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Commissioner Martin Cabrera, Jr. Audit Committee Chairman Public Building Commission of Chicago Richard J. Daley Center 50 West Washington Street, Room 200 Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Chairman Cabrera:

Enclosed for your review is the public report on the operations of the City of Chicago Office of Inspector General (OIG) regarding the Public Building Commission (PBC) from July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015. This report was filed with the Audit Committee pursuant to Intergovernmental Agreement, Section 2-56 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, and the Memorandum of Understanding by and between PBC and OIG.

Respectfully,

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This quarterly report provides an overview of the operations of the City of Chicago Office of Inspector General (OIG) as they relate to the Public Building Commission of Chicago (PBC) during the period from July 1, 2015, through September 30, 2015. The report includes statistics and narrative descriptions of OIG's activity as required by OIG's Intergovernmental Agreement with PBC that became effective February 1, 2015.

A. MISSION OF THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The mission of OIG is to promote economy, effectiveness, efficiency, and integrity in the administration of programs and operation of City government pursuant to the authority granted by the Municipal Code of Chicago and intergovernmental agreements between the City of Chicago and its Sister Agencies, including PBC.

OIG accomplishes its mission through investigations, audits, and other reviews. OIG issues summary reports of investigations to the PBC Audit Committee Chairman or the Executive Director, with investigative findings and recommendations for corrective action and discipline. Narrative summaries of sustained investigations are released in quarterly reports. OIG's audit reports and advisories are directed to the PBC Audit Committee Chairman and the Executive Director for comment and then are released to the public through publication on the OIG website. OIG's department notifications are sent to the PBC Audit Committee Chairman and the Executive Director for attention and comment and are summarized, along with any management response, in the ensuing quarterly report.¹

B. <u>Investigations</u>

1. Complaints Received

OIG received two complaints regarding PBC during the preceding quarter. The following table outlines the actions OIG has taken in response to these complaints.

Table #1 – Complaint Actions

Status	Number of Complaints
Declined	1
Opened Investigation	0
Referred	0
Pending	1
Total	2

¹ Per the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Public Building Commission and the City of Chicago, OIG reports go, "(i) to the Chairman of the Audit Committee, if the report concerns the investigation of a Commission contract; (ii) to the Executive Director, if the report concerns the investigation of Commission personnel; or (iii) to the Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Executive Director, if the report concerns a program review or audit or other matter not covered by (i) or (ii)." (*See* Municipal Code of Chicago § 2-56-030(i) Exhibit A)

Among other factors, OIG's evaluates complaints to gauge the investigative viability and potential magnitude or significance of the allegations—both individually and programmatically.

2. Newly Opened Matters

During the reporting period, OIG did not open any investigations related to the operations of PBC.

3. Investigations Concluded in Quarter

During the reporting period, OIG did not conclude any investigations related to the operations of PBC.

4. Active Investigations

OIG has a total of two active investigations related to the operations of PBC.

5. Investigations Not Concluded in Twelve Months

No open investigations existed as of February 1, 2015; accordingly, there are no investigations related to the operations of PBC that have been open for at least twelve months.