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TO: Members of the State Bond Commission  
Members of the Mississippi Legislature

FROM: Gary Anderson *GA*

DATE: January 15, 2002

SUBJECT: **Report on the Mississippi Management and Reporting System Revolving Fund**

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This report is submitted pursuant to the requirements of §7-7-3 (5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), which reads in relevant part:

On or before January 15 of each year, the State Fiscal Officer shall present a report of all expenditures made during the previous fiscal year from the Mississippi Management and Reporting System Revolving Fund to the State Bond Commission and to the Legislature.

The key activities and accomplishments described in this report resulted from expenditures from the fiscal year 2001 budgeted allocations of the Mississippi Management and Reporting System (MMRS) Revolving Fund as well as from the MMRS budgeted allocations of the Statewide Cost Allocation Fund and the DFA Statewide Accounting System Fund. The attached financial summary only reflects the activity of the MMRS Revolving Fund. MMRS is a program within the Department of Finance and Administration.

**Fiscal Year 2001 Activities and Accomplishments**

Statewide Automated Accounting System (SAAS):

- Implemented three newly created agencies as online users of SAAS;
- Made additional budget management enhancements to SAAS;
- Began integration of SAAS with the Mississippi.gov portal payment applications;
- Began support of MDHS' Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) project and the integration of EBT with SAAS.

Government E-commerce Network and Imaging Environment (GENIE):

- Completed modifications required to implement web-based vehicle P1 form;
- Implemented with DFA's Office of Purchasing and Travel (OPT), a software solution for the management of specifications, bids, evaluations, and posting of statewide contracts;
- Implemented with OPT, a software solution for Internet based vendor registration and management;

### Statewide Payroll and Human Resource System (SPAHRs):

- Implemented process for multiple adjustments within a single Supplemental Payroll run;
- Implemented US Department of Labor mandates for Premium Pay Overtime Calculation;
- Implemented Vendor Credit processing;
- Implemented expanded processing for death benefits;
- Implemented the SPAHRs/MERLIN Travel Payroll Interface;
- Implemented process for roll over of Military leave;
- Implemented new reports for Manage Contracts;
- Stabilized cost reallocation processing, mass change processing, and travel adjustments;
- Further automated Mississippi Employment Security Commission Quarterly reporting;
- Implemented Combined Payroll operations – a significant savings in Operations and Systems resources;
- Fully deployed new SPAHRs performance tuning, testing, and productivity tools.

### Image 2000 (I2K)

- Issued RFP 3134, received and evaluated bids, negotiated contract, and began project to implement a web-based imaging and document management solution to support the Recruitment and Selection components of SPAHRs;
- Approved the following IKON developed deliverables for I2K: Project Plan, Project Plan Summary, Statement of Work, Style Guide, System Architecture, Vendor Hardware/Software Installation;
- Completed the following State deliverables for I2K: Acceptance testing plan, SPAHRs flat file interfaces;
- Implementation target for SPB and agencies is March 2002.

### Mississippi Executive Resource Library and Information Network (MERLIN):

- Completed joint project with the Department of Information Technology Services (ITS) to implement an Enterprise Tape Backup system for MMRS;
- Worked closely with agencies to bring them online to MERLIN by demonstrating to them MERLIN's day-to-day value as an additional tool for financial management;
- Implemented an additional 44 users (for a total of 536 as of June 30, 2001) representing an increase of 7 agencies represented (for a total of 69 as of June 30, 2001) as MERLIN users resulting in fewer requests for custom reporting and other ad hoc work being made to MMRS thus freeing MMRS resources to work on other system improvements;
- Completed upgrade of AIX operating system (system performance enhancement);
- Completed upgrade of DB2/UDB database management system (system performance enhancement);
- Implemented SAAS Projects data in MERLIN warehouse;
- Replaced the MERLIN 8 processor server with a 16 processor server (system performance enhancement required to support user and data growth);
- Implemented SPAHRs Travel data in MERLIN warehouse;
- Removed unused SAAS summary builds from the warehouse while improving the update frequencies for other SAAS summary builds from monthly to weekly or daily;
- Implemented appropriate technology to improve productivity and reduce backup times.

### MMRS-Wide:

- Implemented expanded quality assurance processes for all MMRS applications and significantly improved implementation success of enhancements and problem resolutions;
- Provided support to the Governor's Commission on Electronic Government;
- Provided significant resources for the development of and evaluation of responses to RFP 3199 for a

- web development toolset (joint project with ITS);
- Provided significant resources for the development of and evaluation of responses to RFP 3205 for the Mississippi.gov portal (joint project with ITS);
- Conducted 85 training sessions for SAAS, SPAHRS, MERLIN, and other tools;
- Expanded the information available from our web site at <http://www.mmrs.state.ms.us>;
- Expanded searchable functional area Web Archives;
- Implemented SSL for appropriate secure data access;
- Relocated the MMRS offices from the Barefield Complex to the Woolfolk Building with only limited downtime and customer inconvenience.

**Summary**

Since Fiscal Year 1993, notable progress has been made to support the State's commitment to developing a comprehensive knowledge base of accurate, timely information about the State's financial condition and work force requirements, as well as delivering the services necessary to process financial, and workforce transactions for State agencies. Through the enterprise applications of DFA/MMRS, a number of operational efficiencies have been achieved. Our focus has been and continues to be on Mississippi government as a single enterprise and providing applications appropriate for the enterprise while continuing to allow agencies to meet their own unique needs. Benefits derived throughout Mississippi government include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Better and more timely financial management information available;
- Increased confidence in historical data;
- Overall improvement in data integrity;
- Leveraged legacy system investments with little re-engineering required;
- Patterns and comparisons now possible;
- Government planners make more intelligent assessments of their programs;
- Government finance officers proactively manage budgets;
- Many Public Information Requests require little or no support from Government officials;
- Lines of communication between various agencies are more open, thereby promoting collaboration;
- Timeliness--sometimes immediate response;
- New capabilities to analyze and present diverse information;
- Multidimensional views of information.

Please contact Cille Litchfield, MMRS Administrator, at (601) 359-1433 or [litchc@mmrs.state.ms.us](mailto:litchc@mmrs.state.ms.us) should you have questions regarding this report.

Attachment

<b>STATUS OF MMRS REVOLVING FUND</b>		
<b>AS OF JUNE 30, 2001</b>		
<b>FY 2001 EXPENDITURES</b>		
GENIE		\$343,963.62
	Government E-commerce Network & Imaging Environment (SAAS Imaging Support)	
SPAHRS		\$2,985,200.16
	Statewide Payroll and Human Resource System	
I2K		\$641,263.42
	Image 2000 (SPAHRS Imaging Support)	
MERLIN		\$1,772,691.83
	Mississippi Executive Resource Library and Information Network	
Administration		\$350,477.73
Total Expenditures		\$6,093,596.76
<b>CASH</b>		
Beginning Balance, 07/01/2000		\$11,942,797.59
Plus: Interest Earned on Investments		\$622,540.05
Plus: Interest on Recovery of Expenditures		\$0.00
Plus: Recovery of Development Expenditures from State Agencies		\$79,557.32
Plus: SPAHRS Production Charges		\$2,222,229.57
Plus: MERLIN Production Charges		\$1,535,583.37
Other Adjustments		0.00
Less: Expenditures		(6,093,596.76)
Ending Balance, 6/30/2001		\$10,309,111.14