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J. A. Farrow, Commissioner California Highway Patrol 601 North Seventh Street Sacramento, CA 95811

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Department of General Services

Office of Audit Services

Subject:

AUDIT REPORT: COMPLIANCE WITH STATE BUSINESS

MANAGEMENT POLICIES

Attached is the final report on our compliance audit of the business management functions and services of the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The objective of our audit was to determine compliance with policies set forth in the State Administrative Manual, and the terms and conditions of any specific delegations of authority or exemptions from approval granted by the Department of General Services (DGS).

As noted in the report, we concluded that CHP is conducting its business management functions and services in compliance with state requirements.

We sincerely appreciated the cooperation and assistance provided by CHP's personnel.

If you need further information or assistance on this report, please call / e-mail me at (916) 376-5064 / <u>Dennis.Miras@dgs.ca.gov</u>, or Susan Mitchel, Management Auditor, at (916) 376-1909 / Susan.Mitchel@dgs.ca.gov.

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GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

AUDIT OF THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

FOR COMPLIANCE WITH STATE BUSINESS MANAGEMENT POLICIES REPORT NO. 7124

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

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DATE: August 3, 2017

TO: J. A. FARROW, Commissioner

California Highway Patrol

This report presents the results of our compliance audit of the business management functions and services of the California Highway Patrol (CHP). These audits are routinely performed under the authority granted to the Department of General Services (DGS) by Government Code Sections 14615 and 14619. The objective of our audit was to determine compliance with policies set forth in the State Administrative Manual, and the terms and conditions of any specific delegations of authority or exemptions from approval granted by DGS.

As applicable, the scope of our audits of state agencies includes, but is not limited to, compliance with policies governing contracting, fleet administration, small business (SB) and disabled veteran business enterprises (DVBE) usage, driver safety and insurance, surplus property and real estate. Our audit was conducted in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards.

To determine compliance, we reviewed policies and procedures, interviewed parties involved, tested records and transactions and performed other tests as deemed necessary. The period covered by our testing varied depending upon the area of review and the type of transactions involved; however, the emphasis of our review and testing was with current procedures and transactions completed during the 2016/17 fiscal year.

Based on the results of our fieldwork conducted over the period March 8, 2017 through July 27, 2017, we concluded that CHP is conducting its business management functions and services in compliance with state requirements.

We are pleased with the prompt actions taken by CHP to address all issues identified during our audit fieldwork. However, we did not perform effectiveness tests to determine whether the corrective actions were functioning as intended. The CHP's management has the ongoing responsibility for ensuring that its business management policies and procedures are functioning as prescribed and are modified, as appropriate, for changes in conditions.

We greatly appreciated the cooperation and assistance provided by CHP's personnel.

If you need further information or assistance on this report, please contact me at (916) 376-5064, or Susan Mitchel, at (916) 376-1909.

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