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Independent Auditors' Report

Commission Chairman,
Members of the County Commission
Bernalillo County and
Hector H. Balderas, State Auditor

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information and the budgetary comparison of the general fund of Bernalillo County, New Mexico (County), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We also have audited the financial statements of each of the County's nonmajor governmental, non-major enterprise funds, internal service fund and the fiduciary funds presented as supplementary information in the accompanying combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules and the respective budgetary comparison of each nonmajor fund as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the County, as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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In addition, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each nonmajor governmental fund, nonmajor enterprise funds, internal service fund and fiduciary fund of the County, as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof, for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the budget comparisons referred to above present fairly, in all material respects the respective budgetary comparisons for the year then ended in conformity with the cash basis of accounting and more fully described in Note III A, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 17, 2009 on our consideration of the County'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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 28 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements and on the combining and individual fund financial statements, and the budgetary comparisons of the County. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the US Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The additional schedules listed as other supplementary information in the table of

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contents are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The introductory and the statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic and combining and individual fund financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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