#### STATE OF ILLINOIS

# OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

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Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

#### **SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST**

#### **SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**

Financial Audit
For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS					
	New	Repeat	<u>Total</u>	Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3		
Category 1:	0	0	0						
Category 2:	1	0	1						
Category 3:	0	_0	_0		No Repeat Findings				
TOTAL	1	0	1						
FINDINGS I	AST A	UDIT: 1							

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This digest covers the Southern Illinois University Financial Audit as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018. Southern Illinois University's financial audit report consists of three sets of financial statements as follows - the financial statements of Southern Illinois University (the "University"); the financial statements of the Housing and Auxiliary Facilities System (HAFS), a segment financial report of the University issued for bondholders; and the Medical Facilities System (MFS), a segment financial report of the University issued for bondholders.

The University's Compliance Examination (including the Single Audit) covering the year ended June 30, 2018 will be issued in a separate report at a later date.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

• (18-1) The University overstated depreciation expense for improvements placed into service from construction in process.

Category 1: Findings that are material weaknesses in internal control and/or a qualification on compliance with State laws and regulations (material noncompliance).

Category 2: Findings that are significant deficiencies in internal control and noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

Category 3: Findings that have no internal control issues but are in noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

{Financial data is summarized on next page.}

### SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL AUDIT

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2018

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES		4040		004=
IN NET POSITION		2018		2017
Operating Revenues	Φ.	220.255.025	Φ.	245,002,055
Student tuition and fees, net	\$	229,266,026	\$	246,002,966
Auxiliary enterprises		96,691,267		107,188,291
Grants and contracts		85,440,599		82,267,590
Sales and services of educational departments		122,183,589		117,362,044
Physicians and Surgeons practice plan and other		51,225,540		48,374,866
Total Operating Revenues		584,807,021		601,195,757
Operating Expenses				
Instruction		360,037,082		363,765,973
Research		46,792,753		47,928,808
Public service		59,959,861		58,139,202
Academic support		255,616,539		245,747,210
Student services		88,409,546		86,860,483
Institutional support		85,973,713		101,738,900
Operation and maintenance of plant		90,593,871		91,445,257
Scholarships and fellowships		47,907,557		52,530,930
Auxiliary enterprises		105,541,945		114,721,960
Depreciation		53,196,616		53,988,717
Other		193,773		281,512
Total Operating Expenses		1,194,223,256		1,217,148,952
Operating (Loss)		(609,416,235)		(615,953,195
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NONOPERATING AND OTHER REVENUES (EXPENSES) State appropriations		276,429,700		106,963,500
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On behalf payments of the University		379,017,601		384,606,916
Grants and other, net		76,382,009		50,031,570
Capital appropriations and gifts		17,280,902		14,602,740
Net Nonoperating and Other Revenues		749,110,212		556,204,726
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET POSITION		139,693,977		(59,748,469
Net position, beginning of year, restated		428,884,109		713,133,175
Net position, end of year	\$	568,578,086	\$	653,384,706
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION (SUMMARY)		2018		2017
Assets		2016		2017
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	91,075,865	\$	67,870,182
Investments.	-	221,886,168	-	109,178,306
Receivables, net.		64,524,509		67,985,490
Capital assets, net		816,609,429		838,271,518
Other assets.		11,602,049		11,925,193
Deferred outflow of resources		8,830,040		5,464,257
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources		1,214,528,060	-	1,100,694,946
Liabilities		1,214,320,000		1,100,074,740
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		80,948,502		81,599,301
Bonds, COPS and leases payableLiability and Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB		253,204,702 227,974,798		276,359,562
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Unearned revenue, self insurance and other liabilities		83,821,972		89,351,377
Total Not Position	•	645,949,974	•	447,310,240
Total Net Position	\$	568,578,086	\$	653,384,706
UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT				
During Audit Period: Dr. Randy J. Dunn (through 7/15/18)				
Currently: Dr. J. Kevin Dorsey, Interim President (effective 7/16/18)				

#### FINDING, CONCLUSION, AND RECOMMENDATION

### INSUFFICIENT CONTROLS OVER DEPRECIATION CALCULATION

### Depreciation expense was overstated approximately \$0.5 million

The University overstated depreciation expense by approximately \$0.5 million for building improvements placed into service from construction in process during the fiscal year.

The University began depreciating costs before the acquisition date

We noted renovations were completed and placed into service over a two-year period of time. However, University personnel recorded all construction in process costs under a single asset number. The depreciation calculation was performed based solely upon the initial placed-in-service date of the first portion of renovations, rather than when each portion of the renovation was acquired or placed in service. As a result, the University began depreciating the Fiscal Year 2018 costs one to two years before the acquisition date and accordingly, depreciation expense was overstated. (Finding 1, pages 5-6)

We recommended the University strengthen and review its internal controls and policies related to financial reporting over construction in process and placed in service dates specifically on projects that might have staggered completion dates. We also recommended accounting staff obtain any necessary information to make informed decisions, consider whether more than one asset number is warranted, and review depreciation assumptions and calculations for accuracy.

## The University agrees with the finding

The University agreed with the finding and stated they would put procedures in place based upon the recommendation.

We will review the Agency's progress towards implementation of our recommendation in our next financial audit.

#### **AUDITOR'S OPINION**

The auditors stated the financial statements of the University, the Housing and Auxiliary Facilities System, and the Medical Facilities System as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018 are fairly stated in all material respects.

This financial audit was conducted by Plante & Moran, PLLC.

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JANE CLARK
Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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FRANK J. MAUTINO Auditor General

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