultsandInnovation/membership.pdf>.

No member is compensated.

3. Budget

The Council has no funding, no staff and no budget.

4. Most recent three meeting dates

The Council most recently met on January 30, 2013; January 23, 2013; and January 10, 2013. Future meetings have not yet been scheduled. Future meetings have not yet been scheduled. A list of all meeting dates can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20100916.000>.

5. A list of any reports or recommendations issued to the state agency, Legislature, or Governor. The following Legislative Reports have been issued:

2013 Legislative Report for the Council on Local Results and Innovation, which can be viewed at:

http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/other/councils/LocalResultsandInnovation/2013_final_report.pdf.

2011 Legislative Report for the Council on Local Results and Innovation, which can be viewed at:

http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/other/councils/LocalResultsandInnovation/2011_final_report.pdf.

6. A link to the advisory group's website, if available.

The Council does not have a website, but the Office of the State Auditor posts on its website the details of the Performance Measure Program, the Council's Legislative Reports, and meeting minutes and agendas, which can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20100916.000>.

The Office of the State Auditor has additional duties related to the Program. Cities and counties who voluntarily participate in the Performance Measures Program report to the OSA as required by statute. The annual reports on cities and counties who participated in the program and received the benefits for their participation can be viewed at:

<http://www.auditor.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=20110927.001>.