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Re: **FY 2009 GOLD STAR CERTIFICATE**

It is a great pleasure to inform you that your agency has earned the State Controller's Gold Star Certificate for fiscal year 2009.

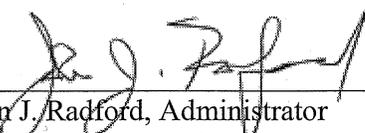
The State Controller's Gold Star Certificate is awarded to state agencies that provide accurate and complete fiscal year end information in a timely manner. Clearly, the Gold Star is a challenge to earn, and its achievement is due primarily to your agency's diligent efforts to maintain accurate and complete accounting records throughout the year.

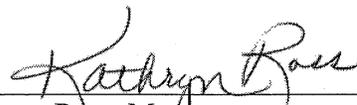
Your agency's participation in the Gold Star Certificate program is important in meeting statewide fiscal performance goals and key to the timely preparation of Oregon's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the statewide Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. Your agency's success in accounting and financial reporting is also critical to Oregon's success in receiving a favorable audit opinion on both statewide documents.

The State Controller's Gold Star Certificate is Oregon's equivalent to the nationally recognized GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Through the collaborative team effort of state agencies and the State Controller's Division, Oregon has earned the GFOA Certificate every year since 1992. *Gold Star agencies* are key to making this possible.

The Gold Star Certificate was delivered to your agency's lead CAFR accountant, **Lora Carson**, earlier this month. Congratulations to your agency and your fiscal team for this outstanding work!

Sincerely,

  
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John J. Radford, Administrator  
State Controller's Division

  
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