## ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 AND 2013

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma (the "Housing Authority"), a component unit of the Cherokee Nation, as of and for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Housing Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Housing Authority as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 28, 2015, on our consideration of the Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

January 28, 2015

#### **September 30, 2014**

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited)

Our discussion and analysis of the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma's (the "Housing Authority's") financial performance provides an overview of the Housing Authority's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements and the accompanying notes to those financial statements.

#### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The *Statement of Net Position* provides information about the assets owned and the liabilities owed as of September 30, 2014, with the net difference reported as "net position." The *Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position* provides information about revenues received and expenditures made during FY-2014 and the resulting net increase or decrease in "net position". The *Statement of Cash Flows* provides a breakdown, by major category, of actual cash received and cash disbursed by the Housing Authority during FY-2014. The Notes to the Financial Statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"). Additionally, due to the Housing Authority's relationship with the Cherokee Nation (the "Nation"), the Housing Authority's financial results are included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Nation as a Component Unit.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Total assets at year-end were \$111,871,780 a \$992,471 decrease from FY-2013. Of this amount, current assets totaled \$24,781,231 and consisted primarily of cash and investments. Non-current assets totaled \$87,090,549 and consisted primarily of inventory of homes of \$1,754,770, net capital assets (property, buildings and equipment) of \$60,826,374, mortgages receivable of \$16,808,713, investments restricted for debt service of \$504,214 and investments restricted under the Housing Authority's lease to own programs of \$5,063,644 (see Note 7 to the financial statements).

Total liabilities at year-end were \$18,214,740, an increase of \$867,461 from FY-2013. Of this amount, current liabilities totaled \$2,707,763. Long term liabilities at year end consist of notes payable of \$10,443,333 consisting primarily of Title VI and Assumable Mortgage Program loans, and \$5,063,644 of Trust liabilities, consisting primarily of Homebuyers' Monthly Equity Payments (MEPA) held by the Housing Authority on behalf of the homebuyers.

The overall net position decreased by \$1,859,932 for the year.

Net position invested in capital assets decreased by a net of \$994,588 during FY-2014 due primarily to the conveyance of paid off Mutual Help homes during the period and current year depreciation, offset by an increase in homes constructed.

Total revenues for the year totaled \$18,831,107 compared with \$19,995,817 for FY-2013. Operating revenue of \$4,062,923 was composed of sales of Title VI homes for \$3,894, dwelling income of \$3,802,981 and other income of \$256,048 for FY-2014. Non-operating revenue was composed of interest income of \$838,446, Federal grant revenue of \$13,642,065 and gain on conveyance of homes/equipment of \$287,673. For FY-2013, operating revenue of \$5,556,071 was composed of dwelling income of \$3,715,113 and other income of \$1,840,958. Non-operating revenue was composed of interest income of \$802,346, Federal grant revenue of \$13,217,464, gain on sale of assumable mortgage homes/equipment of \$31,695 and gain on conveyance of homes/equipment of \$388,241.

Operating expenses totaled \$20,518,801 for FY-2014 compared to \$19,150,466 for FY-2013. Non-operating interest expense of \$186,975 was incurred in FY-2014 compared to \$210,055 for FY-2013.

Overall for the year ending September 30, 2014, Net Position decreased \$1,859,932 with ending Net Position at year-end totaling \$93,657,040 of which \$56,189,171 was invested in capital assets, \$1,379,116 was restricted for investment in partnerships/joint ventures, \$504,214 was restricted for debt service, and the remaining balance restricted for program services.

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

As of September 30, 2014, the Housing Authority's investment in capital assets was \$60,826,374 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment consists of land, buildings, equipment, and software.

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS (Cont'd)**

Major capital asset additions during the current fiscal year include the following:

- Construction in process related to new home construction totaling \$6,039,695.
- Purchase of vehicles and equipment totaling \$827,111.
- Purchase of computer hardware and software totaling \$14,371.
- Acquisition of donated equipment of \$14,737.

Additional information on the Housing Authority's capital assets can be found in Note 5.

## **LONG-TERM DEBT**

The Housing Authority repaid \$1,628,438 in principal on the Title VI loan for the year ending September 30, 2014. The Title VI loan balance at September 30, 2014 totaled \$7,098,967. Additional information on all of the Housing Authority's debt can be found in Note 8.

### ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S OUTLOOK

- 1. The Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation re-assumed the operations of housing programs from the Cherokee Nation on October 1, 2013. These programs were previously assumed and operated by the Cherokee Nation between May 1, 2008 and September 30, 2013.
- 2. The Housing Authority also assumed the transfer of Housing Department employees from the Cherokee Nation. As well as began employing staff to carry out operations at the Housing Authority.
- 3. Benefits packages for employees of the Housing Authority (including medical, dental, 401k plan) and Risk Management operations is administered by the Cherokee Nation pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) through both entities.
- 4. A separate Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) exists between the Housing Authority and the Cherokee Nation for the Housing Authority to administer Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination (NAHASDA) and other grant funds as a sub-recipient of the Cherokee Nation.
- 5. The Housing Authority maintains a financial system and all Information Technology (IT) functions are separated from the Cherokee Nation. This includes the staffing capacity to administer all IT related functions, including system security, of the Housing Authority's independent IT network.
- 6. The Housing Authority employs a full time Executive Director to carry out the day to day operations. The Board of Commissioners meet as needed, at a minimum of once per month to conduct the business of the Housing Authority.

#### ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S OUTLOOK (Cont'd)

- 7. The Executive Director, on behalf of the Housing Authority, employs a senior management team to assist with carrying out the operations. This team includes a Deputy Director (Chief Operations Officer), Director of Finance (Chief Financial Officer), Director of Information Technology (Chief Information Officer), Director of Operations, Director of Evaluation and Compliance, Director of Housing Management, Director of Facilities/Maintenance, and a Director of Development.
- 8. The Housing Authority continues to oversee its 501(c)3, Cherokee Affordable Housing, Inc., which has a partnership for the operations of four Low Income Housing Tax Credit Projects throughout the Cherokee Nation.
- 9. The Board of Commissioners and the Executive Director will continue to administer the business and operations of the Housing Authority. The MOA with the Cherokee Nation allows for the Housing Authority to act as a sub recipient of grant funds, specifically NAHASDA, and administer those funds on behalf of the Nation.
- 10. The Executive Director maintains constant and open communications with the Cherokee Nation Executive (Principal Chief) and Legislative (Tribal Council) branches of government. He also remains in constant communications with other Executive Directors of the tribal government in order to advance housing operations.
- 11. The Executive Director and the Cherokee Nation closely follow actions at the federal government level to insure funding. This is furthered by membership to the National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) and the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) on the national level. It is also supported on a regional level with membership of the Southern Plains Indian Housing Association (SPIHA).
- 12. The Executive Director stays abreast of current issues that stand to affect federal funding through these memberships.
- 13. The Executive Director was nominated and named to the HUD IHBG Negotiated Rulemaking Committee to promulgate regulations related to the NAHASDA Formula Allocation. The work of that Committee is expected to be completed later this year.
- 14. The Executive Director, with Cherokee Nation's support, continues to follow issues related to NAHASDA Reauthorization which expired on October 1, 2013, but continues to receive Appropriations. The U.S. Congress has introduced H.R. 360 to Reauthorize NAHASDA and the Senate Bill is expected to be introduced as early as March, 2015. The Executive Director maintains an open line of communications with congressional leadership, members, and staff in the both the House and Senate on this and other issues.
- 15. The Housing Authority continues a program for the construction of new homes, using non-NAHASDA related sources. This program will result in additional assets for the Housing Authority related to housing stock and meeting affordable housing needs of Cherokee citizens.
- 16. As the Housing Authority continues to pay down Title VI debt, it will look at the possibility of developing new housing options under the Title VI program.
- 17. The Housing Authority sought and was granted approval to demolish its oldest rental property, Project 45-01, at Pryor and rebuild with NAHASDA funds. This will result in improving low rent apartment options in locations where the Housing Authority currently does not own apartments.
- 18. The HACN is looking forward to some additional housing programs being made available from HUD later this year, including the HUD-VASH program to assist Veterans with housing assistance.

## CONTACTING THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Housing Authority's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Executive Director, Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation, P.O. Box 1007, Tahlequah, OK 74465.

### STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION September 30, 2014 and 2013

ASSETS	2014	2013
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,377,044	\$ 3,652,049
Investments	16,270,959	16,207,125
Accounts receivable	321,527	306,292
Accrued interest	579,493	505,959
Mortgages receivable-Title VI	539,724	549,912
Due from other governments - Cherokee Nation	3,526,718	4,917,282
Prepaid expenses	18,063	18,369
Other current assets	1,147,703	354,604
Total current assets	24,781,231	26,511,592
Noncurrent Assets:		
Restricted investments	5,567,858	6,262,683
Inventory of homes for sale	1,754,770	1,586,792
Notes receivable-partnerships/joint ventures	426,578	373,408
Investment in partnerships/joint ventures	1,379,116	1,378,816
Mortgages receivable-Title VI	16,808,713	17,856,747
Capital assets, net	60,826,374	58,537,547
Other noncurrent assets	327,140	356,666
Total noncurrent assets	87,090,549	86,352,659
Total assets	111,871,780	112,864,251
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	340,638	591,476
Accrued expenses	1,013,375	853,515
Unearned revenue	60,913	62,113
Notes payable	1,292,837	1,234,070
Total current liabilities	2,707,763	2,741,174
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Trust liabilities	5,063,644	5,758,982
Notes payable	10,443,333	8,847,123
Total noncurrent liabilities	15,506,977	14,606,105
Total liabilities	18,214,740	17,347,279
NET POSITION		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	56,189,171	57,183,759
Investment in partnerships/joint ventures	1,379,116	1,378,816
Restricted for debt service	504,214	503,701
Restricted for program services	35,584,539	36,450,696
Total net position	\$ 93,657,040	\$ 95,516,972

See independent auditor's report and accompanying notes to financial statements.

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

OPERATING REVENUES:	2	 2013		
Sale of homes - Title VI	\$	85,188	\$ _	
Less cost of sales - Title VI		81,294	 <u>-</u>	
Gain (Loss) on sale of homes		3,894	-	
Dwelling income		3,802,981	3,715,113	
Other income		256,048	 1,840,958	
Total operating revenues		4,062,923	 5,556,071	
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Cost of operations		4,015,000	3,561,850	
Housing assistance payments		3,686,365	3,712,860	
Salaries and wages		8,854,015	7,929,721	
Other expenses		89,288	128,653	
Depreciation		3,874,133	 3,817,382	
Total operating expenses		20,518,801	 19,150,466	
Operating income (loss)		(16,455,878)	 (13,594,395)	
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):				
Gain on conveyance of homes/equipment/land disposal		287,673	388,241	
Gain on sale of equipment/excess land/AMP homes		-	31,695	
Grant revenue		13,642,065	13,217,464	
Interest income		838,446	802,346	
Interest expense		(186,975)	 (210,055)	
Total non-operating revenues		14,581,209	 14,229,691	
Income (loss) before contributions		(1,874,669)	635,296	
Capital contributions - donated equipment and land		14,737	 133,053	
Increase (decrease) in net position		(1,859,932)	768,349	
NET POSITION				
Net position - beginning of period		95,516,972	 94,748,623	
Net position - end of period	\$	93,657,040	\$ 95,516,972	

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#### STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

	 2014		2013
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash received from (paid to) participants	\$ 3,787,746	\$	3,645,017
Cash received from other sources	254,848		305,409
Cash paid to suppliers	(7,226,665)		(6,549,541)
Cash paid to employees for services	 (8,694,155)		(7,588,104)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	 (11,878,226)		(10,187,219)
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Grant revenue	13,439,383		9,900,275
Title VI loan principal payments	(1,628,438)		(3,311,597)
Title VI interest paid	 (70,421)		(123,612)
Net cash provided (used) by non-capital financing activities	 11,740,524		6,465,066
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from disposal of Mutual Help and IHBG homes	633,007		706,906
Loan proceeds	3,327,950		-
Loan principal payments	(44,535)		(30,134)
Loan interest paid	(116,554)		(86,443)
Purchase of property	 (7,099,926)		(4,051,359)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	 (3,300,058)		(3,461,030)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Sale of investments	10,220,000		20,386,119
Purchase of investments	(9,589,009)		(12,520,617)
Investment income	105,109		81,237
Loan to LITC partnership	(10,360)		(20,000)
Title VI mortgage interest received	616,693		662,730
Title VI principal received on mortgage	897,957		1,314,420
Title VI escrow paid	 (77,635)		(40,129)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	 2,162,755	-	9,863,760
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,275,005)		2,680,577
Cash and cash equivalents-beginning of year	3,652,049		971,472
Cash and cash equivalents-end of year	\$ 2,377,044	\$	3,652,049
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO			
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Operating income (loss)	\$ (16,455,878)	\$	(13,594,395)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash			
provided (used) by operating activities:			
Depreciation	3,874,133		3,817,382
Loss (gain) on Title VI sales	(3,894)		-
Change in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) Decrease In:			
Accounts receivable	(15,235)		(70,096)
Due from other governments	1,578,093		(969,725)
Prepaid expenses	306		1,433
Other assets	(763,573)		(268,318)
Increase (Decrease) In:			
Accounts payable	(250,838)		591,476
Accrued expenses	159,860		699,537
Unearned revenue	 (1,200)		(394,513)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ (11,878,226)	\$	(10,187,219)

See independent auditor's report and accompanying notes to financial statements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. REPORTING ENTITY

The Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma (the "Housing Authority") was created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Oklahoma and provides affordable housing and other services to low income Native Americans within the boundaries of the Cherokee Nation (the "Nation"). Effective October 1, 1997, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) was implemented. NAHASDA recognizes the system of federal housing assistance to Native Americans by eliminating several separate programs of assistance and replacing them with a single block grant program. In addition to this, the purpose of NAHASDA is to provide federal assistance for Indian tribes in a manner that recognizes the right of Indian self-determination and tribal self-governance. This is implemented through the use of an annual Indian Housing Plan submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (DHUD) for approval. Pursuant to Tribal Council legislation, the Nation was designated the responsible party for the federally funded NAHASDA program in 2000. Subsequent to that action, various components of the Indian Housing plan are passed through the Nation to the Housing Authority under a Memorandum of Agreement for implementation and day-to-day management.

Based on the forgoing criteria and in compliance with the provisions of GASB No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended by Statement 61, the Housing Authority is included in the Nation's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as a "component unit".

Cherokee Affordable Housing, Inc. (CAH) - CAH is a non-profit 501(c)3 corporation organized under the laws of the State of Oklahoma created primarily to serve as the eligible 501(c)3 entity required to fill the position of general partner in the low income housing tax credit partnerships and related projects that have been developed by the Housing Authority and a third party developer (see Note 6). CAH's financial activity is limited only to its role in the tax credit partnerships. The board of directors for CAH consists of the same board members of the Housing Authority. The president of CAH is the executive director of the Housing Authority. Based on the foregoing criteria and in compliance with the provisions of GASB No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended by Statement 61, CAH is included as a "blended" component unit in the Housing Authority's financial statements.

#### B. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounting and reporting policies of the Housing Authority conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for units of local government as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB").

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### B. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (CONT'D)

The Housing Authority accounts for its activities within a proprietary fund. The proprietary fund type is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and deferred outflows of resources and all liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of net position. Proprietary fund operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in total net position. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by the proprietary fund. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred. Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 33, the Housing Authority records revenue on its voluntary nonexchange transactions when all applicable eligibility requirements, including expenditure-driven transactions, are met. Resources transmitted before the eligibility requirements have been met are reported as a liability.

### C. USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For purposes of reporting the statement of cash flows, the Housing Authority has defined cash and cash equivalents as cash and investment items having an original maturity of three months or less.

#### E. INVESTMENTS

Investments are carried at fair value. By policy, the Housing Authority's funds are invested in DHUD approved types of investments which include (1) direct obligations of the United States; obligations issued by Government sponsored entities; securities that are guaranteed or insured by the United States; mutual (or other) funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and which invest only in obligations of the United States or securities that are guaranteed or insured by the United States; or (2) accounts that are insured by an agency or instrumentality of the United States or fully collateralized to insure protection of the funds, even in the event of bank failure.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### F. INVENTORY OF HOMES FOR SALE

As a result of the operation of the Title VI Loan program, the Housing Authority has built or acquired a number of homes in various locations in anticipation of the expected demand for the homes as well as homes for specific homebuyers in accordance with an agreement with them. The amount in inventory for the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was \$1,754,770 and \$1,586,792, respectively. This inventory is carried at the lower of cost or market value.

#### G. CAPITAL ASSETS-HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

The Housing Authority has several lease-to-own homebuyer programs wherein the tenant\homebuyer may eventually purchase the house in accordance with contractual agreements. Until the time of transfer, these homes remain the property of the Housing Authority. The costs of those units are depreciated over the expected term of payoff at the time of the original agreement, generally 25 years. When the home is paid off in accordance with the agreements, and title is passed to the homebuyer, a gain or loss is recognized on the transfer of the house to the homebuyer. See Note 7 for further disclosure regarding the Housing Authority's lease-to-own programs.

#### H. CAPITAL ASSETS-OTHER

Other assets that the Housing Authority has for its rental programs, area offices and central administrative offices that are not held for systematic disposition are carried at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which range from 5 to 40 years. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. The Housing Authority capitalizes property and equipment whose costs are \$5,000 or more per unit.

### I. OPERATING AND NONOPERATING REVENUE AND EXPENSE

Operating revenues are those revenues produced as a result of selling homes under the Title VI Program, providing housing units, or providing other services. Operating expenses include all costs of normal operations. Nonoperating revenues include grant revenue, gain on conveyance of homes/equipment, interest income and other nonrecurring revenue. Nonoperating expenses include interest expense and other nonrecurring expenses.

#### J. INCOME TAXES

The Housing Authority is organized as an agency of the State of Oklahoma and, as such, is exempt from federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in the financial statements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

#### 2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that the Housing Authority will not be able to recover deposits that are in the possession of an outside party. Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not insured or collateralized. At September 30, 2014 and 2013, all of the Housing Authority's deposits were insured or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution in the Housing Authority's name.

Investments - Investments are subject to credit risk, interest rate risk and custody risk. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty will not fulfill its obligations. Regarding the management of credit risk, it is the policy of the Housing Authority to follow the DHUD approved types of Investment as stated in Note 1, which limits the investments to obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, Government Sponsored Entities, Mutual Funds registered with the SEC and invested only in United States obligations or other accounts insured by an agency of the United States or that are fully collateralized to insure the protection of the funds.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Investments held for longer periods are subject to increased risk of adverse interest rate changes. The Housing Authority's policy for NAHASDA funds is to generally follow the policy set forth by DHUD in 24 CFR 1000.58, which limits investments to a maximum of five years. Non-NAHASDA funds can be invested longer than five years in accordance with overall projected cash needs. At September 30, 2014 and 2013, none of the Housing Authority's investments were invested in securities having an original maturity of five years or longer.

For investments, custodial risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Housing Authority will not be able to recover the value of its investments in the possession of an outside third party. The Housing Authority policy provides that investments are held by third party custodians with whom the Housing Authority has custodial agreements in the Housing Authority's name or be held in the name of both parties by the Federal Reserve Bank.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

**Summary of Investments** - The Housing Authority's investments are stated at fair value. A summary of the investments held at September 30, 2014, their maturities and their current credit rating are as follows:

						Credi	t Rating
Investment Type	 Fair Value	_	Less Than 1	_	1-5	S&P	Moody's
Money Market Funds	\$ 381,334	\$	381,334	\$	-	(1)	(1)
Government Obligations Fund	832,408		832,408		-	(2)	(2)
Federal Home Loan							
Mortgage Corporation	503,535	_	503,535	_		AA+	AAA
Total	\$ 1,717,277	\$	1,717,277	\$	-		

A summary of the investments held at September 30, 2013, their maturities and their current credit rating are as follows:

						Credi	t Rating
Investment Type		Fair Value	_	Less Than 1	 1-5	S&P	Moody's
Money Market Funds	\$	36,519	\$	36,519	\$ -	(1)	(1)
Government Obligations Fund		1,310,469		1,310,469	-	(2)	(2)
Federal Home Loan							
Mortgage Corporation		1,748,664		1,246,888	501,776	AA+	Aaa
	-		_		 		
Total	\$	3,095,652	\$	2,593,876	\$ 501,776		

<sup>(1)</sup> While these Money Market Funds do not have formal ratings, they are Governmental or Institutional type funds that are invested only in securities that have the highest short-term rating from at least two NRSRO's.

<sup>(2)</sup>Not rated.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

A reconciliation of the investments presented above to the investments as presented in the statements of net position follows:

	_	2014	2013
Investments as presented above	\$	1,717,277 \$	3,095,652
Plus: Certificates of Deposit reported as investments and restricted investments of which approximately 54% and 47% mature in one year or less and the remaining 46% and 53% in 1 to 5 years for		00.101.540	10.254.156
2014 and 2013, respectively	_	20,121,540	19,374,156
Total investments and restricted investments	\$_	21,838,817 \$	22,469,808

The Investments are utilized for different purposes and as such, some are restricted as to their use and availability. This is summarized as follows:

	 2014	2013
Unrestricted:	 _	
General Operation	\$ 16,270,959 \$	16,207,125
Restricted:		
MEPA Investments	5,063,644	5,758,982
Title VI Investments	 504,214	503,701
Subtotal	 5,567,858	6,262,683
Total Investments	\$ 21,838,817 \$	22,469,808

The Investments that are designated as MEPA are internally restricted as they represent the amount of monies that are in the New Mutual Help Homebuyers Monthly Equity Payment Account at September 30, 2014 and 2013. The agreement with the Homebuyers is that the funds will be invested and any earnings will be applied to their account at least annually. When the Homebuyer accumulates enough equity in their account from various sources, then the funds attributable to MEPA and other sources will be released to the Housing Authority in payment of the home (see Note 7).

The Title VI Investments are externally restricted as part of the original Title VI loan agreement as collateral for the repayment of the Title VI loans.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at September 30, 2014 and 2013, consisted of the following:

	_	2014	2013
Accounts receivable for insurance and other Tenant loans receivable	\$	293,979 27,548	\$ 258,599 47,693
Total accounts receivable		321,527	306,292
Accounts receivable-net	\$_	321,527	\$ 306,292

#### 4. MORTGAGES RECEIVABLE – TITLE VI

The Housing Authority has receivables at September 30, 2014 and 2013, totaling \$17,348,437 and \$18,406,659, respectively, from individuals who are participating in the Title VI loan program. Each of these loans is secured by a mortgage on the property provided by the Housing Authority. The loans have an interest rate of 4% and are payable over 30 years. No allowance has been recorded as of September 30, 2014 or 2013 as the Housing Authority believes the amounts to be collectable or the houses can be reacquired quickly by the Housing Authority and the value will equal or exceed the amount of the loan. Also see Note 8.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of capital asset activity for fiscal year 2014 follows:

	Beginning			Ending
<del>,_</del>	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress \$	1,741,954 \$	6,039,695 \$	(3,049,820) \$	4,731,829
Land _	11,507,623	196,414	(348, 171)	11,355,866
Total capital assets not				
being depreciated:	13,249,577	6,236,109	(3,397,991)	16,087,695
Other capital assets:				
Buildings and improvements	110,686,295	3,072,155	(3,026,437)	110,732,013
Equipment	4,246,814	856,219	<u> </u>	5,103,033
Total other capital assets,				
historical cost	114,933,109	3,928,374	(3,026,437)	115,835,046
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(66, 276, 174)	(3,633,454)	2,422,905	(67,486,723)
Equipment _	(3,368,965)	(240,679)	<u> </u>	(3,609,644)
Total accumulated depreciation _	(69,645,139)	(3,874,133)	2,422,905	(71,096,367)
•				
Other capital assets, net	45,287,970	54,241	(603,532)	44,738,679
•				
Total capital assets, net \$_	58,537,547 \$	6,290,350 \$	(4,001,523) \$	60,826,374

Current year "equipment additions" listed above include trailers totaling \$14,737 purchased by the Cherokee Nation and donated to the Housing Authority.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 5. CAPITAL ASSETS (CONT'D)

A summary of capital asset activity for fiscal year 2013 follows:

	Beginning			Ending
_	Balance	Additions	Deletions	Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress \$	290,174 \$	3,472,056 \$	(2,020,276) \$	1,741,954
Land _	11,864,190	<del></del>	(356,567)	11,507,623
Total capital assets not				
being depreciated:	12,154,364	3,472,056	(2,376,843)	13,249,577
Other capital assets:				
Buildings and improvements	112,331,418	2,062,775	(3,707,898)	110,686,295
Equipment _	3,839,795	669,857	(262,838)	4,246,814
Total other capital assets,				
historical cost	116,171,213	2,732,632	(3,970,736)	114,933,109
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(65,654,307)	(3,705,455)	3,083,588	(66, 276, 174)
Equipment	(3,510,876)	(111,927)	253,838	(3,368,965)
Total accumulated depreciation _	(69, 165, 183)	(3,817,382)	3,337,426	(69,645,139)
•				
Other capital assets, net	47,006,030	(1,084,750)	(633,310)	45,287,970
•		· —————		
Total capital assets, net \$_	59,160,394 \$	2,387,306 \$	(3,010,153) \$	58,537,547

FY-2013 "equipment additions" listed above includes computer software totaling \$133,053 purchased by the Cherokee Nation and donated to the Housing Authority.

#### 6. INVESTMENT IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES

The Housing Authority has utilized tax credit incentives provided by the Federal government to reduce the cost it would normally incur to provide low income housing to the elderly and other low income families. This was accomplished by participating in four partnerships which have built low income housing projects that qualified for Low Income Housing Tax Credits ("LIHTC") made available by the Federal government. The projects comprise 155 housing units and are managed by outside parties under management agreements as provided by the partnership agreements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 6. INVESTMENT IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES (CONT'D)

These partnerships are accounted for as joint ventures utilizing the equity method of accounting. Separate audited financial statements of the partnerships/joint ventures are available upon request. The Housing Authority began entering into the limited partnerships in 2001 with a local nonprofit 501(C) 3 organization to build LIHTC rental properties, initially as a limited partner during the construction phase and then was converted to Special Limited Partner status at the end of construction period.

The Partnerships were created to provide a vehicle for use in benefiting from Low Income Housing Tax Credits, available through the Oklahoma Housing Finance Authority, as a means to obtain significant funding of the various housing projects, through the sale of the Tax Credits to qualified investors who then became the limited partners upon their investment into the partnerships.

For each of the projects, the Housing Authority committed to invest a certain amount of funds, contingent upon the award of the low income tax credits by the Oklahoma Housing Finance Authority.

The following summarizes the investments between the Housing Authority for each of the partnerships/joint ventures as of September 30, 2014:

Type of investment		Jay Senior Housing	Stilwell Sr. Housing	Northview Estates	Wisdom Keepers	Total
Note receivable	\$	750,000 \$	250,000 \$	1,088,600 \$	- \$	2,088,600
Initial operating loan		30,000	30,000	51,400	50,000	161,400
Management fee loan		46,679	-	-	-	46,679
Discount		(688,625)	(244,741)	(891,648)	(45,087)	(1,870,101)
	•					
Notes Receivable, net	_	138,054	35,259	248,352	4,913	426,578
	-	<del></del>				<del></del>
Capital Investment	\$	342,503 \$	609,956 \$	630 \$	426,027 \$	1,379,116

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 6. INVESTMENT IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES (CONT'D)

The following summarizes the investments between the Housing Authority for each of the partnerships/joint ventures as of September 30, 2013:

Type of investment		Jay Senior Housing	Stilwell Sr. Housing	Northview Estates	Wisdom Keepers	Total
Note receivable	\$	750,000 \$	250,000 \$	1,088,600 \$	- \$	2,088,600
Initial operating loan		30,000	30,000	51,400	50,000	161,400
Management fee loan		36,320	-	-	-	36,320
Discount	_	(698,922)	(248,715)	(919,634)	(45,641)	(1,912,912)
Notes Receivable, net	=	117,398	31,285	220,366	4,359	373,408
Capital Investment	\$_	342,509 \$	609,961 \$	315 \$	426,031 \$	1,378,816

The Notes receivable have a 31 year due date from issuance with no interest on the notes, with the exception of the note receivable from the Northview Estates partnership. The Northview note has an interest rate of 4.79%, which is the long-term annual AFR rate at the time of execution of the note. Payments on this note can be made based on the available prior years' cash flow as defined in the partnership agreement. Any unpaid accrued interest under this calculation will be due at the same time as the principal under the loan agreement, or 31 years from inception. The notes receivable and operating loans originally aggregated \$2,250,000 and have been discounted by \$2,157,000 to reflect an appropriate rate of return accorded similar investments, resulting in an initial balance of \$93,000. The discount is being accreted back to income over the 31 year term of the respective loans and the collectibility is to be reevaluated annually.

The initial aggregate capital investment of \$1,390,000, net of the changes in the Housing Authority's equity accounts, is carried on the accompanying statement of net position as investment in partnerships/joint ventures and is adjusted on a go forward basis to reflect the changes to the Housing Authority's equity account in the partnerships/joint ventures. During FY-2014 and FY-2013, the Housing Authority's equity account increased by \$300 and decreased by \$612, respectively, for its share of the partnerships/joint ventures net loss.

The Housing Authority, as a Special Limited Partner, has also entered into long-term lease agreements with three of the partnerships to provide land as a site for the Projects. Each lease is for \$1 per year for a term of 99 years. The Housing Authority's cost basis in this land and improvements was \$1,514,780 and has been expensed as the Housing Authority received no additional equity for its contribution to these projects.

Through September 30, 2005, the Housing Authority had received or recognized development fees of approximately \$990,000 as the co-developer of the four LITC projects. No additional development fees are to be recognized in the future for these projects.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 6. INVESTMENT IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES (CONT'D)

Condensed financial statements for each of these partnerships/joint ventures at December 31, 2013, and the fiscal year then ended follow

Jay Senior Housing	Stilwell Sr.	Northview Estates	Wisdom Keepers	Total		
Housing	Balance Sheets					
77,956	\$ 134,967	\$ 192,733	\$ 212,307 \$	617,963		
1,811,358	1,939,978	3,153,403	2,278,516	9,183,255		
93,334	37,092	333,969	60,338	524,733		
752,633	497,958	1,088,600	300,000	2,639,191		
342,652	610,094	193	426,242	1,379,181		
700,695	929,801	1,923,374	1,704,243	5,258,113		
		Profit and Los	SS			
(147,857) (84,665) 161	(161,106) (95,946) 206	(147,634) (122,619) (51,800)	(153,066) (105,652) 239	628,122 (609,663) (408,882) (51,194) (441,617)		
	77,956 1,811,358 93,334 752,633 342,652 700,695	Housing         Housing           77,956         \$ 134,967           1,811,358         1,939,978           93,334         37,092           752,633         497,958           342,652         610,094           700,695         929,801           112,125         \$ 157,167           (147,857)         (161,106)           (84,665)         (95,946)           161         206	Housing         Housing         Estates           77,956         \$ 134,967         \$ 192,733           1,811,358         1,939,978         3,153,403           93,334         37,092         333,969           752,633         497,958         1,088,600           342,652         610,094         193           700,695         929,801         1,923,374           Profit and Los           (147,857)         (161,106)         (147,634)           (84,665)         (95,946)         (122,619)           161         206         (51,800)	Housing         Housing         Estates         Keepers           77,956         \$ 134,967         \$ 192,733         \$ 212,307           1,811,358         1,939,978         3,153,403         2,278,516           93,334         37,092         333,969         60,338           752,633         497,958         1,088,600         300,000           342,652         610,094         193         426,242           700,695         929,801         1,923,374         1,704,243           Profit and Loss           112,125         \$ 157,167         \$ 189,408         \$ 169,422         \$ (147,857)         (161,106)         (147,634)         (153,066)         (84,665)         (95,946)         (122,619)         (105,652)         161         206         (51,800)         239		

Audited financial statements are available from the partnerships/joint ventures upon request.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 6. INVESTMENT IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES (CONT'D)

Condensed financial statements for each of these partnerships/joint ventures at December 31, 2012, and the fiscal year then ended follow

		Jay Senior Housing	 Stilwell Sr. Housing		Northview Estates Balance Sheet	- ts	Wisdom Keepers	 Total
Current assets	\$	81,994	\$ 134,524	\$	170,015	\$	196,426 \$	582,959
Noncurrent assets		1,892,823	2,035,924		3,276,022		2,384,168	9,588,937
Current liabilities		58,309	37,191		301,225		60,802	457,527
Long-term liabilities		752,925	493,683		1,088,600		361,052	2,696,260
Net equity of the Authori	ty	342,664	610,104		206		426,250	1,379,224
Net equity - others		820,919	1,029,470		2,056,006		1,793,292	5,699,687
	•			I	Profit and Los	SS		
Operating revenue	\$	130,874	\$ 166,563	\$	190,304	\$	170,591 \$	658,332
Operating expense		(145, 876)	(148, 925)		(179,664)		(129,866)	(604,331)
Depreciation expense		(84,499)	(94,517)		(124, 397)		(106, 214)	(409,627)
Nonoperating - other		223	217		(51,766)		247	(51,079)
Net income (loss)		(99,278)	(76,662)		(165,523)		(65, 242)	(406,705)

Audited financial statements are available from the partnerships/joint ventures upon request.

The Housing Authority's Component Unit, Cherokee Affordable Housing ("CAH") is the only general partner in these partnerships and has a partnership interest of .005%. The Housing Authority is a Special Limited Partner with a partnership interest of .005%. The remaining 99.99% interest in each partnership is held by a Limited Partner that is a syndicated Tax Credit Fund LLC. These Limited Partners provide the majority of the financing for each of the projects in exchange for the Income Tax Credits and other tax deductions that are provided from the qualification and operation of the partnerships.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 6. INVESTMENT IN LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT VENTURES (CONT'D)

In addition to the cash investments and other costs incurred in connection with the Limited Partnerships, the Housing Authority has provided a "Tax Credit Recapture Guarantee" to the Limited Partner (third-party syndicator of the tax credits) for each of the Partnerships should the Internal Revenue Service disallow the use of any of the tax credits to third-party investors by the Limited Partner. The Housing Authority and developer have also provided an "Operating Deficit Guarantee" which would require the Housing Authority and developer to provide capital for operations should the need arise.

#### 7. TRUST LIABILITIES AND RELATED ASSETS

The Housing Authority has several lease-to-own homebuyer programs wherein the tenant\homebuyer may eventually purchase the house in accordance with contractual agreements. These transactions are similar to a financing lease, however are not accounted for as such as the amount and collectability of the minimum lease payments is not predictable. Until the time of transfer, these homes remain the property of the Housing Authority. The costs of these units are depreciated over the expected term of payoff at the time of the original agreement, generally 25 years. When the home is paid off in accordance with the agreements and title is transferred to the homebuyer, a gain or loss is recognized by the Housing Authority. For the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, a gain of \$287,673 and \$388,241, respectively, was recorded in connection with such transfers.

The Trust Liabilities reflected in the accompanying financial statements primarily includes a liability for funds that have been received from the tenants or homebuyers in the various lease-toown programs operated by the Housing Authority. These funds are held in a trust type account to be applied to various uses, depending on the agreement with the tenant\homebuyer. The largest of the amounts included in this category are for accounts attributable to the New Mutual Help Housing Program wherein the tenant\homebuyers are credited with a portion of the funds that they have contributed as well as other amounts credited to them in accordance with DHUD requirements and program policies. Under the provisions of mutual-help occupancy agreements, tenant/homebuyers are required to make payments based on the family or household income. After deducting an administrative fee as set forth by DHUD, the remaining balance is credited to the participant's equity payment account ("MEPA"). The balance of the MEPA accounts, which are being held and invested by the Housing Authority on behalf of the New Mutual Help homebuyers, was \$4,632,157 and \$5,190,316 as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. These investments are presented as restricted investments in the accompanying Statement of Net Position. These MEPA Funds, along with other credits to these tenant/homebuyers totaled \$4,996,149 and \$5,682,561 at September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Although these funds will generally be retained by the Housing Authority upon the transfer of home ownership to the tenant/homeowner, they are presented as a liability until then because the funds are effectively owned by the tenant /homeowner. Upon transfer of the home to the tenant/homeowner the funds will be considered revenue and applied to the carrying value of the related home and a gain or loss will be recorded by the Housing Authority.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 7. TRUST LIABILITIES AND RELATED ASSETS (CONT'D)

Additionally, at September 30, 2014 and 2013, other amounts included in this category include escrow deposits held by the Housing Authority associated with the Title VI program mortgages totaling \$26,570 and \$28,921, respectively, and low income housing tenants' security deposits of \$40,925 and \$47,500, respectively.

#### 8. NOTES PAYABLE

## NAHASDA Title VI Loan Program

In July of 2002, the Cherokee Nation (the "Nation"), the Housing Authority, Bank One, N.A. (now JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.) and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("DHUD") entered into a Title VI loan agreement, under the authorization of the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act ("NAHASDA") whereby the Nation was authorized to borrow up to \$50 million from Bank One for the purpose of enabling the Housing Authority to construct single family residences within the Nation's 14 county jurisdictional area. The Title VI program allows tribal governments to pledge future grants toward repayment of the loan, thereby securing financing currently. On December 30, 2002, the Nation and the Housing Authority entered into a Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement ("SMOA") for the purpose of setting forth the procedures and the parties' agreement related to the disbursement, use, repayment, and handling of the funds obtained under the Title VI loan. The Nation serves as the recipient of the loan proceeds and advances funds to the Housing Authority as requested under the agreed procedures.

The Housing Authority provides construction or acquisition of housing for eligible participants using Title VI loan proceeds from the Nation. The participants enter into promissory notes and mortgage agreements with the Housing Authority for repayment of the principal and interest related to the assistance provided (see Note 4). All promissory notes, collateral, mortgages, etc. obtained by the Housing Authority in conjunction with the use of Title VI loan proceeds are pledged by the Housing Authority to the Nation as collateral for the repayment of the Title VI loan proceeds advanced to the Housing Authority by the Nation.

As part of its participation in the Title VI loan, the Housing Authority was required to deposit securities in escrow ("Pledge Account") with Bank One in an amount equal to five percent of the total loan authorization, or \$2,500,000. These securities are pledged as collateral for the Title VI loan to cover the portion of the loan balance not guaranteed by HUD's 95% "Certificate of Guarantee" provided to Bank One (now JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.) as part of the Title VI loan. The interest and dividends generated on these securities remains the property of the Housing Authority. The pledge remains in effect for 10 years beginning July 30, 2002. Then every two years thereafter, a request for release of a portion of the securities can be made. The securities pledged have a fair value of \$504,214 and \$503,701 at September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and have been reported as restricted investments in the Statement of Net Position.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 8. NOTES PAYABLE (CONT'D)

#### NAHASDA Title VI Loan Program (Cont'd)

Additionally, as part of its participation in the Title VI loan program, the Housing Authority has committed to reimburse the Nation for any costs incurred by the Nation related to the Housing Authority not complying with the terms of the SMOA or the requirements of the Title VI program. The Housing Authority, through its signing of the SMOA, agrees to abide by all conditions specified in the Title VI loan agreement.

As collateral for the Title VI loan, the Nation has pledged all current and future grants for which the borrower becomes eligible under NAHASDA as well as program income directly generated from the use of the loan proceeds, program income derived from the sale or lease of real property acquired, rehabilitated or constructed with loan proceeds, and the securities deposited to the Pledge Account. Any program income generated from the above is required to be deposited into a "Loan Repayment Account" to serve as an additional source for payment of principal and interest related to the Title VI loan.

During FY-2014 and FY-2013, the Housing Authority did not receive any loan advances for the Title VI program. The cumulative amount of funds drawn on the available loan funds is \$33,231,000 at September 30, 2014 and 2013. The loan was divided into two separate "pools" which carry different interest rates over the life of the loan. Pool A was paid off as of September 30, 2013. Pool B, whose balance at September 30, 2014 and 2013 was \$7,098,967 and \$8,727,405, respectively, and carries a variable interest rate, reset monthly, derived from the 30 day LIBOR + 70 basis points, which at September 30, 2014 and 2013 was 0.93% and 0.87%, respectively. Pool A was repayable in monthly principal payments of \$54,358, plus interest. Pool B principal payments of \$100,150 began March of 2005 and are scheduled through June 1, 2022, plus interest. During FY-2014 and FY-2013, the Housing Authority made total principal repayments on Pool A of \$0 and \$821,481 and on Pool B of \$1,628,438 and \$2,490,116, respectively.

### **Claremore QuadPlex Note**

During FY-2006, the Housing Authority borrowed \$151,500 for its costs related to the Claremore QuadPlex project. The loan is repaid in monthly payments, beginning February 1, 2006, of \$1,341 including principal and interest. The loan carries an interest rate of 6.75%. The final payment will be made on February 1, 2021. At September 30, 2014 and 2013 the loan balance was \$81,886 and \$92,043, respectively.

### Assumable Mortgage Program ("AMP")

During FY-2007, the Housing Authority began its Assumable Mortgage Program. The Housing Authority has sixty-eight loans outstanding used in the purchase of homes provided to program participants. Interest rates on the loans vary from 4.25% to 7.125% and are payable in monthly installments over thirty years. At September 30, 2014 and 2013 the total loan balance was \$4,555,317 and \$1,261,745, respectively.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 8. NOTES PAYABLE (CONT'D)

A summary of activity in the notes payable follows:

	_	Beginning Balance	 Additions	 Reductions	 Ending Balance	_	Amounts Due within One Year
Title VI Notes QuadPlex Note AMP Notes	\$	8,727,405 92,043 1,261,745	\$ - - 3,327,950	\$ 1,628,438 10,157 34,378	\$ 7,098,967 81,886 4,555,317	\$	1,201,797 10,896 80,144
Totals	\$_	10,081,193	\$ 3,327,950	\$ 1,672,973	\$ 11,736,170	\$_	1,292,837

Future principal and interest payments related to the notes payable at September 30, 2014, are as follows:

Year Ending September 30	 Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 1,292,837	\$ 283,452	\$ 1,576,289
2016	1,297,486	268,416	1,565,902
2017	1,302,460	252,705	1,555,165
2018	1,307,705	236,864	1,544,569
2019	1,313,234	220,738	1,533,972
2020 - 2024	1,672,958	926,148	2,599,106
2025 - 2029	720,703	763,016	1,483,719
2030 - 2034	922,835	560,652	1,483,487
2035 - 2039	1,056,065	301,797	1,357,862
2040 - 2044	 849,887	90,594	940,481
Totals	\$ 11,736,170	\$ 3,904,382	\$ 15,640,552

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

### 9. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Housing Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. Effective October 1, 2012, the Housing Authority and the Nation entered into a memorandum of understanding that provides the Housing Authority the ability to participate in the Cherokee Nation Risk Management Services ("CNRM") as a means of obtaining insurance coverage covering each of these risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Housing Authority. Total premiums paid to CNRM during fiscal years 2014 and 2013 were \$129,672 and \$66,000, respectively. Prior to October 1, 2012, the Housing Authority directly obtained commercial insurance coverage to address this risk of loss. Settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in the past three years.

The Housing Authority participates in AMERIND Risk Management Corporation, ("AMERIND"), an insurance pooling arrangement wherein the risk of loss to the property and equipment of the Housing Authority is shared by a large number of Indian Housing Authorities in the United States. The Housing Authority has a deposit of \$327,140 with AMERIND to cover contingencies, which represents an interest in the operations of AMERIND and is included in other noncurrent assets in the accompanying financial statements. In addition, the Housing Authority pays an annual premium to cover losses and expenses.

AMERIND also has a program which provides insurance to low income Cherokee homeowners in the Nation's jurisdictional area. The Housing Authority facilitates this insurance program by administering required paperwork and making upfront payments to AMERIND. The Housing Authority collects these payments from home owners on a monthly basis throughout the year. The Housing Authority receives no fees or revenues for its assistance in this process and does incur losses to the extent that it pays in advance for insurance and is not reimbursed by the homeowner. During the fiscal years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, the Housing Authority incurred losses of approximately \$10,508 and \$46,241 respectively, for insurance premiums paid but not recovered from the insured property owners.

#### 10. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

Effective October 1, 2012, the Housing Authority and the Nation entered into a memorandum of understanding which allows for the employees of the Housing Authority to participate in the health insurance and 401(k) retirement plans administered by the Nation.

The health insurance plan provides medical, dental, vision as well as other coverage to employees on the first day of employment and eligible dependents as defined by the plan. Premium co-pays are based on a sliding wage scale. Health insurance premiums paid to the Nation by the Housing Authority for fiscal years 2014 and 2013 totaled \$1,811,585 and \$1,474,398, respectively.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D) September 30, 2014 and 2013

## 10. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS (CONT'D)

The employee 401(k) profit sharing plan allows eligible employees to defer from 1% to 50% of gross pay, subject to annual Internal Revenue Service limits. The Housing Authority matches the first 5% dollar for dollar and the next 4% fifty cents on the dollar up to 7%. During fiscal year 2014, total contributions by participants and total match contributions by the Housing Authority totaled \$282,199 and \$205,662, respectively. Additionally, during fiscal year 2013, total contributions by participants and total match contributions by the Housing Authority totaled \$269,260 and \$197,430, respectively.

#### 11. RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

For the years ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, the Housing Authority and the Nation have the following related-party transactions due to their relationship with NAHASDA funding (see Note 1A). The Housing Authority has recorded \$13,642,065 and \$13,217,464 in grant revenue in 2014 and 2013, respectively, which is the result of pass through funding from the Nation in relation to the Nation's NAHASDA funding. Also see Note 9 and Note 10.

#### 12. COMMITMENTS, ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY, AND CONTINGENCIES

As discussed in Note 6, the Housing Authority has provided a "Tax Credit Recapture Guarantee" to the Limited Partners of the various Limited Partnerships (third-party syndicator of the tax credits) should the Internal Revenue Service disallow the use of any of the tax credits being marketed to third-party investors by the Partnership. The aggregate tax credits provided through these partnerships was approximately \$13,600,000. The Housing Authority has also provided an "Operating Deficit Guarantee" which would require the Housing Authority to provide capital for operations should the need arise. To date, the Housing Authority has not been required to provide any "Deficit Guarantee" funding, and management of the Housing Authority does not believe funding for Deficit Guarantee or Tax Credit Recapture will be required in the future.

A large part of the Housing Authority's revenues were from federal awards, which were passed through the Cherokee Nation under Memoranda of Agreement. These are subject to availability of funds, authorization by the Cherokee Nation and the Housing Authority's compliance with those agreements and federal rules and regulations.

The Housing Authority administers various federal programs. These programs are subject to audit and adjustments by the awarding agencies and other organizations. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable program. The amount, if any, of expenses disallowed cannot be determined at this time. The Housing Authority expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial. The management of the Housing Authority is unaware of any lawsuits or other contingencies that may cause unforeseen additional costs.

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## SINGLE AUDIT REPORTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2014** 

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT  $AUDITING\ STANDARDS$ 

To the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma (the "Housing Authority"), a component unit of the Cherokee Nation, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Housing Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 28, 2015.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Housing Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Housing Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Housing Authority's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Housing Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Housing Authority's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Housing Authority's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Aledge + Associates, P.C.

January 28, 2015



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma's (the "Housing Authority"), a component unit of the Cherokee Nation, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014. The Housing Authority's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.'

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Housing Authority's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Housing Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Housing Authority's compliance.

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Housing Authority complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2014.

#### Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Housing Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Housing Authority's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Housing Authority's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

#### Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133

We have audited the financial statements of the Housing Authority, a component unit of the Cherokee Nation, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Housing Authority's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated January 28, 2015, which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional

analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Aledge & Associates, P.C.

January 28, 2015

## SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

FUND SOURCE  U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:	GRANT NAME	GRANT NUMBER	FEDERAL CFDA NUMBER	GRANT AWARD	CURRENT YEAR GRANT EXPENDITURES	GRANT BALANCE 9/30/2014
(Pass-through from the Cherokee Nation)	Indian Housing Block Grants Sub-Total	55IT4005780	14.867	18,545,156 18,545,156	13,642,065 13,642,065	4,903,091 4,903,091
	Total Department of Housing ar	d Urban Developi	ment	18,545,156	13,642,065	4,903,091
	Total Expenditures of Federal	Awards		\$ <u>18,545,156</u>	3\$	4,903,091

## NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

#### NOTE A: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is a summary of the Housing Authority's federal award programs presented on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### NOTE B: NON CASH AWARDS

The Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma receives additional federal assistance in the form of a loan guarantee as a sub-recipient of Title VI loan proceeds passed through from the Cherokee Nation. The loan guarantee is provided through the Title VI Federal Guarantees for Financing Tribal Housing Activities program - C.F. D. A. # 14.869.

The ending loan balance at 9-30-2014 was \$7,098,967.

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS Year Ended September 30, 2014

## SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

## Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report is		Unmodi	fied	_		
Significant defici	ncial reporting: ss(es) identified? iency(ies) identified to be material weaknesses?		yes yes		_ no _none reported	
Noncompliance material	to financial statements noted?		yes	X	_ no	
<u>Federal Awards</u>						
•			yes yes		no	
Type of auditor's report is for major program		Unmodified				
Any audit findings disclorate to be reported in Circular A-133,	accordance with		yes	X	_no	
Identification of major pr	rograms:					
CFDA Number(s)	Name of Federal Program	or Cluster				
14.869	Title VI Federal Guarantee Tribal Housing Activities	es for Financ	ing			
14.867	Indian Housing Block Gra	nt				
Dollar threshold used to obetween Type A	distinguish and Type B programs:	\$	409,262	2	_	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?			yes		_ no	

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONT'D) Year Ended September 30, 2014

### SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

### **Compliance Findings**

There are no findings requiring reporting under this section.

### **Internal Control Findings**

There are no findings requiring reporting under this section.

## SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

## **Compliance Findings**

There are no findings requiring reporting under this section.

## <u>Internal Control Findings</u>

There are no findings requiring reporting under this section.